

COULSDON AMATEUR TRANSMITTING SOCIETY

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“CATS WHISPERS”

November 2017




Affiliated to the RSGB

CATS Committee

Chairman: Stuart Barber G6CJR 

Secretary: VACANT

Treasurer: Steve Conway G7SYO 

Members: Terry Giles G4CDY 
David Milne G6VMI

Vacancies: Currently still remains at **THREE**

CATS Whispers Editor: Andy Briers G0KZT

email for contributions: newsletter@catsradio.org

Regular Society Meetings: These are held on the second Monday of each month at:
St. Swithun's Church Hall, Grovelands Road, Purley, Surrey, CR8 4LA at 20:15 to 22:15

Society Nets

Sunday mornings - 11:00 - Call on 145.400 MHz \pm QRM

Sunday evenings - 17:00 - Call on 3.700 MHz \pm QRM * (Ex-KKC/CATS net)

Wednesday evenings - 21:00 - Call on 70.425 MHz

CATS Website www.catsradio.org

Email enquiries@catsradio.org

Forthcoming Meetings

Monday 13th November - CATS Quiz v Sutton & Cheam

Monday 11th December – Annual General Meeting



CATS are twinned with the Crescenta Valley Radio Club
Glendale California USA www.qsl.net/cvrc

Next Meeting – Monday 13th November – CATS Quiz

Terry G4CDY is our quizmaster and invitations have been sent to our neighbouring clubs to join us for a quiz night.

CATS members have also been invited to show their support. Terry also needs to know numbers so that suitable refreshments etc. can be sought.

Please contact Terry to register your support.

Annual General Meeting 12th December

Last month, and in accordance with the rules of the Society, notice was given that the Annual General Meeting of the Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society will be held on Monday 11th December 2017 at St. Swithun's Church Hall, Grovelands Road, Purley, Surrey CR8 4LA, commencing at 20:15 hours.

Please complete a nomination form attached to last month's newsletter and either return it to our Chairman or hand it in at the beginning of the AGM. If you need another nomination form, please contact Andy G0KZT who will be pleased to forward one to you via email.

Meeting debrief – Monday 9th October “Put the Hall on the Air”

Sadly, this was another meeting your Newsletter Editor couldn't attend. If anyone would like to put a few lines together to write a short report, it would be most welcome.

Newsletter News

I am pleased to announce that David Milne G6VMI has offered to be your club newsletter editor from January 2017.

Sad News – Graeme Lake G1WFG SK

Graeme's funeral took place at Croydon Crematorium on Friday 20th October. CATS were represented by Steve Conway G7SYO and a donation of £25.00 was made to Age Concern Croydon, the nominated charity.

More Sad News – Denis Bailey M6XLS

Surrey and Sussex Crematorium



DENIS GERALD BAILEY

11th December 1931 - 14th October 2017

Monday 6th November 2017

at 11.15 am



Donations in memory of Denis can be made payable to

The League of Friends, Caterham Dene Hospital

and sent c/o B C Baker & Son

15-17 High Street, Caterham, Surrey CR3 5UE

Telephone: 01883 343 219

No sooner had news come in that Graeme had passed away, we received news that Denis had also died. Denis had been in hospital receiving treatment for cancer when sadly his battle was lost. Details of his death and his funeral were sent to members via email as the October newsletter had already been pulished.

Denis died on 14th October and his funeral took place on Monday 6th November at The Worth Cemartorium with the wake taking place at the Surrey National Golf in Chaldon afterwards, of which Denis had been a club member. CATS were represented by Stuart G6CJR and Andy G0KZT

Denis's son read out his father's eulogy at the service. Denis was instrumental in the early days of the print trade when The Sun was developing the use of colour print. He apparently had a great working relationship with the paper's owner, Rupert Murdoch. It was this work that put him in contact with chemicals that led to his cancer. But not withstanding, Denis also sought election in local politics as a local council official and enjoyed spending time with his family on his motor boat, stemming from his early career in the Navy.

Denis was a quiet supporter of CATS. I use the word quiet because he always volunteered for those background jobs. He was also a keen advisor when CATS were considering using Soper hall in Carterham when it's continued community use was being put out to tender.

