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**GB2RS News**

**Sunday** **the 12th of January**

**The news headlines:**

* **There are opportunities in the RSGB’s Regional Team**
* **World Thinking Day on the Air is coming up in February**
* **Are you interested in an exciting opportunity to volunteer with the amateur radio maker community?**

If you’re looking to get involved in a different side of amateur radio this year, have you thought about becoming a volunteer RSGB Regional Representative for your area? There are eight Regional Representative posts available for nomination in this year’s RSGB elections. This rewarding role will give you the opportunity to represent the views of members in your region to the Board, as well as supporting and advising the District Representatives located within the Region. Regional Representatives are also members of the volunteer Leadership Team, have the opportunity to contribute to the Society’s strategy and policy development, as well as to its implementation. If you think this sounds exciting, and you are a confident communicator who has experience in managing people, then go to rsgb.org/election  and read the candidate pack now. You’ll also find details about how to apply, alongside information on other roles, including the RSGB President and two Elected Board Director vacancies. The closing date for all vacancies is 2359UTC on the 31st of January. So, act now and use your expertise to make an impact on amateur radio in your region.

On the 15th of February, Girlguiding members will celebrate World Thinking Day on the Air. The aim of this event is to encourage Girlguiding members to make friendships with those in other units, using amateur radio as the means of communication. On this day, Crawley Amateur Radio Club and RSGB volunteers will be hosting special event callsign GB1SCG, which relates to Sussex Central Guides. Girlguiding members of all ages will have the opportunity to celebrate by communicating via the amateur bands. If you or your amateur radio club are planning to work with a local Girlguiding group for World Thinking Day on the Air, please get in touch via comms@rsgb.org.uk  so the RSGB can promote your event.

As part of the RSGB’s ongoing strategy to take amateur radio to new and diverse audiences, it is delighted to advertise a new volunteer role. This is an opportunity for someone to be an advocate for amateur radio within the maker community. The spirit of experimentation, curiosity and learning is common to both groups and the RSGB would like to foster greater crossover between the amateur radio and modern maker communities. This crossover would be centred around hackspace and makerspaces, as well as larger events, but would also encourage individuals from each community to inspire and learn from each other. This role is intended to help take amateur radio to a new audience with an emphasis on how the licence would support other hobbies, rather than the promotion of traditional amateur radio activities. To carry out this role you’ll need to be open to working with different communities, be proactive and organised, and be able to build a team and help it to work to achieve goals. To find full details of the role go to rsgb.org/volunteers  and if you’re interested in applying or being part of a wider team, contact RSGB Board Director Mark Jones, G0MGX via g0mgx@rsgb.org.uk

The RSGB is recruiting volunteers for two roles that are fundamental to the delivery of the Society’s Convention. The Convention Chair will be someone who understands the advantages of both online and in-person events. The successful applicant will have an awareness of all aspects of amateur radio and will contribute to shaping the RSGB Conventions of the future to suit the changing amateur radio audience. A second opportunity to be part of the Convention team is as the Society’s Lecture Coordinator. This role is part of both the Convention and Tonight@8 teams and requires someone who is proactive and collaborative. The applicant will need to bring ideas for presentations that educate and inspire radio amateurs to try something new, learn more about interesting topics and expand their knowledge of amateur radio. To find out more about either of these roles, and how to apply, go to rsgb.org/volunteers

Don’t forget that the next event in the popular 145 Alive series will take place on Sunday the 26th of January 2025. It will run from 12pm to 3pm and there will be nets operating in most Maidenhead Squares across England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland. To take part in the event, which is designed to promote FM activity on the 2m band, all you need to do is call in and make contact with others. For more information visit the 145 Alive Facebook page.

Please send details of all your news and events to radcom@rsgb.org.uk The deadline for submissions is 10am on Thursdays before the Sunday broadcast each week.

**And now for details of rallies and events**

The Lincoln Shortwave Club Winter Radio Rally is taking place on the 26th of January at The Festival Hall, Caistor Road in Market Rasen. The doors open at 10am and admission is £3. Hot refreshments and ample free car parking will be available. The cost for a table is £10. To book, please contact Steve Burke, M5ZZZ on 07777 699 069 or email m5zzz@outlook.com

On the 9th of February, the Mid Cheshire Amateur Radio Society RadioActive Rally will take place at Nantwich Civic Hall, Market Street, Nantwich, Cheshire, CW5 5DG. The doors will be open from 10am to 3pm and admission will cost £5. Hot food, refreshments and free car parking will be available. For more information contact Patrick, 2E0VGF via info@radioactivefair.co.uk

The Red Rose Winter Rally is due to take place on the 23rd of February from 10am at Mather Hall, Mather Lane, Leigh, Lancashire, WN7 2PJ. Please note that the maximum number of five-foot tables per trader has had to be reduced from six to five. On a brighter note, the price remains as it has been for several years at £10 per table. For more information visit wmrc.co.uk

On the 1st of March, The Lagan Valley Amateur Radio Society Annual Rally will be held at Hillsborough Village Centre, 7 Ballynahinch Road, BT26 6AR. The doors open at 10.30am. For more details visit lvars.uk

**Now the Special Event news**

The South African Radio League, or SARL, is enjoying its 100th anniversary in 2025. To celebrate the occasion, the SARL Centenary Marathon QSO Party began at 0000UTC on the 1st of January and will run until 2359UTC on the 31st of December 2025. Throughout the year, the League, with the aid of its members and associated clubs, will be on the air using special event callsign ZS100SARL, as well as the permanent callsigns ZS6SRL and ZS9HQ. For details of a number of awards that will be available, and for more information, go to tinyurl.com/SARL25

The Deutsches [DOI-SHAH] Museum in Munich, one of the largest science and technology museums in the world, celebrates its 100th anniversary in 2025. Special callsign DL100DM will be active throughout the year from the amateur radio station which is part of the Museum's permanent electronics exhibition. QSL via DL8FA. More information is available at QRZ.com

**Now the DX news**

Thierry [TEA-AIR-EE], TK1CX is active in Cameroon until February 2025. In his spare time, he is QRV as TJ/TK1CX on the 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10m bands. He operates mainly using FT8 with a solar power supply. QSL via Logbook of the World, eQSL or via EA5ZD.

