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**GB2RS News**

**Sunday** **the 16th of February 2025**

**The news headlines:**

* **The RSGB has announced its Scout, Cadet and Girlguiding Youth Champion**
* **Listen out for stations operating for World Thinking Day on the Air**
* **New resources and ideas have been added to the RSGB British Science Week web pages**

The RSGB is delighted to announce that Samuel McCutchion, M7UEL will be the RSGB's Scout, Cadet and Girlguiding Youth Champion. Sam brings a wealth of hands-on experience to the role having been part of the Scouts from a young age in Beavers and then working his way up to Network. He then progressed to become an Assistant Section Leader. This knowledge will help the RSGB Youth Team to engage and offer amateur radio support to not only the Scouts, but also the Cadets and Girlguiding. If you’d like to congratulate Sam on his role, or if you have any ideas you think would be useful to share, email him via youthchampion.scouts@rsgb.org.uk

Lots of amateur radio stations are on the air this weekend and next weekend for World Thinking Day on the Air. Listen out for them and encourage the young Girlguiding members. You can find details of some of the active stations via rsgb.org/thinking-day  but, if your station isn’t listed, please share details on the RSGB social media channels. The aim of the event is to encourage Girlguiding members to make friendships with those in other units, using amateur radio as the means of communication.

Have you visited the RSGB’s British Science Week web pages yet? Two new worksheets have recently been added to inspire you to get involved and showcase amateur radio to new audiences. The activities were designed by the RSGB Outreach Team to fit in with this year’s British Science Week theme of ‘Change and adapt’. If you’d like to deliver these activities to schools or youth groups, the Society has sample lesson plans, risk assessments and a guide to contacting your local school available on its website. Remember that British Science Week isn’t just for younger audiences, it is open to all. If you’re looking for ideas to get your friends and family involved, or a local community group, go to rsgb.org/bsw  and visit the British Science Week resources page. There is a wealth of ideas available, from looking at the history of radio communications to building a sustainable system using only solar panels. If you have activity planned for British Science Week, let the RSGB know by emailing the RSGB British Science Week Coordinator, Ian Neal, M0KEO via bsw@rsgb.org.uk  Details of events taking place will be shared on the Society’s website.

The deadline for the RSGB Construction Competition is Saturday the 1st of March, which means you have less than two weeks left to submit your entry. The judges will be considering entries in six categories: beginners, construction excellence, innovation, software, antennas and outreach. To find out how to submit your application go to rsgb.org/construction-competition  The results of the competition will be announced during the 2025 RSGB Annual General Meeting on the 12th of April.

If you are passionate about amateur radio and have some spare time to support fellow radio amateurs, why not become an RSGB District Representative? There are currently 12 vacancies across the United Kingdom, including in Belfast, Cambridgeshire and Lancashire. To find out if there is a vacancy in your region go to rsgb.org/volunteers  and then get in touch with the Regional Representative of the district with the vacancy.

Amateur radio operators are reminded to take care when operating on the WRC-15 secondary amateur allocation at 5MHz. The UK still has no access to the full WRC-15 allocation. Despite requests, this seems unlikely to change in the foreseeable future. Whilst the UK is fortunate to have more generous licence conditions, it is imperative these are not put at risk by irresponsible operating in violation of the licence conditions, particularly in the 5358 to 5362kHz gap where there is no UK allocation. The RSGB website has detailed advice for operators, both for SSB and digital modes, on its rsgb.org/5mhz web page. Please take care not to transmit outside of the UK segments even if you hear other amateurs transmitting. Remember that signals heard may be coming from amateurs in other countries with different allocations.

The RSGB ARDF Committee is pleased to announce the return of the British ARDF Championships in 2025. The Championships will be held as a three-day festival in early April 2025. Entries open on the 1st of March and will remain open right up until the event itself. Further information and updates can be found at tinyurl.com/ARDF25

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 Red Rose Winter Rally is due to take place on Sunday 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

The Lagan Valley Amateur Radio Society Annual Rally will take place on Saturday the 1st of March at Hillsborough Village Centre, 7 Ballynahinch Road, BT26 6AR. The doors open at 10.30am. For more details visit lvars.uk [LIMA-VICTOR-ALPHA-ROMEO-SIERRA-DOT-UNIFORM-KILO]

