



Radio Society of Great Britain



City of Bristol RSGB Group - G6YB

[At the Bristol Lawn Tennis & Squash Club, Redland Green, Redland, Bristol BS6 7HF](#)

Monday August 27th 1930hrs **LF Band operation**

Tom Boucher G3OLB—Well known for Dxing on the LF bands will bring along and show some of his home brew items for the more unusual bands.



At the World Radio Conference in 2012, amateur radio societies succeeded in obtaining a world-wide allocation between 472 and 477kHz, with an ERP of 1W (in some areas this could be increased to 5W). This is likely to be introduced gradually as national administrations write their own legislation. The first country to become active on the new 477kHz band was Germany. In the UK, we are expected to have the band from 1 Jan 2013 and meantime no new permits for 500kHz are being issued. Tom will suggest ways we can get on the new allocation !

The end of an Era

Those of you who listen to the RSGB news broadcast on a Sunday morning will know that a stalwart of this service is Martyn G3RFX. It will have come as a great shock to many of you who were listening to the 80 metre news on 12th August to hear Martyn announce that this was to be his last news broadcast. Now Martyn is a character and an individualist who brings his own quirky style and sense of humour to the reading of the news; whilst this was a delight to his many listeners and indeed has brought a wry smile, if not a downright chuckle, to my face, it would seem that his style of news reading didn't suit a small but vociferous minority, and Martyn thought it better to call it a day and depart.

Over the last 17 years Martyn has read the news 1273 times; I personally find this an incredible feat, and it was only a short time ago that the Bristol group thanked Martyn with a book token in recognition of his splendid efforts.

Martyn, there is much more that could be said, but maybe this is not the time or place ... just remember those committing murder serve less time than you did, so welcome back to having Sunday mornings to yourself; remember it's a hobby, it's supposed to be fun, and on behalf of the Bristol group: thank you very, very much.

Dave G4NKT Chairman

This coming Wednesday 22nd August there is an RSGB Bristol Group Committee meeting - if there are any items you would like discussed or brought to the attention of the committee please send me an email before Wednesday.

Robin

G3TKF

Bristol Contest Group GJ6YB Jersey 2012

Optibeam and 40m Dipole



Run Station

GJ3TKH /P not HF bands !



Tuning up the MultStation



Catering Manager



The band of 13



Do you have anything you want to sell ?

Do you want to buy anything ?

Use this space !

No charge

Coming soon : Dates for your diary

Sept 24th : Phil Whitchurch G3SWH 3DA0PW Swaziland

Oct 29th : David Butler G4ASR Making more miles on VHF

Nov 26th : Nick Gleed GW8YJM Electron Microscopes

Dec 31st : “On Air” night

Local Clubs Why not support them and try to make a meeting or two ?

Blackmore Vale <http://www.radioclubs.net/bvars/events.php>

Chepstow and District ARC <http://www.gw4lwz.org.uk/>

Chippenham & DARC <http://www.g3vre.org.uk/archive.asp>

MidSARC <http://www.midsarc.org.uk/>

North Bristol ARC <http://www.nbarc.org.uk/>

Shirehampton <http://www.shirehampton-arc.org.uk>

South Bristol ARC <http://www.sbarc.co.uk/>

Thornbury and South Gloucs ARC <http://www.tsgarc.ham-radio-op.net>

Trowbridge and District ARC <http://www.radioclubs.net/trowbridgedarc/events.php>

Caption Competition

Can you think of a suitable amusing caption for this ? All answers (if any!) published next month . The “winner” gets a free raffle ticket at the next meeting .



Last months winner **G3ZVW**

“Arthur was so short sighted he didn’t realise he was trying to load-up his wife’s spinning wheel”



Send me your captions !

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