Don, KW7R is active as V73KW from the Marshall Islands in the northwestern [Pacific Ocean](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pacific_Ocean). He is there on a work assignment until September 2025 and, in his spare time, he operates CW and FT8 on various bands. QSL via Logbook of the World.

**Now the contest news**

Today, the 12th, the RSGB Affiliated Societies 80 and 40m Datamodes Contest runs from 1300 to 1700UTC. Using PSK63 and RTTY on the 80 and 40m bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

On Tuesday the 14th, the RSGB 432MHz FM Activity Contest runs from 1900 to 1955UTC. Using FM on the 70cm band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Also on Tuesday the 14th, the RSGB 432MHz UK Activity Contest runs from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the 70cm band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Thursday the 16th, the RSGB 70MHz UK Activity Contest runs from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the 4m band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Saturday the 18th, the RSGB Affiliated Societies 80 and 40m SSB Contest runs from 1300 to 1700UTC. Using SSB on the 80 and 40m bands, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

**Now the radio propagation report, compiled by G0KYA, G3YLA and G4BAO on Thursday the 9th of January 2025.**

First, let’s take a look at last week’s solar activity. As predicted, the solar flux index declined to the 160s. We had one X-class solar flare on the 4th and there have been 11 M-class flares since then. The net result was that the ionosphere was unsettled from the 4th to the 6th of January with the Kp index hitting 5 on the 4th. Following this, the Kp index was at 4 on the 5th and 6th of January.

There were reports of visible aurora over the UK on Saturday the 4th, but it was nothing like the record-breaking aurora in April 2024.

There were coronal mass ejections, or CMEs, over this period but they were mainly facing away from Earth. Maximum usable frequencies, or MUFs for short, held up over this period, although the shorter days meant that the MUF over a 3,000km path didn’t stay above 28MHz for long after sunset. MUFs plummeted to below 10MHz by 1800UTC on Sunday the 5th.

The message is clear – get your high-band DXing done by sunset!

Next week it looks like the Sun is going into hibernation. The main sunspots will be disappearing over the western limb, leaving it looking a little bare. As a result, NOAA predicts that the solar flux index will remain low until the 16th when it is predicted to climb into the 200s once again.

Unsettled geomagnetic conditions are forecast from the 16th to the 20th of January with a predicted maximum Kp index of 4. There are currently no coronal holes to worry about.

So, in conclusion, this weekend ending the 12th looks set to be reasonable for HF operating, barring any X-class solar flares and accompanying CMEs. We predict that MUFs over 3,000km will be above 28MHz from around 0900UTC to 1500UTC.

**And now the VHF and up propagation news from G3YLA and G4BAO.**

We are in the middle of a proper winter cold spell at the moment, and we are about to see a large high coming over the country.

This high is building in cold air and it means sharp frosts and perhaps some fog, so there’s a chance of patchy tropo at times. Conditions may further improve as the high slips south after this weekend ending today the 12th. This may allow milder, moister Atlantic air in from the west to improve the refractive index contrast across the inversion, which could lead to tropo.

The solar conditions have remained interesting and produced a few aurora alerts, so we can probably benefit from watching the Kp index during the coming week.

Meteor activity has passed its early January peaks, and we are now sliding back into random meteor activity as our best options. These tend to be better just before dawn. There is just one minor shower this week. The Gamma Ursae-Minorids is active from the 10th to the 22nd of January and peaks on the 18th.

We have mentioned Sporadic-E quite a lot recently but, with the passing of the meteor activity, the chances of it occurring reduce considerably. Although limited activity may enhance the lower bands, it probably won’t feature in the usual high HF and VHF bands.

The Moon reaches maximum declination this weekend, ending today the 12th. Moon windows are long and peak Moon elevations are high. Path losses are also high and increasing all week. 144MHz sky noise is low all week.

And that’s all from the propagation team.

**Next, the Local News:**

**Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found on the RSGB website, including email addresses and website links where known.**

[Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

**NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS**

Meetings of Bolsover Amateur Radio Society take place on the first and third Tuesday of the month at the Bainbridge Hall, Bolsover, S44 6PX, from 8pm. Further information and reminders for meetings can be found on the Society’s Facebook page @bolsoverars Contact Richard, G0RRZ on  07905 868 221 for further information.

Bromsgrove and District Amateur Radio Club meets every Friday from 8pm. Members also have a regular coffee morning on Wednesdays in the Club’s shack from 10.30am. On Monday and Wednesday evenings there are nets on 145.375MHz from 7.30pm. Alan, G4LVK, 07886 000 052

Burton Amateur Radio Club has slow CW training on 14.055MHz on Mondays at 11am. Members have a club night on Wednesday from 7.30pm at the Plough Inn, Horninglow. They also hold a very informal open net on Thursday evenings from 8pm, and on Sundays from 10am around 145.575MHz FM. contact info@burton-arc.co.uk for details.

Central Radio Amateur Circle has a net on 145.575MHz from 7.30pm on Tuesday and from 12pm on Saturday. The group will be having a Google Meeting at 7pm on Wednesday. Visit cracradio.com for more information.

Cheltenham Amateur Radio Association has daily nets on 145.400MHz at 8pm. On Monday there will be a DMR net in talk group 23592 from 8pm. Tuesday sees slow CW around 3540kHz from 8pm. The Wednesday net is on 144.350MHz from 8pm. On Friday there will be a net via the GB3GH or GB3RS repeaters from 8pm. For more information visit g5bk.uk or email committee@g5bk.uk

On Mondays, Coventry Amateur Radio Society holds an open FM net on 145.375MHz from 8pm. On Wednesdays, there is a Zoom meeting from 11am. On Fridays, the Society holds a club night at St Barts, CV3 2DT from 8pm. info@coventryradio.org.uk

Dudley and District Amateur Radio Society meets every Tuesday, from 6 to 10pm, at Ruiton Mill, 59 Vale Street, Upper Gornal, Dudley, DY3 3XF. Keith, M0WYZ, keithm0wyz@gmail.com

