



Wirral & District Amateur Radio Club

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Meetings are
held at Irby
Cricket Club
2nd & 4th
Wednesdays
8pm Start
Visitors are
always most
welcome

Suggestions for
Club talks or your
comments on
any topic .. to:-

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Club Roundup



Support from Club Members

at activities have been steadily rising during 2003. As you will read in the reports, our BBQ was a great success with many family and friends joining us. GB4LL also attracted record attendances both of visitors climbing to the top of the Lighthouse and amateurs supporting the event. The North Wales DF Hunt, run by Tom G4BKF our Secretary, has now grown into a bi-annual event with more new teams joining in. It is very pleasing to your committee to see this increasing support.

We have an action packet start to our Winter programme with a talk on **Guided Missile Technology and their Submarine launching vehicles**, by ex Marconi man Malcolm Heathcoate. From the 26th July this year, full and intermediate licensees were granted Class A operating privileges and in response to requests we have a talk by Neil G4OAR **Some Tips for Setting-Up and Operating HF** on the 8th October. We have

a 5 star night on 12th November when **Rev. George Dobbs, G3RJV** is joining us for a **QRP Night**. The 26th November will be a talk by Gordon G8MMM on the **Various e-comms Packages in use on Amateur Radio**. With our **Awards and Hot Pot evening** on the 22nd October and the **Chairmans Night** on the 10th December I am sure it will be a busy period. We have been able to secure another great deal at the Hotel Victoria in New Brighton for our Annual **Christmas Night Out**. Last year 49 people attended our 25th Anniversary and enjoyed a fine evening. (See the advert at the bottom of the page) £5 deposit per person to Neil G4OAR will secure your places at the table. We plan another thoroughly enjoyable evening for you this year. Only a 2 pager and I'm out of space ! 73 Neil G4OAR

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"Revenge DF" Fox

Denis G3UVR as Fox, seen pointing to the start just over a mile over the fields. Won by Tom G4BKF and team.



Club BBQ in June



A selection from the many photo's submitted, were taken at our Club BBQ held on the 11th June. Our joint Chef's for the evening Elaine and Janis seen above each receiving a bottle of wine from the Chairman for their hard work. Over 50 members and friends supported the event, **more than double last year.**

GB4LL at Leasowe



Vic G4UDR operating with Eric G6HWD for "Lighthouse on Air" weekend, 16th & 17th August from Leasowe Lighthouse. Great weekend. No less than 17 amateurs visited & supported the event, **more than 100% up** on last year !

WADARC Christmas Night Out
will be held on

FRIDAY 5th December 2003
at the

Hotel Victoria, New Brighton
3 Course Turkey/Beef Carvery Dinner
(Plus all the trimmings + coffee & mints)

Price **£14.99** (inc. tip)

Book asap with Neil, G4OAR
as numbers will be limited

Late 4m News !

The number of countries with allocations for 70MHz is increasing by the day:- OY Faroe Islands, OZ Denmark, a Permit has been issued in OX Greenland and hopefully very soon will be 9A Croatia Keep up to date on the 4m website www.70mhz.org

Answers to the ANT Quiz by Eric G6HWD in Jan 2003

- | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| (1) Agent Orange | DEFOLIANT |
| (2) Not benign | MALIGNANT |
| (3) Adding two vectors | RESULTANT |
| (4) Grass | INFORMANT |
| (5) Oil Maybe? | LUBRICANT |
| (6) Yesterdays worker | REDUNDANT |
| (7) Alsations about to help on | ASSAILANT |
| (8) Flirting in gall +VAT | GALLIVANT |
| (9) I / Q 150 + 500 Lumens | BRILLIANT |
| (10) Grant Meat for a virago | TERMAGANT |
| (11) A Spot of the Spot | PUSTULANT |
| (12) A crawling toady | SYCOPHANT |
| (13) From abroad and Here! | IMMIGRANT |
| (14) Helper at the Baths | ATTENDANT |
| (15) Accidents around a drier | DESICCANT |
| (16) 'E Burnt Axe in Excitement | EXUBERANT |
| (17) Unwilling hero | RELUCTANT |
| (18) Rent a tin to find a nomad | ITINERANT |
| (19) Note or add a better smell | DEODORANT |
| (20) To look and look again | OBSERVANT |

The WADARC Teaser

What is the only food that doesn't spoil ?

The Answer was of course **HONEY** ☺ Ed.



Friedrichshafen 2003

The last week in June saw a record of 8 locals making the trip to the Ham Radio Rally, flying Liverpool to Geneva via Easy-jet followed by a drive in 3 cars across Switzerland. Held this year in the new exhibition halls. next to the airport.



Bob NCI, Andy HUD, Phil IIM and Denis UVR can be seen admiring the mountains of Switzerland (not the photographer) on the opposite side of Lake Constance. We will be booking our flights for June 2004 in December. If you would like to join us please let me know and I will make sure you are on the distribution list for information.

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Bring & Tell

A fine summer evening and people lined up to share with us something unusual. Bill G4SYJ brought along some of his flying kit and showed just how all the equipment fitted together. He can be seen here explaining about the power unit. We had some fascinating readings from the "Howarth" family diaries read by Tom G4BKF, and interesting stories behind a selection of QSL cards from Vic G4UDR. Geoff G4WUA showed us some unusual small pieces of equipment including an iron movement volt meter. (Apologies Geoff but your photo failed Ed.) Eric G6HWD read from an old diary of his parents about life in the early 1900's in Birkenhead and Gordon G8MMM told us what his home brew attenuator means to him. Another well supported evening.



Wirral & District ARC - Calendar 2003

- September**
- 24 **Guided Missile Technology by Malcolm Heathcoate**
- October**
- 01 D&W – The Hoylake Lights, Hoylake
- 08 **Some Tips for Operating H.F. by Neil G4OAR**
- 15 D&W - The Harp, Lower Neston
- 22 **Annual Hot Pot Supper and Awards Evening**
- 29 D&W - The Chimneys, Hooton
- November**
- 05 D&W - The Black Horse, Lower Heswall
- 8&9 **North Wales Radio & Electronics Fair, Llandudno**
- 12 **QRP Night with Rev. George Dobbs G3RJV**
- 19 D&W - The Saughall Hotel, Saughall Massie
- 26 **Amateur Radio e-Comms by Gordon G8MMM**
- December**
- 03 D&W -The Fox & Hounds, Barnston
- 05 **WADARC Christmas Bash**
- 10 **Chairman's Night**
- 17 D&W -The Green Lodge, Hoylake
- 24 **Closed**
- 31 **Closed**
- January 2004**
- 07 D&W - The Railway, Meols
- 14 **WADARC Annual General Meeting**
- 21 D&W - The Anchor, Irby
- 28 **Pre-Owned Bargain Items Evening**

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Welcome

The Wirral & District ARC extends a warm welcome to **Roy M1EIV** And wish you a long and happy stay with us.

A Newsletter EXCLUSIVE !

Delighted to announce that Dave G4MSA now living in the Hague was married earlier this year to Rita and are now proud parents of twin daughters. Congratulations to you both from all your friends on Wirral. Neil G4OAR



The side of a plumbers van read ..
"Don't sleep with a drip .. call your plumber"

Sign on a garden gate read ..
"Salesman Welcome ! Dog food is expensive"

