

# **Bromsgrove & District Amateur Radio Club.**

Newsletter 02.07.21

## **A Message from Chairman Roy G6NYG.**

We have Log4om running on the LF & Vhf stations at the moment at the shack, the Kenwood 590 is set up for the LF in the large room along with Yaesu 991 for UHF/VHF, alas the PC in the small shack appears to have fallen off the two bricks it was stood on ? at some time thus dislodging the processor and damaging it so we are in need of a PC, John has loaned us a PC but it is felt this will not be man enough for the job, alas the club has an embargo on spending at this time so this will delay the set-up of the HF station using the Icom 7300 which will cover the HF plus 4 & 6 mtr bands. At the moment the LF station has only the 80 mtr dipole so we need to be thinking of replacing the other wire aerial as I don't think there will be much chance of extracting that one wholly from the tangled mess of the leylandii tree and of course get a rope up the far tree we will also need to take into account the new EMF rules. It has been suggested again we build wire aerials from scratch making the baluns traps etc.and testing them Log4om appears to be a lot easier to use than ham radio deluxe, It's just a case of typing in a call sign and it will do the rest IE look the station up on QRZ and fill in that stations details, input time and frequency you just need to put in the signal report except on digital modes, at the moment it is set up to auto send out to EQSL's but hopefully to the QRZ logbook shortly.

I would like to thank Brian for his work on the club assets everything has been listed along with photos and serial numbers (So even if a PL259 plug is used it will need to be noted) also for his work on the logging program with help from Mr Cull and Mr Haywood and also thanks to John, Peter, Terry & Alan

Roy

Nearly forgot I would like to mention Wayne the IT buff neighbour who hacked into the club PCs again allow us to change the passwords

## **B&DARC Note To Members Regarding Clubs WhatsApp.**

I have received several notes of concern/complaints as to some of the content put onto the clubs WhatsApp.

Whilst this is a 'closed to members' app, some members are reporting that they feel offended by some of the items posted.

Please can I requested that items posted in future be of either 'radio' or 'Club' inspired items or items of a 'personal nature' which would be of general interest to members of the group and not be seen to be able to 'offend' others.

I understand that the group was originally set up as a 'help' group for prospective future amateur radio licensees & for club members to be able to set up future 'on air scheds', but it seems now to be a very simple and convenient chat channel for members, which should, I feel, continue.

John Storey G8SH,  
B&DARC Secretary,  
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## **B&DARC, AGM & Future Club Committee Make-up.**

Please can members consider the following:

The past club membership (2019-2020) was around 30 paid up members, including family memberships.

Our current paid up membership is around 20.

In the past we have had a committee of around 9-10, which I feel, if allowed to continue, would be a disproportionate number where nearly 50% of the membership are seen to be running the club!

May I suggest to members the following, possible future, committee makeup:

Officers: Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary & 2 or 3 further none officer members.

A maximum total of 6 or 7 committee members.

Currently, as I understand it the following club members are willing to stand as Officers of the Club:

Chair: Roy G6NYG,

Vice Chair: Brian M7GFC,

Treasurer: Peter G4LRL,

Secretary: John G8SH,

The following members have also mentioned that they would be willing to be committee members:

Alan G4LVK with Newsletter & Club Net interests.

Pete Coates M1FHI.

Barrie G4AHK.

Nigel Mann G1BXL.

Graeme Coultas.

Terry Stack. M0KKO

Ken G4AHO.

If there are any other members who wish to be considered for an Officer role on the committee please let me know as soon as possible.

Should this happen then there would have to be a private, paper ballot, to elect the member to that role be undertaken.

As I am also proposing that the club reduce the number of 'none' officer posts to 2 or 3 as a maximum, that a closed ballot also be done with members attending the AGM, being give a maximum number of 2 to select from the list above, subject to no other member wishing to stand and notifying me in advance of the AGM, as current Secretary, of their intention to stand.

I look forward to receiving your comments.

John Storey G8SH,  
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## **This week's Zoom meeting. Friday 02.07.2021**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/7911047603?pwd=dlhZWkNnd0lvMU41TXF1YVV5U1hLZz09>

Meeting ID: 791 104 7603

Passcode: Jme9Qe

### **Clubs nets.**

Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings. 7.30 local time. 145.400MHz FM.

All welcome.

### **For Sale.**

Not radio related, but I know from the club nets there are some keen gardeners in our midst.

Makita DLM380 Cordless Lawnmower. This a "bare bones" – no batteries or charger.

In very good condition, with original handbook. About two seasons old. £50.00

Mantis Tiller 4 Stroke Honda GX25 Powered Rotavator Cultivator with Lawn De-thatcher/scarifier attachment 5222, Aerator/Slitter Tines, Kick stand, original spares kit and workshop manual / instruction book. Recently serviced. £250.00

Contact Alan G4LVK.

### **Finally**

As always, articles for next week's newsletter to me please.

Alan G4LVK.