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## **MEMBERSHIP NEWS.**

RAFARS welcome the following new and re-joining members:

1388 G4ZQF ROGER  
4849 G4HIV BRIAN  
4850 G3BTL RAY  
4851 G4HNQ JOHN  
4852 2E0LEY LEE  
4853 G0LIA ROY  
4854 SWL TREVOR  
4855 G4CEP GEOFF

RAFARS Silent Keys:

2363 G3NBC KEN  
4614 G0KGU MELVYN

Call-sign Changes:

1308 VA7DXX DAVID was VE6DXX

## **AGM RAFARS 24 Oct 2015 SHORT DE-BRIEF.**

Once again a good time was had by all at the AGM/ AGM Dinner and everything went off according to plan with thanks to our new Secretary Vince G4DQP.

Firstly good news the Annual Subscription remains at £14. We now have a RAFARS PRO, John G7ACD, Good luck at your new post.

G2LR Cup was won by Peter G0NVY, G3FVC Shield was won by Tom G4OSB, Christmas Contest 1<sup>st</sup> Ron G4DDX 2<sup>nd</sup> Roy G3ZRP. Construction Cup was won by Gary G0DNI. The RAFARS Cane was awarded to George G3TQX for all his work over the years with the RAFARS Talking QRV and Roy G0TAK was made a Life Honorary Member.

AGM Attendance was 6 Council Members with 17 Members.

The AGM Dinner was also a success at the Ramada Hotel with attendance of 23 which included the ladies. In the afternoon the Ladies had Tea with Scones, jam and cream.

The next AGM will be on the 22 Oct 2016 at No 1 Radio School RAF Cosford.

## **RNARS R/SIGNALS ARS.**

It was passed at the AGM that RNARS and R/Sigs Members may now join RAFARS as Corporate Members.

## **COUNCIL MEETINGS 2015.**

**Tues 24 Nov.**

Any member may attend Council meetings but travel costs cannot be paid. Members wishing to attend (and applying by snail mail) must contact Vince G4DQP Gen. Sec, one month before the due date or two weeks by e-mail.

## **GM6RAF OPERATIONAL Nov 2015.**

Bob GM4DLG 2090 will be Operating GM6RAF during the Month of November 2015.

## **RAFARS QRV JOURNAL.**

**Closing Date for the next QRV issue is the 18 Jan 2016.**

QRV requires content from you the membership. why not pen an article? The membership would no doubt enjoy reading about your experiences in Amateur Radio and if you can dig out some photos than that would be excellent. Contact RAFARS by phone, email or even write a letter!

Without your submissions QRV will not have enough content to keep it interesting.

Please continue to send your stories, articles, events, pictures, personal profiles, your shack, letters Etc to our editor, Bob GM4DLG.

Please send jpg photos as a separate attachment to Word documents.

Bob's email address is [robert@rbower.orangehome.co.uk](mailto:robert@rbower.orangehome.co.uk).

Home address as per RAFARS QRZ Call Book. See also [www.qrz.com](http://www.qrz.com).

## **RAFARS CONTESTS, RALLIES WITH RAFARS STANDS AND OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS IN 2015.**

06 Dec 15	RAFARS Christmas Contest	New Rules in Autumn QRV Page 12
10 Jan 2016	AFS CW	RSGB Make a team up and inform Roger G3ZDW
16 Jan 2016	AFS SSB	RSGB Make a team up and inform Roger G3ZDW
5/6 Jun 2016	NFD	RSGB
1 Sept 2016	Rolling 3 CW	RAFARS Rules in QRV Journal
3/4 Sept 2016	SSB Field Day	RSGB
22 Oct 2016	RAFARS AGM	No 1 Radio School DCAE Cosford.
4 Dec 2016	RAFARS Christmas Contest/Greeting	Rules in Autumn QRV 2015 Page 12

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

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

De Brief 10 Oct 2015, Operator G4PSH. Very Very Poor Conditions only 1 Station worked on 40m GM3JIJ Jon with 5/8 both ways. This was due to the long skip. No G-land Stations worked or heard from 0900z to 1400hrs. Also a SSB Contest on from Europe. Station closed down early at 1400hrs. 80m was also Down. One bit of good news we may have another Member joining RAFARS to Operate GB2RAF.