Andy Briers G0KZT

**THE COULSDON
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Presents
CATS 40th Radio & Electronics Bazaar

Sunday 19th November 2017
10.00am until 2.00pm

**Location: Oasis Academy Coulsdon, Homefield Road,
Old Coulsdon, CR5 1ES. Buses: 466, 404 and 60.**

**Just £1.50 entry which still includes a free tea/coffee and to
celebrate the 40th Bazaar a chance to win a brand new TYT
MD380 DMR/Analog Transceiver!**

Second Hand Equipment



Flea Market Tables

Refreshments

Trader Stalls



Fully accessible facilities

CATS Bring & Buy – You bring it, we sell it for you*



*** Subject to a 10% commission**

**We are accepting applications from traders, clubs & individuals
who would like to rent a space in the main hall or the cafeteria.
Contact enquiries@catsradio.org or visit www.catsradio.org for
more info.**

CATS Bazaar Update

We're on the final countdown and I can report that we have received huge support from traders, clubs and local interest groups. The RSGB will also be present.

We have received offers of support from club members to help with the running of the Bazaar, including the Bring & Buy. But, other members who come forward on the day will of course be most welcome.

The use of social media including Facebook and Twitter, along with a leaflet distribution at the Radio Fair event last Sunday and of course via the RSGB news have hopefully put our event firmly in the minds of our radio community.

Debrief - Wimbledon Club Annual Camp - 29th July - 6th August

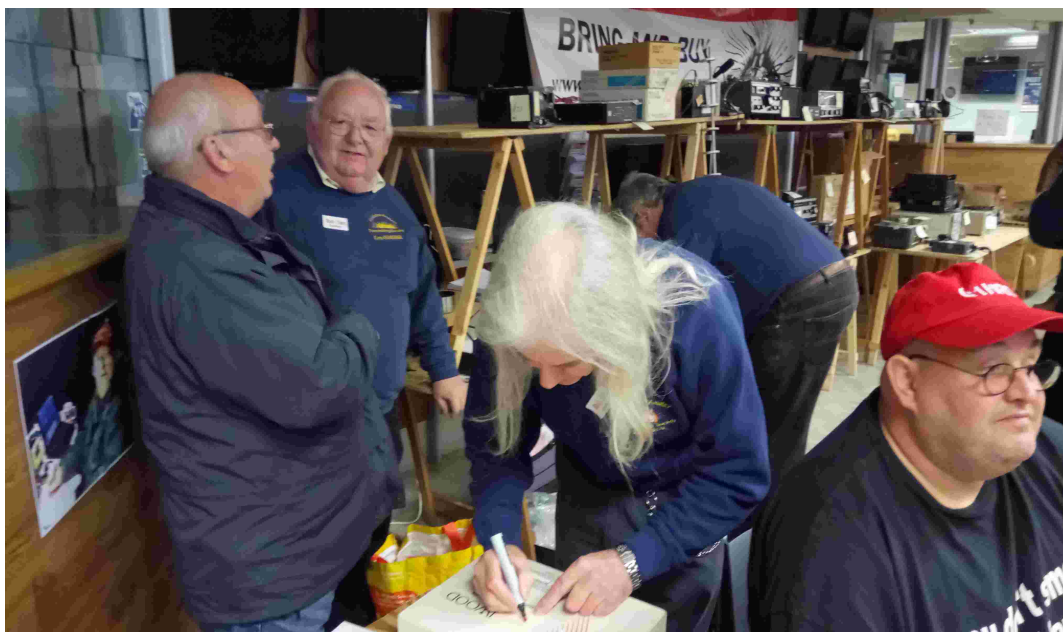
Unfortunately no report was forthcoming.

