



# **Chester Amateur Radio Society Newsletter**

## **October Meeting**

**Tue 7-Oct-2025, 7:30pm  
Danbury Village Hall**

## **CARS AGM & Social**

**By CARS Members**

The CARS Annual General Meeting will take place on Tuesday October-7<sup>th</sup> at Danbury Village Hall starting at 7.30pm. Proceedings will start with the annual reports from the Club's officers.

- IMPORTANT - PLEASE ATTEND / VOLUNTEER**
- We need Events volunteers, Programme Secretary, Newsletter Editor, Equipment Manager, offers of talks etc

Voting will take place for members to choose both new and standing members of the Committee. Nominations should be made before the meeting but can also be accepted on the night.

We are short of volunteers and the vacant positions need to be filled!

**It is essential that the Committee numbers are refreshed . Please consider standing for any role.**

- it is important that members actively support their club and to please attend.

In addition to reports and elections, there will be an opportunity for members to voice their suggestions for future events and overall running of the Society.

We will also have some surplus/SK items

- and of course refreshments and the much renowned CARS free raffle.

We also have several Morse keys and related items left from last month

– see our sales page ask Paul G4PVM



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

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**Club Diary**

Tue 7-Oct-2025	CARS AGM and Social – Volunteers Needed!	Danbury Village Hall
Tue 4-Nov-2025	CARS Meeting – LF: How Low Can You go? – Andy Tyler G1GKN	Danbury Village Hall
Tue 2-Dec-2025	CARS Xmas Social	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 [www.g0mwt.org.uk/main/events/categories/net/](http://www.g0mwt.org.uk/main/events/categories/net/) :-

- **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 is 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.

- **4<sup>th</sup> 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.

- **5<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:training2025@g0mwt.org.uk) or 07868-004380. Bookings are now open for the autumn.

More info and other updates are at: [www.g0mwt.org.uk/training](http://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](mailto:morse2025@g0mwt.org.uk)

 Follow @TrainWithCARS

## September Meeting: Table Top Sale

The great Essex Table Top Sale, hosted by CARS, returned to Danbury Village Hall for its regular September slot. Hard work by volunteers had led to a bumper selection of cherished goodies, largely from the recent passing of Colin Page G0TRM.

Several tables were laid out and featured everything from radio and Morse code items, to audio microphones/mixers, and much more!

A good turnout led to a very sociable occasion, helped by the usual supply of tea/coffee and biscuits

**NB:** Most Morse keys were kept separate from this event and offers for these are being coordinated by Paul G4PVM

- See the [club sales page](#) for the Morse Keys Sale Guide



Just a small fraction of the goodies and folk at the Table Top Sale

## Autumn Training

Our next course is a 2-week evening fastrack Intermediate training course at Danbury on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm-9pm.

The course is aimed at candidates who wish to undertake revision and final exam preparation, face-to-face with our very experienced trainers.

Sessions include typical exam questions and in-depth explanations of the answers.

If you have other needs (inc for Foundation or Full) we can also assist on specific areas of the syllabus where greater understanding of a topic may be needed, as well tips and advice on best exam practice.

Contact John M0JOC and also see <http://www.g0mwt.org.uk/training/>

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## Ofcom Phase-2/3 Licensing

All radio amateurs should check that their contact details registered with Ofcom are up to date.

**Note:** The latest Ofcom Password Policy may require you to update your password

Whilst Stages-2/3 were previously delayed, the final changes are now closer to implementation

A reminder that this will include changes to new Intermediate callsigns and rules for Special Event Stations.

- Ofcom Online Login: <https://ofcomlive.my.site.com/licensingcomlogin>
- RSGB: [rsgb.org/licence-review](http://rsgb.org/licence-review) and [rsgb.org/licensing](http://rsgb.org/licensing)

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## RSGB Convention – Oct 11 & 12<sup>th</sup>

Whilst the deadline for attending the event in person has passed, RSGB will have a live-stream service for many of the talks

Some useful links:

- Programme: [Latest Draft](#)
- Online: [Stream Info](#)



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