



# STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY

## Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2024

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The meeting was opened at 19:30hrs by the Chairman, Nigel Roscoe G0RXA who welcomed all those in attendance at Walthew House and joining via Webex. Nigel G0RXA gave a brief introduction to the proceedings for the evening, highlighting the agenda, apologies received and sought approval of the minutes from the 2023 AGM.

### Attendance

- **Walthew House HQ**

Nigel Roscoe G0RXA	Evan Duffield M0TJU	Neil Rydings M6NAE	Roy Anstee G6RSU
Keith Wilson G4WHF	Keith Sale M0JYP	Alan Gurnhill G0ROW	Simon Jenkins M0TYT
Julian Hardstone G3TFR		Stephen Armstrong M0RDN	

- **Webex virtual**

Tony Smithies M0SAV	Nigel Smithies M0VNL	Bernard Naylor G3SHF	Farid Ng M0UNG
Ian Justice M0RNH	Tom Spence M0DCG	Andrew Lee M7USL	Meeko Kittika M0FVD
John Cressey M7CPT	Peter Ridley M1PTR	Andrew Stubbs M0AQM	
Carsten Steinhoefel G0SYP			

### Agenda

- Apologies for absence
- Minutes of the 2022/3 AGM
- Treasurer's Report 2023/4
- Secretary's Report
- Chairman's Remarks
- Appointment of 2024/5 Committee & Auditor
- Any other business

### Apologies for absence

Chris Lanzara M0LZA	Brian Lewis G8NHN	Barrie Turley G6GUT
Ron Land M7RJL	Tracy Land (SWL)	Elaine Elliott 2E1BVS
Gordon Jackson M0LAR	David McArthur M0WDD	

Nigel G0RXA asked if there were any further apologies for absence, if anyone had received any communication from any other members who were unable to attend. There were no further apologies of absence to add at the time of the meeting.

### Minutes of the 2023 AGM

Prior to the 2024 AGM. Nigel G0RXA provided a link via email to the members Google group facilitating access to the [2023 AGM](#) minutes. Nigel G0RXA asked if there were any matters arising, for which there were none and for a proposer and seconder to approve the 2023 AGM minutes.

<b>Matters arising:</b>	None
<b>Proposer:</b>	Alan Gurnhill G0ROW
<b>Seconded:</b>	Neil Rydings M6NAE

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## Treasurer's Report

[03:50] Evan Duffield M0TJU presented his Treasurer's report with the following power point slides and information.

Evan confirmed that the 2023/24 financial year accounts have been signed-off by the auditor Rita Kubecki.

## Accounts Summary

<b>INCOME</b>			<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
	<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2023/24</b>		<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2023/24</b>
Meeting Attendance Fees	795.08	1,684.00	<b>Current Expenditure</b>		
Table 'Rent' at Surplus Equip Sales	10.00	-	Admin Expenses	-	-
Donations (to SRS)	388.72	182.92	Affiliations & Licences	- 81.00	- 68.00
Equipment Sales (not at Rally)	724.56	400.00	Donations (non-WH, non-SRS)	- 50.00	- 100.00
Membership Subscriptions	986.89	1,089.28	Insurance	-	-
Sundry	169.45	98.22	QUA/Booklets Production & Distribution	- 38.98	-
Licence Course Fees	-	-	Advertising & Promotion	- 110.40	-
Merchandise Sales	-	-	'Batphone'	- 72.00	- 97.00
Visits & Non-WH Events	-	-	Engraving and Certificate Production	-	-
Vernon A/c Interest	454.03	952.49	Room Rental (excl. rally)	- 1,145.00	- 1,320.00
Centenary Book Sales	-	-	Sundry Expenses	- 1,368.53	- 1,119.32
Fundraising (for SRS)	91.55	-	Course Materials, Exams & Refunds	-	-
Fundraising (not for SRS)	-	-	Contest Site	- 200.00	-
SK Monies	10.00	-	Merchandise Costs	-	-
KfIs (Skills Night)	29.75	-	Visits & non-WH events	-	-
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>3,660.03</b>	<b>4,406.91</b>	Fundraising (for SRS)	-	-
			Fundraising (for WH)	- 100.00	- 200.00
			KItS (Skill's Night)	- 98.87	-
			SK Monies (returned to SK kin)	-	-
			Centenary Book Costs	-	-
			Tax (on Vernon Interest)	-	-
			<b>Total:</b>	<b>- 3,204.78</b>	<b>- 2,504.32</b>
			<b>Operating Surplus:</b>	<b>455.25</b>	<b>1,502.59</b>
			<b>Capital Expenditure</b>		
			Cable	- 97.50	-
			Mast & Antenna at WH	- 40.00	- 18.99
			Mast & Antenna (not WH)	-	-
			Safety & Storage Equipment	- 42.95	-
			Computers & Accessories	- 285.50	- 549.00
			Projectors & Accessories	- 455.98	-
			Display Boards	-	-
			Transceivers & Accessories	- 1,182.07	- 155.15
			Station Bases	- 50.30	-
			Trailer	-	-
			Outdoor Power & Accessories	-	-
			Outdoor Shelter & Accessories	-	-
			Tools	-	-
			<b>Total:</b>	<b>- 2,154.90</b>	<b>- 723.14</b>
			<b>Total Expenditure:</b>	<b>- 5,359.08</b>	<b>- 3,627.46</b>
			<b>Income Net of Expenditure:</b>	<b>- 1,699.05</b>	<b>779.45</b>

<b>BALANCE SHEET</b>		
	<b>31/10/2023</b>	<b>31/10/2024</b>
<b>Assets</b>		
<u>Cash</u>		
Bardays Account	1,390.52	1,319.48
Training Account	102.00	-
Vernon BS Account	41,285.66	42,238.15
Unbanked Cash	-	-
Unbanked Chqs issued to SRS	-	-
<u>Debtors</u>		
Current non-cash assets	-	-
Current cash assets	-	-
<u>Fixed Assets</u>		
Capital Expenditure In Fin Yr***	2,154.30	723.14
Assets previously purchased****	5,798.00	5,968.00
<b>Total Assets:</b>	<b>50,730.48</b>	<b>50,248.77</b>
<u>Liabilities</u>		
Unpresented Cheques	-	-
<b>Total Liabilities:</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Assets net of Liabilities:</b>	<b>50,730.48</b>	<b>50,248.77</b>

Notes to Balance Sheet

\*\*\*Capital expenditure made in the year ending on the date specified; cost of each asset rounded to nearest penny, as shown on Asset List.

\*\*\*\*Present value of assets purchased (allowing for depreciation) in the financial years prior to the financial year ending at the date specified; rounded to even pound figure.



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Evan mentioned that he would explain in a bit more detail later in his presentation and further commented that as could be seen from the figures there was a little bit better performance both in terms of income and overall expenditure including capital expenditure which was quite well down.

## Income and Expenditure continued...

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## Income and Expenditure

- 2023-24 income £4,407 (£3,660 in 2022-23) **up 20%**
- 2023-24 expenses £3,627 (£5,359 in 2022-23) **down 32%**
- → £779 surplus (income net of expenditure) in 2023-24
  - 2022-23 -£1,699 (i.e. a deficit)
  - = **£2,479 improvement**
- £723 of capital expenditure in 2023-24 (£2,154 in 2022-23), largely reflecting purchases of:
  - Laptop (£549)





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Evan explained that it had been a pretty good year financially.

Income, when compared to last year, was up 20% and our expenses down by about a third which is really good. That's about a £2,500 turn around within the year and we ran a surplus overall so we saved more money than we spent which is good.

One of the main reasons for that, we didn't have a lot of capital expenditure, the main item being a new laptop, so overall about £700 and so about a third of what it was the year before.

