



FIVE AND NINE PLUS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER
OF THE
APPLEDORE AND DISTRICT
AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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EDITORIAL



Welcome to another 5&9 Newsletter.

This month's meeting is the **Club's Christmas Party** which is being held a little earlier in the month to avoid clashing with other Christmas activities. As a result, getting this Newsletter out in time is a bit of a rush so apologies for the mistakes (or should I say for there being more than usual!)

Similar to last year, there is no charge to attend and every member will be given a free strip of raffle tickets with extra strips costing £1. The Club just asks for as many members that can, to bring along a raffle prize to make the draw more interesting.

I unfortunately missed the Bring and Buy Meeting last month but have asked Laurence to give me some feedback. Many thanks to Jim for his great photos of the Meeting. You will see in the table opposite that the Club will be activating the G100RSGB call next year. Laurence (G4XHK) will be the station manager as it will be activated from his qth. Events such as this require a lot of forward planning and Laurence will be starting this soon after the Christmas Party. Initially this will be a small group meeting to plan the overall structure of the event but early next year when the planned time slots are known and published in the

Newsletter there will be the opportunity for members to volunteer to operate in specified time slots. Watch this space!



So it just leaves me on behalf of your Committee to wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy Healthy New Year. Enjoy the read



Terry (G4CHD)

CLUB MEETINGS

Unless otherwise stated, Meetings are held at the Appledore Football Social Club starting at 7.30pm for 8.00pm. Visitors are always welcome.

For further information, contact Brian Jewell (M0BRB)

Dec 10th	Club Christmas Party
Jan 21st	Erecting & Installing a Hex Beam by John (M0JKL)
Feb 18th	Introduction to Software Defined Radio (SDR) by Dave (2E0CNB)
Mch 18th	AGM
Apl 10/11	G100RSGB Special Event Station at Laurence (G4XHK) qth
Apl 15th	Integrated Data Logging for RAYNET by Steve (G6SQX)

Merry Christmas

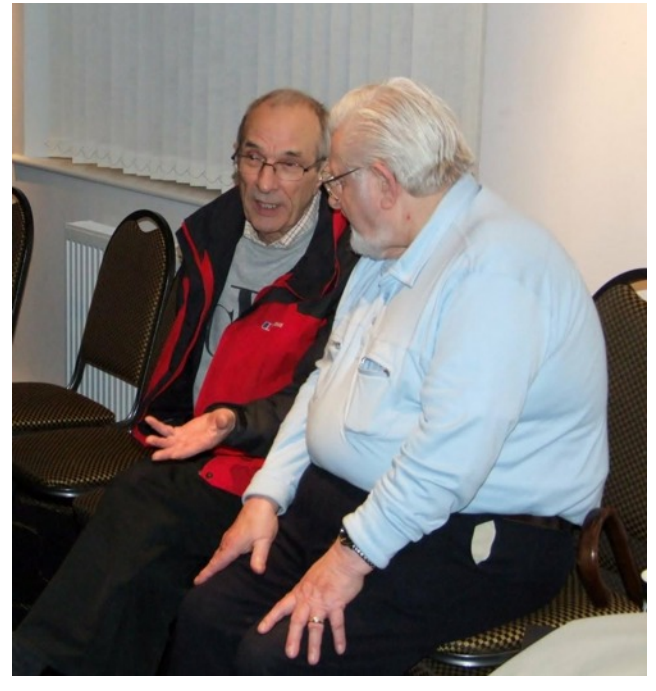


REPORT ON THE NOVEMBER MEETING

BRING & BUY

Many thanks to Jim for the photos and to Laurence for the following report:

Thanks to those who brought along equipment and supported this years Bring & Buy. As ever G3PGA played a prominent role in raising Club funds and a creditable £21 was made from sales and donations. Thank you again Mike. There was a suggestion that the Bring & Buy may be better as a summer event - when the weather is kinder!!! Your new Committee will consider this when looking at the 2013 programme.