On the 2nd of March the Exeter Radio Rally is taking place at a new venue. The event will be held at The Kenn Centre, EX6 7UE, from 10am. Traders and catering will be available on site. For more information phone Pete, G3ZVI on 07714 198 374 or email g3zvi@yahoo.co.uk

**Now the Special Event news**

Daren, 2E0LXY is hosting a special amateur radio event to raise funds for the Sheffield Children's Hospital today, the 16th. He will be operating on the 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10m bands using FT8. He will also be active on the 2m and 70cm bands using FM. DMR users can talk to Daren via Brandmeister talk group 23530. More information, including how to make a donation, is available via Daren’s QRZ.com page.

Special callsign S5701DX is running during February in memory of Slavko, S57DX who became a Silent Key last February. The station has been heard recently using CW and SSB on the HF bands. For more information visit QRZ.com

From the 1st to the 28th of March George, MM0JNL will once again be activating special event station GB0GTS. This year the station is active in support of the Great Tommy Sleepout. This national challenge aims to raise funds and awareness for all former UK service personnel who are living homeless. More details are available at QRZ.com and rbli.co.uk

**Now the DX news**

Bob, NC6Q is active as HP1TT from Panama until tomorrow, the 17th. He is operating CW and some SSB on the 40, 20, 15 and 10m bands. QSL directly to NC6Q.

Datta [DAH-TAH], VU2DSI is operating from Lonar [LOH-NAR] Lake in India from the 20th to the 24th of February 2025. This unique location was formed by the impact of a meteor around 550,000 [FIVE-HUNDRED-AND-FIFTY-THOUSAND] years ago. The station will be active on the 40, 20, 15 and 10m bands using SSB. More information can be found at QRZ.com

Claudio, HB9OAU is active as D44OA from Sal Island, AF-086, Cape Verde until Tuesday the 18th. He is operating using CW and SSB on the 40 to 6m bands. QSL via Logbook of the World and Club Log.

**Now the contest news**

The ARRL International DX Contest started at 0000UTC on Saturday the 15th and runs until 2359UTC today, Sunday the 16th of February. Using CW on the 160 to 10m bands, where contests are permitted, the exchange is signal report and transmit power. USA stations also send their state and Canadian stations send their province.

On Tuesday the 18th, the RGSB 1.3GHz Activity Contest runs from 2000 to 2230UTC. Using all modes on the 23cm band, the exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

On Thursday the 20th, 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.

The CQ 160m DX Contest starts at 2200UTC on Friday the 21st and ends at 2200UTC on Sunday the 23rd of February. Using SSB on the 160m band, the exchange is signal report and CQ zone. USA stations also send their state and Canadian stations send their province.

The REF Contest starts at 0600UTC on Saturday the 22nd and ends at 1800UTC on Sunday the 23rd of February. Using SSB on the 80 to 10m bands, where contests are permitted, the exchange is signal report and serial number.

**Now the radio propagation report, compiled by G0KYA, G3YLA and G4BAO on Thursday the 13th of February 2025**

Two large coronal holes on the Sun’s surface have been spraying solar material towards Earth, pushing the Kp index to a high of 4.67.

The solar wind speed has been consistently higher than 500 kilometres per second and, with a south-pointing interplanetary magnetic field, the plasma has flooded into Earth’s magnetic field. There have been a few aurora warnings, but these have only been minor.

As a result, the ionosphere has not been too badly affected and daytime maximum usable frequencies over a 3,000km path have generally remained above 28MHz, with the odd dip towards 24MHz.

Coronal mass ejections have not made an appearance and there were only three M-class flares between the 9th and 13th of February.

Meanwhile, the solar flux index fell to the 150s and 160s last week.

Recent HF DX has included the V73WW DXpedition on the Marshall Islands, which has been worked from the UK, including on the 40, 30 and 20m bands using CW. The TX7N DXpedition to Marquesas [MAR-KAY-SAHS] Island in French Polynesia has just finished. It wasn’t an easy path, but it was worked from the UK on all bands from 30 to 12m using FT8, CW and SSB.

Next week, NOAA predicts that the solar flux index could rise a little, to be in the 180 to 190 range. Once Earth is free from the effects of the current coronal hole stream, we may expect the Kp index to retreat, perhaps to a maximum of 2.