## Income and Expenditure

- Income increase due largely to:
  - Meeting attendance monies (£1,684, up from £795)
  - ....more than covered room rental in 2023-24 (£1,320)
- Expenditure: 2023-24 was low..
  - New laptop the only significant capital purchase

Evan continued, the main thing for the income increase was from the meeting attendance monies, especially the second Saturday (breakfast) at Walthew House.

Income overall up to £1,684 from £795 last year. So, for the first time in a number of years we have covered our room rental for this year which is really good.

Overall expenditure was quite low, the new laptop being the only significant single expense.

## Asset List

Continuing with his report, Evan explained the Asset List - see next page.

Looking at the last three lines at the bottom of the asset list shows the only items that we have spent on this year, compared to the years prior to this where we did spend quite a bit.

However, we've got a lot of what we need now in terms of equipment and so we've not had to spend much at all this past year.



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## Asset List (as at 31/10/24)

Year*	ITEM	Orig. Value	Depreciation Period (Yrs)	Value 2019	Value 2020	Value 2021	Value 2022	Value 2023	Value 2024
2017	Straight Morse 'D' Key	10	7	8	7	6	5	4	3
2017	G4ZLP Pro 3 Digital Interface	151	7	109	87	66	44	23	1
2018	FENCE PINS (to surround antennas)	24	7	21	17	14	10	7	3
2018	Plastic Chain Fence	25	7	21	18	14	11	7	4
2018	First Aid Kit	23	7	20	16	13	10	7	3
2018	YAESU FT897 Purchase	600	7	514	429	343	257	171	86
2018	Speaker	55	7	47	39	31	24	16	8
2018	Autotuner	55	7	47	39	31	24	16	8
2018	2x PL259 Coax Connectors	11	7	9	8	6	5	3	2
2018	G4ZLP PRO3 INTERFACE	151	7	129	108	86	65	43	22
2018	G4ZLP Yaesu CT62 CAT Interface	18	7	15	13	10	8	5	3
2018	G4ZLP PRO3 INTERFACE	151	7	129	108	86	65	43	22
2018	PLUG / 2X ADAPTORS	5	7	4	4	3	2	1	1
2018	Terminal Battery Connectors/Cable	12	7	10	9	7	5	3	2
2018	Battery Clamps	10	7	9	7	6	4	3	1
2018	Anderson-type Plug Power Board	46	7	39	33	26	20	13	7
2018	Large Battery (70Ah)	103	7	88	74	59	44	29	15
2018	EMI FILTERING	83	7	71	59	47	36	24	12
2018	FLOOR CABLE SHIELD	18	7	15	13	10	8	5	3
2018	Cargo Luggage Belt	6	7	5	4	3	3	2	1
2018	Folding Outdoor Table	64	7	55	46	37	27	18	9
2018	Parts of 'SPEEDY' MARQUEE	15	7	13	11	9	6	4	2
2018	Table for Special Events Group	31	7	27	22	18	13	9	4
2018	DRILL (O/DOOR ACTIV)	30	7	26	21	17	13	9	4
2019	SAMSUNG TAB 3 Tablet	40	4	40	30	20	10	31	21
2019	Flight Case Station HF	786	7	786	674	561	449	385	273
2019	Flight Case Station VHF/Digi	786	7	786	674	561	449	385	273
2020	Projector Screen	46	7		46	39	33	47	40
2021	SumUp debit/credit card-reading machine	156	4			156	117	156	117
2021	12V TV	335	4			335	251	335	251
2022	IC7610 Transceiver	3,040	7				3040	2606	2,171
2022	Shurman SM-50II Power Supply	135	7				135	116	96
2022	DVMEGA-DVSTICK	94	7				94	81	67
2022	Samsung J5 J500F Android smartphone	70	4				70	53	35
2022	Lenovo IdeaPad 3 15 laptop	500	4				500	375	250
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2022	Black Box Pro Fireproof Safe	177	7				177	152	126
2022	Dell 27-inch LCD Monitor	139	4				139	104	70
2023	Coax, reel of	98	7					98	84
2023	Shelf Racks (for Main Room store room)	43	7					43	37
2023	Lenovo laptop (new) + Webcam	286	4					286	214
2023	Large TV (new) + stand	456	4					456	342
2023	Flight Case	65	7					65	56
2023	2x Swivel chairs for station	50	7					50	43
2023	SENHAIX Android transceiver	278	4					278	208
2023	QO-100 Main kit	839	7					839	719
2024	Lenovo laptop (for use with Webex)	549	4						549
2024	Rotator cable (for Comet antenna)	19	7						19
2024	65cm dish antenna feed and accessories	155	7						155
<b>Grand Total****</b>				<b>8,543</b>	<b>6,590</b>	<b>5,076</b>	<b>7,793</b>	<b>7,952</b>	<b>6,691</b>



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## Balance Sheet

### BALANCE SHEET

- On 31/10/24, net assets were £50,249 (1%) lower than at 31/10/2023:
  - Decline solely due to asset depreciation
- Proportion of assets held as cash held steady
  - 84% in both 2023-24 and 2022-23
- HA Fund (Vernon BS Account)
  - No transactions
  - Interest £952.49

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Evan then went on to explain the Balance Sheet with net assets dropped by 1% mainly due to asset depreciation.

We actually boosted our cash holdings a bit over the last year, I&E surplus £779 and so we had more money in the bank.

A good way of looking at this is the proportion of assets held as cash and that has stayed at 84%, same as last year, usually it tends to go down.

Further, we had some interest from the Vernon account. Interest rates are at a reasonable level now and so we got about a grand's worth interest which helped.



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## Report from Auditor

2 December 2023

### Audit of Stockport Radio Society (SRS) 2023-24 Accounts

Dear Evan,

I have completed the audit of the accounts for the financial year November 2023 to October 2024.

Checks have been undertaken on the income and expenditure detailed within the bank statements (two Barclays accounts ending in 6314 and 7767, and the Vernon Building Society account):

- Invoices
- Receipts
- Inventory, and
- Other supporting documents provided by the Treasurer

There following was identified:

- Door monies banked for the 5 March was £14.00 instead of £14.50 as stated in the diary.
- Door monies of £41.00 and £4.00 for 25 and 26 June was banked again (duplicated) in September.
- No supporting information found for 2 donations to Walthew House totaling £200.00.
- 3 donations from 3 individuals with no receipts totaling £7.00.

Explanations have been provided by the Treasurer re the above which I am satisfied. In relation to the door monies (5 March) £0.50 is to be credited, and a proposal to be taken to the next committee meeting that the duplicated payment is kept by the club as a donation by the Treasurer.

The figures within the balance sheet have also been verified.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

Rita Jariwala Kubecki

Evan briefly explained the summary from the Auditor, Rita Kubecki, was really a bit of a 'slap on the wrists' to himself for a few mistakes which had been made but since rectified:

- Door monies were put through twice, so the second lot Evan made into a £45 donation to SRS
- One of the door monies was short-changed by 50p

Evan confirmed that the accounts had passed the audit.





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## Looking Forward

- Keeping Saturday meetings + breakfast going
  - Key source of income (even greater than membership subs)
- Maintaining reasonable level of capital expenditure

In conclusion and looking forward to 2025 Evan commented that we certainly want to keep the Saturday meetings going with the breakfasts, this would be a great benefit as this is our main income and really did turn things around in the last 12 months.

Ideally, not to have too much capital expenditure during 2025.

Evan asked if there were any matters arising or any questions. Nige G0RXA asked if anyone on Webex had any questions and confirmed with Tony that there were no hands raised.