Gloucester Amateur Radio and Electronics Society holds an informal net every day on 145.475MHz FM at 3.30pm. On Monday, members are holding a construction meeting. On Wednesday, there is a net from 7.30pm on 145.475MHz FM. Thursday sees another net from 7.30pm on 145.475MHz FM, moving to 80m SSB later on. On Friday, there is a net on 432.220MHz SSB from 7.30pm. Anne, 2E1GKY, 01242 699 595 daytime, g4aym.org.uk

Kettering and District Amateur Radio Society has a breakfast meeting from 10am on Sundays. On Tuesdays, there is a club meeting from 7pm. The Society’s net takes place on Thursdays on 145.300MHz from 7pm. Les, 2E0MNZ, les@moylehousehold.co.uk

On Monday, Leicester Radio Society has a meeting at its clubrooms and via Zoom from 7.30pm. The Zoom link can be found on the club’s website. There will also be a club meeting from 10am on Thursday. g3lrs.org.uk

Lincoln Short Wave Club is meeting at BSA Village Hall from 7.30pm on Wednesday and from 9.30am on Saturday. On Thursday there will be a net via GB3LS or 145.350MHz if the repeater is unavailable. For more information visit g5fz.co.uk

On Tuesday, Loughborough and District Amateur Radio Club is meeting to discuss Morse keys with Chris, G1ETZ. For more information visit radioclub.org.uk

On Wednesday, Malvern Hills Radio Amateurs Club has a net on 145.350MHz FM from 8pm. Dave, G4IDF, 01905 351 568

On Wednesday, Midland Amateur Radio Society is holding a short committee meeting and running training classes. Norman, G8BHE, 07808 078 003

On Monday, Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a shack night and club net on 145.300MHz from 8pm. The Group is holding a surplus sale of Friday. Paul, G1GSZ, pr@nharg.org.uk

On Monday, RAF Waddington Amateur Radio Club has a club net on 145.325MHz, or the GB3LM repeater, from 7.30pm. On Friday, members are meeting at The Pyewipe Inn from 8pm. g0raf.co.uk

Rugby Amateur Transmitting Society has weekday nets at 8.30am on 144.275MHz USB. Training and practice CW nets take place on Monday and Thursday at 4.30pm on 144.275MHz, initially using USB and then CW. There is a meeting at Boughton Leigh 12th Rugby Scouts Hut from 8pm on Tuesday, and on Saturday from 2pm. On Friday, the Society has a net on 1913kHz from 8pm. Steve, G8LYB, stephen@tompsett.net

On Thursday, Salop Amateur Radio Society will have its shack on the air during the 70MHz UK Activity Contest. salopradiosociety.org

On Thursday, Solihull Amateur Radio Society is meeting at 1st Solihull Scout HQ from 8pm. solihullradioclub.co.uk

On Sundays, South Birmingham Radio Society has activities in the attic with Bob and others. More information is available on the Society’s website. On Tuesdays, visitors are welcome to attend the Society’s coffee morning from 10.30am.Gemma Gordon, M6GKG, gemmagordonm6gkg@gmail.com for full details.

On Tuesday, South Derbyshire and Ashby Woulds Amateur Radio Group has a net on 144.225MHz SSB from 7pm. On Friday, there is a net on 70.425MHz from 7pm. sdawarg.secretary@gmail.com

On Monday, Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society is meeting at The Pavilion, 9 Openfield Croft, Water Orton from 8pm. Robert Bird, rob2e0zap@gmail.com

On Wednesday, Telford and District Amateur Radio Society is having a 2m net from 7.30pm. For more information visit tdars.org.uk

Wolverhampton Amateur Radio Society meets every Wednesday, from 7.30pm, at the Wednesfield and Woodend British Legion. On Sundays, there is a net around 145.350MHz from 8pm. For more information visit [wolverhamptonars.co.uk](https://lsems.gravityzone.bitdefender.com/scan/aHR0cDovL3d3dy53b2x2ZXJoYW1wdG9uYXJzLmNvLnVrLw%3D%3D/F69C40A4F870B195DEB11030886406E7AD7EBA7A96C22DE27DBA3F987069AE21?c=1&i=1&docs=1) or @wolvesars on social media. Andrew, 2E0YEZ, 01902 762603

On Tuesday, members of Wythall Radio Club will be meeting from 7.30pm. Chris, G3YHF, 0795 839 5904

**NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND**

Barnsley and District Amateur Radio Club has a club meeting and social evening from 7pm every Wednesday. On Thursday, there will be a net on 144.5625MHz FM from 7pm. David, G4TMZ, g6aj@outlook.com

Bishop Auckland Radio Amateur's Club meets at Stanley Crook Village Hall on Thursday evenings from 7.30pm. Anyone wishing to study or take exams should visit the Club’s website for all the relevant details. barac.org.uk

Tomorrow, the 13th, Bolton Wireless Club is meeting to enjoy a presentation entitled ‘Beamforming antennas’ by Dave, G4MVU. For more information visit boltonwireless.org.uk

All amateurs are welcome to join in with Bury Radio Society’s net on 144.550MHz FM at 6pm on Sundays. There is also a DMR net on Thursdays at 8pm, using the TGIF network and talk group 1938. Again, everyone is welcome to join in. The Society meets every Tuesday, from 7.30pm, at Hollins Social Club, Brook Lane, Bury. buryradiosociety.org.uk

Every Thursday, Central Lancashire Amateur Radio Club has a net on 433.425MHz FM from 8pm. All amateurs are welcome to join in. Nonie, G3TNN, secretary.clarc@gmail.com

On Sundays, Durham and District Amateur Radio Society has a net on 50.575MHz from 7pm. The net moves to 70.350MHz at 7pm on Monday. The Society meets on Wednesdays from 6.30pm. On Saturdays, the net is held on 145.425MHz from 7pm. g4euz.com/club

On Tuesday, East Ardsley Radio Society is having an on-the-air night from 6.30pm. On Thursday there will be an operating and social evening from 6.30pm. ears.radio

On Sunday evenings, East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club joins the open Teesside Net around 145.425MHz from 8 to 9pm. alistair.mackay@talk21.com

Tomorrow, the13th, Furness Amateur Radio Society will be meeting at The Farmers Arms, Newton in Furness from 7.30pm. Friday sees a DMR net on talk group 23525 from 7pm. fars.org.uk