Kempton Rally – Sunday 5th November – Bring & Buy Debrief

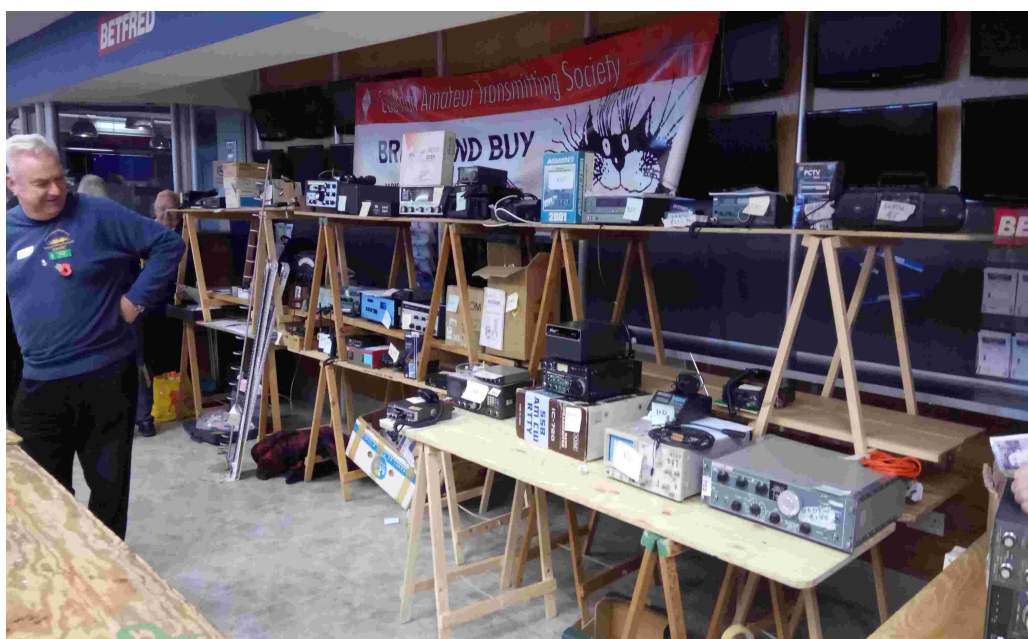
On what was a bright but chilly morning, Andy G8JAC, John G1RUV, Len G0GNQ along with his friend from Margate, Len 2E0DUE, Vince G1HRD, David G6VMI and myself joined forces to run the Bring & Buy stand. We had been given a new location in the hall, a large spot vacated by Martin Lynch & Sons (who incidently have revealed will no longer support Radio Fairs but instead open their doors at their shop) which gave a large frontage to book equipment in tents. The display was a combination of stacked tressle tables and our own shelving.



An assortment of gear was brought to sell, including rigs, test gear, ATU's, rotators, aerials and other sundry items. In total, we had xx sellers.



It is always difficult to gauge how many people attend the stand. There was not a huge rush at the beginning, more of a steady flow. Some of the sellers had downloaded the booking form prior to attending (which saves a huge amount of time). But, what is most important is how much the efforts of these members raised for club funds. In total we raised £164.90, the sum of which is made up of the number of sheets entered (£1.00 each) and the 10% commission taken from each sale.



I would like to express my sincere thanks to those members who kindly gave up their Sunday to help run the stand. Thanks also to Stuart G6CJR for preparing the booking in sheets and dropping off the shelving in advance to G0KZT.

We of course will have to repeat this all again two weeks later at our own CATS Bazaar!

Andy G0KZT

Contest News

Here's the line up of HF & VHF contests sourced from the RSGB Contest pages for this and next month. For more info and rules, visit <http://www.rsgbcc.org/>. If you're hungry for more, why not visit http://www.g8jyv.co.uk/contest_calendar.html for a list of contests as long as your arm!

Date	Contest Name	Timings
Tuesday 7 th November	144 MHz UKAC	2000 – 2230 UTC
Thursday 9 th November	50 MHz UKAC	2000 – 2230 UTC
Saturday 11 th November	Club Calls (1.8MHz AFS)	2000 – 2300 UTC
Monday 13 th November	Autumn Series DATA (80m)	2000 -2130 UTC
Tuesday 14 th November	432 MHz FMAC	1900 – 2000 UTC
Tuesday 14 th November	432 MHz UKAC	2000 – 2230 UTC
Thursday 16 th November	70 MHz FMAC	1900 – 2000 UTC
Thursday 16 th November	70 MHz UKAC	2000 – 2230 UTC
Tuesday 21 st November	1.3 GHz UKAC	2000 – 2230 UTC
Wednesday 22 nd November	Autumn Series SSB (80m)	2000 – 2130 UTC
Thursday 30 th November	Autumn Series CW (80m)	2000 – 2130 UTC