Nigel G0RXA asked for a proposer and seconder to approve the Treasurer's Report:

<b>Matters arising:</b>	None
<b>Proposer:</b>	Alan Gurnhill G0ROW
<b>Seconded:</b>	Ian Justice M0RNH



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## Secretary's Report

[10:56] Nigel G0RXA presented the Secretary's report with the following power point slides and information:

**MEMBERSHIP**

**INFORMATION FROM TREASURER**

- Number of members (inc honorary): 83 (2023 = 86)
- *Review of membership undertaken by MOVNL & MOTJU during early 2024.*
- *Included review of:*
  - *Membership List*
  - *Google Groups Mailing List*
  - *Facebook Group*
  - *WhatsApp Group*
  - *Website, members page.*

Nigel G0RXA explained that the number of members is currently 83 compared to last year which was 86, so a drop of 3 members.

However, this potentially relates to the review of the membership records carried out by Nigel MOVNL and Evan MOTJU during the early part of the year, ensuring that these were up-to-date and also chasing those late/outstanding subscription payments.

The review included the membership list together with the Google Groups mailing list to make sure everybody was getting the emails; Facebook group; the new WhatsApp group and the website member's page.

Although the result was a 3 member drop, we've had a number of new members throughout the year who have come forward and joined us.

Unfortunately, with the exception of Alan G0ROW and Keith M0JYP who had re-joined the Society and who were in attendance at Walthew House, there weren't any of the newer members present, which was disappointing.



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## COMMUNICATIONS WITH MEMBERS

➤ QUA	: 1 Issue Review of 2023
➤ Website	: <a href="http://g8srs.co.uk">g8srs.co.uk</a>
➤ Radcom	: Club News & Diary
➤ Google Group	: 79 Members
➤ WhatsApp Group	: 41 Members
➤ YouTube	: 469 Subscribers
➤ Facebook	: 92 Members
➤ X (Twitter)	: 1,167 Followers



[12:10] Nigel G0RXA explained that the above are mediums by which SRS communicates with its members and some also provide a means for members to communicate with one another.

Nige G0RXA commented further on the above as follows:

- There was just one QUA produced at the beginning of the year, "Review of 2023";
- The website is regularly updated;
- We try to include items regularly in the RadCom news and their Diary to make sure our meetings are advertised in there.
  - Issue with using RadCom is the lead up time which is usually about 2 months, so if anything changes in the meantime then we're kind of scuppered from that point of view.
- We have the Google (email) Group with 79 members and also the WhatsApp group with 41 members.
  - The WhatsApp group has all kinds of information flowing through it amateur radio and not; the chats usually get your taste buds going at some point in time during an evening.
- An active YouTube channel with about 300 members or followers last year and now we're now up to 469 so we're doing something right there;
- Currently 92 members on Facebook with 'X' (formerly Twitter) dropping to just under 1200 followers, but that wasn't considered as big news from our point of view.

Nigel G0RXA continued by highlighting the Activities which take place within SRS and included some statistical information and further discussion as follows:



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## ACTIVITIES

- Social Meetings
- Club Nets
- Events
- HF Ladder
- Contesting



## SOCIAL MEETINGS

### WALTREW HOUSE/WEBEX

- Tuesday : 18
- Saturday : 14
- Online : 14
- Committee : 5



Nigel G0RXA explained that there had been a couple of extra Saturday meetings in addition to the scheduled 'second' Saturday at Walthew House due to their popularity.

The 14 online meetings include the Tuesdays not at Walthew House and there had been 5 committee meetings using the Webex system.

## SOCIAL MEETING ACTIVITIES WALTREW HOUSE & WEBEX

- Presentations
- Practical/Radio Sessions
  - ❖ 145Alive Activity
  - ❖ QO-100 Activity
  - ❖ GB0COL Special Event Stations
  - ❖ CQ WW DX SSB Contest
- Morse Practice
- Breakfast/Catering
- Repair Shop Sessions
- Tutoring Sessions



Continuing with the social meeting activities, Nigel G0RXA explained we'd had a number of presentations; practical radio sessions which included the 145-Alive activity and regular QO-100 operations. We did the special event station to mark colossus (GB0COL) and we also had an activity with the CQ WW DX SSB contest from Walthew House.

We've had a few Morse practise sessions, not as many as had hoped but these are intended to gain ground again throughout the next year and there has been quite a bit of breakfast and catering which does seem to be going down very well indeed.





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We've also had a few repair shop sessions with Phill M0H NJ and Tom M0DCG leading them and we have also started having a number of tutoring sessions, again led by Tom M0DCG, where Tom has been tutoring Tracy Land through the foundation course, with her exam next Sunday and it would be nice to have a new female M7 with us at SRS.

## PRESENTATIONS 2024

- An evening with the new Yaesu FT-710".
- The Ukraine Relief Amateur Radio Project" with Richard G4HGI
- Contest Chalk 'n' Cheese with Evan M0TJU
- Sixty Years of Radio Tracking with Ross G6GVI
- QSL cards explained with Keith M0JYP
- Review of Yaesu's FTM-200DR FM/C4FM Mobile Transceiver
- Wires-X live demonstration at Walthew House & Webex
- Why I settled on the IC-705' by Evan M0TJU
- Reducing Interference and improving readability on the bands with David G0BCU
- The Yaesu FT DX10 explained with Neil M6NAE
- Ready to go box for portable operation with David G0BCU



Moving on to presentations Nigel G0R XA mentioned the above are the presentations we've had through the year and explained that we had quite a few from other clubs and M0TJU seems to feature quite a lot there as well as does M6NAE and so a thank you to both for your contributions.

## ON AIR NETS

- GB3MR : 52
- Six Metre (FM) : 5
- Six Metre (SSB) : 6
- 2 Metre (Wed pm) : 50
- 2 Metre FM (Sunday am) : 10
- 2 Metre SSB (Sunday am) : 2





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[16:00] Continuing, Nigel G0RXA explained that the on-air nets are a big part of SRS activities with the main one being the Thursday night net via the GB3MR repeater and hosted by Roy G6RSU who was thanked for doing a grand job.

There have also been a couple of 6m nets which have been going quite well, firstly on FM and later on SSB.

A brief discussion was held as Nigel G0RXA asked for a volunteer to host the upcoming 6m net on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December; Alan G0ROW and Simon M0TYT had previously hosted this net and had a discussion with Nigel G0RXA regarding the net chair and mode of operation; Alan G0ROW suggested SSB, Simon M0TYT indicated he would also be available to join; Nigel G0RXA confirmed 50.270MHZ, SSB for those who are suitably equipped; Alan G0ROW discussed with Nigel G0RXA re. using an SRS club call sign for the 6m net, possibly G6UQ but so long as it was not G5O.

Nigel G0RXA thanked Keith M0JYP and Alan G0ROW for their contribution to the 2m nets which have also been going quite well

A brief discussion was held between Nigel G0RXA and Keith M0JYP with regards to Keith's ongoing health condition and therefore his availability for hosting the 2m nets in the future. Alan G0ROW commented that he would be available to stand-in for Keith as chair of the 2m nets if required. Nigel G0RXA wished Keith well on his recovery and confirmed with Alan G0ROW that these nets will be covered in Keith's absence.

Nigel G0RXA mentioned that the once-a-month 2m Sunday morning that we have been doing was last time held on SSB which went down particularly well. Alan G0ROW suggested to leave this on SSB. Nigel G0RXA confirmed this is advertised in the RSGB/RadCom etc, as SSB

NET CONTROLLERS		
➤ G6RSU	:	51
➤ M0JYP	:	46
➤ G0ROW	:	14
➤ G0RXA	:	3
➤ M0RDN	:	2
➤ M0SAV	:	1
➤ M6NAE	:	3
➤ M0TYT	:	1
➤ M0VNL	:	1

Nigel G0RXA presented the above slide showing a list of on-air net controllers, with Roy G6RSU top of the list and thanked everyone who had taken part in hosting a net. Nigel G0RXA also complimented Simon M0TYT on his chairing of the last 6m net as this was a good one and commented that this is encouragement for others to have a go.



