



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 Sept 24th 1930hrs

Phil Whitchurch G3SWH : 3DA0PW Swaziland



This month's talk is from Phil G3SWH - Phil always has an interesting and amusing angle on his Dxpeditions.

Come along to his talk on his trip to Swaziland in Southern Africa.

Not the RSGB news but

Have you listened to the [Amateur Radio Newsline](#) news on **50Mhz** ?

It's a regular Sunday transmission at 1000hrs and 1830hrs (local) on both local 50Mhz repeaters [GB3ZY](#) on 50.800Mhz and [GB3FH](#) on 50.770Mhz. Between them they cover most of our region. Matt G4RKY engineers it all.

Do have a listen; there are always interesting items of news from around the world - not necessarily relating to us in the South West, but of general interest to the hobby.

A very professionally produced and presented (if typically US) broadcast and well worth tuning into.

It's my opinion that the **GB2RS** news would benefit from a similar treatment (maybe toned down slightly!).

After the success at our July meeting of the **Bring and Buy table** it was decided at the last committee meeting to introduce this on a regular basis.

Meetings will start 15minutes earlier on those nights and the talk will start at 2000hrs to allow 45mins of selling and chatting. We will try this every three months if practical.

The first of these will start at the October meeting .

Individuals will be responsible for their own equipment and the selling .

A small donation to group funds from any sales please.

Coming soon : Dates for your diary

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

Nov 26th : Nick Gleed GW8YJM Electron Microscopes

Dec 31st : “On Air” night

At the local clubs

Mid Somerset: Social Evening/The Kings Arms, Shepton Mallet on 25th Sept

Chepstow and District has a talk on Historic Radio on 1st October

Thornbury has a “Bring in your project” on 19th Sept

South Bristol are busy with PSK Demonstrations on 13th and involved with Railways On The Air on the 22nd

Why not drop in one evening? More details on the links below

Local Clubs

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 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/calendar/>

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

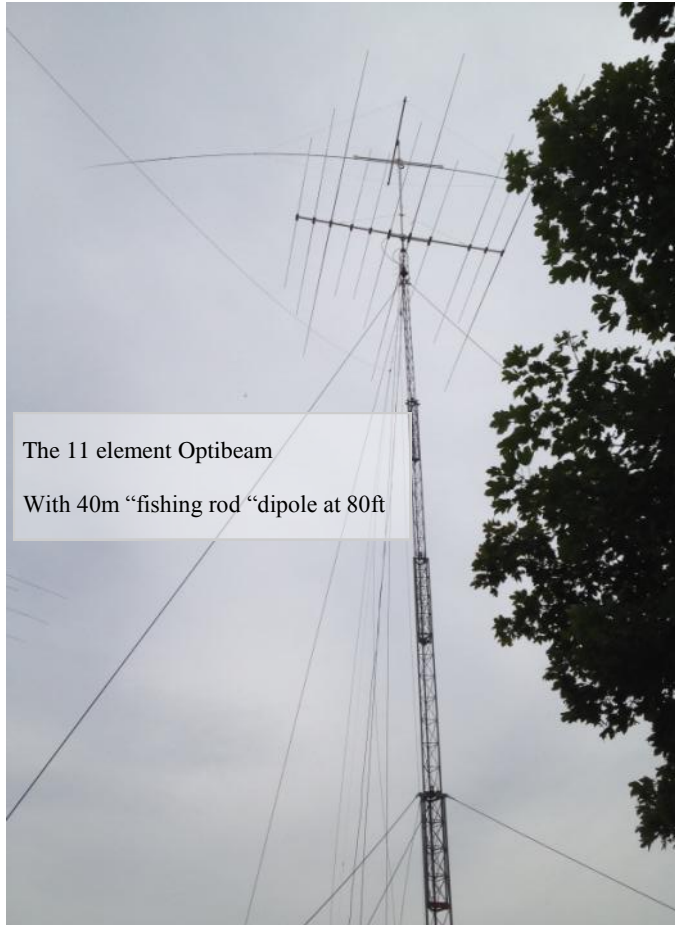
Trowbridge and District ARC <http://www.radioclubs.net/trowbridgedarc/events.php>

SSB Field Day Sept 2012

The Bristol RSGB Contest Group G6YB normally operates SSB Field Day from a location close to Bath Racecourse, access past their stables being a requirement. This year Saturday was Ladies Day – and permission was declined on the grounds of upsetting the horses (not the ladies!) After trying to secure the use of other favoured sites we were beaten by the weather not allowing the combine harvesters in the fields. We had to resort to a flat and rather indifferent location - or so we thought. Nearly half of the kit was assembled and up in the air by Friday evening, although there was time to catch the “local” before closing, to discuss tactics for the weekend!

Working a dozen or so JAs on 28Mhz along with V55 and VU in the first 30minutes was something few of us expected, the 11 element Optibeam at 80ft doing an impressive job. 14Mhz stayed open for us into the early hours. LF band QSOs were generally down on last year but 28/21Mhz way up.

Annoying “faults” in the middle of the night put us off air for what seemed like an hour (actually 15mins), dubious patch leads, multicore cables and a faulty SWR meter not helping fault finding. Equipment was the usual FT1000D /TL922 /Optibeam/ Dipoles and 40m Vertical, assisted by DXCluster and Wintest.



Band	QSO	DXC	Points
80	153	20	716
40	294	37	1153
20	847	64	2831
15	424	57	1345
10	83	20	301
			Total Score: 1,256 , 508

A fun weekend with lots of helpers putting up and taking down in the dry! Thanks to :

G3TKF, GW3TKH, G3XSV,
G3YHV, G3ZVW, G4FKA,
G4NKT, G4WBV, M0MAT,
M0WLF, M1DSE.

Caption Competition

Can you think of a suitably amusing caption for this picture ? All answers published next month . The “winner” gets a free raffle ticket at the next meeting .



Entries for last month (lower picture) included:

“Dyson’s new HD1 hairdryer using their patented Air Multiplier technology” *G3XSV**

“Kevin wired in a rheostat, but soon realised resistance was futile” *Peter Heaven*

“Pointing the newly-invented iCoil at his head, Bert prepares to engage in his first and only brain heating experiment” *G3ZVW*

“The last picture of Arthur, moments before his famous “White Hole” experiment worked for the first time” *G0XAY*

“Herman is nicht impressed to hear the first ever GB2RS broadcast from some Bristolian reading news of a very serious matter relating to German licensing regulations in an Allo Allo style voice. “Zist is most irregular, he vill never last” he muses. *G0FUW**

All very amusing ! After great deliberation by the judges, it was decided there would have to be a tie this month.

**Thanks to all who entered .Congratulations to G0FUW and G3XSV who will both have a raffle ticket in this month’s draw.*

Send me your captions !

73 [Robin G3TKF](mailto:robin@g3tkf.co.uk)

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