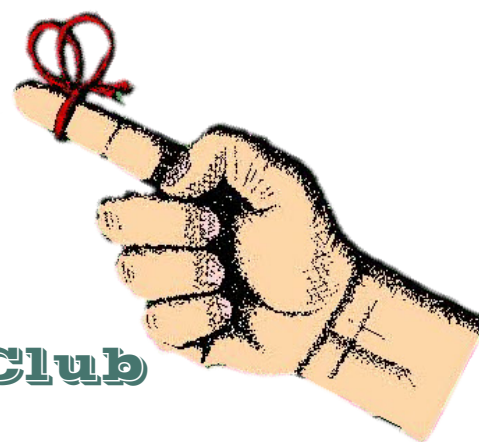




# **REMINDER**

## **Chepstow & District Amateur Radio Society**

# **AGM**



at  
**Chepstow Athletic Club**  
**Mathern Road**  
**Bulwark**

**19:30**  
**Tuesday**  
**2nd November**

# Railways on the Air (continued)

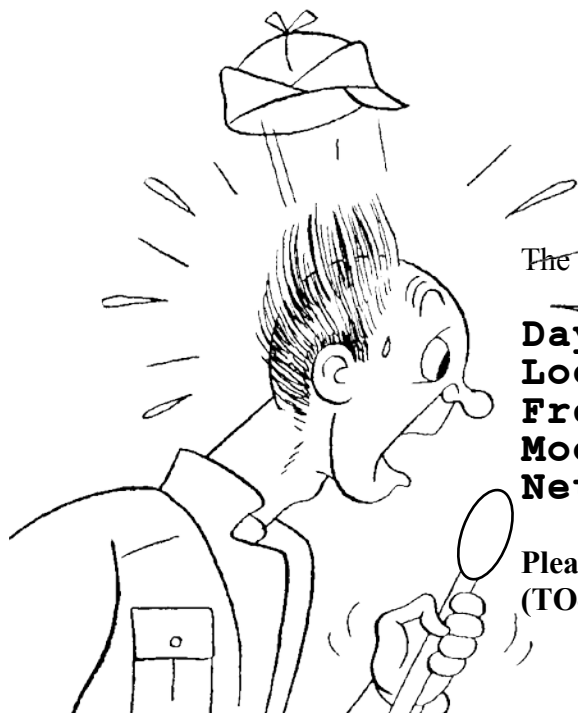


As previously reported, the UK-wide special event "Railways on the Air" took place on Sunday 26th September. Our local contribution was run from Norchard Station on the Dean Forest Railway. These additional photos were supplied by Robin Gripp.

Probably due to Hon Sec's appalling handwriting, the French station we worked was incorrectly reported. His callsign was actually F5LMH and not F5LH. In fact, F5LMH is Eric MATHIEU of 45 rue de Tourvielle, LYON, 69005, France. Unfortunately, I do not have any further information at present.

The picture (left) is of Eric's shack.

Source : Wil Oliver



The **C&DARS 2m Net** will take place weekly on -

**Day :** Wednesdays  
**Local Time :** 20:00  
**Frequency :** 145.400 MHz  
**Mode :** FM Simplex  
**Net Controller :** John Church G3HCH

Please note that the net will start on Wednesday 13th October (TO-DAY). Please make the effort to join in.

Source : Wil Oliver

## (RSGB) Questionnaire

(RSGB) Questionnaire. This is aimed at taking a "snap shot" of Amateur Radio within the UK and the way in which the RSGB provides support. The Questionnaire also looks as to how people might see the hobby in the future, and how the RSGB may best support that future vision.

The Questionnaire is aimed at all UK radio amateurs, SWL's and those interested in radio - RSGB members, lapsed RSGB members and non-members alike, as well as RSGB members who reside outside the UK.

The Questionnaire will take you between 10 and 30 minutes, but you do not need to complete it all in one go. **If you need to take a break and want to save what you have done, there is an option at the end of each group of questions to "pause", you can then "resume" at a later date or time.** If you decide to do this you will be prompted to complete a simple form. A link to enable you to resume the Questionnaire will be e-mailed to you. The system does not make this information available to us, so your data is still anonymous.

You should be aware that it takes a few moments for the next group of questions to refresh your browser, so be patient! During this time the server is checking that you have answered all of the mandatory questions. If you have missed some you need to click the "<<Previous" button and complete them - the questions with gaps will be highlighted in red text. The normal problem is that you will have missed one of the multiple-choice answers. Mandatory questions are prefaced with a red asterisk.

We advise that you do not access the Questionnaire whilst using mobile broadband, either on the move or where the connection is marginal; loss of your connection might mean loss of data that you will have entered, and you may need to re-start the Questionnaire or "resume" from where you last "paused". This warning would also apply to a dial-up or broadband connection that is intermittent.

### ***A note on Privacy***

*The Questionnaire is anonymous. However, toward the end there is an option to put your name/callsign and contact information. This will allow us the option of following up your concerns, ideas, etc. during the analysis phase of the review.*

Source : RSGB

# Ofcom Cock-up

While browsing the 2011 Call-book, I discovered that many location indicators were missing from some of the calls in a baffling random manner. The worst affected are the Intermediate calls, but some Foundations are also affected. Having contacted the RSGB, I was told that it was Ofcom's responsibility and RSGB are not permitted to make ANY changes - the calls are published as received from Ofcom. I contacted Ofcom who were pretty vague and I'm not sure they understood! They admitted that they are solely responsible but said that it is too late to do anything about the 2011 CallBook.

They registered my "complaint" and gave me a reference number. It will be interesting to see the outcome, since Ofcom make the rules!