On Sundays, Gilmore and North West Morse Radio Club has a CW net on 144.064MHz from 2pm. Today, the 12th, there will be a CW net on 28.080MHz from 7.30pm. On Tuesdays, members have a net on 145.375MHz from 7.30pm. Also on Tuesdays, the Club holds the Brass Bashers 12 words per minute net on 7.033MHz from 9pm. The Club has CW Fun Hour every Friday on 7.025MHz from 7pm. Heth, M6HNS, 0773 503 6267

Goole Radio and Electronics Society meets on Wednesdays. More information is available at goole-res.co.uk Ken, G6YYN at treverven@btinternet.com

Guisborough and District Amateur Radio Club meets every Monday at The Quoit Club, 35 Northgate, Guisborough, TS14 6JP from 7.30pm. Kerry Buckwell, M7KEZ, m7kez@icloud.com

Halifax and District Amateur Radio Society holds regular evening nets from Monday to Thursday starting at 7pm. Full details of these and all club events can be found on the Society’s website. The Society meets on Tuesday evenings from 7pm. Max Townend, G4SDX, george.townend@btinternet.com

Hartlepool Amateur Radio Club meets on a Friday evening at the Hartlepool Scout Centre, from 7pm. New members are welcome. mx0idz@outlook.com

On Mondays, Hornsea Amateur Radio Club has nets on 1.869MHz using CW from 8pm, and SSB from 8.30pm. On Friday there is a net on 145.450MHz from 8pm. Members are meeting from 8pm on Wednesday. John, G3XYF, jhwresdell@gmail.com

On Mondays, Houghton-Le-Spring Amateur Radio Club has a CW net on 144.060MHz from 8.30pm. On Tuesday there is a meeting from 6pm at Dubmire Royal British Legion Club in Fencehouses starting at 6pm. Thursday sees the 2m vertically-polarised net on 144.260MHz USB from 7pm. On Friday, there is a net on 145.450MHz FM for general chat from 9pm. Saturday sees the North East Net on 145.450MHz FM from 7pm. George, M5GHT, 07709 987 876

Tomorrow, the 13th, Macclesfield and District Radio Society is meeting for a film evening. For more information visit gx4mws.uk

On Wednesday, Maltby and District Amateur Radio Society is meeting at Thrybergh Country Park from 9.30am. On Fridays, members have a club night from 6.30pm. On Sunday the 19th there will be a DMR net from 7pm. For more information visit maltbyradio.org.uk

The next meeting of Mid Cheshire Amateur Radio Society will be held on Wednesday. For more information visit midcars.org

Oldham Radio Club has a multi-mode net on Sundays via XLX305A from 9.30am. On Monday, there will be a D-Star simplex net starting at 8pm on 144.6125MHz. On Wednesday, the FM net starts on 145.500MHz at 8pm. The Club meets each Friday from 8pm. secretary@oarc.org.uk

On Sundays, Otley Amateur Radio Society has a net on 145.450MHz starting at 7pm. Members will be meeting at Clifton Village Hall from 7.30pm on Tuesday. On Fridays, there is a net on 144.350MHz SSB starting at 7pm. otleyradio.org

On Tuesdays and Thursdays, Pontefract and District Amateur Radio Society meets at The Grange, Carleton Community Centre from 6.30pm. Nigel G0BPK, g0bpk@roydmoor.com

On Thursday, Ripon and District Amateur Radio Society is meeting at The Bunker from 7.30pm. radars-g4sjm.club

South Cheshire Amateur Radio Society meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. Visit g6tw.co.uk for more information.

On Tuesday, South Manchester Radio Club has its net on 145.475MHz from 8pm. On Thursday, members are meeting for a discussion on the 23cm band. smrcc.org.uk

Spen Valley Amateur Radio Society usually meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at the Old Bank Club, Mirfield, from 8pm. The Society is holding its AGM on Thursday the 16th of January. Malcolm, 2E0IOX, spenvalleyars@gmail.com

On Tuesday, Stockport Radio Society has a net on 50.270MHz from 7.30pm. Wednesday sees a club net on 145.375MHz from 2pm. On Thursday, there will be a club net via GB3MR and Webex from 7.30pm. info@g8srs.co.uk, g8srs.co.uk

Warrington Amateur Radio Club has Solder Sunday every week from 2pm. On Tuesday, members are meeting from 8pm in their clubroom and via Zoom. On Thursday, members will be meeting for a coffee morning at 10am. Dave, G8KBB, Secretary@warc.org.uk

On Monday, Wearside Electronics and Amateur Radio Society will be meeting from 6pm at Herrington 2nd Scout Headquarters, Crow Lane, Herrington, Sunderland. The Society has a fully-dedicated shack with HF, 6m, 2m and 70cm equipment, as well as C4FM and DMR digital modes. Tea and coffee are available as well as disabled access and toilet facilities. g0bnk@outlook.com

On Tuesday, Wirral Amateur Radio Society is having a natter night from 7pm. Wednesday sees a technical evening from 7pm. On Saturdays and Sundays, the Society is on the air between 10am and 3pm. g3nwr.co.uk

Wirral Peninsula Amateur Radio Club meets at Unit 18 Peninsula Business Park, Moreton from 7pm every Wednesday and Friday.wirralpeninsulaarc@outlook.com

On Wednesday, York Radio Club has a Club net via the GB3HG repeater from 8pm. Members meet from 8pm every Thursday.

**NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND**

Antrim and District Amateur Radio Society has nets on the 2m band from 9pm on Tuesday, and from 8pm on Saturday. adars.co.uk

Bangor and District Amateur Radio Society meets on the second Tuesday of the month in the Marquis Hall, Abbey Street, Bangor, BT20 4JE from 7.30pm. On Tuesday the 14th, members are meeting for a talk about, and demonstration of, the FT8 SuperFox mode. On Saturday the 18th, the Society is holding its annual dinner at The Bryansburn Inn. For more information visit the Society’s Facebook page.