So, DX next week could be quite reasonable but, as always, keep an eye on solarham.com for daily updates.

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

The lingering high pressure just to the east of the UK is holding weather fronts over western Britain for the time being with any tropo benefits confined to eastern areas, and being marginal at best.

During the coming week, changes will be slow but gradually a more determined push on the Atlantic fronts may bring them over most areas, except the extreme southeast of the country.

This will make rain scatter more accessible although the models suggest that the fronts are likely to become weaker. So, they will not be especially useful by the time they reach the southeast. Sporadic-E is in its quiet season now, as are the meteor scatter prospects, with no major showers in attendance until the spring Lyrids in late April.

Perhaps this quieter time is a chance to do some operating housekeeping. For example, you could update a list of nearby repeaters and beacons to help you track developing openings. Or maybe you could consider trying a new mode or band. Perhaps you could learn to use digital modes for meteor scatter. Maybe consider joining the increasing numbers trying CW on the 2m band.

Moon declination went negative again on Saturday the 15th and path losses are rising as the Moon moves away to apogee, its furthest point from Earth, on Tuesday the 18th. 144MHz sky noise is low for most of the coming week but goes high for the weekend of Saturday the 22nd.

And that’s all from the propagation team this week.

**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. The next meeting will take place on Tuesday the 18th. Further information and reminders for meetings can be found on the Society’s Facebook page @bolsoverars Contact Richard, G0RRZ on  07905 868 221 for more 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 Black Horse, Coton in the Elms. 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 235292 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 Friday there will be 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 will be meeting for a construction and testing evening. 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

The next meeting of Hinckley Amateur Radio and Electronics Society will be held on Wednesday. During the meeting, Mike, G6OES will be giving a demonstration of how he remotely accesses his VHF station. Chris Colclough, G1VDP, hinckleyradiosociety@gmail.com

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 data modes with Tim, M0ZRR. 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, mhrac.org

On Thursday, Northampton Radio Club is having an informal meeting via Zoom. For more information visit northamptonradioclub.co.uk

On Monday, Nunsfield House Amateur Radio Group is having a shack night and club net on 145.300MHz from 8pm. On Friday, the Group will be holding its next meeting. More information is available at nharg.org.uk 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 be meeting from 8pm. For more information about the Society visit salopradiosociety.org Les, M5LMG, salopamateurradio@gmail.com, salopradiosociety.org

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

On Sundays, South Birmingham Radio Society has activities in the attic with Bob and others. On Tuesdays, visitors are welcome to attend the Society’s coffee morning from 10.30am. More information is available on the Society’s website. 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. Members are having a club meeting on Wednesday from 7pm. On Friday, there is a net on 70.425MHz from 7pm. sdawarg.secretary@gmail.com

Tomorrow, the 17th, Sutton Coldfield Amateur Radio Society has a net around 145.250MHz from 7.30pm. Robert Bird, rob2e0zap@gmail.com

Stratford upon Avon and District Radio Society has a net on 145.275MHz from 8pm tomorrow, the 17th. stratfordradiosociety.org.uk

Also tomorrow, the 17th, Welland Valley Amateur Radio Society has a net on 145.275MHz from 7pm. Peter D Rivers, G4XEX,info@wvars.com

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 Sundays, Wythall Radio Club has a net on 145.225MHz from 7pm. On Tuesday, members will be meeting at Wythall House Bar from 7.30pm. Chris, G3YHF, 0795 839 5904

**NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND**

Barnsley and District Amateur Radio Club has a 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

Bolton Wireless Club holds regular weekday nets. Details of these, and more information about the Club, is available at boltonwireless.org.uk Tomorrow, the 17th, members are meeting online.