Rallies & Events

10 November 2017 The Tynemouth ARC 'Good' Junk Sale [Friday]
St Hilda's Church, Stanton Rd, North Shields, Tyne & Wear, NE29 9QB.
Open 19:00 as part of a normal club night but open to all.
Details: mail@g0nwm.com <http://g0nwm.com>

11 November 2017 Fog on the Tyne Rally [Saturday]
Whitehall Road Methodist Church Hall, Bensham, Gateshead, Tyne & Wear, NE8 4LH.
Open 10:30. Admission £2. Trade. RSGB books. Junk stall. On-site catering.
Car parking (entrance is on Whitehall Road).
Details: Nancy Bone, G7UUR, 07990-760920, nancybone2001@yahoo.co.uk

12 November 2017 Great Northern Hamfest
*** **UNFORTUNATELY THIS EVENT HAS BEEN CANCELLED** ***
Barnsley Premier Leisure Complex, Queens Road, Barnsley, S.Yorks. S71 1AN.
Organised by South Yorkshire Repeater Group
Ernie, G4LUE, 07984-191873 <http://www.gnhf.co.uk>

18 November 2017 RADARS Traditional Radio Rally [Saturday]

St Vincent de Paul's, Caldershaw Rd, off Edenfield Rd, Norden, Rochdale, OL12 7QR. Edenfield Rd is on the A680.

Open at 10:30/09:45 (08:00 sellers). Admission £2.50/kids <12 free.

B&B. Traders. Junk stall and amateur radio sellers.

Refreshments. Bacon & sausage butties.

Pitches (£5 each) must be booked at least 2 weeks in advance.

Dave, G3RIK, rally@radars.me.uk <http://www.radars.me.uk>

19 November 2017 40th CATS Electronic Radio Bazaar

Oasis Academy Coulsdon, Homefield Road, Old Coulsdon, CR5 1ES.

Open 10:00-13:00. Admission £1.50. Disabled facilities. Parking. B&B.

Flea market. On-site catering.

Details: Andy Briers, G0KZT, 07729-866600, bazaar@catsradio.org

26 November 2017 Bishop Auckland Radio Amateurs' Club 2017 Rally

Spennymoor Leisure Centre, 32 High Street, Spennymoor, Co Durham, DL16 6DB.

Open 10:30/10:15. Admission £2. kids <14 free. Parking. Disabled access. Access to a large ground floor hall. Radio, computer & electronic stands. B&B. On-site catering with bar.

Details: John, G4LRG, 01388-606396

25 February 2018 BRATS Medway Radio Rally

Victory Academy, Magpie Hall Road, Chatham, Kent ME4 5JB.

Open 10:00/09:30 to 14:00. Entry £2.50. Free parking. Trade. RSGB books.

Talkin 145.550 MHz by GB4RRR. On-site catering.

Details: Hugh H, G0BRC, 07825 838877, Secretary@bratsqth.org

15 April 2018 West London Radio & Electronics Show

Kempton Park Racecourse, Staines Road East, Sunbury on Thames, TW16 5AQ.

Open 10:00/09:50. Talkin. Free on-site parking. Trade. B&B. SIGs. Lectures.

Raffle. On-site catering.

Details: Paul, M0CJX, 0845-165-0351, info@radiofairs.co.uk <http://www.radiofairs.co.uk>

Other Club News & Contact Information

Club newsletters are regularly posted via email to members. What follows is a summary of local club meetings. Please either visit the respective club's website/secretary/newsletter for up to date programe information.

BROMLEY & DISTRICT ARS

Website: www.bdars.org.uk

Email: info@bdars.co.uk

Club Net: Wednesdays 9:00pm - meet on 145.500 MHz FM and QSY

Meetings: 3rd Tuesday of every month at Victory Social Club, Kechill Gardens, Hayes, Kent, 19:30 for 20:00.

