

# Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society Newsletter

## **June Meeting**

Tue 3-Jun-2025, 7:30pm Danbury Village Hall

# **Practical Skills Night**

**By CARS Members** 

Our practical/social slot returns for the June meeting where you can either just socialise - or be hands on...

This month's topics are based on correctly assembling connectors and our popular kits - but please do ask if you are after something else

- Soldering / PL259 Coax Connector assembly practice
- Morse Tutors
- FM Radio Kits
- AM Radio Kits
- Light-barrier intrusion alarm (Tx and Rx PCBs)

**Sales** - Got some surplus? - bring yours along for selling or 'recycling' on the night... (Last month saw us clear a lot of SK kit, so we now have room for more!)

Quiz - fresh questions

All welcome - free raffle and refreshments. Donations to charity.





#### **CAR PARKING – take care to register your car in Danbury**

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## **Club Diary**

Tue 3-Jun-2025	CARS Meeting – Practical Skills Night	Danbury Village Hall
Tue 1-Jul-2025	CARS Meeting – It's Radio – but by Jim Salmon 2E0RMI	Danbury Village Hall
Tue 5-Aug-2025	CARS Meeting – Summer Social Meal	Chelmsford - venue tbc
Tue 2-Sep-2025	CARS Meeting – Tabletop Sale	Danbury Village Hall

#### **Club Nets**

CARS meets for talks/events on the first Tuesday of the month. The subsequent Tuesdays have club radio nets as follows below and dates listed on our calendar at <a href="https://www.g0mwt.org.uk/main/events/categories/net/">www.g0mwt.org.uk/main/events/categories/net/</a>:-

• 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in the Month – VHF

The CARS VHF FM Net uses GB3DA from Danbury starting at 8pm (local). GB3DA is 145.125MHz Input and 145.725MHz Output - and CTCSS-only (110.9Hz), 2min timeout If for any reason GB3DA is not available then 145.375 Simplex will be used. Vertical aerials are best for this

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday in the Month - UHF

The CARS UHF FM Net uses GB3ER from Danbury and starting at 8pm (local). GB3ER is 434.675MHz Input and 433.075MHz Output - and is CTCSS-only Vertical aerials are best.

• 4th Tuesday in the Month - HF

The CARS 80m Net on "3756kHz" Night, SSB and starting at 8pm (local). Horizontal aerials are best. The idea is to enable distant CARS Members to join the Net.

• 5th Tuesday in the Month (when there is one!) - MF

This is the CARS Top Band Net on 1947/1950 kHz +/-QRM, LSB and starting at 8pm (local). Horizontal aerials are usually used for this Net. A reminder - limit your power to a max of 30 Watts, please.

## **Training & Morse Classes**

If you are interested in either training/revision or exams, please contact **John O'Connell M0JOC** our training coordinator and Exam Secretary. Please also spread the word to potential candidates. John can be contacted via training2025@g0mwt.org.uk or 07868-004380

More info and other updates are at: www.g0mwt.org.uk/training - and the updated RSGB Course Finder

**Online Morse Classes:** Thursday evenings at 7pm. Coordinated by Andy G0IBN who has on-air practice sessions and online by MS-Teams

- "Beginners" classes are available,
- Other courses available are an "Improvers" class,10 to 15wpm:
- "Morse Development Group" 15wpm+: "Advanced" class for the techniques of "Head copying"
- contact Andy via morse2025@g0mwt.org.uk



### May Meeting: Meet your RSGB Region-12 Reps

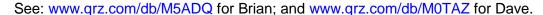
The May meeting was a great chance to meet the RSGB Regional Team and hear about their work, experiences, latest news, ask for help or input ideas. The attendees were:-

- **Brian Woolnough M5ADQ** Region-12 Rep (East Anglia)
- Dave Cutts M0TAZ Essex District Rep

Brian succeeded David De La Haye and hails from Suffolk - so having him down in Essex is a great opportunity for all local amateurs/clubs to attend, meet and chat.

Brian also has background as a Bletchley-NRC

and AMSAT-UK volunteer (see his QRZ page). Dave Cutts is also well known for his amateur antenna and operating activities.



RSGB Region-12 covers Essex, Suffolk, Norfolk and Cambridgeshire. Brian and Dave had some slides which helped give a great overview of the region and activities that they support, as part of the outreach and support work they do.

The event had been widely advertised and local amateurs/clubs were welcome to attend. Some useful discussions occurred on the challenges to the hobby from modern society, changes in training etc. We will also had tables for surplus hardware and goodies so there were bargains too.

The meeting concluded with a presentation of a well-deserved 5WPM CW certificate to Noah 2E0XZD by Andy G0IBN - and the raffle.

#### **Useful Links:**

Web: RSGB Region 12

Facebook: facebook.com/groups/rsgbregion12



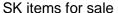
Dave M0TAZ, Eliot M0JBY, Brian M5ADQ



Noah receiving his award from Andy









Raffle prizes

## **RSGB CW Champion Vacancy**

RSGB is seeking to appoint a new volunteer to be an advocate for the use of CW...

Full details at: https://rsgb.org/main/blog/news/gb2rs/headlines/2025/05/23/cw-champion/

This role is intended to help take CW to new audiences with an emphasis on learning and development to further the skills of RSGB members. If you are interested in the CW Champion role or becoming a member of the team to promote CW, then please get in touch with Mark Jones, G0MGX via <a href="mailto:strategy@rsgb.org.uk">strategy@rsgb.org.uk</a>

## CARS July Talk - Radio... by Jim 2E0RMI

A treat for 1st July: "It's Radio Jim... but not as we Hams know it ?!"

Jim Salmon 2E0RMI will present on a collection of radio topics that fall between the ham bands

All welcome - free raffle and refreshments. Donations to charity

Further info:

Web: jimsradiosite

QRZ: www.qrz.com/db/2E0RMI



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