All amateurs are welcome to join in with Bury Radio Society’s net on 144.550MHz FM at 6pm on Sundays. On Tuesday, members are meeting to discuss QRM eliminators with Alan, G4FZP. There is a DMR net on Thursdays at 8pm using the TGIF network and talk group 1938. Again, everyone is welcome to join in. 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 Wednesday, Denby Dale Amateur Radio Society is having a social meeting at the Star Inn, Lockwood, Huddersfield. ddarc.uk

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, the 17th, Furness Amateur Radio Society will be meeting at The Farmers Arms, Newton in Furness from 8pm. On Wednesday members are meeting for breakfast at The Furness Railway from 9.30am. There will be a committee meeting at HPSC at 7pm on Thursday. 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 16th, there will be a CW net on 28.080MHz from 7.30pm. On Tuesdays, the Club holds the Brass Bashers 12 words per minute net on 7.033MHz from 6.30pm. Also on Tuesdays, members have a net on 145.375MHz from 7.30pm. The Club has CW Fun Hour every Friday on 7.025MHz from 7pm. Heth, M6HNS, 0773 503 6267

On Wednesday, Goole Radio and Electronics Society is meeting at The Black Swan Inn, Asselby from 7.30pm. 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

Hambleton Amateur Radio Society meets regularly at The Mencap Centre, DL6 1EG  from 7.30pm. More information about the Society is available at hambletonars.wordpress.com

Hartlepool Amateur Radio Club meets on Friday evenings at the Hartlepool Scout Centre from 7pm. All are welcome to attend. mx0idz@outlook.com

On Mondays, Hornsea Amateur Radio Club has nets on 1.869MHz using CW from 8pm, and SSB from 8.30pm. On Wednesday, members will be listening to a talk by M1ASR on the electricity supply. On Friday there is a net on 145.450MHz from 8pm. 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

The Humber Fortress DX Amateur Radio Club, MX0HFC, has a club and social evening from 7pm every Friday at its headquarters in Patrington Haven, East Yorkshire.
For further information visit hfdxarc.com or email secretary@hfdxarc.com

The Isle of Man Amateur Radio Society meets each Wednesday evening at the
Scout Hall in Ballasalla. Talk-in on Wednesday club nights is from 6.40pm via the GB3IM repeater. On Wednesday the 26th of February, Richard, GD8EXI will be giving a brief talk on test equipment for amateur radio. Members are asked to bring in their favourite, or not so favourite, test gear such as analysers, VNAs or component testers etc. The annual bring-and-buy sale is being held on Wednesday the 12th of March. Members can send information about, and pictures of, equipment to the Society’s Facebook page, or by emailing info@iomars.im Some surplus club equipment will also be for sale. For the latest news and events, visit the Society's Facebook page, or visit iomars.im

On Wednesday, Leyland and District Amateur Radio Club will be watching a presentation by Tim, G5TM entitled ‘Antennas for portable operating’. Phil, 2E0DGP, ladar.club

Tomorrow, the 17th, Macclesfield and District Radio Society will be working on the club’s amplifier. 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. For more information visit maltbyradio.org.uk

On Wednesday, Mid cheshire Amateur Radio Society is holding a committee meeting. Steve, G7DZX, secretary@midcars.org

Oldham Radio Club has a multi-mode net on Sundays via XLX305A from 9.30am. Tomorrow, the 17th, there will be a C4FM simplex net starting on 144.6125MHz from 8pm. 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. Next weekend, the 22nd and 23rd, the Society will be celebrating its 60th anniversary. 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

South Cheshire Amateur Radio Society meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. The next meeting will be held on the 26th. 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 evening. 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. Malcolm, 2E0IOX, spenvalleyars@gmail.com

Members of Stockport Radio Society will be attending the TAS Memorabilia Fair at Manchester Airport from 10am today, the 16th. On Tuesday, there will be an online social event via Webex. 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, there will be a social coffee morning from 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**

The Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club Rally is scheduled to take place on the 18th of May at Share Discovery Village, 221 Lisnaskea Road, Lisnaskea, Enniskillen, BT92 0JZ. All of the usual facilities, including food and drink, and bring and buy, will be available. The doors open for visitors at 11am, and for traders from 9am. Admission will cost five pounds or five euros and this includes a draw ticket. To arrange a table, email Alan via argault91@gmail.com

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. 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

Carrickfergus Amateur Radio Club meets on Tuesday evenings in Elim Church, North Road, Carrickfergus, BT38 8ND from 7pm. For more information, visit gi0lix.home.blog or email carg@hotmail.co.uk

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 a quiz 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 meets on a Tuesday night from 7pm at Dundee and Angus College, Old Glamis Road, Dundee. On Sundays there is a digital open net via the GB3AG repeater from 7.30pm. On Wednesdays there is an FM net via the GB3AG repeater from 7.30pm. Further details can be found at dundee-amateur-radio.co.uk

The DV Scotland Phoenix Network hosts several multi-mode nets throughout the week. The current schedule details are 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 will be holding a meeting from 7pm at Crofthead Community Cente, Dedridge. The Society has started Intermediate licence training and new students are welcome to join the course. If you are interested, email training@ladars.org.uk Thursday sees a net on 145.575MHz FM from 7.30pm.