LOCAL REPEATERS

70cm Handy Cross Repeater/Echolink (#221334) Gateway (GB3ND)

User: Listen 433.35MHz– Transmit 434.95MHz
Access 1750Hz Tone (Timeout 4.25 mins)/ 77Hz CTCSS
Repeater keeper is Jeff (G4SOF)

2m Stibb Cross Repeater (GB3DN)

<http://www.g0rql.co.uk/gb3dn.htm>

User: Listen 145.6375MHz - Transmit 145.0375 MHz.
Access 1750 Hz Tone or 77 Hz CTCSS Repeater keeper is
Tony (G1BHM).

Yahoo users group for general chat and banter at :-
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GB3DN/>

SUDOKU PUZZLE

The aim is to enter a number into each cell so that **any column, or any row, or any block of cells contains all numbers from 1 to 9**. This month's puzzle is categorised as **Advanced** difficulty.

6	2	1					9	
						7		
	9		1		8			
		9	3				1	
4				6	1			9
	1		5			8		
			9	4			2	
		3						
	5					6	3	4

Terry (G4CHD)

CROSSWORD

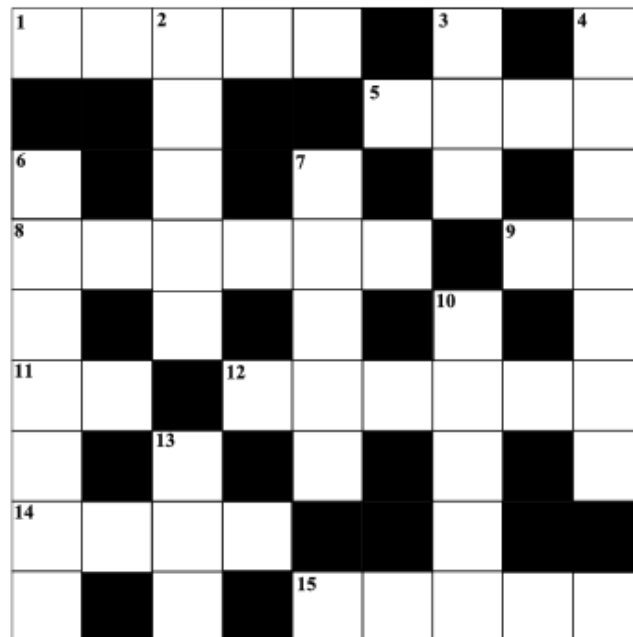
This month's Crossword by Stuart (M1FWD).
The answers will be published in the next month's Newsletter. Good luck !

Clues Across

- 1) This tree bears the Christmas crown (5)
- 5) Tobermory is located on this GM island (4)
- 8) Traditional Christmas bird (6)
- 9) Abbreviation for U.S. State, capital city Richmond (2)
- 11) Initials for what was once known as the Common Market (1.1)
- 12) The red-nosed reindeer (6)
- 14) This would make Christmas white (4)
- 15) Do this to talk through a microphone (5)

Clues Down

- 2) A pint and three-quarters or 1000 cubic centimetres (5)
- 3) Where Wenceslas looked (3)
- 4) Fodder crop, also known as lucerne (7)
- 6) Would a person supporting this belief participate in Christmas celebrations (7)
- 7) Thigh bone (5)
- 10) The SI unit of work or energy, equivalent to a watt-second (5)
- 13) An atom that has lost or gained one or more electrons (3)



Last month's answers :-

Across 1) dot 3) arcs 5) clone 6) ant 8) brig 9) agin
11) les 13) Paris 14) Yemen 15) Ana

Down 2) decibel 2) Tropics 3) amen 4) sin 6) Algeria
7) Tunisia 10) open 12) ewe

LOCAL SKEDS

Zepp Net: Mon, Tues, Thurs : 145.450 MHz
Wed : via GB3DN 1600 local time

6m Net: Wednesday, 8pm, 51.5MHz FM

HF Net: Friday at 1600 local time
on **7.185 MHz ± qrm**

Slow Morse: Run by Dave (G3YGI) on **Tuesdays (suitable Beginners) and Thursdays (suitable more Advanced), 1900 local time on 145.25 MHz (FM) - all are welcome.**

MY FIRST SHIP (Part 13) - by Brian (M0BRB)

Four days out from Panama 1000 and 1000 miles of deep blue sea and sky, and one tended to get that far away look for ever looking at the sky line , from the main deck, about 5 to 6 miles and if some object had popped up about half mile away , more then likely would have missed it. Going north east leaving all the Island chains to the south and moving in to the lonely part of the Pacific Ocean and on board crew going about sea going duties working and eating and sleeping .