Bushvalley Amateur Radio Club meets at 8pm on the last Thursday of each month at Burnfoot Community Centre, 294 Drumrane Road, Burnfoot, BT47 4NL. For more information visit bushvalleyarc.org or email bushvalleyarc@gmail.com

Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club meetings are held on the second Sunday of the month from 3pm at Tandragee Golf Club. muarc.secretary@yahoo.co.uk

West Tyrone Amateur Radio Club meets on the second Wednesday of every month from 7.30pm at the Order of Malta Hall, Brook Street, Omagh, BT78 1DE. For more information email info@wtarc.org.uk

**NEWS FOR SCOTLAND**

On Thursday, Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is meeting for CW practice from 7pm. Following this, there will be an informal meeting from 7.30pm. aars.org.uk

Ayr Amateur Radio Group meets on alternate Fridays at Prestwick Community Centre from 7.30pm. For details of club activities and nets, visit gm0ayr.org Derek, MM0OVD, 0742 899 4614

Caithness Amateur Radio Society has club nets at 2pm on Wednesday and Saturday on 3.740MHz. There are club meetings on Thursdays in the Skirza Clubhouse, near John O’Groats. Nigel, MM7BWT, Mansfield.n27@gmail.com

Cockenzie and Port Seton Amateur Radio Club usually meets on the first Friday of the month for a Club night in the lounge bar of the Thorntree Inn. [cpsarc.com](http://www.cpsarc.com)

Dundee Amateur Radio Club has a club night on Thursday. There will be an open net at 7.30pm via the GB3AG repeater on Friday. Jim, MM0DXD, dundee-amateur-radio.co.uk

The DV Scotland Phoenix Network hosts several multi-mode nets throughout the week, with the current schedule details listed at dvsph.net Don't let the group name put you off as all are welcome to participate, wherever they are located in the world. Information on how to connect, and much more about the group, can be found online at dvsph.net

On Mondays, Edinburgh and District Radio Society has a net on 433.525MHz from 8pm. Norman, GM1CNH, 0774 094 6192

Every Wednesday, Galashiels and District Amateur Radio Society meets in the Focus Centre, Livingstone Place, Galashiels from 8pm. Jim Keddie, mail@gm7lun.co.uk

Glenrothes and District Radio Club’s Tuesday and Thursday natter nets continue at 7.30pm on 145.425MHz FM. Check-in is open from 7.15pm. Eric, GM4FQE, 01333 450 753

Inverness and District Amateur Radio Society meets on Wednesdays. More information is available on the Society’s Facebook page. Invernessradiosociety@gmail.com

On Sunday afternoons, Kilmarnock and Loudon Amateur Radio Club has an SSB net on 3720kHz from 2pm. On Tuesday there will be a meeting at the clubhouse from 7.30pm. klarcinfo@gmail.com

Kingdom Amateur Radio Society has nets on Sundays, Tuesdays and Fridays from 7pm on 144.750MHz. Steve, MM0SKX, 0771 105 9343

On Tuesday, Livingston and District Amateur Radio Society is meeting at the Crofthead Community Centre, Dedridge from 7pm. Topics for discussion will include plans for the Society’s relocation and resumption of training, especially for the intermediate licence. Thursday sees a net on 145.575MHz from 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join in. Philip Rose, GM3ZZA, secretary@ladars.org.uk

Lomond Radio Club meets each Thursday evening in the club rooms at the John Connolly Centre in Renton at 7.30pm. The Club is also open on Sunday afternoons for general activities and operating. Simon, MM0XME, mm0xme@outlook.com

On Wednesday, Lothians Radio Society has a net on 144.350MHz SSB from 8pm. For more information visit the Society’s website at lothiansradiosociety.com

Mid Lanarkshire Amateur Radio Society has a DMR net on talk group 23550 from 8pm on Wednesday. On Thursday, there is a net on 70.425MHz from 8pm. Friday sees the club meeting at Newarthill Community Education Centre, Newarthill, ML1 5JU from 7pm. Simon, 2M0LSG, secretary@mlars.co.uk

The next meeting of Moray Firth Amateur Radio Society will be held on Tuesday the 14th of January at the Reserve Centre, Elgin from 7pm. mfars.club

Paisley Amateur Radio Club meets every Thursday evening at the Ferguslie Sports Centre in Blackstoun Road at 7.30pm. The Club also meets for coffee and radio chat most Tuesday mornings at 10.30am. More details are available from the Club Secretary, Graham via gm0pym@gmail.com or at parc.radio

Stirling Amateur Radio Society meets at the Club House, Throsk, FK7 7XY at 7pm on Thursdays. The club is open for projects and operating on Sundays from 10am. For more information email secretary@gm6nx.com

Every Monday, West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society has a net on 145.475MHz FM from 9pm. Members are meeting for their usual club night on Friday from 8pm. For more information, check out the club's website at wosars.club Pat, 2M1CKE, macrobius@btinternet.com

Wigtownshire Amateur Radio Club, together with Dumfries and Galloway RAYNET group, has an open net on GB3DG every day at noon. All are welcome. There is also a net on the GB3DG repeater every Thursday from 7.15pm, then joining via Zoom from 8pm. The Club has a new meeting place at Springholme Memorial Hall, DG7 3LP.

To have your net listed on the West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society’s website, or to report any changes, contact Tony, MM0TMZ by email via rr1@rsgb.org.uk Please also keep GB2RS updated via email to radcom@rsgb.org.uk

**NEWS FOR THE SOUTH EAST and EAST ANGLIA**

Aylesbury Vale Radio Society meets on the third Wednesday of each month. For more details visit avrs.org.uk

Banbury Amateur Radio Society has a club night on Wednesday from 7pm. The Society has a net on 144.5125MHz FM most evenings. For more information visit banburyares.co.uk

On Wednesday, Bishop's Stortford Amateur Radio Society has its net starting at 8pm on 145.5625MHz. bsars.org/history.htm

On Sundays, Bracknell Amateur Radio Club has a net via the GB3BN repeater from 5pm and via the GB3AL repeater from 5.30pm. On Wednesday, the Club has a net on 145.375MHz FM from 8pm. Colin Ashley, M0XCA, secretary@g4bra.org.uk

On Tuesday, Braintree and District Amateur Radio Society is having a New Year quiz in its clubhouse, and via Zoom, from 8pm. secretary@badars.co.uk

Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society meets on the first and third Saturday of each month. For more information visit bsars.co.uk secretary@bsars.co.uk

