



FIVE AND NINE PLUS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER
OF THE
APPLEDORE AND DISTRICT
AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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EDITORIAL

This month's Meeting on March 20th is of course our **Club AGM** where you the members get a chance to influence how your Club will be run in the coming club year. So I look forward to seeing many of you on the night and also finding out who will be the recipient of the **Jim McFee Cup** in recognition of all their time and hard work helping the Club.



I understand that the following Committee members are willing to stand for re election but if you would like to help in some capacity, **please** contact any Committee member and put your name forward :-

Chairman - John (G3JKL) willing to stand for re election
Vice Chairman - Steve (G6SQX) willing to stand for re election

Secretary - Alan (M6CCH) willing to stand for re election

Treasurer - Mike (G4KXQ) willing to stand for re election

Ordinary Committee members (Max 3 according to the Constitution)

Dave (G4XWQ) willing to stand for re election

Graham (G1ZTJ) willing to stand for re election

Ray (M0TLO) willing to stand for re election

Keith (G0AYM) willing to stand for re election (co-opted)

Auditor - Viv (G0OXW) willing to stand for election

Our excellent Club website at www.adarc.co.uk hosted by John, our Chairman (G3JKL) has recently been given a complete facelift so take a look and let John know any comments
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, contact the Secretary, Alan (M6CCH) - details in the top panel.

March 20th	Club AGM
April 10th	Club Quiz Night John (G3JKL)

APOLOGIES FROM OUR OVERSEAS MEMBER IN ITALY

Hello Terry (G4CHD)!

The date of next Appledore & DARC (G2FKO) 03/2017 AGM is approaching very fast and I wish to express my appreciation to the Committee and all the participating members.

Pls accept my sincere apologies for not attending to the meeting as living in a far country.

I always am very proud to be a foreing member of the Appledore & DARC .

**With my best regards to everybody.
Cordially yours,**

**Giorgio
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REPORT ON THE FEBRUARY MEETING

Memory Lane hosted by Mike (G4KXQ)

The February Meeting took on a new different format where several Club members each took 10 mins or so to talk about their early days in radio. The result was a fascinating evening thanks to the varied backgrounds of the three speakers.

Mike (G4KXQ) who originally proposed the title and format of the evening, opened proceedings with a very well illustrated Powerpoint talk on how he started in amateur radio and the types of gear and homebrew approaches commonly used in those early days.



For many members, there were many moments with fond memories and comments of 'ah - I remember those' or even 'I had one'. As always, Mike's preparation and presentation was excellent and resulted in a most enjoyable talk which for many produced a warm glow of fond nostalgia.

The next speaker was Michael (9Q5TS) who described his time working from a Hospital in Zaire (which after 1997 became the Democratic Republic of the Congo) and described the many challenges that he faced. His HF transceiver was an Atlas solid



state rig and the emphasis was always on having a very hands on approach to repairs (which included repairing the Governors mobile phone!) Michael's well illustrated and most enjoyable and interesting talk provided a fascinating insight into the trials and tribulations of operating from such a remote location.



The final speaker was yours truly who with the aid of slides described his entry into the hobby by joining the RSGB in 1968 and then getting a Class B license (G8ENK) in early 1970.



Typical AM 2m gear was described such as a modified Pye Ranger together with the impact of a geographical band plan on operating techniques - eg tuning high to low and the use of crystal controlled transmitters etc!

The use of a down converter to shift 2m received signals down to 10m was described and the use therefore of a tunable IF. The talk concluded by drawing to members' attention how lucky we now are with such an array of sophisticated gear at our disposal.

It is hoped that such an evening proved to be of interest to both young and old members alike and that the format of using several speakers each giving a mini talk could be used in a future meeting.

Many thanks to all three speakers for all their hard work and preparation which resulted in a most interesting and enjoyable evening.

Terry (G4CHD)

LOCAL SKEDS

Zepp Net: Mon, Tues, Thurs : 145.450 MHz 4pm
Wed via **GB3DN** - 4pm

6m Net: Wednesday, 8pm, **51.480 MHz FM**

HF Net: Friday at 3pm **7.145 MHz ± qrm**

70cm Net: **Sunday, via GB3ND, 11am - noon local time.**
Available on Echolink node 221334

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.g0rgl.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/>

CROSSWORD

Many thanks to Stuart (M1FWD) for this month's Crossword.
The answers will be published in next month's Newsletter. Good luck !

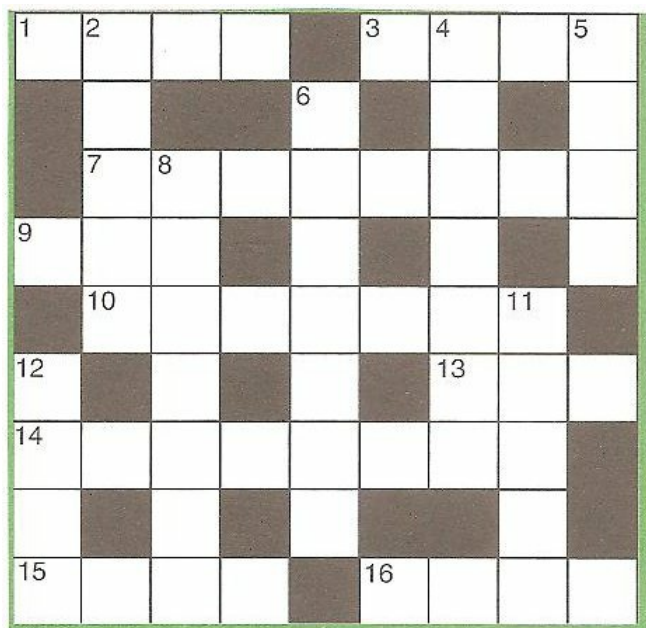


CLUES ACROSS

- 1) Echo Papa (EP) land (4)
- 3) One of the sons of Adam and Eve (4)
- 7) Golf Mike (GM) land (8)
- 9) Seaside city in Papa Yankee (PY) land (3)
- 10) ? da Cunha, Zulu Delta Nine (ZD9) island (7)
- 13) South Yorkshire river (3)
- 14) QTH (8)
- 15) In radio communication, an indication that it is someone else's turn to speak (4)
- 16) Quantities or characters operated on by a computer (4)

CLUES DOWN

- 2) Take an examination again (5)
- 4) A show of boldness intended to impress (7)
- 5) A vein of metal ore (4)
- 6) Village in northeast Essex (2,5)
- 8) Small wickerwork boat (7)
- 11) A musical composition for nine voices or instruments (5)
- 12) The highest adult male singing voice, above tenor (4)



Last month's answers :-

ACROSS: 1) coaxial 6) Coco 8) null 11) chain
12) Ouse 14) true 15) azimuth

DOWN: 2) Ado 3) Ian 4) Ecuador 5) Blarney
7) Cocos 11) ulnar 10) par 13) Eli 14) Tiu

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.**

Terry (G4CHD)

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

OLD 73 MAGAZINES ON LINE

In keeping with our last Meeting's theme of 'the old days' I came across the following website where you can read old American 73 Magazines dating from 1960 to 2003 (when the magazine ceased being published). Despite their strong American influence, they make fascinating reading and are a further reminder of what the world of amateur radio was like in the latter half of the last century.

<http://qrper.com/2011/12/73-magazine-now-available-as-free-download/>

Hope you too find them interesting.

Terry (G4CHD)

That's it for this month - hope you enjoy the Newsletter

73s de Terry (G4CHD)