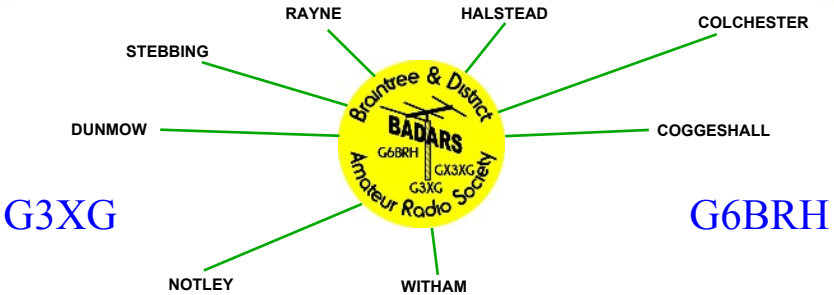




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It may look like an old typewriter or calculator but it's really hi-tech PAT equipment

The New Year started for the club on Jan 4th with a showing of TX Factor 9 followed by a natter session. The film highlighted the work done by C A R S with their licence training programme for budding Radio Amateurs. Essex Repeater group also showed off its set up and progress with the D-Star repeater as well as 2m/70cm and 6m repeaters. Finally the promotional work done by Essex Ham was demonstrated at a field event on the coast. The more chances we as radio amateurs get to promote the hobby the better and Essex Ham are doing a good job of it.

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Meeting Reports


Tony, GØIAG

John M5AJB reminded the members that the club, once again, had a table booked for the Canvey Rally in February. The remainders from the Junk sale will be taken there plus any additional items gathered in the meantime. Members may donate items for sale or, if there is space, sell them on the stall for themselves on a commission basis. The remainder of the evening was spent nattering about the Construction Challenge.

Monday 18th Jan. was a meeting devoted to PAT testing and natter. Dave GØDEC brought along the test gear (compliments of his new employer), Melvin and John brought along club leads, power supplies and other ancillary equipment. We test all equipment used at club and public events to comply with Health and Safety regulations combined with risk assessment to satisfy insurance requirements.

Some of the club members brought along their own kit for testing as the equipment was available.

It was nice to see a good turn out of members, some of whom I hadn't

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Club Meetings and Nets

*Club Net - 08.00 pm local time
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February

- 1 Talk on Astronomy by Mike Adcock G8DJO
- 8 Club Net
- 15 Construction evening
- 22 Club Net
- 29 Club Net

March

- 7 Rig clinic, by Dave GØDEC
- 14 Club Net
- 21 Construction evening
- 28 Club Net

April

- 4 TBA
- 11 Club Net
- 18 TBA
- 25 Club Net

May

- 2 Natter night. Mills weekend update.
- 9 Club Net
- 16 AGM
- 23 Club Net
- 30 Club Net

June

- 6 Construction Contest evening
- 13 Club Net
- 20 TBA
- 27 Club Net

Contests

HF

- Feb
- 1 2000-2130 80m CC SSB
- 10 2000-2130 80m CC DATA
- 13 1900-2300 1st 1.8MHz Contest
- 18 2000-2130 80m CC CW

VHF

- Feb
- 2 2000-2230 144MHz UKAC
- 7 0900-1300 432MHz AFSAFS
- 9 2000-2230 432MHz UKAC
- 16 2000-2230 1.3GHz UKAC
- 23 2000-2230* SHF UKAC
- 23 2000-2230 50MHz UKAC
- 28 1000-1200 70MHz Cumuls #1
- 30 2000-2230 70MHz UKAC

Rallies

7 FEBRUARY

31st CANVEY RADIO &
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Island, Essex SS8 0JA (southern end
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seen for a while. Ann and I did some catching up on their gossip. All round a productive and enjoyable evening.

Future Meeting info.

Monday 18th April

A show and tell evening is planned, based on an idea hatched by John and I. As our club and Icom UK share the same 40th anniversary year, we wondered how many of you have Icom equipment from 1975-ish. If so, bring it to the club

on that night. We appreciate that some of you will not necessarily have Icom kit so other makes are ok.

John and me have been in touch with Icom UK, they are very interested in our evening and have sent "goodies" to help the evening along. They will also give us publicity through their outlets as a result.

So come on, dig and delve into the back of your shack to find your 40 year old gear. We don't want to let the club down.

Committee

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Braintree and District Amateur Radio Society

The club meets every 1st and 3rd Monday of the month at Braintree Hockey Club, Church Street, Bocking. Doors open at 7.30 pm, meetings run from 8 pm to 10 pm.

Membership is £16 annually; Senior members (State Retirement age) and Junior members, under 18, pay £10. A door fee of £1 is also payable at each meeting by members and visitors.

BARSCOM is sent to members by e-mail on the first of the month; paper copies are available at the first meeting of the month (plus postage if appropriate). The usual

deadline for copy is the 28th of each month. Members may sell or exchange equipment etc. before the start of each meeting, during the tea/coffee break and may advertise in BARSCOM free of charge.

Some members have had problems with UHF and BZ access, and as a result the Club Net will now operate on 2 metres only. This should make it easier for all members to remember the frequency, and for non-members to find the net. The net will use V30 (S15) 145.375 MHz, starting 20.00 hrs local time on the 2nd, 4th, and 5th Mondays of each month.

The deadline for submissions for the next edition is 25th of the month. Items will be published in the first available edition subject to space availability.

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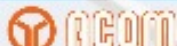
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