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 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

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. This week club member, Jack, GM4COX will be operating using the GB70RS callsign in celebration of the 70th anniversary of the GB2RS News service. Listen out for Jack on the HF and VHF bands, and via the QO-100 satellite. Up-to-date operating frequencies and times will be available on Jack’s QRZ.com page. For more information about the West of Scotland Amateur Radio Society visit wosars.club Jack, GM4COX, gm4cox@gmail.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. The next meeting will take place on the Wednesday the 19th. For more details visit avrs.org.uk

Banbury Amateur Radio Society has a net on 144.5125MHz FM most evenings. Members have a club night on Wednesday from 7pm. 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 Thursday, the Bittern DX Club has a net around 145.400MHz.

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 has a net on 145.375MHz FM and via Zoom from 8pm. secretary@badars.co.uk

Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society meets on the first and third Saturday of each month. The next meeting will take place in March. 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. 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 via the GB3ER repeater 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 Friday, Chippenham and District Amateur Radio Club is meeting from 7.30pm. For more information visit 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. 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. In addition, talks are held once a month on a Wednesday evening. On Wednesday the 19th of March, Paul G7KBR and Richard G4ANN will be delivering a presentation about The Ashdown Forest Repeaters, GB3MH and GB7MH. Non-members are welcome to attend and admission will be free. The presentation will take place from 8pm at Hut 18, Tilgate Recreational Centre, Tilgate Forest, Crawley, West Sussex, RH10 5PH. For more information contact Stewart, G3YSX on 0772 006 8493.

Cray Valley Radio Society is located at the Scout HQ at the rear of 61 to 71 Southend Crescent, Eltham London, SE9 2SD. On Thursday, Chris Hall, G6HTH will be giving a talk entitled ‘Going loopy with loop antennas’, from 7.30pm. Visitors are welcome to attend the meeting. The Society is running a two-day, face-to-face Foundation licence course on the 5th and 12th of April 2025 near Greenwich in southeast London. Due to circumstances beyond the Society’s control, Cray Valley’s usual website address is temporarily not operational until further notice. A temporary website is now up and running in the interim. Please apply or contact CVRS via cvrs.uk only. The Foundation training package costs £65 and this includes the online exam at the end of the course. The Society’s 2m and 4m FM nets are held on 145.350MHz on Sundays at 10am, and on 70.425MHz on Fridays at 8pm. A top band net is held on the first Monday of the month around 1.905MHz. The net begins using SSB and then moves to AM. All amateurs, especially Foundation licence holders, are welcome to join in.

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. On Sundays there is a net on 3.772MHz SSB from 8.15am. On Wednesday there will be a social meeting via Zoom. Sue, M6XUV, ddrs.secretary@gmail.com

The next meeting of Dover Amateur Radio Club will be held on Thursday from 6.45pm. For more information visit darc.online

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. On Monday, members will be listening to a talk at Broadway House by Alan, M0JSA entitled ‘Working the world on DMR’. Wednesday sees a net via the GB3IH repeater from 7.30pm. Mark, M5BOP, secretary@fdars.org.uk

The next meeting of Hammersmith Amateur Radio Society will be held on Wednesday the 26th of February from 7pm. For more information visit m0xhs.uk Selim, M0XTA, M0XHS@outlook.com

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 refresh 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

The next meeting of Hilderstone Radio Society will be held on Thursday the 20th. For more information visit g0hrs.org

Huntingdonshire Amateur Radio Society is holding a surplus radio equipment and tabletop sale today, Sunday the 16th of February from 10am to 4pm. The sale is taking place at Buckden Village Hall, Buckden, Cambridgeshire, PE19 5UY. More details can be found on Hunts-Hams website on the events and activities page. hunts-hams.weebly.com

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

Itchen Valley Amateur Radio Club usually meets on the second and fourth Fridays of each month. For more information visit ivarc.org.uk Martyn, 2E0OGR, secretary@ivarc.org.uk

