

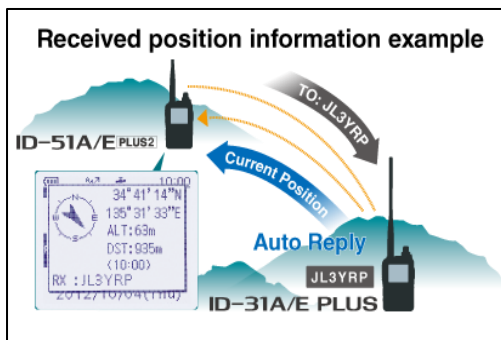
# Thames Amateur Radio Group

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## More Options: D-Star

Internet connected amateur radio is increasingly popular. We have already covered several options including DMR and at the Club meeting in May gave an overview another internet based option: D-Star.



Not all systems are the same, and some offer extra features. The presentation was given by TARG Chair, Huw MOLHT, which, as these club talks always do, helped clear up confusion over terms, like the difference between a Repeater and a Reflector.

## A piece of History

In the “old days” (before emails) an amateur radio contact was confirmed with a post card. TARG has come into possession of a bunch of these cards and other documents relating to the famous Amateur Robert Jardine G6QX (first licensed in 1928). All those years ago he was making contacts into remote parts of Europe, Russia and beyond as proved by his QSL cards. A small selection were shown during a break in the live stream of the May meeting. Article in RadCom to follow. Above is a photo of his RSGB membership certificate.



## Download

The full article, “My prostate Journey” by TARG member Steve G4OCP is now available to download. If you're a chap, this might be the most important download you'll make this year: (Website > Newsletters > Downloads)

[My prostate Journey \(.pdf\)](#)

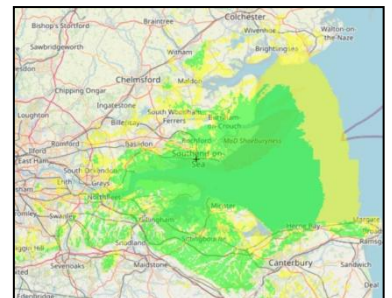
## Subscriptions

A friendly reminder that annual TARG subscriptions are due for the bargain price of just £20 per year. These were due in April with a 3 months grace period after which your data is removed. BACS details with your Call Sign as Reference: We are about to change banks, so please complete this asap.

Business Account  
“Thames Amateur Radio Group”,  
Sort 20-49-29 : Account 63242560.

## ...And Loads More from TARG

Essex's first Digital Voice Multi-Mode Internet Connected Repeater, GB7IX, kept by TARG member, Oscar 2E1HWE, is now active. Oscar is our guest speaker in Sept. See QRZ for modes available at present. <https://www.qrz.com/db/GB7IX>



TARG member, Terry Genes G4POP, the Log4Om developer, has two special event call signs running:

- GB4VED operational from 1<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> May to commemorate Victory in Europe
- GB4DDD operational from 1<sup>st</sup> to 28 June to commemorate the D-Day Landings

Reminder: that TARG we will be operating GB0SLF at Slough fort Allhallows, Isle of Grain, Kent on 6<sup>th</sup> July. Post Code: ME3 9QD. If you can call in that would be great, if you can attend even better.

Reminder: No Club meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> June as there will be a Special event to commemorate the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the D-Day landings on 6<sup>th</sup> June. Keep an eye on the website for where, when and frequencies.

TARG is pleased to welcome new members, and congratulations to those who have passed their foundation licence. You can now join us on the TARG Friday night nets – check out the website for more details. TARG will be offering some online and practical training for a small number of Foundation Candidates.

A big thank you to the Committee and other members of TARG who have been meeting behind the scenes to make all this happen; a great piece of teamwork.