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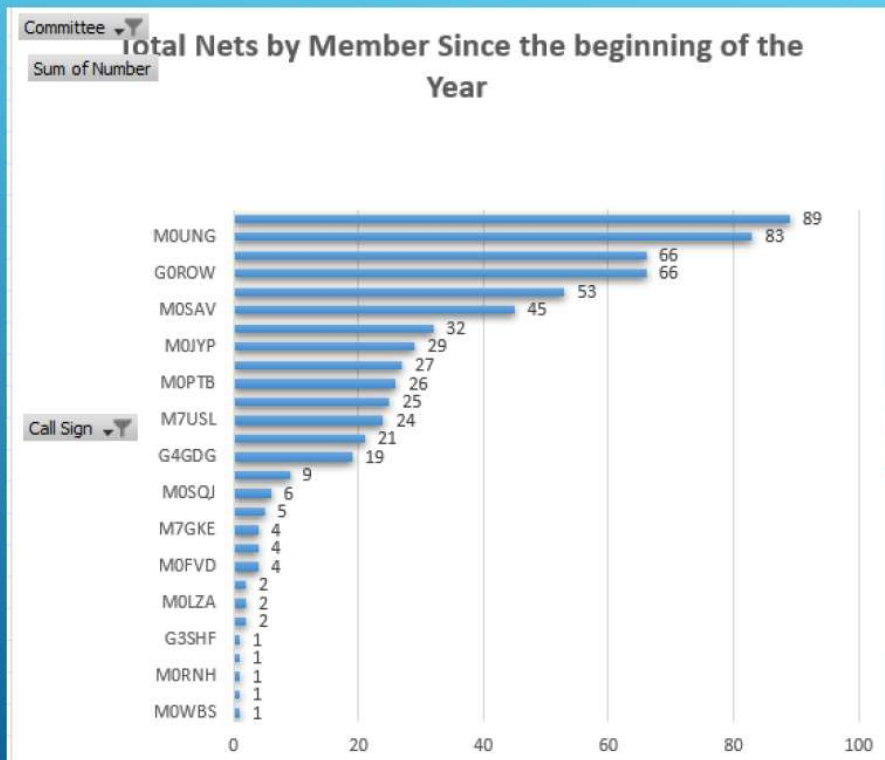
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A brief discussion between Simon M0TYY, Nigel G0RXA and Alan G0ROW was held with regards to the issue of the start time of the 6m net being problematic for Simon to be able to host this, however, if available on time Simon indicated he would chair this again. Alan confirmed that Simon would host the 6m net and he would stand-in if Simon could not make it. Alan and Simon indicated they would communicate together via email and/or WhatsApp as required.

## NET PARTICIPATION

M0WBS	1
M0UTA	1
M0RNH	1
G0SYP	1
G3SHF	1
M1FHM	2
M0LZA	2
M0VNL	2
M0FVD	4
M1PTR	4
M7GKE	4
M0AQM	5
M0SQJ	6
G6RSU	9
G4GDG	19
M6NAE	21
M7USL	24
M0TJU	25
M0PTB	26
M7RJJ	27
M0JYP	29
M0TYY	32
M0SAV	45
M0RDN	53
G0ROW	66
G0RXA	66
M0UNG	83
M0LAR	89
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>648</b>



Nigel G0RXA explained that Roy G6RSU keeps a record of the participation in our club nets whether it be 6m, 2m, 70cms or whatever it happens to be, for which we are very grateful

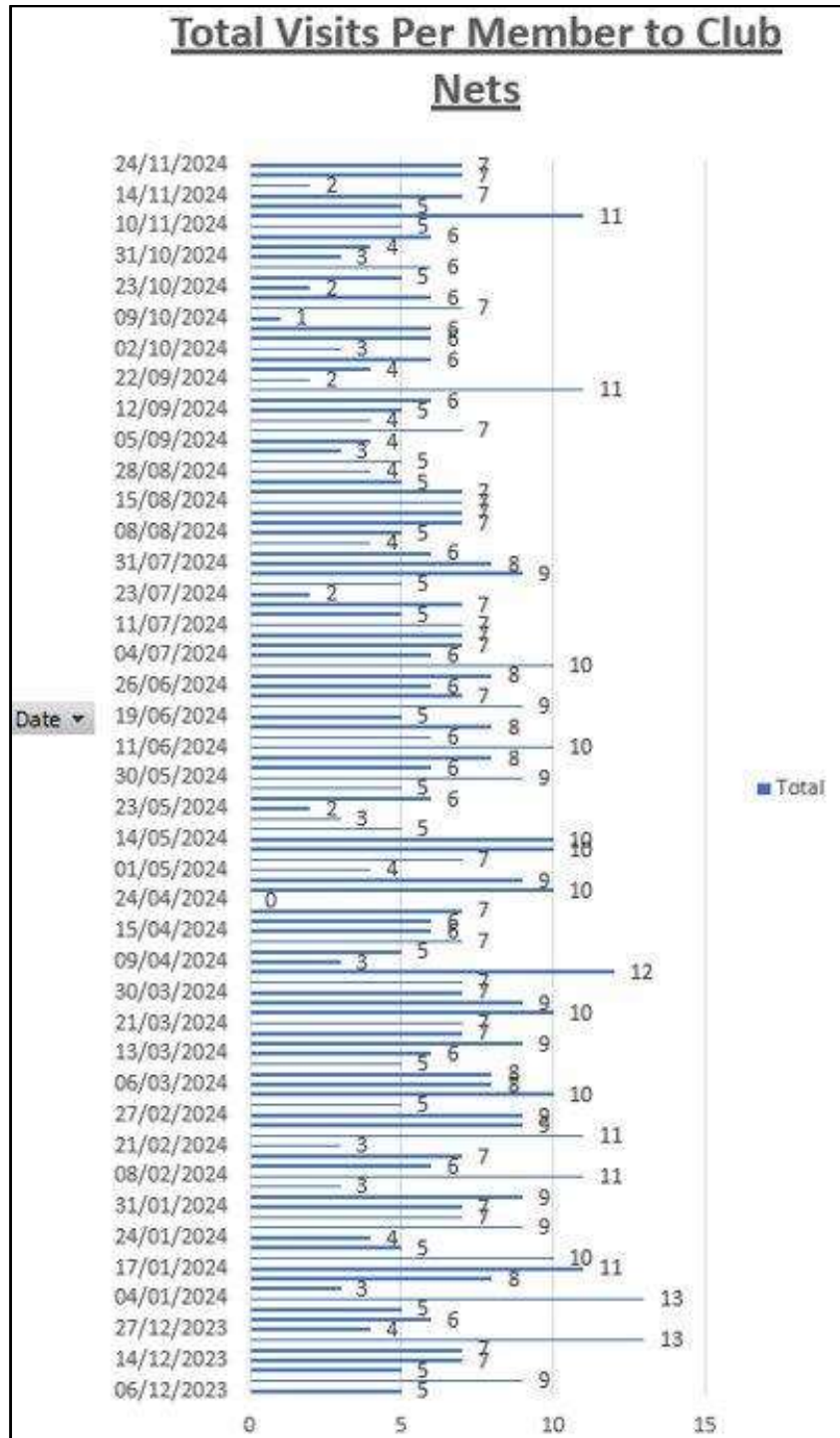
This gives us a picture as to who's actually taking part and the top of the list is Gordon Jackson M0LAR, he's been on 89 times and of course closely followed by Farid Ng M0UNG who is quite often operating as portable and so what an excellent job that is.

Nigel G0RXA explained that the following table gives you an impression of the number of people joining the nets over the 12 months since the 6<sup>th</sup> December last year and is a good indication as to how popular the nets are overall.



