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MEMBERSHIP NEWS.

NEW AND RE-JOINING MEMBERS

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| 4564 | M1RAL | RICK |
| 4723 | M0OIC | BRYAN |
| 4724 | 2E1SIS | LINDA |
| 4795 | MW6KYN | KY |
| 4796 | M0VAD | DENIS |

SILENT KEYS

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| 372 | GW3IRK | ALEX |
| 4361 | 2E1BGV | BOB |

CALL SIGN CHANGES.

NONE THIS MONTH

HAVE YOU PAID YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR THIS YEAR.

I am pleased to report that 90% of members have already paid their subscriptions (£11) that were due on the 1st of April, your cooperation is much appreciated. If you have not yet paid please do so promptly as this will remove the need to send a reminder with the Autumn QRV. With thanks. Michael M0MJG RAFARS Treasurer

RAFARS QRV JOURNAL .

Also See NEWS FLASH 181A.

RAFARS has now got a New QRV Journal Editor Bob GM4DLG RAFARS 2090
Bobs email address is robert@rbower.orangehome.co.uk address as per RAFARS QRZ Call Book also see www.qrz.com. Your articles and photographs for the Spring edition of QRV should be sent to Bob before January 10th 2014

RSGB RAFARS NFD CW SHORT DEBRIEF

All went well with NFD but with a shortage of CW Operators.
The operators were Tom G4OSB, Vince G4DQP, Roger G3ZDW. Supported by Peter G0NVY, Brigette 2E0EZN, Paul M6CAJ, Don M0CES. Well done the crew for flying the RAFARS flag and in particular for the 3 Operators covering a 24 hour Shift
Results of the contest will appear, once the official RSGB results are out.

DE BRIEF G6RAF APRIL 2013

G6RAF was held by Bernard G0SWO during the month of April Operating from Hull Yorkshire with 250 Contacts made.

G0SWO/P Portishead 59 Stations worked. This was to celebrate RAFARS 75TH.
Well done, Bernard

RAFARS CONTESTS, RALLIES WITH RAFARS STANDS AND OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS IN 2013/14.

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| 3 Jul | GB0RAF 0900-1145 RAF Memorial Day Deerbolt HMYOI, Barnard Castle, | Contact G0NRK |
| 6/7 Jul | G4FFR Flightpath Friendship Reconciliation From RAF Elvington | Contact G0SWO |
| 14 Jul | McMichael Radio Rally Sonning Reading RG4 6ST | Contact G3RZF |
| 26-28 Jul | GB2VET Veterans Hull HU8 8JU (also with 1154/55 CW Operating) | Contact G0SWO |
| 5 Sep | Rolling 3 CW RAFARS Contest | Logs to Roger G3ZDW |
| 7/8 Sep | SSB FD RSGB Metheringham | Contact Roger G3ZDW |
| 27/28 Sep | National RSGB Hamfest Newark Postcode NG24 2NY | Contact G0NVY |
| 13 Oct | Hornsea Radio Rally | Contact G0SWO |
| 26 Oct | AGM at RAF Cosford WV7 3EX and Annual Dinner at Grays Hotel, Telford TF3 4NA | |
| 1 Dec | Christmas RAFARS Contest/Greetings | Logs to Roger G3ZDW |
| 12 Jan 2014 | AFS CW RSGB Get a Team together and Inform | Roger G3ZDW |
| 18 Jan | AFS SSB RSGB Get a Team together and Inform | Roger G3ZDW |

All Contest Volunteers/Queries and Contest log sheets to Roger G3ZDW QTHr

Note 7/8 Sep RAFARS Field Days QTH is Metheringham Lincs LN4 3BQ. Operators are needed Roger can not do it all himself so please help him out even if it's only for a few hours of your time.

THE COMBINED SERVICES AND ATC NET ON 5.403.50MHZ

The Tri-service 5 MHz net operates on 5.403 .50 MHz on Sunday morning at 0900 local time and at 19:00 hours local on Tuesday evening. The net controller is usually G0TAK or first man on parade. You may now also hear Air Cadets, Sea Cadets, and Army Cadets on the net who have been issued authorisation from their respective Cadet HQ/Ofcom.

