

Thames Amateur Radio Group

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Away Days

It seems like a long time ago but it was only on 17th Sept that we held our fourth field event at Hadleigh Country Park. Many leaflets given to passers-by interested in what was going on; and useful for those who attended. Also, 4 members went to the Newark HamFest with a car share. One of the topics for the AGM at our November meeting is how to build on these and alternative types of public event.

Presentation(s)

Many thanks to Fred, 2E0FRE, and Bejoy 2E0KFG, for stepping in at short notice to give talks at the club on 6th Oct. Bejoy (below) inspired by his father - a physics teacher - had built a teaching aid to show the effects of resistors in series and parallel.



Dates for Dairy

There's a lot going on over the next few months including our AGM, Christmas meal and training. Don't forget to join us on the TARG net (Friday's at 8pm via GB3DA) where we're encouraging any licensed member of the club to take a turn as Controller (but ask first!). See the "Diary Page" of the website and the "News Page" shows recent events.

A Ton of Training

We had an extra special Foundation Course completed this month for several reasons.

Firstly, and credit goes to Senior Tutor Mark, M0IEO, and all the tutors who, since 2013 when training started, have helped an amazing 100 candidates pass their exams. The honour of actually getting the 100th pass goes to Sureshkumar who was presented with a unique certificate to mark the occasion.

Secondly, One of the candidates John, came out of the process with a M0 rather than an M6. How was this possible? John passed his RAE exam 38yrs ago but joined the Navy and never got around to receiving his licence. He joined our Foundation Course to start again but, on Mark's advice, checked with Ofcom who granted him his full licence.

Thirdly, let's not forget to congratulate the other candidates who passed; their new call signs are shown below (Left to Right):

- John Tyrrell. M0JDT
- Andy Went. M6KSE
- Chris Mead. M6OJP
- Sureshkumar Vellaichamy. M6VSE
- Alan Guyon. M6KSY

All good Publicity

Have you noticed an increased coverage of TARG events in RadCom and the RSGB affiliated news? Thanks to some good photos, newsworthy activities and material being submitted by Pat G8JLM, the club is enjoying a raised profile.



AGM

It's been mentioned twice, but just in case you missed it (!) - please attend the club AGM on 3rd Nov for the elections of the new Committee and a review of what we have done in the past 12 months and what we are going to do in the next 12 months. Question and Answer session; will be fun.