CRYSTAL PALACE & DISTRICT RADIO SOCIETY

Website: www.qsl.net/g3oou/ or <http://www.g3oou.co.uk/>

Club Net: Wednesdays 20:00 on 145.525 MHz

Meetings: 1st Friday at All Saints Parish Church, Beulah Hill at 19:30

1st Dec - Christmas Social

5th Jan – Video Evening

2nd Feb - AGM

CRAWLEY ARC

Website: www.carc.org.uk

Meetings: Every Wednesday at Hut 18, Tilgate Forest Recreational Centre, Tilgate Forest, Crawley from 19:30, and Sundays, 10:30 to 13.00.

22nd Nov – Transmission Lines by Richard G3ZIY

8th Dec – Annual Fish & Chip Supper

24th Jan – Annual General Meeting

CRAY VALLEY RS

Website: www.cvr.org

Contact: Richard Cains G7GLW rcains@btinternet.com

Club Net - 10m Sunday morning net @ 10:00 local: 28.570 MHz +- QRM

4m net – Fridays in weeks where there is no club meeting @ 20:30 local: 70.450MHz, then QSY to 70.425 or 70.475MHz

Meetings: 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 1st Royal Eltham Scouts HQ, Rear of 61 - 71 Southend Crescent, Eltham, London, SE9 2SD.

16th Nov - Video Editing for Amateur Radio by Paul G3SXE

7th Dec – Amateur Radio At The Movies

DORKING & DISTRICT

Website: <http://www.ddrs.org.uk> Email: ddrs.secretary@yahoo.co.uk

Contact: George Brind, G4CMU

Club Nets: Sunday 08:15 on 3.770 MHz & Thursday 20:00 on 144.775 MHz

Meetings: Friends Meeting House, Butterhill, South Street Dorking at 19:30

Tuesday 28th Nov – AGM & RSGB Film

HORSHAM ARC

Website: www.harc.org.uk

Club Nets: Saturdays 21:30 on 144.725MHz and Sundays 10:00 on 3.722 MHz

Meetings: 1st Thursday at The Guide Hall, Denne Road, Horsham, Sussex

Sunday 26th November - Sunday Morning Fox Hunt

7th Dec – Annual General Meeting

MID SUSSEX ARS

Website: www.msars.org.uk

Club Nets: Sundays 08:00 on 3.740 MHz and at
11:00 on 145.350 MHz, Wednesdays 20:00 on 145.350
MHz and Daily 13:30 on 21.330 MHz

Meetings: Every Friday at Cyprus Hall, Cyprus Road, Burgess Hill, West Sussex for 19:45

Fri 24th Nov – How I became a Radio Amateur – Members Input

Fri 8th Dec – On Air Night

Fri 15th Dec – Christmas Quiz

SURREY RADIO CONTACT CLUB

Website: www.g3src.org.uk

Contact: John Simkins G8IYS Tele:020 8657 0454 email secretary@g3src.org

Club Net: Sunday 09:30 on 1905 kHz , 70.300 MHz Thursday 8:00 pm, 145.35 MHz +/-
25kHz Friday 8:00 pm

Meetings: 1st & 3rd Mondays at Trinity School, Shirley Park, Croydon CR9 7AT 19:30 for
19:45.

Mon 4th December - Radio Astronomy with George Emsden

Sutton & Cheam Radio Society

Sutton United Football Club. The Borough Sports Ground, Gander Green Lane, Sutton,
Surrey, SM1 2EY

Web site: <http://www.scrs.org.uk> General Enquiries e.mail: info@scrs.org.uk

Nets – Wednesday 20.00hrs 145.500 MHz , Saturday 10.00 7.125 MHz, Saturday 11.00
145.500 MHz

16th November - Getting started with data modes – Alexander Zigar M0SUV

14th December - Christmas Junk Sale

Wimbledon & District Amateur Radio Society

Meets on the 2nd and last Friday in the month at Matin Way Methodist Church Hall, Martin
Way Merton Park, London, SW19 9JZ at 19:30hrs for 20:00hrs.

Contact: Andrew G4ADM on 020 8335 3434 or andrew.maish@ntlworld.com

Submissions are most welcome from CATS members, Local clubs and societies

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