AIR DEFENCE RADAR MUSEUM, RAF NEATISHEAD GB2RAF RAFARS PERMANENT S.E.S.

De-brief Mon 27 May 2013 (Bank Holiday) Number of stations worked 52. Operator was Henry M0ZAE. Conditions very poor on 80m and poor on 40m all 52 stations worked on 40m SSB.

RAFARS members worked was GI4SAM G3LOJ G3REN M5AFG and G4LYU

De brief Sat 8 June Number of stations worked 26, Operator was Terry G4PSH. Conditions White noise on 80m Poor on 40m with a lot of QSB. RAFARS on 1100 40m Net G0SDZ G3HWQ G2AFV and GB4RSC/GW4XKE worked on 40m later in the day.

GB2RAF will be operational normally every 2nd Sat of the Month (see below).

Primary frequency is 3.710Mhz but if 80m is down we can be found on 7.080 or 7.155Mhz.

At 1400Z GB2RAF will give out some calls on 14.055 CW for DX (if G4PSH is Operating).

Any RAFARS Member with a Full Licence can operate the station but first contact Terry G4PSH to clear it with RAFARS and the Museum Manager.

GB2RAF is for RAFARS Members to operate whenever you wish on Tues, Thurs or the 2nd Sat of every month 1000-1600hrs. The equipment is a IC736/ATU (with instruction manual) 100w output into an Inverted V Trap Dipole for 20 40 80m.

COUNCIL MEETINGS 2013.

10 Sep. 26 Oct AGM, 26 Nov.

Any member may attend Council meetings but travel costs can not be paid. Members wishing to attend (and applying by snail mail) must contact Mike G7JPN our Gen. Sec., one month before the due date or two weeks by e-mail

RAFARS ANNUAL DINNER AND AGM SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER 2013

The Annual Dinner and AGM will take place on Saturday 26th October 2013. The AGM will be held in the No 1 Radio School at Cosford commencing at 1330hrs. Grays Hotel at Telford will again be the venue for the dinner – 1930 for 2000hrs.

Members planning to meet in the hotel on the Friday night should book their rooms early. Grays Inn Telford TF3 4NA Phone 01952 425000.

RAFARS QSL BUREAU, IS YOUR CALL-SIGN BELOW.

As of 20/06/2013 outstanding QSL Cards await SSAEs from 24 Members. Call signs are:
2E0LSR G0WOI G1AEU G3KDP G3MWN G3RLO G3TQX G3WPP G4LYU G3VAO G3XKT G4WSX
GM4DLG G7BQM G7CLY G7GKD G7HPI G8CKK G8HUY M0KIT M0MRW M0VZT MW1ARM
MW3ULG .

Send 2nd Class Stamp SAE to Andrew M3NDZ RAFARS QSL Bureau Manager QTHr in the RAFARS QRZ page 42 or inform Andrew what you wish him to do with the cards. If nothing heard your QSL Cards will be sent to the RSGB Bureau after 6 months of being received and your call sign removed from the NLS. Also see RadComs and RSGB Website for the new RSGB QSL Bureau system. The RSGB QSL Bureau is only available to Clubs or Radio Amateurs who are RSGB paid up members. If you are in contact with any of the above list, please advise them to contact Andrew with a SSAE to the RAFARS QSL Bureau.

AIR TRAINING CORPS.

Any information relating to the ATC or those interested in joining as Officers or Instructors, please contact HQAC Radio Society, Dave M5AGW RAFARS 3477 QTHr, or e-mail dave.aco2@virgin.net or Terry at RAFARS News Desk who is a Radio Officer with the ATC.

AOTA, AIRFIELDS ON THE AIR 2013.

