

# GB2RS NEWS

Sunday 13th June 2010

## The news headlines

- **Special Event Station for National Hamfest**
- **IOTA contest DXpedition to rare North Atlantic island group**
- **BBC World Service to feature radio curator Gerry Wells**

Plans are progressing well for the National Hamfest on 1 and 2 October at the Newark & Notts Showground. To mark the National Hamfest and Ham Week UK, Lincoln Short Wave Club will be getting on the air. A special station is being set up at Newark Showground in the days running up to this year's National Hamfest, through the weekend and then off-site for Ham Week UK. HF bands and 2m will be used. The 2m operation will probably be suspended during the show as activity within the showground is likely to be heavy. The station will QSL with an attractive card with the National Hamfest Logo as its front.

Icom UK is to sponsor a DXpedition to the Flannan Islands as part of the IOTA Contest. The MS0INT team are trying to activate the remote North Atlantic island group of the Flannans, 20 miles north west of the Outer Hebrides. Icom UK have loaned two IC-7000 transceivers to the team for use at the station. As one of the rarest prefixes in Europe, EU-118, it has only been claimed by 31.9% of participants in the IOTA programme so the team will have their work cut out. The MS0INT DXpedition team will try to be on the air from Friday 18 June until Monday 21 June. There will be two 24 hour stations operating on all bands from 160-10 metres on both SSB and CW. They will be situated on the highest point of the island Eilean Mòr, some 88 metres above sea level.

Gerald Wells, known as Gerry, is the curator of the British Vintage Wireless and Television Museum in Dulwich, London, which was featured in the December 2008 *RadCom*. His museum is not open to the general public, but guided tours are available by appointment. Dan Shepherd has recently finished making a radio documentary about Gerry for the BBC World Service. The programme will be broadcast at 9am BST on 20 August, although it is worth checking the BBC World Service website nearer the date as the schedule can change.

Flight Refuelling ARS is operating a special event station at Kingston Lacy House, Wimborne in Dorset on 11 and 12 September as part of the National Trust open day. The National Trust administration has asked if other radio clubs in the UK are likely to have a special event station at other NT sites for their open days. As this is good advertising for amateur radio, perhaps clubs in the UK could think about this and get in touch with their National Trust regional coordinator.

Castles And Stately Homes On The Air in Northern Ireland will have a major activation on 16 July. Bobby, MIORYL has obtained permission to activate both the Stormont Parliament Buildings and Stormont Castle within the Stormont estate in Belfast. To commemorate this activation, a special QSL card will be issued to any contacts that are made. Propagation permitting, they hope to cover many bands and modes throughout the day to allow as many people as possible the opportunity to make contact. The station should be up and running by 10am with the castle activation number GI022 and WAB No J37.

There is an update on the GB3GJ repeater group website for those interested in the activities of the Jersey repeater. Check out their website at [www.radioclubs.net/gb3gj](http://www.radioclubs.net/gb3gj).

On 27 May an agreement on the lease of the Russian part of the Saimaa Canal zone to Finland was signed by the Prime Ministers of the Republic of Finland and the Russian Federation. The new 50 year agreement supersedes the initial lease of 1963 which is due to expire in 2013. The new lease no longer includes Malyj Vysotskij Island, the present R1MV DXCC entity. The coming into effect of the agreement is subject to ratification by the parliament of Finland and the Russian duma later this year.

### **And now for the details of rallies and events for the coming week**

The 9th Junction 28 QRP Rally will take place today, 13 June, at Alfreton Leisure Centre, Church Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire DE55 7AH. The venue is just 10 minutes from junction 18 of the M1 and the A38. Doors open at 10am and there will be trade stands, a Bring & Buy and special interest groups. More details from Russell Bradley, G0OKD on 01773-783658.

Also today is the East Suffolk Wireless Revival, also known as the Ipswich Radio Rally. It takes place from 9.30 at the Orwell Crossing lorry park on the A14 eastbound at Nacton, Ipswich, IP10 0DD. Attractions include a car boot sale, bring and buy, special interest groups and the GB4SWR HF station. Food is available, parking is easy and talk in is on S22. Contact John, G3XDY on 07710 044858 or Steve, M1ACB on 07711 329624.

