

Thames Amateur Radio Group

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Operation Pokémon



You had to be there to appreciate the joke! Our military themed Special Event Day GB2MFM was magnificently attended by hundreds of visitors on Sunday 15th Sept, because, unknown to us, the Pillbox was the site of an online Pokémon hunt with hoards of families following their mobile phones to our location. Some were too engrossed to notice us, but others stopped to talk.



Andrew M0IXY in Kent near the wreckage of U-Boat 122 (look it up!); and Steven M0OAD (right) at the Bay Museum on Canvey Island.

Thanks to the many club members who visited us at the "Control" at Wat Tyler Park and to those who went to Military Fixed Monuments in Essex and Kent. John M0LFX went to the Vulcan at Southend Airport where he is a member of the preservation trust.



Jo, M0JOZ, (left) was one of the team that kept the Control active. Contacts on VHF went as far as Torbay (190 miles) which is pretty amazing. Thanks to Brian 2E0EUD for organising the event this year.

This was one of many events in 2019; to influence next year's agenda attend the **AGM on 1st November** and have your say.

Special Visit on 20 Sept

TARG meets at Jubilee Hall at twice a month plus training; the building has excellent facilities and easy parking. It is managed by Jubilee Trust. On 20 Sept, we welcomed Steve Williams, the Chair of Jubilee Trust to show what we do.



Open Day on 21 Sept

This was like an extended TARG et Nite, the WX was glorious so there were projects both indoors and outdoors.. Thanks to the Committee and members who attended for making it happen.



RAYNET - 04 Oct Talk at TARG

Radio Amateurs Emergency Network is a non-profit organisation formed in 1953 after flooding on the East coast. It has over 2000 members. Steve G8UDD, Chair of Essex RAYNET, explained their role in the county Resilience Plan and how they provide radio networks for charity and community events. To find out more visit: www.essexraynet.co.uk