Bredhurst Receiving and Transmitting Society meets in its shack every Wednesday from 7pm. The Society has a net via the GB3DA repeater on Thursdays. bratsqth.org/brats/homepage

On Wednesday, Bromley and District Amateur Radio Society has a net starting on 145.500MHz from 9pm. The Society is holding its AGM on Thursday. For more information visit bdars.wordpress.com Andy, G4WGZ, 01689 878 089

Burnham Beeches Radio Club meets on the first and third Friday of the month from 8pm. More information is available on the Club’s website. Greg, G4EBY, ebytronics@gmail.com

Bury St Edmunds Amateur Radio Society meets at Rougham Tower Museum on the third Wednesday of each Month. It is a small but very active club. There are club nets every day of the week except Sunday. Details can be found on the club’s website. The club’s general chat frequencies are 144.7375MHz FM and 433.400MHz FM. bsears.co.uk

On Sundays, Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society has a CW net on 144.060MHz from 8pm. On Monday, there will be a CW net on 3542kHz from 7.30pm, followed at 8.15pm by GB2CW slow Morse on 3555kHz. Tuesday sees an open net on 3756kHz from 8pm. On Thursday there will be CW classes via Skype from 7pm. g0mwt.org.uk

On Tuesday, Chelsea Pensioners Radio Club has a net on 145.375MHz from 2pm. Mike Hall, GB4CP, 07970 724 105

On Tuesday, Chippenham and District Amateur Radio Club will be enjoying ‘HF with Jac, M0PLS’ from 7.30pm. chippenhamradio.club

On Tuesday, Colchester Radio Amateurs Club has open nets on 433.400MHz from 7pm, and on 1.920MHz LSB from 8pm. Wednesday sees an open net around 145.350MHz from 7pm. On Thursday, there will be an open net on 3.685MHz from 7pm. On Friday, there will be an open DX net on 14.125MHz with assist on 145.350MHz from 2.30pm. Garry, M0MGP secretary@g3c0.uk

On Sundays, Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society has nets on 145.4MHz from 11am and on 3.7MHz from 5pm. The next meeting of the Society will be held tomorrow, the 13th. Wednesday sees a net around 70.425MHz from 9pm. secretary@catsradio.org.uk

Crawley Amateur Radio Club meets from 11am on Sundays and 2pm on Fridays. The Club meets at Hut 18, Tilgate Drive, Crawley, RH10 5HW. For more information contact Stewart, G3YSX on 0772 006 8493.

Cray Valley Radio Society’s 2m and 4m FM nets are held on 145.350MHz on Sundays at 10am, and 70.425MHz on Fridays at 8pm. On Thursday, members are having a planning meeting from 7.30pm. cvrs.org

On Wednesdays, Crystal Palace Radio and Electronics Club has a net on 145.525MHz from 8pm. On Saturdays, the Club has a net on 51.55MHz FM from 8pm. cprec.org

On Sundays, Darenth Valley Radio Society has a net on 145.475MHz at 8am. Phil, M0IMA, m0ima@btinternet.com

Dorking and District Radio Society has a net each day from Monday to Saturday on 144.775MHz FM at 10am. Sue, M6XUV, ddrs.secretary@gmail.com

Essex Ham has a net on Monday via GB3DA, from 8pm, with chatroom and audio feed at essexham.net Pete, M0PSX, news@essexham.co.uk

On Sundays, Felixstowe and District Amateur Radio Society has a net on 145.400MHz from 10am. Wednesday sees a net via the GB3IH repeater from 7.30pm. Mark, M5BOP, secretary@fdars.org.uk

On Tuesday, members of Harlow and District Amateur Radio Society are meeting from 10am. Wednesday sees a net on 145.425MHz from 7.30pm. Thursday sees a digital net on the XLX215 reflector. On Friday, the Society is meeting from 8pm. Visitors are welcome to attend. secretary@g6ut.com

Hastings Electronics and Radio Club holds a daily net on the GB3ES repeater at 10am. A CW net is held on Monday nights at 8pm on 144.575MHz. The CW net is aimed at anyone new to CW or wishing to brush up their CW skills. Non-members are welcome. The net is followed by general conversation. On Wednesdays, usually at 1pm, members meet up at various locations in the area for an afternoon of portable radio on the air on both HF and VHF bands using SSB, CW and FM voice. Non-members are welcome to visit. As the details vary each week, please visit hastings-electronics-radio-club.com on Wednesday mornings to view up-to-date information about the location and time of the meeting. Contact Richard via herc.hastings@gmail.com

On Tuesday, Horndean and District Amateur Radio Club has a CW net at 9am around 1950kHz, then SSB at 9.30am. There is another net on Wednesday around 1950kHz using SSB from 7.30pm. hdarc.co.uk

On Sundays, the Isle of Wight Radio Society has a net via GB7PO and GB7MT from 8pm. The Society has a net from Monday to Friday via the GB3IW repeater from 6.15am. On Tuesday, the Society takes part in the Bramble Net via the GB3IW repeater from 7.30pm. On Thursday, there is another net via the GB3IW repeater, followed by a Zoom meeting from 8pm. On Fridays, members meet at Haylands Farm, Ryde. Foundation and Intermediate licence training is available at meetings. iowrs.org

Loughton and Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society has a net on Wednesday from 8pm on Brandmeister DMR Talk Group 23511. Thursday sees a net from 8pm on 144.725MHz FM. On Friday there will be a meeting held via Zoom from 8pm. secretary@lefars.org.uk

Lowestoft District and Pye Amateur Radio Club has a net on Sundays on 433.575MHz from 7pm. Tuesday sees a net on 145.475MHz from 7pm. The Club meets on Thursday evenings from 7.30pm. The final net of the week is on Friday on 51.490MHz from 7pm. secretary@ldparc.co.uk

Maidenhead and District Amateur Radio Club meets at the Friends Meeting House, 14 West Street, Maidenhead SL6 6RL. For more information visit madarc.org Neil, G0SVN, 07740 702 000, neil@savin.org

The Martello Tower Group has a net night every Monday evening at 8pm via the GB3CL repeater. On Sundays, the Group has a net via the GB3CE repeater from 8pm. martellotowergroup.com

