

Thames Amateur Radio Group

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“GB2VUL”



Back a bit, a bit more ...

TARG Chair, John M0LFX, assisted by Mark M0IEO and Oscar 2E1HWE operated this Special Event Call Sign twice in July.

The first occasion was the public open day at Southend Airport on 20th June with the opportunity to walk around the outside of the iconic Vulcan Bomber.

John volunteers his radio and electronic skills to the Vulcan Restoration Trust to keep the aircraft as operational as it can be.



On the 26th June there was a full power taxi of the aircraft along the runway with the parachute being deployed so that it would stop in time.



TARG operated from a communications van and from the Air Electronics Officer's consol inside the Vulcan.

John gave a Webinar presentation about the aircraft earlier this year and is always on hand at the club to answer technical questions. Visit the GB2VUL page on QRZ.com.

How far away can you stand from object and still get a good picture with your smart phone? If you watched the Webinar by Andy M0IXY on photo-astronomy you'll know it's a long way. He took this picture of a partial eclipse on his smart phone using an attachment to his telescope. Can you spot the solar flare.



RadCom Articles

Maggie M7LCF is the new TARG publicity officer for RadCom. This technical publication for the hobby has a national audience and is an ideal vehicle to promote the club having featured several whole page articles over recent years by club members. If you've got the theme then Maggie has got the writer's gift to get it properly written and submitted on time.



Carry on Camping

The days of stepping over goose droppings are over. TARG have identified a new site for our annual radio get away. There is an important change this time around; day visitors are not allowed. Mark M0IEO has an increasing number of campers who have expressed an interest for the August Bank Holiday Weekend. If you're interested then get your name down. Thanks to Brain, 2E0EUD, for finding this clean modern site near Battlesbridge (and in walking distance of a pub).

Annual General Meeting

We are on Plan B for the AGM with the new date being set for 6th August, at 8pm at Jubilee Hall. There is a prompt start as there is a lot to do. Once the elections are over there will be a discussion on the best way for the club to operate post-lock down. Do you want more of the same or try something different? Have your say.



The club will burst back into life post lockdown with the resumption of hands-on practical radio at TARG Nite, more field days and an impressive line up of speakers. Don't miss out on the options of what's on so keep an eye on the TARG Website for updates.

July Webinar

Why take all your heavy radio equipment when you travel about when you can remotely operate your radio that is set up at home. This was the question answered in the presentation by Andy M0IXY.



If you missed it – don't worry as it is available to watch online via the TARG website until 9th July. And the PowerPoint Slides, in .pdf format, can be downloaded from the TARG Website (Newsletter Page).