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## CURRENT SCHEDULE

- 2nd Tuesday of month: 6 Metre SSB net 50.270MHz from 7.30pm
- Wednesday Weekly @ 2pm: 2 Metres on 145.375MHz +/- QRM.
- Thursday Weekly @ 7.30pm (ish): 70 CMs via GB3MR Repeater.
- Last Sunday of month @ 10.30am: 2 Metre on 144.275MHz USB
- Discontinued during 2024
  - 4th Sunday of month @ 10.30am: 2 Metre on 145.375MHz FM



[21:03] Nigel GORXA presented the slide showing the current net schedule and explained that at this point in time we discontinued the Sunday 2m FM net in favour of SSB and further explained that these schedules are fairly fluid and so can change over periods and if anybody feels like going on SSB or FM I'm quite sure just by sending a message out (e.g. WhatsApp; google Group) and of course there everybody will be.

## Events attended

- (February) TAS Winter Memorabilia Fair
- (July) AVRO "Wings & Wheels"
- (July) TAS Summer Memorabilia Fair
- (August) British Inland Waterways on the Air





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Moving on to the events which SRS had attended over the year Nigel G0RXA explained that the February TAS event was a very cold weekend and where it was 'raining' inside the hangar at the RVP due to the amount of condensation.

At the Avro Wings and Wheels event, it was again raining all weekend, but fortunately outside of the marque this time, while the TAS summer memorabilia fair was, thankfully at last, a nice weekend.

And finally, the August bank holiday with plenty of liquid sunshine around and much wind where we did the inland waterways from Bugsworth Basin which was very entertaining to say the least and the first time SRS had participated in this event.

For 2025 SRS are booked to do the following events:

- TAS Winter Memorabilia Fair 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> February
- Avro Wings and Wheels 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> July
- BIWOTA inland waterways event, August Bank Holiday weekend

**H F LADDER**

- Runs from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December
- All HF Bands + 6 Metres
- Categories for SSB, CW & Data
- Awards for Full, Intermediate and Foundation Licensees
- Uses "Clublog" to collate scores



Nigel G0RXA then continued with the HF Ladder and presented a slide showing the rules and regs and all collated using ClubLog with a thank-you to Peter M1PTR for organising and doing a grand job as far as that's concerned

Looking at the slide on following page, the overall winner for 2023 was Peter Taylor G8BCG, and not surprising with his excellent location down in Cornwall. Also, a well-done to John Cressey M7CPT for leading the way as far as foundation licensees is concerned.

Keith Sale M0JYP topped the list for Phone and for CW this was Evan Duffield M0TJU. Peter Taylor G8BCG was also the leader of the data section.

We had 19 participants which did also include some club call signs but the end of the day it gave an indication of what was going on club wise as far as HF is concerned



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## H F LADDER 2023

- Overall Winner : Peter G8BCG
- Intermediate :
- Foundation : John M7CPT
- Phone : Keith M0JYP
- CW : Evan M0TJU
- Data : Peter G8BCG
- Participants : 19



## Current standings at 1<sup>st</sup> December

HF & 6 DXCC Ladder All modes 2024														
Rank	Call	Name	160m	80m	60m	40m	30m	20m	17m	15m	12m	10m	6m	Total
1	M0PTB	Pete	8	26	41	114	106	116	134	149	119	115	39	967
2	G8BCG	Peter	0	10	35	87	84	98	101	119	74	112	139	859
3	M7CPT	John	0	50	0	76	69	117	139	118	97	84	24	774
4	G5O	SRSCG	27	60	0	92	0	123	0	127	0	108	0	537
5	M0UNG	Farid	4	13	0	48	30	95	28	85	46	57	17	423
6	M0RDN	Stephen	1	26	22	53	34	71	35	63	25	48	5	383
7	PA0RNH	Ian	0	6	9	30	29	64	54	73	42	53	4	364
8	M0RNH	Ian	0	46	22	65	24	82	33	43	18	20	0	353
9	M0AQM	Andrew	0	10	0	51	24	54	15	57	4	107	8	330
10	M0JYP	Keith	0	0	0	41	0	71	33	55	51	68	10	329
11	G0ROW	Alan	0	0	4	36	0	35	18	56	35	47	9	240
12	GM4UYZ	Bob	0	2	0	16	5	56	37	39	21	41	1	218
13	M0DCG	Tom	11	27	0	37	0	28	0	20	0	26	0	149
14	M7RJL	Ron	0	0	0	10	0	24	3	21	5	21	1	85
15	M1PTR	Pete	0	7	0	12	0	24	4	8	3	19	0	77
16	G0SYP	Carsten	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65	65
17	M0TYT	Simon	0	0	0	10	1	20	8	12	0	4	7	62
18	M5KJM	Kieron	0	0	0	3	0	20	4	5	4	14	0	50
19	GX8SRS	SRS_EVENTS	0	0	0	7	5	15	0	7	0	0	0	34
20	G6UQ	SRS_CALL	0	0	0	1	0	15	0	12	0	0	0	28
21	G3LX	SRS_CALL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	18
22	GB0COL	SRS	0	0	0	1	0	9	1	2	0	2	0	15
23	G3ZOD	Graham	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	4
24	G5O/P	SRS@NFD	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
			51	283	133	792	411	1139	647	1071	544	965	330	6366
			1%	4%	2%	12%	6%	18%	10%	17%	9%	15%	5%	100%

Looking into this year, the results will be announced after the 31<sup>st</sup> of December because it runs from 1<sup>st</sup> of January until the 31<sup>st</sup> of December, so as at 1<sup>st</sup> December, the above is how the overall leader board stood with a well-done going to Pete Singleton M0PTB for doing a grand job so far.





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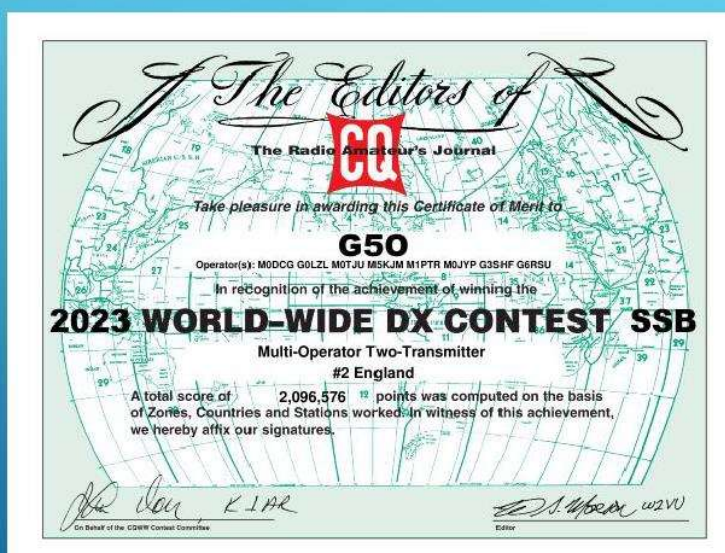
## CONTESTING

- Late 2023 Score (CQ WW DX SSB 2023)
- 2024 Contests and scores
- CQ WPX/WW Club scores



[24:37] Nigel G0RXA explained there was score that's kept over from 2023 (see below) because the results weren't announced in time for last year's AGM; then we have the 2024 contests and scores; CQ WPX Worldwide club score and added to that we've got another section as well to be discussed later.