Medway Amateur Receiving and Transmitting Society nets take place each weekday from 9.30am on 144.650MHz. Roger, G0NRL, g0nrl@yahoo.com

On Fridays, Milton Keynes Amateur Radio Society meets via Zoom for coffee and chat from 10.30am. Contact Brendan, G8IXK 07803 192 604

Norfolk Amateur Radio Club has a net via GB3NB every Monday from 7.30pm, followed by a CW net on 3.543MHz at 8.30pm. Chris Danby, G0DWV, 01603 898 308, cmdanby@btinternet.com

Shefford and District Radio Society’s regular nets are held on Mondays on 1.985MHz LSB from 7pm, and on Wednesdays via GB3PI from 8pm. On Thursday, members will be enjoying a talk entitled ‘Bletchley Park, People and Places’ by Peter Marcham, G3YXZ. David, G8UOD davidg8udo@virginmedia.com sadars.co.uk

On Wednesday, Southdown Amateur Radio Society is having a café meeting at 12.15pm. This will be followed by a net via the GB3ZX repeater from 2pm. sars.club

Stevenage and District Amateur Radio Society meets every Tuesday evening from 7.30pm at the Stevenage Resource Centre, Chells Way, Stevenage, SG2 0LT. Free tea, coffee and biscuits are provided for all those attending. A club Sked is held at 8pm on the 80m band each Friday close to 3.726MHz. On the last Friday of each month a 2m Sked takes place close to 145.450MHz to encourage VHF activity and to assist those who are new to the hobby. The club operates using the callsign G3SAD all are welcome to join in regardless of club membership. More information can be found at sadars.com

On Sundays, Surrey Radio Contact Club has a net on 1.905MHz at 9.30am. On Monday there will be a net on 3.710MHz LSB from 9am. On Tuesday, there is a net on 51.55MHz from 8pm. Wednesday sees a net on 28.078MHz JS8 from 10am. On Thursday, the net is on 70.30MHz from 8pm. Friday sees a D-Star net on 144.6125MHz from 7.30pm and an FM net on 145.350MHz from 8pm. John, G3MCX, 020 8688 3322

The next meeting of West Kent Amateur Radio Society will take place tomorrow, the 13th. The Society has regular weekly nets. Details of these, and other club information, can be found at wkars.org.uk Phil, G3MGQ secretary@wkars.org.uk

On Friday, Whitton Amateur Radio Group is having an HF and VHF operating meeting. For more information visit warg.dreamhosters.com

**NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST**

On Sundays, Appledore and District Amateur Radio Club has a net on 1.860MHz from 9.30am, followed by an SSB net on 144.260MHz at 10.30am. The Club has weekday nets taking place from 4pm on 145.450MHz, except Wednesday when the net takes place via GB3DN. There are nets on Monday, Wednesday and Friday that also take place via GB3DN from 11am. On Friday, the net is on 145.450MHz FM at 8pm. John, G3JKL, secretary@adarc.co.uk

On Tuesday, Bath and District Amateur Radio Club will hold a net on 70.475MHz from 7.30pm. Dave Welham, G0DPW, badarc@protonmail.com

On Tuesday, Blackmoore Vale Amateur Radio Society is meeting at The New Remembrance Hall, SP7 0PL from 7.30pm. On Wednesday, the Society has nets on 28.360MHz USB from 8pm and 70.425MHz FM from 9pm. Contact Keith, M0TMO keith.m0tmo@btinternet.com bvars.org.uk

Join Callington and District Amateur Radio Society members for a chat on GB3JL every Monday from 8pm. Guests and visitors to southeast Cornwall are always welcome on the net and at the Engine House Café every Wednesday from 1.30pm. See the Society’s website for further details. callingtonradiosociety.org.uk, Peter, G8BCG, 07801 413 241

On Monday, Christchurch Amateur Radio Society has a net on 144.725MHz from 7pm. On Thursday, there is a social evening from 7.30pm. christchurchars.org.uk

Exeter Amateur Radio Society meets on the first and third Tuesdays in the month at America Hall in the Sunnylands room, De La Rue Way, Pinhoe, Exeter, EX4 8PX. Meetings are held at 7pm and new members are always welcome. More details are available at exeterars.co.uk

On Sundays and Wednesdays, Flight Refuelling Amateur Radio Society has club nights from 7pm. The Society holds a Morse Academy every Thursday night from 7pm. Also on Thursdays, there are nets on 70.400MHz from 7pm, and on 145.375MHz from 8pm. Sue, info@frars.co.uk

Gordano Amateur Radio Group meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month, from 8pm, at The Ship, 310 Down Road, Portishead, North Somerset, BS20 8JT. Malcolm, G4KPM gordanoradio@gmail.com

Guernsey Amateur Radio Society has a net on Tuesday from 8pm on 145.525MHz. On Thursday, the DMR net is from 8pm on GB7GY, talk group 23515, time slot 1. All amateurs are welcome to join in. On Friday, the club meets at the Bunker, Beau Sejour Leisure Centre from 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome. Phil, GU0SUP, 07781 151 747

On Wednesday, Holsworthy Amateur Radio Club has a net via the GB3DN repeater from 7.30pm. For more information visit qsl.net/m0omc

On Tuesdays, Isle of Avalon Amateur Radio Club has a net on 433.475MHz from 8pm. The net moves to 145.475MHz on Wednesdays from 8pm. A 10m net on 28.405MHz is held on Thursdays from 8pm. The Club meets on Fridays at Ivor’s Paddock from 6pm. Matt, 2E0FNT, 0730 554 9614

The Jersey Amateur Radio Society clubroom is now open on Friday evenings from 8pm. An old footpath has been reinstated to gain access from the Meteorological Radar Tower to Mast B. Please be very careful as the ground is uneven. You will need a torch if it is dark. Mike, GJ0PDJ on 07797 718 390

Tomorrow, the 13th, Mid Somerset Amateur Radio Club is meeting at the Baptist Church Rooms in Shepton Mallet from 7.30pm. Chris Lavis, G6HIQ, christopherlavis3@gmail.com

Newquay and District Amateur Radio Society meets at Trevisker Saint Eval Community Centre, 750 Orion Drive, Wadebridge at 7pm on the second Wednesday of each month. newquayradioclub.co.uk