Next Sunday, 20 June, sees the Newbury Radio Rally and Boot Sale at Newbury Showground, next to M4 junction 13. There will be a big display area of amateur radio stations, exhibitions, special groups, clubs and societies. Talk in is on S22, car parking is free and admission is £2. Details from [rally@nadars.org.uk](mailto:rally@nadars.org.uk).

### **Now for the news of special events**

Today, 13 June, Friskney & East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a station at Friskney Show. The event is at The Friskney Hall & Playing Fields, Church Road, Friskney, near Boston PE22 8RD. MX0LFC will be on the air from 9am to 4pm and visitors are welcome. The show is a real family event and has been very popular the last couple of years and generally finishes with a fly over by Lancaster, Spitfire or Dakota aircraft.

Special event station ZS10WCS will be on the air until 12 July to celebrate the 2010 Football World Cup being held in South Africa. The call will be used by members of various South African Radio League affiliated clubs. QSL with a self addressed envelope and one International Reply Coupon to PO Box 1721, Strubensvallei, 1735, South Africa.

One of the most iconic UK special event callsigns, GB2GP, Gilwell Park, the headquarters of the Scout Association, will be heard on Air during the weekend of 19 and 20 of June. A team of 9 UK Radio Scouters from all over the south of England will be running not only the station but also lots of different radio activities. These include Radio Orienteering for the Beaver and Cub Fundays at Gilwell Park over the weekend. Over 5,000 Beavers and Cubs aged 5 - 10½ from all over the UK are expected at the event. They hope to be

running on all the usual HF and VHF frequencies as well as EchoLink. They should be found at or around the Scout frequencies, the most common of which are 3.690MHz, 7.090MHz and 14.290MHz.

The British Amateur Radio and Teledata Group 50th anniversary celebrations with GB50ATG are nearing the end. For the month of June, GB50ATG will be used by Graeme Castleton, G6CSY. Graeme will be using several data modes so look out for him on all bands, 80 to 10 metres. GB50ATG finishes on 30 June, so if you need the call for the BARTG Golden Jubilee Award, you have very little time left. GB50ATG has been very active in most of the RTTY contests during the year, mostly by John Barber, GW4SKA, the BARTG Contest organiser. Special QSL cards will be available as will the Golden Jubilee Certificates and, hopefully, some plaques as well.

Chorley and District Amateur Radio Society will be putting on special event station GB0AH from Astley Hall Museum, Astley Park, Chorley on Sunday 20 June, from 9.30am to 6.30pm. This is celebrating International Museums on the Air and they will be active on HF & 2 metres.

Jack, G3PWK will be operating GB70AAF for the Anniversary Airborne Forces) on 22, 26 & 27 June.

### **And now the HF DX news compiled from 425 DX News and other sources.**

Tom, PF4T will be active again as 8Q7TB from Embudu, Maldives, IOTA AS-013, until 25 June. He will operate SSB, RTTY and BPSK31 on 40 and 20 metres, but he will also give 10, 15 and 17 metres a try. QSL via PF4T, direct or bureau.

The Brazilian National Telecommunications Agency has authorised the use of PX8L from Sao Luis from 16 to 18 June from IOTA reference SA-016. QSLs via PY7ZY. The website for the expedition is at [www.px8j.com](http://www.px8j.com)

Max, IZ4JMA will be active as SV5/IZ4JMA from the island of Karpathos in the Dodecanese, is IOTA EU-001, until 20 June. He will operate holiday style on 80 to 6 metres using all modes.

Crisna, IZ3GWJ says he will be active again as UT/IZ3GWJ from Ternopil in the Ukraine until 19 June. He plans to concentrate on 6 metres SSB.

### **Now the contest news**

Today, Sunday 13 June, is another busy day for contesters. The WAB 6m phone contest takes place between 0900 and 1500UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and WAB square. Please note that this is not a 'points per km' event. Multipliers are WAB squares and DXCC countries. On the same day there's the PW 2m QRP contest from 0900 to 1600UTC. The power limit is 3 watts and multipliers are locator squares. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator. Finally the second 144MHz backpackers contest takes place between 1100 and 1500UTC. The exchange is signal report, serial number and locator.

