

Thames Amateur Radio Group

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August Webinar

Fri 14th Aug at 8pm is a date for your diary. There will be a live interview between TARG member Oscar 2E1HWE and Pete Waters G3OJV (photo) from "Waters and Stanton" Amateur Radio store.



The Webinar Licence does not allow it to be used for Commercial Purposes so the interview and questions must not relate to sales but it will include an insight into the state of Amateur Radio today and point to Pete's helpful YouTube tuition videos. You can ask your own questions by the Chat Box.

To join the Webinar simply click the link on the Home Page of the TARG website ThamesARG.org.uk Aim to sign-in from 19:50hrs for a prompt start at 20:00hrs.

Local SOTA

When you think of Summits on the Air (SOTA) you might think of the mountains in Scotland; but, Sussex and Kent have locations that also qualify for an event taking place on 22nd and 23rd Aug.



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See p16 of RadCom or visit sota.org.uk. This is the perfect opportunity to test your directional VHF capability and HF skip zone.

Top of the Class



CWOps is known internationally for promoting Morse Code. The 2020 achievement award, broadcast live from the USA, went to EssexCW.

Many members of TARG have benefited from Essex CW's class tuition, and attended the Oct boot camps. Tune in on Thurs at 8pm 144.185 for a FM class run by Chair of EssexCW, Dean G4WQI.

Follow up to the Net

I have recently become interested in a device called Red Pitaya. It is a sort of digital oscilloscope and signal generator with a fully configurable interface. With the right software this turns it into an SDR transceiver / super receiver with about 100 mw output.

It can monitor eight bands of 192kHz BW at a time. Screenshot shows the result of an hour or so of monitoring. With CW decoders

getting around 200 spots per hour and uploading them both to PSK reporter and the CW reverse beacon project.



Using Grid Tracker to display the latest spots, CW skimmer server, CW reporter and Afreet signal aggregator to record and upload data to the services.

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Crowsheath



21-31st August TARG will be at Crowsheath Fishery, a camp site. Hawkswood Rd, Billericay CM11 1JT

So much will be happening; you can either stay overnight or be a day visitor:

- Antenna Building
- Watch the Fri Night Net live
- Practical advice
- Learn a new skill
- Operating over many modes on different bands.
- Question and Answers
- Nearest we'll get to a Social

Contact Brian, TARG Events, for joining instructions:
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