

#### **EDITORIAL**

This month's Meeting on **September 18<sup>th</sup>** will be another **Quiz Night** by **John (G3JKL)** complete with buzzers and two teams willing to make fools of themselves - I know - I have been one!! The last one was a





lot of fun and enjoyed by all - plenty of laughs and a chance to see on the quiet how many questions you were able to answer.

Also on September 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> is **Railways on the Air** weekend when

we shall again be operating from a vintage railway coach at the **Bideford Heritage Centre at East the Water**. As always your help is much needed to make this special event a success - so please let any committee member know if you can help either in erecting/disassembling the antenna, operating/logging, and being on hand to explain to any interested public just what we are doing.



The Club will again be using the special callsign **GB4BHR** which was in much demand last year. Remember to wear your Club badge so members of the public know who they can ask to explain what we are doing.

If you can suggest any other special events which the Club could support, have a word with any committee member. Terry (G4CHD)

#### CLUB MEETINGS

Meetings are held at the **Appledore Football Social Club** starting at 7.30pm for 8.00pm. Visitors always welcome.

For further information, please contact the Secretary, John (G3JKL) - see panel above for contact details.

As you can see we are in need of a Speaker for our February Meeting next year so if you have any ideas please contact any Committee member.

Date	Торіс
September 18 <sup>th</sup>	First to Buzzer Quiz by John (G3JKL)
September 23/24 <sup>th</sup>	Railways on the Air - Bideford Heritage Centre - Special Event
October 16 <sup>th</sup>	Natter Night
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	Talk by Dave (2E0KVJ) TBC
December 18 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Party
January 15 <sup>th</sup>	Bring & Buy
February 19th	Talk - Topic & Speaker TBA
March 19th	AGM
April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Open Meeting - possibly via TEAMS

#### **REPORT ON OUR JULY MEETING**

#### History of the World Famous Ham Radio Store by Martin Lynch (G4HKS)

Last month's meeting was a first in several ways as we were treated to a most entertaining evening with Martin Lynch (G4HKS) describing the history and evolution of his famous Ham Radio Store. His talk had been advertised in a recent ML&S Ham Radio Podcast which resulted in quite a



few visitors to our Club. Martin's talk was both interesting and informative combined with for many, a trip down memory lane at the mention of many classic old radios. Before the talk started, Mike (G3PGA) presented Martin with a lemon drizzle cake made by Velma - Mike's xyl as it was Martin's birthday quite recently which explains the candle on top!

Everyone who attended was treated to a most enjoyable evening and the Club would like to thank Martin for all the preparation necessary to ensure such an enjoyable evening.

## LOCAL REPEATERS/GATEWAYS

## 2m Stibb Cross Repeater (GB3DN)

http://www.g0rql.co.uk/gb3dn.htm User: Listen 145.6375 MHz - Transmit 145.0375 MHz. Access 1750 Hz Tone or 77 Hz CTCSS Repeater keeper is Tony (G1BHM)

## Fusion/C4FM/WiresX Gateway (MB6DT)

Frequency 144.8125 MHz. Gateway Keeper Darren (2E0LVC)

## Fusion/C4FM/WiresX Gateway (MB6DN)

Frequency 144.825 MHz. Gateway Keeper Drew (M0MFS)

# LOCAL NETS

Weekday Zepp FM Net:	Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri : 145.450MHz - 4pm - 5pm Wed via GB3DN - 4pm - 5pm Net Control : Len (M0SXY)
2m Elevenses FM Net:	Mon/Wed/Fri : 11 - 12.00 noon via GB3DN Net Control ; Mike (G3PGA)
Friday Night 2m Net:	Friday : 145.450 FM, 8 - 9pm
Sunday Top Band Net:	Sunday 1.860 MHz 9.30 - 10.15am (LSB - 32W pep max)

2m SSB Nets:

Wed: 8 - 9pm 144.260MHz USB SSB (Vertical polarised) Sun: approx 10.30am (follows Top Band Net) 144.260MHz USB SSB (Vertical polarised)

Sunday FM Net:

Sunday: 11 to noon via GB3DN Net Control : Chris (G0FJY)

### BERYL (G1SVP) SADLY NOW SK

John (G3JKL) our Club Secretary recently received a message from Beryl's Stepson Pete (G1OFG) informing us that Beryl is now sadly no longer with us (SK).



Beryl and her husband John

(G1AJB) joined the Club in the early 2000's but John was not a well man and sadly died around 2005. Beryl was very active within the Club being a Committee member for some years and more recently helping with radio examinations.

The Club sends condolences to Beryl's family and friends.

### SOUTHWEST DMR RADIO CLUSTER

Many thanks to Drew (M7ABR) for the following information :-Just to let you know that GB7FB is now part of the South

West Cluster of DMR servers see :-<u>http://thesouthwestcluster.co.uk/</u>

slot 1 is local to the repeater and slot 2 gives coverage over most of the SouthWest

Follow the above link to get more detailed information plus a list of participating South West Repeaters.

### PATRONAGE OF THE RSGB

Since our Club is affiliated to the RSGB, some members have asked what is the situation re royal patronage after the death of Prince Philip.

The following has been obtained by John (G3JKL) from RSGB HQ :-

So the situation re Patronage is that we "lost" our patron with the death of the Duke of Edinburgh in 2021. The title of Duke of Edinburgh passed to the then Prince Charles and subsequently to Prince Edward when Charles ascended to the Throne. With the death of both Prince Philip in 2021 and the Queen in 2023 a very large number of patronages have become "lost" and I am advised that the Royal family (no doubt with the aide of many advisors) are working through the present situation. At the moment, therefore, we, like many other organisations, are without a royal patron and will continue to be until the present situation is reviewed and re-distributed around the Royal Family. The RSGB are simply working through this like every other organisation in a similar position.

Enjoy the read

Terry (G4CHD)