North Bristol Amateur Radio Club meets every Friday at Page Community Association, Page Road, Staple Hill, Bristol, BS16 4NE. Meetings start at 7pm and talks start at 8pm. The Club welcomes all members and non-members. nbarc.org.uk, Dave, G7BYN on 07533 933 831

On Sundays, Poole Radio Society has a net around 28.375MHz using SSB from 10am. On Mondays there is a net on 145.375MHz at 8pm. The net moves to 70.375MHz at 7pm on Tuesdays. secretary@g4prs.org.uk

The Radio Operators Cornwall South West Operators Net is held at 7.30pm via GB3NC on the first Thursday of each month. Everyone is welcome to join in. g8roc.org.uk

On Sundays, Riviera Amateur Radio Club has nets on 29.150MHz FM from 11am, 51.490MHz from 11.30am and via GB7TQ from 8pm. On Wednesdays, there are nets on 70.475MHz from 7.20pm, and on 145.245MHz from 8pm. stevecrask@yahoo.com

On Wednesday, Saltash and District Amateur Radio Club has a net via the GB3PL repeater from 7.30pm. Mark Chanter, M0WMB, 07810 548 445

Thornbury and South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club meets on Wednesdays from 7.30pm at The Chantry, Thornbury. More details are available from the Club’s website and Facebook pages. Terry, M0TJX secretary@tsgarc.uk, 07889 208 090

On Sundays, Torbay Amateur Radio Society has nets on 14.270MHz at 9.30am and 145.575MHz at 12pm. On Monday, there are nets on 3.663MHz at 10.30am, 1.982MHz at 8pm and 50.155MHz at 8.30pm. Tuesday sees members meeting at 7.30pm, followed by a net on 3.663MHz from 9.15pm. On Wednesday, the Society has nets on 14.270MHz from 9.30am and on 3.663MHz from 10.30am. Saturday sees a net on 3.663MHz from 10am. kerry@m0kre.net

On Monday, Weston-super-Mare Radio Society is meeting at Weston-super-Mare Social Club from 7.30pm. Thursday sees a net via the GB3WB repeater from 8pm. westonradiosociety@gmail.com

**NEWS FOR WALES**

The next meeting of Aberdare and District Amateur Radio Society will be held on Friday the17th of January at Hirwaun YMCA Hall, CF44 9RB from 6pm. Ian Miles 2W0IWM, info@aberdareradio.club

Aberkenfig and District Amateur Radio Club has its weekly meeting on Wednesday from 7pm at Tondu Railway Club, Station Approach, Bridgend. The club is an approved RSGB Examination Centre for those wishing to study and take their amateur radio exams. Brian, GW4DVB, info@aberkenfigradioclub.co.uk

On Tuesday, Barry Amateur Radio Society is meeting from 7.30pm. There will be a club net on 144.550MHz from 8pm on Wednesday. On Friday, there will be a Zoom meeting from 7pm hosted by Glyn, GW0ANA. Steve, GW5VOG, 07900 560 080

Carmarthen Amateur Radio Society is holding four regular nets this week: a multi-mode digital net on XLX490 D on Tuesday starting at 8pm;a 70cm FM net on GB3CM on Wednesday starting at 7.30pm; a 2m FM net on GB3FG on Thursday starting at 8pm, assuming the repeater is available. If it is not, then XLX490D is the fallback. From 2.30pm on Sunday there will be an 80m SSB net, conditions permitting. An experimental 40m net will follow on immediately afterwards. For more information on the above please contact Andy, GW0JLX on 07768 282 880*.*

Chepstow and District Amateur Radio Society meets on the second and third Tuesday of the month in the upstairs room at Bulwark Athletic Club, Mathern Road, Chepstow NP16 5JT, from 7.30pm. The Society welcomes all radio users. gw4lwz.co.uk

Cwmbran and District Amateur Radio Society has a club night every Wednesday from 7pm to 9pm at Henllys [HENTLISS] Village Hall, NP44 6JZ. New and old members are always welcome. The Society has a fully-equipped shack for member use which also houses the GB3YA repeater, with an Echolink connection via GB3YA-R. Both are owned and maintained by the club. Why not join the Monday evening net on 145.712.5MHz, CTCSS 94.8, with a 600kHz split, from 7.30pm. To find out more visit the club [website at mc0yad.club](https://www.mc0yad.club/) Ken Smith, 07411 595 103

On Monday, Dragon Amateur Radio Club is meeting via Zoom from 7pm. On Thursday there will be a Club net on Wires-X and the GB3AN repeater from 7pm. secretary@gmx.co.uk

Highfields Amateur Radio Club meets at Rhiwbina Recreation Club, Lon Y Dail, Cardiff, CF14 6EA at 7pm every Tuesday. The Club has access for disabled visitors. There are nets on GB3WB from 9.30pm to 10.30pm most nights of the week. harcmemsec@gmail.com

On Sundays, Newport Amateur Radio Society has an HF net around 7.1MHz from 10am. Monday sees a digital net from 8pm. On Tuesday, there will be a net on 145.375MHz from 8pm. For more information see gw4ezw.org.uk

Rhondda Amateur Radio Society meets at Ystrad, Rhondda Sports Centre, CF41 7SY on Tuesdays. More information about the Society can be found by visiting gw2fof.co.uk John, GW4BUZ, 01443 432 542

The next meeting of Rhyl and District Amateur Radio Club will take place on Wednesday the 5th of February at 7.30pm at the Rhyl Yacht Club building, Kimmel Bay, Rhyl. For more details, see the club website at radarc.uk Alan, GW4HDR, secretary@radarc.uk

On Tuesday, St Tybie Amateur Radio Society is meeting at the portable cabin adjacent to Saron Hall, SA18 3LN from 7pm. Also on Tuesday, GW4BVJ’s Morse training will be taking place. On Friday there will be a net on 3.739MHz from 11am. Gareth, GW4JPC, gw4jpc@yahoo.co.nz

Uskside Amateur Radio Club meets every Monday from 7 to 9pm at Faith Church, Wern Industrial Estate, Rogerstone, NP10 9FQ, located five minutes from Junction 27 of the M4. On Fridays there is a net on 145.550MHz from 7pm.