

CORBY AMATEUR RADIO GROUP meets every Friday at the Hightrees Scout Centre, The Nook, Corby, Northants, where they have a chat, followed by QSY to the George Inn at Weldon, for a further chat. Occasionally visits are organised from time to time, when they are not in the George deciding on the 1983 programme. One event they hope to be running is a special event station GB4CHG at the Corby Highland gathering on 16 and 17th July. The following weekend is Castles contest weekend, when they will be operating another special event station GB4RC, from Rockingham Castle (near Corby), on all bands. More information from Jon Ainge G4LGZ at the above address.

PERSEVERANCE

The sign of a good PRO is perseverance! Simon Rodda G4PEM is one such PRO. I suggest that **CORNISH RADIO CLUB** committee insists he keeps the job! (That's fixed him for giving me a couple of lefts to the jaw, for not including the Club a couple of months ago.) The Club meets on the 1st Thursday of each month at the SWEB Club rooms, Pool Canbourne at 7.30pm, where on June 2nd there is a talk on repeaters by G3NPB and on July 17th when the Cornish Rally is to be held at the Cambourne Technical College. (Take note all you Hams on holiday.) If you have trouble in finding the site I expect there will be a talk-in. For all the details on the Club and the Rally, contact Simon Rodda G4PEM at the Cliff Hotel, Penzance, Cornwall TR18 2HH. Trust all is forgiven Simon.

The **CRAWLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB** has been kind enough to send me a couple of their recent newsletters. Having been an old member of the club I find them very interesting, but I am racking my brains and scouring through the newsletters to find out how frequently they meet at the Club's QTH — the Trinity Church Hall, Ifield, Crawley. Unfortunately I am not able to give you details of the forthcoming programme for this month, but full information is obtainable from the clubs PRO, Al Mahabir G4LGQ at 122 Forrester Road, 5th Gate, Crawley Tel. Crawley 37583.

WRONG CALLSIGN

DENBY DALE (Pie Hall) AND DISTRICT AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY meets at the Denby Dale Pie Hall every Wednesday at 8pm. The Club seems to be getting rather steamed up about forthcoming rallies. On the 1st and 15th June they have rally

meetings, for their rally on June 19th, at Shelley High School Skelmanthorpe, Huddersfield. On 22nd June they try to find out what went wrong or right with it. And just for a change, on July 13th they have a lecture by G5RV, and on 24th July they go rallying again to Scarborough. With all this galloping around it's a wonder they've had time to read *Ham Radio Today*, but obviously their Secretary did as somehow we dropped the 'F' in his callsign last month. Sorry about this old man, we haven't found it lying around, but just to put things all square J. Clegg is G3FQH, as I'm sure you all knew anyway.

DUDLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB G4DAR meet at the Dudley Central Library on every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 7.45pm. For details contact the programme secretary, John Tisdale G4NRA, at 12 Digby Road, Kingswinford, West Midlands including an SAE, or phone him on Kingswinford 278300.



Photo: Northamptonshire Evening Telegraph
Nene Valley Radio Club station — for 73rd anniversary of Girl Guides foundation day.

154FT CRANE

Re-reading the **EAST LANCASHIRE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB** February newsheet (the latest I have) I'm intrigued by the last sentence on the sheet. I quote: "We have been promised the use of a 154ft crane and a 50ft tower." — The tower's OK, but how and where are they going to use the crane? After all, they are only going to put a *Slim Jim* on it, Hi! Anyway, the Club meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Shadsworth Leisure Centre, Blackburn. No doubt the man to ask about cranes, towers and anything else to do with the Club is Grayham Pountain G4MWY, the Club's PRO. He can be found at "Lynbrook", Whalley Old Road, Billington, Blackburn, Lancashire. Tel Whalley 2767.

EXETER AMATEUR RADIO

SOCIETY, whose callsigns are G4ARE and GB3EX, meet at the scout hut, Emmanuel Road, Exeter at 7.30pm on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month. On the 13th June they have a quiz with Torbay ARC. On 26th June they are going on a coach trip to the Longleat Rally. I must admit they look an active club and more information is available from Francis Stover, 4 College Road, Exeter. I trust these details are correct but the multi-copied newsheet was most difficult to decipher, hence no callsigns are given. Can we have a good copy next time please?

FAREHAM AND DISTRICT AMATEUR RADIO CLUB are having a natter night on the air on June 8th or June 15th getting started is the subject of a talk by G4ITG. On 22nd June they are back nattering on the air, and on the 29th Andrew Sinclair tells them about his computer. They

find him at 26, Wood Street, Ash Vale, Nr Aldershot, Hants. GU12 5JG. The club meets on 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Railway Enthusiasts' Club, Access Road, Hawley Lane, Farnborough, Hants.

POSH JUNK

The **FYLDE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY** are holding a posh junk sale, or as they list it, an *equipment sale* on June 7th; and on the 21st June they're logically talking on repeaters. I am sorry I can't give you the July programme as I haven't heard from them recently. But I presume they're still holding their meetings in the Kite Club at Blackpool Airport on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month. Harold Fenton G8GG is the man with all the answers, he can be found at 5 Cromer Road, Lytham St Ann's, Lancs. How about an update Harold please?

I see the **HASTINGS ELECTRONICS AND RADIO CLUB** are holding a summer social on 15th June in other words, they are going for a paddle along the front! What they are getting up to for the rest of the month is anyone's guess, as their newsheet *Vital Spark* seems to have eluded me. I'm sure George North G2LL will be only too pleased to give you all the info on the club's activities. Contact him at 7 Fontwell Avenue, Little Common, Bexhill-on-Sea with an SAE or phone Cooden 4645.

This month's extractions from *QUA* the quarterly magazine of the **IPSWICH RADIO CLUB** consists of an item we rarely think of until it's too late — a sturdy bench. G6CRN gives some very sound advice on the practicalities of engineering for the ham, in his *Ints and Tipses* and how to build a solid bench. Valves are not completely dead in East Anglia, as an article on refurbishing valve receivers proves, obviously written by a man with much valve experience. As for the Club generally on June 8th they have a treasure hunt and barbecue. June 27th finds the Club planning their demo station for an event at the Suffolk Showground. On 25th and 26th June they are operating a demonstration station for the Boys Brigade Centenary at the Suffolk Showground. June 29th: planning for VHF NFD. July 2nd/3rd finds them working hard looking for points in the VHF NFD Contest. The Club meets on the second and last Wednesday of each month in the Club Room of the Rose and Crown, Norwich Road, Ipswich at 8pm. The Club Secretary is Jack Tootill G4IFF, 67 Fircroft Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP1 6PX phone 0473 44047.

natter on the air again on the 6th and 20th July. On the 13th July G8VOI is telling them all about switch mode PSUs. The meeting for July 27th is listed as HF Antennas. All these meetings take place at the Porchester Community Centre, Westlands Grove, Porchester at 7.30pm. The Club Secretary in charge of this lot is Brian Davey G4ITG, who lives at 31 Somervell Drive, Fareham, Hants. He is the man to contact for more information.

FARNBOROUGH AND DISTRICT RADIO SOCIETY will be trying to improve on their 16th position in last year's VHF NFD on the 2nd/3rd of July. With that in mind they have a VHF field day review on June 22nd. On June 8th G5RV will be revealing all the facts on HF antennas. The July Club meetings are yet to be arranged: the Club's PRO Chris French G8ZAJ will advise you of all the goodies in store. You will