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 meeting at All Saints House from 8pm. During the meeting John Paul Parkins, 2E0TFJ will be giving a talk entitled ‘My Journey with SDR’. 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, there will be a ‘Construction Contest winners talk’. David, G8UOD David, G8UOD on 01234 742 757 or g8uod@icloud.com

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 and 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 net on 144.6125MHz from 7.30pm and an FM net on 145.350MHz from 8pm. John, G3MCX, 020 8688 3322

West Kent Amateur Radio 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 is holding a net on 70.475MHz from 7.30pm. Dave Welham, G0DPW, badarc@protonmail.com

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 more 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, members are meeting from 7.30pm for a social evening. 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

Mendip Repeater Group is pleased to announce that GB3WR, located on the Mendip Hills, will be back on the air by the end of March 2025. For more information visit gb3wr.uk

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 Tuesday, Saltash and District Amateur Radio Club is meeting at the Burraton Centre from 7pm. On Wednesday, the Club has a net via the GB3PL repeater from 7.30pm. Mark Chanter, M0WMB, 07810 548 445

Shirehampton Amateur Radio Club has a net every Sunday on 145.425MHz from 11am. On Friday, members will be meeting from 7pm. shirehampton-arc.org.uk

South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is running an online Foundation course in March. For more information visit tinyurl.com/SBARC25

On Wednesday, Taunton and District Amateur Radio Club has nets on 145.400MHz from 7pm, and via the GB3VS repeater from 8pm. tauntonarc.wixsite.com/taunton-radio-club

Thornbury and South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club meets every Wednesday from 7.30pm at The Chantry, Thornbury. The Club has daily nets via the GB3ZB repeater at 10.30am. On Wednesday the 19th of February, Martyn, M7VMT will be giving a talk about his radio shack. The Friday net is on 145.450MHz from 8pm. For more details see the Club’s website and Facebook pages, or phone the Secretary, Terry, on 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

Tomorrow, the 17th, Weston-super-Mare Radio Society will be hosting a talk entitled ‘Early History of Radio’ by Chris Budd, G0LOJ. The club meets at 7.30pm every Monday at Weston-super-Mare Social Club, Devonshire Road, Weston-super-Mare. Thursday sees a net via the GB3WB repeater from 8pm. For more information visit westonradiosociety@gmail.com

**NEWS FOR WALES**

The next meeting of Aberdare and District Amateur Radio Society will be held on Friday the28th of February 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 a movie night hosted by Roger, GW4OBA on Tuesday the 18th of February 2025. The doors open at 6.30pm at The Cwmduad [COME-DO-ADD] Community Centre**,** Cwmduad, Carmarthenshire, SA33 6XN which is on the A484. Although it is limited, parking is available beside the hall, so visitors are recommended to arrive early. Light refreshments will also be available. On Wednesday there will be a 70cm FM net on GB3CM starting at 7.30pm. There will be 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 contact Andy, GW0JLX on 07768 282 880*.*

Chepstow and District Amateur Radio Society meets on the second and third Tuesdays of the month, from 7.30pm, in the Scout hut next to the British Legion on Grahamstown Road, Sedbury, Chepstow, NP16 7AD. The next meeting will take place on the 18th. 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

Today, the 16th, Dragon Amateur Radio Club has a net via the GB3AN repeater from 3.15pm. The second net today will be on 145.550MHz from 6.30pm. Tomorrow, the 17th, there will be a meeting at Canolfan, Esgeifiog, Gaerwen, from 7pm. On Friday there will be a Wires-X net 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

North Wales Digital Radio Network is a Facebook Group that is helping users in the North Wales Area with all aspects of digital amateur radio. Members can also be heard on the following repeaters: GB7IA, GB3OD, GB7SA GB7RH and GB7HM on DMR Talk group 870, Time Slot 2 and Talk group 23470 Time slot 1. facebook.com/groups/northwalesdigitalradionetwork

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 Paul Day, MW0PBD, 07394 994 555.

The next meeting of Rhyl and District Amateur Radio Club will take place on Wednesday the 5th of March 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 Tuesday at High Cross Community Hall, Church Close, Rogerstone, Newport, NP10 9SH. On Fridays there is a net on 145.525MHz from 7pm. The Club is registered venue for amateur radio exams. usksidearc.newport@gmail.com