10/11 Aug GB1CC RAF Carew Cheriton, with ATC Cadets GW4RVA

When Active the following Permanent SES can give out points for AOTA:-

GB2RAF GB2HAM GB2VQJ GB2CWP GB0SMA GB2LGR G1ASR GB1RAF M6PAP and GB2MC.

Do not forget, only AOTA stations registered with RAFARS can award points for the RAFARS Certificates. Also see 'Airfield on the Air' on the RAFARS Web site. News Desk has not been advised of any further AOTA Activities up to 25 June .

AIRSHOW EVENTS AND FLY-INS FOR 2013 WITH POST CODES.

(Phone before you go)

6/7 Jul RAF Waddington Lincs International Air Show LN5 9B
13 Jul RNARS Yeovilton International Air Day BA22 8HT
13/14 Jul IWM Duxford Flying Legends Air Show CB2 4QR
13/14 Jul Swansea Bay Wales National Air Show SA1 3SA
20/21 Jul RAF Fairford Royal International Air Tattoo GL7 4EG
24 Jul RNAS Culdrose Air Day TR12 7RH
27 Jul RAFC Cranwell RAFBF Anthems in the Park NG34 8HB
27 Jul East Fortune National Museum of Flight Show EH39 5LF
27/28 Jul Sunderland Tyne and Wear International Air Show SR6 8AB
11/12 Aug Blackpool Air Show at the Sea front FY1 1LY
15/18 Eastbourne Airbourne International Air Show BN23 6NS
22/23 Clacton on Sea Air Show CO15 1LD
24 Dawlish Air Show EX7 0BS
29/1 Sep Bournemouth Air Show BH1 3AD
31/1 Rhyl Air Show LL18 3YP
31/1 West Bay Portrush N Ireland International Air Show. PC n/k
31/1 Shoreham Air Show BN43 5FF
Note 22 Jun Durham Tees Valley Airport Air Show Cancelled

VISITS TO THE INTERNATIONAL SPACE STATION (CITY IN THE SKY).

27 Jul Soyuz Progress 52P Stores supplies only to/from the ISS

25 Sep Soyuz ISS 36S Manned Spacecraft to/from ISS Crew change

07 Nov Soyuz ISS37S Manned Spacecraft to/from ISS Crew change

20 Nov Soyuz Progress 53P Stores supplies only to/from the ISS

09 Dec Falcon9 SpaceX NASA Private CRS3 Dragon5 Space module to/from ISS

Note All Russian Soyuz lift off are from Baikonur Cosmodrome, in Kazakhstan.

All missions are subject to last minute delays.

NASA Lift Off are now privately supported by SpaceX and uses Dragon modules.

If there are any members who wish to obtain ISS naked eye visual passes of the ISS contact News Desk for dates and times. Next visual of the ISS 7 June to 18 Jun.

Also see under ISS Data on RAFARS Website.

To see it all on NASA TV Live 24/7, go to <http://www.nasa.gov/multimedia/nasatv/ustream.html>

NEW MEMBERS ROYAL AIR FORCE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

All Radio Amateurs, who are not Ex RAF may apply to be a RAFARS Member providing you have an interest in aviation. Your Membership Application will be considered by Council and if approved you will be an Associate Member which means you will have all the privileges of being a RAFARS Member except as an Associate Member you will not be able to Vote.

For Membership details contact: The General Secretary G7JPN, HQ RAFARS, DCAE Cosford, Wolverhampton, WV7 3EX. Tel: 01902 372722 (Answerphone only)

The HQ office will be checked at least once weekly for mail and messages.

You may also e-mail <rafars.gen.sec@googlemail.com>. Check eligibility for membership by logging onto: <http://www.rafars.org/content/Join.html> then print the application form (PDF file format) on an A4 sheet, fill it in, enclose the appropriate fee and then post it to the Secretary for approval and processing.

RAFARS NEWS DESK.

Send your RAFARS EVENTS at LEAST one month in advance. The cut off date is the 25th of the month or send a News Flash to Terry G4PSH 306 e-mail address terry@g4psh.co.uk, or by letter QThr, International Call Books or see <www.qrz.com>

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