## CQ WW DX SSB CONTEST 2023



	England	Europe	World
Rank*	2	26	55









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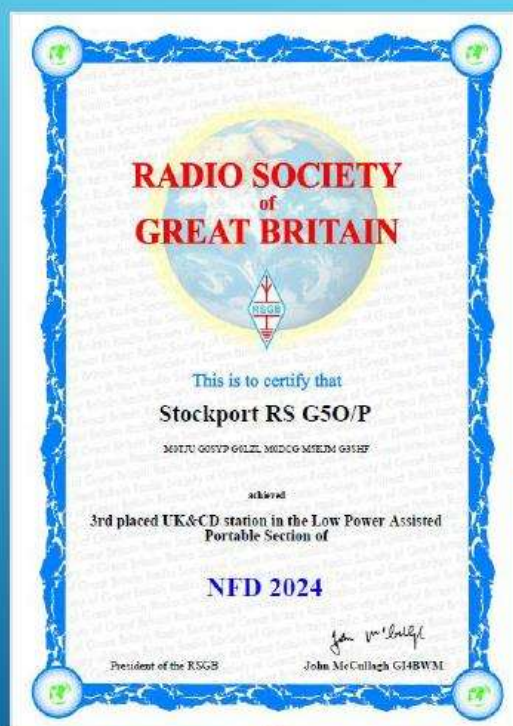
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Moving on to the AFS contests (see slide above) Nigel G0RXA explained the three sections: CW, SSB and data modes:

- Achieving 26<sup>th</sup> place in the CW section with three stations taking part on our behalf Bernard Naylor G3SHF; Tom Spence M0DCG and Evan Duffield M0TJU.
- The AFS SSB where again Tom M0DCG along with Pete Ridley M1PTR took part on our behalf and finished in 25<sup>th</sup> place.
- Pete M1PTR also took part in the data mode section and finished 36<sup>th</sup>

## RSGB National Field Day (NFD)

- Dates: 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024
- Mode: CW
- Duration: 24 Hours
- Section: Low Power (100W) Assisted Portable
- Callsign: G5O/P
- Operators:
  - Carsten G0SYP
  - Dave G0LZL
  - Tom M0DCG
  - Evan M0TJU
  - Bernard G3SHF
  - Kieron M5KJM
- Score: 403,398 points
- QSO's: 865



National Field Day is where we have done particularly well in over the years and still continue to do so with G5O securing third place in the low power 100w assisted portable section – details as per above slide.

The Islands on the Air contest was again operated by G5O up at Common Barn Farm with the scores and details contained in the slide on the next page.

At this point in the proceedings a trophy was presented to the G5O contest team with a well-done round of applause for their achievement.

Trophy presented:

- RSGB IOTA Fixed UK 2024 G5O awarded for Winner in M1 or M2 multi operator 2 transmitter section



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## Islands On The Air (IOTA)

- Date: 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July 2024
- Mode: CW & SSB
- Duration: 24 Hours
- Section: Multi Two Non-expedition
- Callsign: G5O
- Operators:

- Kieron M5KJM
- Pete M1PTR
- Carsten G0SYP
- Evan M0TJU
- Dave G0LZL
- Tom M0DCG

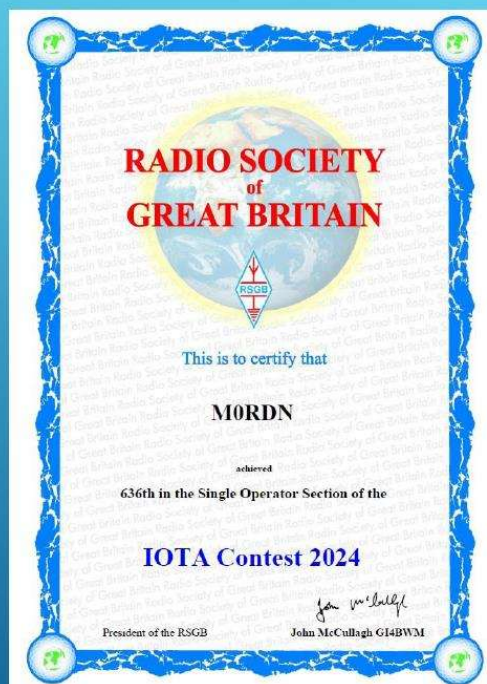
- Score: 4,393,320
- QSO's: 1,473

- Final position: 11th



## Islands On The Air (IOTA)

- Date: 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> July 2024
- Mode: SSB
- Duration: 24 Hours
- Section: Single operator
- Operator: Stephen M0RDN
- Score: 52,560
- QSO's: 118







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We also had had another entrant in the IOTA contest, Stephen Armstrong M0RDN (see slide above) who also entered and did quite well being placed at 636<sup>th</sup> in the single operator section, so a 'well done' to Stephen for his achievement.

## Region 1 SSB Field Day (NFD)

- Dates: 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> September 2024
- Mode: SSB
- Duration: 24 Hours
- Section: Low Power (100W)  
Unassisted Portable
- Callsign: M0RDN/P
- Operators: Stephen M0RDN
- **17<sup>th</sup> Low Power (100W)  
Unassisted Portable**
- **\*\*2<sup>nd</sup> Single operator station\*\***
- Score: 20,096 points
- QSO's: 165



On behalf of the club, Stephen M0RDN also entered the SSB field day contest and submitted an entry on our behalf

Another very well done to Stephen for his achievement and for finishing second in the low power unassisted portable section – see above slide for details.





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## CQ WPX CONTESTS 2024



	England	Europe	World
Rank*	1	14	22



	England	Europe	World
Rank*	1	15	25

The WPX contest was in March and May this year March being the SSB side of things and of course another well done and applause for G5O finishing number one in England and they did exactly the same as far as the CW version is concerned in May so again well done to the guys for their achievement.

## CQ WPX CONTEST CLUB ENTRIES

### STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY (2023)

Detailed scores for STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY in the 2023 CQ WPX Contest. Click on any column header to change sort order.

Callsign	Category	Mode	Score	Operator(s)
G5O	MULTI-TWO	PH	5,478,386	M0DCG G0LZL M5KJM M1PTR G0SYP M0TJU
M5MDX	MULTI-ONE HIGH	CW	3,255,933	M0DCG G0LZL G0SYP M0TJU
G8SRS	MULTI-ONE HIGH	CW	2,165,772	G0LZL M0DCG G0SYP M5KJM
G1D	SO HP ALL	PH	186,030	M0AQM
Total Score			11,086,121	

### STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY (2024)

Detailed scores for STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY in the 2024 CQ WPX Contest. Click on any column header to change sort order.

Callsign	Category	Mode	Score	Operator(s)
G5O	MULTI-TWO	PH	7,135,542	M0DCG G0LZL G0SYP M0TJU M5KJM M1PTR
G1D	SO HP ALL	PH	230,864	M0AQM
M0JYP	SO HP ALL	PH	130,540	
ME0RDN	SO LP ALL	PH	55,610	
M0UNG	SO LP ALL	PH	609	
M7RJL	MULTI-ONE LOW	PH	221	M7RJL TRACY
Total Score			7,553,386	



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In the club competition which is the CQ WPX, the slide above lists the 2023 and 2024 entries and shows that that we do have a number of people actually taking part.

In 2023 we also had G1D, operator Andrew Stubbs M0AQM, a well done to him and also for entering again in 2024 along with Stephen Armstron M0RDN; Farid Ng M0UNG and Ron and Tracy Land M7RJL who also received a certificate for their achievements – a very well done to all of those for taking part and a thank you for entering the club contest.

CQ WW DX CONTEST CLUB ENTRIES				
STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY (2022)				
Detailed scores for STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY in the 2022 CQ WW Contest. Click on any column header to change sort order.				
Callsign	Category	Mode	Score	Operator(s)
G5O	MULTI-ONE HIGH	PH	2,004,944	G0LZL M0DCG M1PTR M0TJU G0SYP G6RSU
G0RXA	SA LP ALL	CW	86,720	
G0RXA	SA LP ALL	PH	51,450	
M0AQM	SO HP 20M	PH	41,238	
M5KJM	SA HP ALL	PH	39,672	
M1PTR	SA HP ALL	PH	12,408	
Total Score			2,236,432	

STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY (2023)				
Detailed scores for STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY in the 2023 CQ WW Contest. Click on any column header to change sort order.				
Callsign	Category	Mode	Score	Operator(s)
G5O	MULTI-TWO	PH	2,096,576	M0DCG G0LZL M0TJU M5KJM M1PTR M0JYP G3SHF G6RSU
G1D	SA LP ALL	PH	291,015	M0AQM
G0LZL	SO HP ALL	CW	97,526	
M0TJU	SA LP ALL	CW	73,800	
M0DCG	SO HP ALL	CW	64,288	
M5KJM	SA HP ALL	CW	51,120	
M0JYP	SA HP ALL	PH	34,692	
2E0SUG	SO LP ALL	PH	27,750	
Total Score			2,736,767	

CQ WW DX contest which is the October and November event, the above slide lists 2022 to show there's been a number of entries from club members and the same can be seen again in 2023. Of course, at this point in time 2024 details aren't known and will obviously be reported the next time round.

