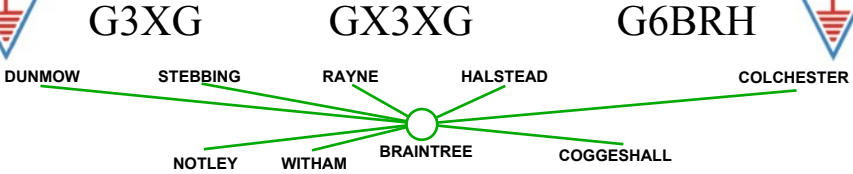


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Monday 7th April was a "Rig Clinic" night. After the formalities, committee reports etc. mention was made of the impending A.G.M. Howard stated that there would be a submission from the committee regarding the club constitution, a short discussion ensued.

rest of the members spent the evening discussing radio. Most enjoyable.



Meeting Reports

Tony, GØIAG

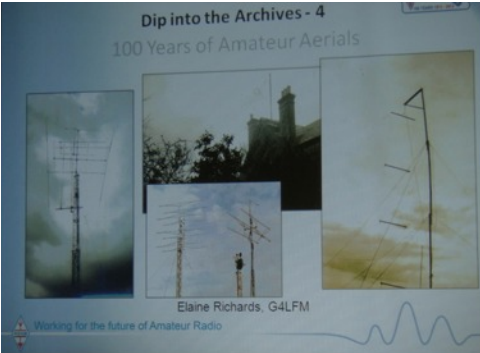
After that it was over to Dave GØDEC, with his test equipment and tools. He tested radios for deviation, power and alignment, plus a bit of fault diagnosis. We are very lucky as a club to have Dave with his equipment and talents to help us all.

Apart from those who had brought radio's in for Dave to evaluate, the

The "Bank Holiday" meeting on April 21st, was to see the last in the series of 4 presentations by Edwin GØLPO, on the history of the RSGB.

This presentation was totally dedicated the development of antenna's over the years. Accompanied by a series of photographs, Edwin gave a running

commentary on the development of wire antenna's by the early pioneers of amateur radio. From massive cage aerials with huge counterpoise systems through to the latest designs in wire, beam and vertical antenna's.



He also highlighted the fact that the early pioneer's used huge antenna's to transmit a few miles and now we transmit all over the world on tiny antenna's in comparison. This says a lot for the development of radio's as well.

Edwin has spent a lot of time taking the photos and text from the RSGB archive and turning them into 4 very interesting and informative talks. Our thanks go to Edwin for his hard work.

The rest of the evening was dedicated to general chat and discussion about the forthcoming Mills on the air weekend, May 10th

and 11th; your offers of help will be appreciated by Melvin.



I have arranged for Braintree Radio Club members to visit the First World War aerodrome at Stow Maries on Thursday June 12th. The cost of entry is £4 per head with concessions £3per head. I have organised a guide for our visit, and you will be able to see the fantastic work that has been done by a small band of volunteers to bring the Aerodrome back to life and the work they still have to do.

Stow Maries Aerodrome Visit

Tony, GØIAG

I chose a Thursday because that is the only day of the week that the radio shack is open and manned. I will collect the entry fees in advance at time of booking and will organise a convoy of cars for transport. Fuel costs are between driver and passengers.

Come and enjoy a fascinating day out and bring a packed lunch.

Club Meetings and Nets

*Club Net - 08.00 pm local time
2 Meters (145.375 MHz)
70 cms (433.575 MHz)*

May

- 5 Mills Preparation & Natter
- 12 Club Net - 2 Meters
- 19 AGM
- 26 Club Net - 70 cm

June

- 2 Construction Contest
- 9 Club Net - 2 Meters
- 16 DF Hunt
- 23 Club Net - 70 cm
- 30 Club Net - GB3BZ Repeater

May Edition

This edition is a much shortened version, not for the fact that I am in Turkey, but because there was little submitted from members. I hope that a normal service will resume as from next month. Ed

Contests

VHF/UHF

May

- 3 1400-2200 432 MHz Trophy
- 3 1400-2200 10 GHz Trophy
- 3-4 1400-1400 432 MHz-248 GHz
- 6 2000-2230 144 MHz UKAC
- 11 0900-1200 70 MHz Contest
CW
- 13 2000-2230 432 MHz UKAC
- 17-18 1400-1400 144 MHz May
- 18 1100-1500 144 MHz #1
Backpackers
- 20 2000-2230 1.3 GHz UKAC
- 25 1400-1600 70 MHz
Cumulatives #3
- 27 2000-2230 50 MHz UKAC
- 27 2000-2230 SHF UKAC

June

- 3 2000-2230 144 MHz UKAC
- 8 0900-1300 2nd 144 MHz
Backpackers

HF

May

- 5 1900-2030 80m CC SSB
- 14 1900-2030 80m CC DATA
- 22 1900-2030 80m C CW

June

- 2 1900-2030 80m CC DATA
- 7-8 1500-1500 NFD
- 11 1900-2030 80m CC CW

Braintree and District Amateur Radio Society

Braintree and District ARS. meets every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month at The Clubhouse, Braintree Hockey Club, Church Street, Bocking. Doors open from 7.30 pm for an 8 pm start to the meeting. Prior to 8 pm, and during the refreshments break, when a cup of tea or coffee is available free of charge, members have the opportunity to sell or exchange equipment etc. Meetings normally finish at 10 pm.

The Club Membership fee is £16 annually; Senior members (State Retirement age) and Junior members (under 18) pay a reduced club subscription of £10. Door fees are payable per meeting. Rates are £1 for members and visitors.

A Club Net operates on the 2nd and 4th Mondays (excluding Bank Holidays) under the callsigns G6BRH and G3XG. The net commences at 20.00 local time on V30 (S15) - 145.375 MHz and SU23 - 433.575 MHz, unless QRM. In months with 5th Monday the net operates via GB3BZ 430.850 MHz.

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