Today, Sunday 13 June is a busy day on 2m. The PW 2m QRP contest runs from 0900 until 1600 UTC, all modes. The RSGB 144MHz Backpackers contest also takes place today, between 1100 and 1500UTC. Operation is also all mode. The exchange for both contests is RST, serial number and locator.

On Tuesday 15 June it's the UHF UKAC, operating all modes on the 23cm and 13cm bands from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is RST, serial number and locator.

Wednesday June 16 sees the RSGB 80m Club Championships CW leg from 1900 to 2030UTC. The exchange is RST and serial number.

The 50MHz Trophy contest takes place from 1400UTC on 18 June until the same time on 20 June. Operation is all mode; RST and serial number form the exchange.

**Now the solar factual data for the period from the 31<sup>st</sup> of May to the 6th of June, compiled by Neil Clarke, G0CAS on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June.**

The solar disc had sunspots visible every day, however, no solar flares occurred and solar activity remained at very low levels. Solar flux levels declined from 75 units on the 3rd to 68 by the 6th. The average was 72 units. The 90 day solar flux average on the 6th was 78 units, that's the same level as last week. X-ray flux levels showed little variation and averaged A4.7 units. Geomagnetic activity was mostly unsettled; this was due to the continuing effects of a large coronal hole. Only the 2nd and the 5th were quiet days with an Ap index of 6 units on both days. The average was Ap 11 units. Solar wind data from the ACE spacecraft saw solar wind speeds decline from 650 kilometres per second on the 31st to 400 by the 6th. Particle densities were low every day. Bz varied around minus 7 and plus 6 nanoTeslas on most days. Slightly less variations took place on the quieter days.

HF MUFs were depressed by several MHz due to the increase in geomagnetic activity. However, it also brought aurora at 50, 70 and 144MHz on several days. There was sporadic-E openings every day, including 50MHz openings to the Middle East and the Caribbean. Several openings were up to 144MHz from the UK.

And now the solar forecast. For now anyway, the rise from sunspot minimum seems to have slowed. The sudden surge in activity around the start of the year is over. This is to be expected as solar cycles tend to rise erratically rather than in a linear manner. Activity will increase again but with no signs of any increase in solar activity this week, solar activity will again be very low again. Solar flux levels should be in the 70's for most of the week. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be mostly quiet throughout. MUFs during daylight hours at equal latitudes should be about 19MHz for the south and 16MHz for the north. Darkness hour lows should be around 11MHz. Paths this week to Australia should have a maximum usable frequency with a 50 per cent success rate of about 19MHz. The optimum working frequency with a 90 per cent success rate will be around 14MHz. The best time to try this path will be between 0600 and 1000 hours. Sporadic-E should take place most days with opening up to 144MHz during the larger events.

And that's all for this week from the propagation team.

## **Next, the Local News:**

**Please note that details of all RSGB-affiliated clubs and societies can be found on the RSGB website, including e-mail addresses and website links where known.**

[Note to Newsreaders: Please read the local news items appropriate to the service area of your transmission.]

## **NEWS FOR THE MIDLANDS**

On Sunday 13 June Friskney and East Lincolnshire Communications Club is running a special event station at the Friskney Show. Contact Chris, M0MFP, on 01507 442240.

On Sunday 13 June Kettering & District Amateur Radio Society is having a social meeting from 10am. Details from Stephen Froggatt, G1LMN, by email to [stevclornaf@aol.com](mailto:stevclornaf@aol.com).

On Sunday 13 June South Notts Amateur Radio Club is at the Junction 28 Rally. Details from Terry, M0RIA, via the web at [www.radioclubs.net/snarc](http://www.radioclubs.net/snarc).

On Monday 14 June Gloucester Amateur Radio & Electronics Society is having a talk on portable working using airborne aerials by Roger Stafford, G4ROJ. Contact Anne, 2E1GKY, on 01452 548478, daytime.

On Monday 14 June South Birmingham Radio Society is on the air. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Monday 14 June Stratford Upon Avon District Radio Society is having an equipment check with G6MMD in advance of the 2m fox hunt. Contact G0CHO, on 01608 664488.