However, Stephen M0RDN and Andrew M0AQM have taken part again and we also had a few entries from down here at the club (Walthew House) because we did it on an additional Saturday, booked for the October weekend and so there will be a few entries to go in there.





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## CQ WW DX CONTEST 2024 CLUB ENTRIES

G1D	SINGLE-OP (A)	ALL	LOW		STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY
G3LX	SINGLE-OP (A)	ALL	LOW		STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY
G6UQ	SINGLE-OP (A)	ALL	LOW		STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY
M0DCG	SINGLE-OP	ALL	LOW		STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY
M0RDN	SINGLE-OP	ALL	LOW	ROOKIE	STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY
M0UNG	SINGLE-OP	ALL	LOW		STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY
M5KJM	SINGLE-OP (A)	ALL	HIGH		STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY
M7RJL	MULTI-ONE	ALL	LOW		STOCKPORT RADIO SOCIETY



The above slide shows the entries that have been submitted so far, along with a couple of photographs: Stephen M0RDN portable QTH up in the hills and the other one is Andrew M0AQM antennas he had available that weekend. So those are the entries that have been submitted on behalf of the club.

## UKEI DX SSB Contest 2024





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We also had the UKEI DX SSB contest (see above slide) back in September where there were a couple of entries: again, Stephen Armstrong M0RDN and also Ron/Tracy Land M7RJL who entered that particular event. Achieving 91<sup>st</sup> and 328<sup>th</sup> position respectively in the Single Operator section.

Nigel G0RXA had a brief discussion with Tom M0DCG as to whether he had taken part in the UKEI events this year. Tom confirmed he had not entered this contest and neither entered any of the 'big ones' i.e. DX contests.

Nigel G0RXA then explained, whether either Tom or any club members are taking part in the contests to inform the club accordingly because it's always worthwhile knowing this and it can be recorded in our records.

Going forward, Nigel G0RXA asked for Tom and anybody else taking part from a personal point of view in any of these contests then to just flag this up because at least then we'll know about it and we can report on it at the end of each year.

Nigel G0RXA concluded by saying that was all from the Secretary report and asked if there were any questions or matters arising.

### **Matters arising:**

- Stephen M0RDN offered his thanks to the club for their assistance, both verbal encouragement and for some coax, which had inspired him further into his contesting exploits for 2024 and had undoubtedly contributed to his further success. So, a thank you to the club for all their help and assistance from Stephen. Nigel G0RXA acknowledged Stephens remarks.

Nigel G0RXA asked for a proposer and seconder to approve the Secretary's Report:

**Proposer:** Stephen Armstrong M0RDN  
**Seconded:** Keith Sale M0JYP

### **Chairman's Remarks**

[35:05] Nigel G0RXA then read out his letter of remarks as follows:

- *Chair's Remarks 2024*

Thank you to the Treasurer and Secretary for their reports which confirm our healthy position financially and pretty much sum up what we have been up to activity wise during this past year.

This time last year Tony urged members to continue to support the committee and I would encourage the same in 2025 whether by joining us here at Walthew, online, on air and/or at our outdoor events such as Avro and Waterways on the air. On the latter, what a fabulous weekend we had up at Bugsworth for the BIWOTA event over the August bank holiday weekend and whilst we did not get much in the way of sun, it was a fun weekend. Thank you to the SRS Boat Division, AKA Ron & Tracy and of course Gromit, for your hospitality.

Down here at Walthew our Saturday morning meetings have become our flagship events, no doubt helped by our intrepid duo's fabulous breakfasts. There's more time to engage in activities and I detect a real sense of community developing which is after all what we are all about. Thank you, Neil and Bill, for all your efforts on our behalf, not just on Saturdays but throughout the year.





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We shouldn't forget Tuesday evening's either, here or on Webex. They are entertaining evenings even if there's no speaker with many subjects presenting themselves along with some interesting conversation.

I am hopeful in 2025 we can attract some more speakers and to kick off the year may I publicise Tuesday 28th January where we have secured Peter Waters G3OJV from Waters & Stanton to present a talk, thanks Neil. Being via Webex we will invite members of other clubs to join us.

Throughout 2024 we have shared access to our meetings with other local clubs notably Bolton & Warrington. Thanks to Evan M0TJU for taking the time to visit and present talks to these clubs who in return have reciprocated with Ross G6GVI from Bolton and David G0BCU from Warrington presenting talks. Hopefully this relationship will continue to develop as it helps us all fill our programmes.

Elsewhere, our testers have had some challenges to deal with this year especially recently with a chap called Bert wreaking havoc amongst the antennas at the farm. Hopefully 2025 will be less of a challenge and normal service can be resumed quickly. New member, Adam M7GKE has experienced life with the team and if there is anyone who wishes to follow in his footsteps then I'm sure opportunities will present themselves during 2025. Talking of testing, thank you to those members who've taken part and submitted entries on our behalf.

One member who has joined in and helped with the group's activities up at the farm is Roy G6RSU. Not showing any interest in operating, Roy is content with helping to build and put together the station and his activities are not confined to Common Barn Farm. Here at Walthew, Roy has spent much time fitting out our shack and is now on a mission to restore the tower to full operation with plans afoot to add 70CMs to the resident antennas. Not forgetting his regular hosting of our flagship Thursday evening GB3MR net Roy's contribution to our society is immense and if ever there was someone who deserves recognition especially for his work in the background, it's Roy. Thank you, Roy!

The next few items on our agenda involve appointing our committee for the next 12 months and for one member this will be a very unusual few minutes. Why, well after over 30 years, actually probably nearer 40 on the top table Bernard G3SHF is standing down to take up a place on the unfamiliar back benches. During his time on committee, Bernard has fulfilled a number of roles (Chair, Treasurer and Contest Team Representative) and whilst there have been a few awkward times he has always given his full support to our activities. On behalf of everyone may I thank you for your many years of service to the society and I hope you will enjoy your second retirement.

I must say, along with Kieron and Tony, and being a senior member of the society Bernard will be continuing as a signatory to our Harry Anfield Fund.

Finally, once again thank you all for your ongoing support.

Nigel Roscoe G0RXA  
Chair  
Stockport Radio Society  
3rd December 2024



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## Appointment of 2024/5 Committee & Auditor

### 2023/2024 Committee

President: Nigel Roscoe G0RXX

#### Society Officers

Chair  
Nigel Roscoe G0RXX

Vice Chair  
Tony Smithies M0SAV

Treasurer  
Evan Duffield M0TJU

Secretary  
Nigel Smithies M0VNL

#### Committee Members

Bernard Naylor G3SHF

Neil Rydings M6NAE

Andrew Lee M7USL



### Proposed 2024/2025 Committee

President: Nigel Roscoe G0RXX

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Vice Chair  
Tony Smithies M0SAV

Treasurer  
Evan Duffield M0TJU

Secretary  
Nigel Smithies M0VNL

#### Committee Members

Standing Down  
*Bernard Naylor G3SHF*

Nominations  
Neil Rydings M6NAE

Andrew Lee M7USL

Meeko Kittika M0FVD

Alan Gurnhill G0ROW

Auditor: Rita Jariwala Kubecki





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Nigel G0RXA continued with the next item on the agenda, appointment of the 2024/5 committee and auditor by firstly showing a slide highlighting how the current 2023/2024 committee stands at the time of the meeting – see top slide above.

