



Radio Society of Great Britain



## City of Bristol RSGB Group - G6YB

**Next Meeting : Monday Sept 28th 2009 1930hrs**

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

Hi All

Sad news that Ken Ottery, G3ECS passed away last month.

Ken was always a CW fan, and an active member of "FISTS". He had daily skeds for years with his cousin in New Zealand on the key. He operated in 1955 for the Bristol Group helping to win HF Field Day three years on the run. In 2002 he was an award winner in IOTA, and recently was in the roll of honour for IOTA 2009.

An excellent evening with Alan Foulkes at the last meeting; several members commented that perhaps he could come back again next year .... Watch this space!

This month :

**Prof Alan Bramley BEng PhD CEng (G4NDU) "The Mechanics of Music and How To Stay in Tune !"**

Alan writes .....

***"Most people like music in some shape or form. A comparatively smaller number of people can play it, although many more would like to be able to do so. The occasional fool agrees to talk about it. The speaker fits all of these categories! Musical instruments, together with their inputs and outputs have been evolving over the millennia and engineering has played a significant part in this process. The talk examines some of these aspects with a particular emphasis on keyboard and brass instruments.***

***Should the musician blame his instrument?***

***Why are there more white notes than black notes on a piano? "***

This sounds a fascinatingly "different" talk – hope to see you there.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS : dates for your diary**

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October Phil Whitchurch G3SWH** – internationally known DX operator, talks about his recent trip to Mayotte as FH/G3SWH

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November Martyn G3RFX** not to be missed : Chairman's Evening. Martyn will be ably assisted by his better half, Jane, who will talk about her work with the Highways Agency....

**Monday Dec 28<sup>th</sup>** No meeting. But a “**Virtual Meeting**” – a chat ON THE RADIO! 3.5Mhz or 1.8Mhz has been suggested – your choice - let me know a preferred band.

**Monday January 25<sup>th</sup> 2010 Annual General Meeting.**

## **News**

At the start of September the Bristol RSGB Group launched its new website. You can find the home page at <http://g6yb.org/> .

The site covers all group activities, including those of the Contest Group, and has several new features including:

- Member login, which allows you to upload articles and links, and also to access members-only information.
- Search facility, which will come in useful as the site expands.
- Photo album – currently under development

Try registering as a member using your call sign as your user name and choose any password you want. The authoring facility is fairly easy to use, but notes will be published quite soon with some guidance on how to submit articles and links

## **Any other suggestions for lectures/visits for 2010?**

That's all for now

73

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Note the Sparkling New RSGB Bristol Group site!!  
With thanks to Alan G3XSV

Plenty of useful links from the site

<http://g6yb.org/> (for the latest Bristol RSGB Group info)