On Monday 14 June Wythall Radio Club continues its Intermediate course. Details from Christopher Pettitt, G0EYO, by email to [g0eyo@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:g0eyo@blueyonder.co.uk).

On Tuesday 15 June Derby & District Amateur Radio Society is having a video show. Contact Richard Buckby, by email to [radio@dadars.org.uk](mailto:radio@dadars.org.uk).

On Tuesday 15 June Kettering & District Amateur Radio Society is holding an operating night from 7 - 9pm. Details from Stephen Froggatt, G1LMN, by email to [stevclornaf@aol.com](mailto:stevclornaf@aol.com).

On Tuesday 15 June Loughborough & District Amateur Radio Club is having a vintage radio evening. More information from Chris, G1ETZ, on 01509 504 319.

On Tuesday 15 June Wythall Radio Club is homebrewing. Details from Christopher Pettitt, G0EYO, by email to [g0eyo@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:g0eyo@blueyonder.co.uk).

On Wednesday 16 June Bolsover Amateur Radio Society has an antiques roadshow with Fred, G7GSX. For details, send an email to [postmaster@g4rsb.org.uk](mailto:postmaster@g4rsb.org.uk).

On Wednesday 16 June Kettering & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a gentleman's group afternoon. Contact Stephen Froggatt, G1LMN, by email to [stevclornaf@aol.com](mailto:stevclornaf@aol.com).

On Wednesday 16 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is having a natter night and putting G5FZ on the air. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Wednesday 16 June Midland Amateur Radio Society is on the air and running training and Morse classes. Details from Norman, G8BHE, on 01214 229 787.

On Wednesday 16 June South Notts Amateur Radio is on the air. Details from Terry, M0RIA, via the web at [www.radioclubs.net/snarc](http://www.radioclubs.net/snarc).

On Wednesday 16 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is operating QRP in the village field. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Thursday 17 June Kettering & District Amateur Radio Society is holding at raining night. Contact Stephen Froggatt, G1LMN, by email to stevelornaf@aol.com.

On Thursday 17 June RAF Waddington Amateur Radio Club is having a shack and chat night with radio and antenna play. Details from Judy Rowlands, on 07544 456422.

On Thursday 17 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting RAF Shawbury. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Friday 18 June Coventry Amateur Radio Society has the second round of the G4ZMC Trophy at Hatton Locks. Contact John, G8SEQ, on 07958 777363.

On Friday 18 June Melton Mowbray Amateur Radio Society is holding its annual fox hunt. For more information contact Geoff, G3STG, on 01664 480 733.

On Friday 18 June South Birmingham Radio Society is having a construction evening. Contact Don, on 0121 458 1603.

On Saturday 19 June Kettering & District Amateur Radio Society commences International Museums on the Air weekend, operating GB2HAM for Harrington Aviation Museum. Contact Stephen Froggatt, G1LMN, by email to stevelornaf@aol.com.

On Saturday 19 June Lincoln Short-Wave Club is putting G5FZ on the air from the shack. For more information contact Pam Rose, G4STO, on 01427 788356.

On Saturday 19 June Telford & District Amateur Radio Society commences its 6m Trophy weekend event at Long Mynd. Contact Mike, G3JKX, on 01952 299 677.

On Saturday 19 June Wythall Radio Club continues its Intermediate Course. Details from Christopher Pettitt, G0EYO, by email to g0eyo@blueyonder.co.uk.

## **NEWS FOR THE NORTH OF ENGLAND**

On Sunday 13 June North Cheshire Radio Club is watching a video about the layers of the Earth's atmosphere. Visitors are welcome. More information from the chairman on 01565 652652.

On Monday 14 June Angel of the North Amateur Radio Club is holding a Foundation examination and work on aerials. Contact Nancy Bone, G7UUR, on 0191 477 0036.

On Monday 14 June Bolton Wireless Club is having a talk by Steve, M1DOT, on the story of U-543.. For details, send an email to boltonwireless@gmail.com.

On Monday 14 June Sheffield Amateur Radio Club is running the G4EJL Memorial Trophy home construction competition. For more information contact Trevor Wood, M0TWS, by email to trevorwood6@yahoo.co.uk.

On Monday 14 June Thornton Cleveleys Amateur Radio Society is having a quiz with Mick, G4EZM. Details from John Foster, 2E0EZY, on 01253 399377.