The bottom slide shown above shows the proposed 2024/2025 committee and highlights as already mentioned that Bernard G3SHF is standing down.

Nigel G0RXA confirmed that we've had nobody who is presently in the committee other than Bernard saying they wish to stand down and so that means that Neil M6NAE and Andrew M7USL will stay on as is.

Nigel G0RXA also confirmed the committee nominations are Meeko M0FVD and Alan G0ROW who had already agreed to re-join the committee and also Rita Kubecki who has agreed to continue as the auditor.

Nigel G0RXA explained that we could go through the process of voting for each committee member independently, however, were there any objections to just voting for the proposed 2024/2025 committee as a whole. Nigel G0RXA asked for a show of hands for anyone who **did not** agree with this suggestion.

On the basis that there were no hands risen, Nigel G0RXA asked please can we vote in the proposed 2024/2025 committee and please if you all agree with that to raise your hand and for those on Webex to also have a show of hands.

Nigel G0RXA confirmed that everybody had agreed the motion to vote in the proposed 2024/2025 committee as shown on the slide, including the auditor and thanked everyone for their doing so.

Nigel G0RXA then formally welcomed on to the committee Meeko M0FVD and of course Alan G0ROW who is already familiar with the committee function.

[42:53] Simon M0TYT raised a point with regards to the club call signs, i.e. NOV's, considering that Bernard G3SHF is standing down from the committee and who is the current holder of such. Nigel G0RXA requested that this point be included in the first committee meeting of the new year for discussion.



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## Any Other Business

1. **Harry Arnfield Fund**
  - Add Tom Spence M0DCG as a Signatory/Trustee
2. **Saturday Breakfast Club**
  - 2025 Going Forward
3. **Open floor discussion(s)**

### 1. Harry Arnfield Fund

Nigel G0RXA continued the meeting with the first item of AOB: Harry Arnfield (HA) Fund and explained that most are familiar with the fact that we have a fund of money which was left to us by Harry Arnfield G3LX, a previous president who passed away in 2014 and this money is looked after by a number of signatories/trustees, currently:

- Kieron Murphy M5KJM;
- Bernard Naylor G3SHF and;
- Tony Smithies M0SAV

The original signatory list was four and we're looking to add a fourth person to it and we have asked Tom Spence M0DCG to join the list of signatories.

However, knowing the way that the Vernon Building Society, who hold the money, operate, they are likely to want a resolution as far as the club is concerned to confirm that this motion has been voted for and accepted therefore, this has been included as an item in AOB.

Nigel G0RXA asked if anybody had any objections to Tom Spence M0DCG being appointed as a signatory on the HA Fund then to please raise their hand.

There were no showing of hands from any of the attendees at the meeting either at Walthew House or on Webex. Nigel G0RXA expressed his and Tom's gratitude for the unanimous support.

Thereby, it has been recorded in these minutes that at the club's AGM 2024, it was agreed for Tom Spence M0DCG to be appointed as the fourth signatory to the HA Fund.

Nigel G0RXA further explained that we'll now get on as far as completing the necessary documentation is concerned and asked Tony M0SAV, if he would liaise with Kieron and Bernard as far as completing that with Tom. Tony acknowledged that he would do so.

Nigel G0RXA commented that the necessary forms are located in the safe at Walthew House and suggested that this task could be addressed during the next scheduled Saturday meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> December when Tom is likely to be in attendance. Both Tony and Tom acknowledged and agreed.





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## 2. Saturday Breakfast Club

Nigel G0RXA handed the proceedings over to Neil M6NAE for the next item of AOB.

Neil began by thanking everyone who has taken part in the last twelve months of the Saturday breakfasts and commented that the support has been fantastic.

Neil explained that we have now, this month, lost the current sponsor for the breakfasts, but he has found a temporary step in for four months and we're going to review the situation after these four months. The breakfast schedule, sadly, for 2025 is fully booked and there are no spaces left but there is a reserve list, however, if you do drop out at the last minute you are going to have to pay for your breakfast because we have to buy the goods in advance and it's not always possible to it sell on

Appreciating that people are ill, it can't be helped, but Neil explained that there have been people repeatedly cancelling breakfast on numerous occasions who have been given another chance but they keep cancelling and cancelling and this expense is having to be put on the other people now fortunately.

Neil once again thanked everyone who has had the breakfasts and looked forward to seeing those again in January.

Nigel G0RXA acknowledged Neils points and proceeded by thanking both Neil and Bill for their hard work in providing this service on behalf of everyone who has taken part in the breakfasts.

## 3. Open floor discussion(s)

Nigel G0RXA commented that these were all the items of AOB from himself and asked if anyone else wanted to raise anything from the floor:

- Points raised from Walthew House
  - None
- Points raised from Webex
  - None

[47:52] Because there was no show of hands to raise any further points, Nigel G0RXA concluded the official proceedings – time 20:17hrs. The Webex was left open for those remote attendees wishing to remain for a general social chat.

[51:37] Brief discussion between Julian; Tom and Bernard with regards to some full length (22ft) scaffold poles which Julian had available and which may have been use to the contest group. Peter also joined the discussion, enquiring if steel or aluminium, as steel would be too heavy. Confirmed by Julian to be steel.

Nigel G0RXA suggested that it may be beneficial for Tom to go and have a look at them on the scheduled Saturday as Julian is local to Walthew House.

[55:50] Nigel G0RXA stated he had no further items to discuss at this time and as the Walthew House attendees had begun to leave formally closed the AGM and thanked everyone for attending.

Meeting ended, time approx. 20:30hrs



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## Appendix 1



Outlook

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### SRS Committee 'Mast Down' Report 26 November 2024

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From 'Bernard Naylor' via StockportRadioSocietyCommittee <stockportradiosocietycommittee@googlegroups.com>

Date Wed 2024-11-27 19:25

To stockportradiosocietycommittee@googlegroups.com <stockportradiosocietycommittee@googlegroups.com>

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Mast Down 23 November 24.doc;

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I have attached a report detailing the key issues associated with this last weekend's damage to the Contest Group's Buxton Mast and 20m, 15m and 10m Yagi's.

Regards

Bernard G3SHF

## To SRS Committee

### 'Mast Down' Update Report - 26th November 2024

On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2024, Geoff and Rona Cooper from Common Bank Farm advised Tom M0DCG and myself that our mast and antennas erected in the week prior ready for the CQWW CW contest were now down after a very windy night.

They also advised that the ½ mile drive from Smith Lane to the farm, was not accessible because of ice, snow plus an abandoned vehicle.

Geoff confirmed that the mast was not a problem to his self or the stone walling team rebuilding a wall at the farm.

Geoff recommended that we waited till the following Monday morning before we visited the farm to assess and deal with the problem.

On Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November a small team (Kieron M5KJM, Pete M1PTR, Tom M0DCG, Dave G0LZL, Nigel G0RXA arrived with myself to assess the damage.

Nigel took some pictures before we moved the damaged mast and the 3 yagi parts, while trying to fathom why the mast had failed.



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Unfortunately, after careful examination the group were unable to deduce the cause of the masts failure. The team then formulated a plan to recover all antenna parts, guys and cables.

This was achieved by 3.00 pm when the 2 damaged parts from the Strumech section 2 were loaded onto the masts trailer with the 3 yagi's from the mast (4 element 20m, 15m 3 element and the 10m Quad Yagi) all damaged but thought to be repairable.

The SRS CG will consider their next steps when they meet on 2nd December as the team prepare for the WPX SSB contest over the weekend of 29/30 March 2025.

Bernard G3SHF  
26 November 2024