GB2RAF will be operational, generally every 2nd Sat of the Month. Also now on **Tues and Thurs** by G4GVR Roger RAFARS 4832 who is on the Museum Staff who will Operate the Station when he has any free time from his Museum duties.

Primary frequencies CW 7015 and SSB 7.080 or 7.155 MHz. If 40m is down we will be on 80m.

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

GB2RAF is for RAFARS Members to operate whenever you wish. The equipment is an IC736/ATU (with instruction manual) 100w output into an Inverted V Trap Dipole for 20 40 80m.

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

QSL via RSGB Bureau, Services, EQSL or direct to G4PSH SAE QTHr and see qrz.com under GB2RAF.

## **RAFARS QSL BUREAU, IS YOUR CALL-SIGN BELOW.**

As of 23/10/2015 outstanding QSL Cards await SSAEs from 12 Members. Call signs are:

**GOVAR G1LKJ GM3JIJ GW3TIX G3LMO G4DBS MM0XDB for GB4MSE M0PFH M6GBO MW3VJN M6EAL for GB1AC and 2E1TAF.**

Send 2nd Class Stamped SAE to Andrew M3NDZ RAFARS QSL Bureau Manager, 44, Bishops Close, Stratford upon Avon, Warwickshire. CV37 9ED. or inform Andrew by Phone, Letter or email what you wish him to do with the cards. If nothing is heard your QSL Card/s will be destroyed after 6 months of being received and your call sign removed from the NLs. If you are in contact with any of the above, please advise them to contact Andrew with a SSAE to the RAFARS QSL Bureau. Andrew email address is <[andrewhumphriss@tinyworld.co.uk](mailto:andrewhumphriss@tinyworld.co.uk)>

## **RAF HALTON RADIO SOCIETY G1RAF RAFARS 1666.**

If anyone is interested in joining RAF Halton RS then contact Malcolm G7VRT QTHr or Derf G8ZGK Chairman QTHr in RAFARS Call Book and on qrz.com. email address is

[RAFHaltonRS@outlook.com](mailto:RAFHaltonRS@outlook.com) also see G1RAF on qrz.com.

## **AIR TRAINING CORPS.**

Any information relating to the ATC or those interested in joining the ATC as Officers, NCOs or Civilian Instructors, please contact HQAC Amateur Radio Society e-mail [amateurradio@aircadets.org](mailto:amateurradio@aircadets.org)

or Terry at RAFARS News Desk who is a Radio Officer and HF National Net Controller with the ATC.

Also see [www.raf.mod.uk/aircadets](http://www.raf.mod.uk/aircadets)

## **SIGNALS MUSEUM RAF HENLOW GB4SMH RAFARS PERMANENT S.E.S**

GB4SMH RAFARS 1214 is on the air each Tuesday and on the first Saturday of each month from the RAF Signals Museum at RAF Henlow and welcomes a call from RNARS, RSARS and RAFARS Members.

QSL cards for GB4SMH via the RAFARS Bureau .

If you wish to operate the Station or obtain further information contact Roy 2E0RAF, e-mail [g0tak.walker@btinternet.com](mailto:g0tak.walker@btinternet.com). The Museum website is [www.rafsignalsmuseum.org.uk](http://www.rafsignalsmuseum.org.uk)

## **NEW MEMBERS ROYAL AIR FORCE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY.**

All Radio Amateurs, **no need to be Ex RAF**, are invited to apply for RAFARS Membership providing that you have an interest in aviation. If your Application is approved, you will join as an Associate Member with all the privileges of membership except you will not be able to exercise a vote.

For Membership details, please contact: The Membership Secretary G7JPN, HQ RAFARS, DCAE Cosford, Wolverhampton, WV7 3EX. Tel: 01902 372722 (Answerphone only) or e-mail Mike G7JPN at [rafars.member.sec@gmail.com](mailto:rafars.member.sec@gmail.com) My email inbox will be checked at least once weekly for Membership mail & messages.

Check eligibility for membership by logging onto [<www.rafars.org>](http://www.rafars.org). Click Join RAFARS and print the application form (PDF file format) on an A4 sheet, fill it in, enclose the appropriate fee and then post it to the Members Secretary for approval and processing.

## **RAFARS NEWS DESK.**

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

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