On Tuesday 15 June Chester & District Amateur Radio Society is having an update on the kit construction project. Details from Barbara Green on 07957 870770.

On Tuesday 15 June Halifax & District Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on microwaves by Peter Day. Contact Anthony Vinters, on 01422 822636.

On Tuesday 15 June Otley Amateur Radio Society is having a member presentation on the DXpedition to Wasini. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Wednesday 16 June Hornsea Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the 80m CW Club Contest. Contact Gordon MacNaught, G3WOV, on 01377 240573.

On Wednesday 16 June Mid-Cheshire Amateur Radio Society is discussing LAN management for NFD. Contact Peter Paul Fox, G8HAV, on 01606 553401.

On Thursday 17 June Otley Amateur Radio Society is holding an Advanced exam. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

On Thursday 17 June Preston Amateur Radio Society is having a talk and demo of vintage Clansman radios by Martin, M0LCY. Contact Richard, M0RDZ, on 0785 587 3566.

On Thursday 17 June South Manchester Radio and Computer Club is having a talk on Arduino embedded microcontrol by Mike, G8HBR. Details from Ron, G3SVW, on 0161 969 3999.

On Thursday 17 June Wakefield & District Radio Society is having a committee meeting and preparing for the table top sale preparation. Contact Ken, 2E0SSQ, on 07900 563117.

On Friday 18 June East Cleveland Amateur Radio Club is on the air. For more information contact Alistair, G4OLK, on 01642 475 671.

On Saturday 19 June Otley Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the 50MHz Trophy Contest. Contact Paul, 2E0PAK, on 07768 996370.

## **NEWS FOR NORTHERN IRELAND**

No news items have been received for Northern Ireland this week.

## **NEWS FOR SCOTLAND**

On Sunday 13 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the Practical Wireless 144MHz QRP Contest. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

On Tuesday 15 June Livingston & District Amateur Radio Society is having a club evening. For more information contact Norman, on 07740 946192.

On Thursday 17 June Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society is having a preparation night. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Saturday 19 June Aberdeen Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event for International Museums Weekend at Bennachie Visitor Centre. More information from Lewis, GM4AJR, on 01224 575 663.

On Saturday 19 June Cockenzie & Port Seton Amateur Radio Club is taking part in Museums on the Air Weekend, operating GB2MOF from the Museum of Flight at East Fortune. More information from Bob, GM4UYZ, on 01875 811 723.

## **NEWS FOR THE SOUTH-EAST and EAST ANGLIA**

On Sunday 13 June Aylesbury Vale Radio Society is taking part in the Practical Wireless 144MHz contest. Details from Roger, G3MEH, on 01442 826 651.

On Sunday 13 June Felixtowe & District Amateur Radio Society is attending the ESWR rally. More information from Paul, G4YQC, by email to [pjw@btinternet.com](mailto:pjw@btinternet.com).

On Sunday 13 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is taking part in the PW QRP Contest. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Monday 14 June Coulsdon Amateur Transmitting Society is holding its annual DF hunt. More information from Andy, G8JAC, by email to [g8jac@btinternet.com](mailto:g8jac@btinternet.com).

On Monday 14 June Surrey Radio Contact Club is having a VHF NFD meeting at the QTH of G8IYS. More information from Ray, G4FFY, on 01732 357474.

On Tuesday 15 June Brede Steam Amateur Radio Society is at the shack. For more information contact Steve, on 01424 720815.

On Tuesday 15 June Bromley & District Amateur Radio Society is holding a DF hunt. Details from Andy, G4WGZ, on 01689 878089.

On Tuesday 15 June Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society is operating GB90MZX from central Chelmsford. Contact Martyn, G1EFL, on 01245 469 008.

On Wednesday 16 June Bury St Edmonds Amateur Radio Society is having a talk on the 10GHz band by Bernie Wright, G4HJW. Details from. Details from George Woods, G3LPT on 01359 259518.

On Wednesday 16 June Chesham & District Amateur Radio Society is on the air and having a CW training session. More details from Terry, G0VFW, on 01442 831 491.