One morning in my watch steaming in to heavy swell, the old 2nd Engineer came down with all the Indicator Equipment and lengths of cord ,and I thought "this is going to be fun ", unlike old Chief Willi, this Chief had not told

me to adjust the valve linkage so I knew that all the piston stroke graph would not read the same, I offered to help the 2nd, for I could tell he had been at the bottle again, but no he could manage it him self, as long as I kept the steam up to the blood mark, which was hard because I had the Evaporator running. I also saw that he was getting in to a tangle with the lengths of cord over the little pulley wheels that he had not fixed in line. Well after much swearing and falling around he took all the equipment down and left the engine room to report to the Chief. When the 3rd came down to take over the watch, I told him about it, he said “not to worry about it, it will all come out in the wash”, which was just like him because he was so laid back and would never worry about any thing , I did notice after a few days, that the Chief was wondering around muttering to him self.

About a week out from Japan, the tail end of a Typhoon caught us, and gave the ship a hard time for five to six hours, any way, it took five weeks before Japan sighted over the Bow, all the crew getting excited including me.

We arrived in to Tokyo Bay to anchor in the 3rd Engineers watch , so after having my breakfast and going down below I stood on deck looking around I could see Yokohama and farther on Tokyo, the news from the Bridge was that we were bound for Kawasaki Steel Works with our cargo of coal. While was stood on the deck, out side the engine room main entrance I felt a few bumps at the ship side

This being four motor boats full of scrap metal merchants, the leader said to me good morning Chief Engineer San smiling like a Japanese General and of course, he could see that I was the 4th Engineer by my one gold band on my on my jacket, so I sent them all down into the engine room and the 6th Engineer told me later, that there was a Jap stood on every step of all the ladders begging the 2nd for scrap metal , when I went down the 2nd had chased them all away, so I missed all the fun.

Alongside at 1500 and shutdown to just one Boiler on line and the steam Geni (under my cabin) but now used to the sound.

The port was the only port in Japan that my company ships berthed at a Quayside, on the other five times in Japan always discharged cargo into smaller Ships and Lighters and the bigger type of Junk. Kawasaki was one of the busiest port I had ever saw, Big ships – Little ships – Junks and Sampans, all on the move or unloading. After tea , was in my cabin knock on my door from a smiling Jap, he wanted to know if I wanted to go to town and visit his Bar and mentioned that some of the other engineers and deck officers had said yes, my thoughts on this - “ seems like a good plan “ and said that I would go. So taxies were arranged and off we went. Leaving the 7th Engineer on stand bye duty and the Chief Engineer who retired to his cabins with a bottle of whiskey. So Japan at last , just one hour in the city of Kawasaki and I liked it , didn't I just , the sounds and the smells and the people and I thought at that time, that I would love to work in Japan, but I was already married and starting a family , so such thoughts I had to put out of my mind. So what to do, I made up my mind to enjoy every minute of every hour of every day that I was in that country. Starting with to night .

So we ended up in the Bar come Night Club.

I found out right away, that one could drink a lot of Beer when there is a nice looking girl at ones side topping up the glass each time you sipped some beer and never seeing the bottom of the glass. Because of that and my state I had to spend the night there. Note here, that I was very lucky to visit Japan four more times.

Brian (M0BRB)

If any member has an article that they feel would be of interest to Club members, please send it in to me and it will make your Club Newsletter all the more interesting.



Enjoy the read

Terry (G4CHD)