On Wednesday 16 June Havering & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk by Diane Curtis on the ins and outs of Council Tax. Contact John, M0UKD, on 07817 365354.

On Wednesday 16 June Norfolk Amateur Radio Club is taking part in the RSGB clubs contest plus having an informal, construction, and workshop evening. Details from Chris Danby, G0DWV, on 01603 419204.

On Wednesday 16 June Southampton Amateur Radio Club is holding a junk sale. More information and a location map on the club website at [www.southampton-arc.org.uk](http://www.southampton-arc.org.uk).

On Wednesday 16 June Worthing & District Amateur Radio Club is visiting RAF Truleigh Hill Radar Station. For more information contact Roy, G4GPX, on 01903 753 893.

On Thursday 17 June Colchester Radio Amateurs is having a talk by Jonathan, G0DVJ, on CW for everyone. Details from Kevan, 2E0WVG, on 07766 543784.

On Thursday 17 June Cray Valley Radio Society is holding its annual DF hunt. Details from Bob, 2E0RCV, on 020 8265 7735 after 8pm.

On Thursday 17 June Horsham Amateur Radio Club is having a social evening at The Countryman Inn, Shipley. Details are on the web at [www.harc.org.uk](http://www.harc.org.uk).

On Thursday 17 June Lowestoft & District PYE Amateur Radio Club is having a club night at the shack. Details from Phil, G0JSG, on 01502 585448.

On Thursday 17 June Shefford & District Amateur Radio Society is visiting Kelvedon Hatch Bunker. Details from David, G8UOD, on 01234 742 757.

On Friday 18 June Bittern DX Group commences its weekend event, operating GB2OH for Boys and their Toys weekend at Oxborough Hall, Norfolk PE33 9PS. Details from Linda, G0AJJ, on 01692 404154.

On Friday 18 June Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society is having an HF night on the air. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Friday 18 June Mid-Sussex Amateur Radio Society is having a radio night and table top sale. Contact Peter, G4AKG, on 01444 239371.

On Friday 18 June Wey Valley Amateur Radio Group Club is having an on air evening out. Details on the web at [www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk](http://www.weyvalleyarg.org.uk).

On Saturday 19 June Loughton & Epping Forest Amateur Radio Society commences its weekend event, operating GB2NWA from North Weald Airfield as part of International Museums Weekend. Contact Marc Litchman, G0TOC, on 020 8502 1645.

On Saturday 19 June South Essex Amateur Radio Society is running a field event at Bay Museum, Canvey Island for International Museums Weekend. Contact Norman, M0FZW, on 01268 692776.

On Sunday 20 June Newbury & District Amateur Radio Society is running the Newbury Radio Rally & Boot Sale. Details from Richard, G3ZGC, on 01635 46241.

## **NEWS FOR THE SOUTH WEST**

On Monday 14 June Cornish Radio Amateur Club is having a computer section meeting. Details from Steve, G7VOH, on 01209 844939.

On Tuesday 15 June West Devon Radio Club is having a radio operating night, where members can try their equipment on the club antennas. Further information from Jules Cuddy, M1AGY, on 01752 291588.

On Wednesday 16 June Taunton & District Amateur Radio Club is operating the club station. Contact William, G3WNI, on 01823 666 234 for more information.

On Wednesday 16 June Thornbury & South Gloucestershire Amateur Radio Club is having a video night. Contact Tony, G0WMB, on 01454 417048.

On Wednesday 16 June Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is having a natter night. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

On Thursday 17 June South Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a barbecue with Fred, G7LPP, weather permitting. Contact Len, G4RZY, on 01275 834 282.

On Thursday 17 June Swindon & District Amateur Radio Club is having a talk. Contact Den, M0ACM, on 07810 317750.

On Friday 18 June North Bristol Amateur Radio Club is having a digital demonstration. Details from Dick on 01454 218362.

On Saturday 19 June Trowbridge & District Amateur Radio Club is attending Southwick & North Bradley Scout Fete. Details from Ian, G0GRI, on 01225 864 698, evenings and weekends.

## **NEWS FOR WALES**

On Tuesday 15 June Wrexham Amateur Radio Society is having a Morse night. For more information contact Glyn, MW0BNB, via the web at [www.qsl.net/wars](http://www.qsl.net/wars).