

The Lothians Radio Society GM3HAM

Activities

Our members are involved in a wide range of activities supported by the society. These include outdoor activities, such as contests (where amateur radio stations compete to make the maximum number of distant contacts in a given time), foxhunts (finding a hidden transmitter by radio) and general operating during the summer season, whilst a series of lectures, presentations and social events fill the balance of the year.



Some members of the society are involved in "Summits on the Air" activities, where amateur radio is combined with hillwalking in both summer and winter, in order to make contacts (which can be much easier at VHF, UHF and

microwave frequencies from hilltops) to radio amateurs either at their home stations or on other summits.



Our members are active "on the air" and may be heard in contacts with distant stations ("DX") from the short wave bands to the microwave bands, as well as talking to local radio amateurs and even reading the Radio Society of Great Britain news bulletins on a Sunday morning.

Members of the society are also involved in the training and support of those interested in gaining the appropriate qualifications required to obtain an amateur radio licence.

Meetings

Please feel free to visit any of our meetings which are usually held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month; we hope that after sampling a meeting or two you will be interested in joining the society.



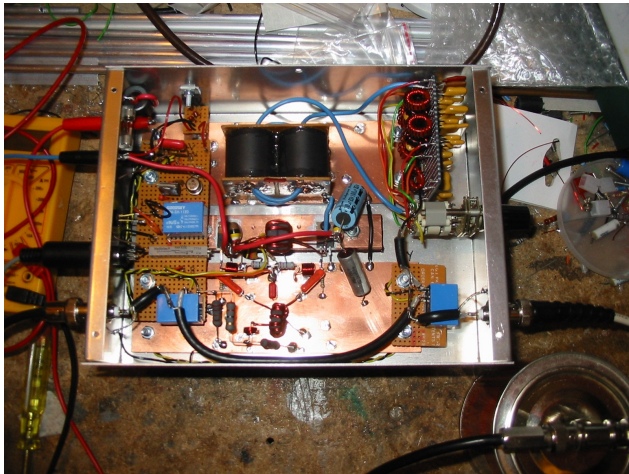
Our regular venue is The Braid Hills Hotel, 134 Braid Road, Edinburgh, EH10 6JD. There is ample free parking at the hotel, or it may be reached in the evenings by bus numbers 5, 11 and 16. For club contact information please see the back of this leaflet.

The subjects of recent talks have included Software Defined Radio, Island Expeditions, Microelectronics Technology, Offshore Pirate Radio, Components in Defence Systems and Amateur Radio in the USA.

About us

The Lothians Radio Society was formed in 1947 to serve the City of Edinburgh and the surrounding counties of East, Mid and West Lothian and is affiliated to the Radio Society of Great Britain. Our club callsign is GM3HAM.

Today, as the number of amateurs has increased, both East and West Lothian now support their own clubs. Our membership ranges from founding members to the newly licensed, and we welcome new members, whether you are already licensed or are simply interested in amateur radio.



Home construction of equipment ("Home Brewing") is actively encouraged. Assistance is readily given to those who wish for help in constructing their own station.

Through the members of the society there is access to a wide range of test equipment and an extensive wealth of knowledge.

Membership

Membership currently costs £18 per year and is open to anyone interested in amateur radio.



Erecting a contest antenna

Meetings are held usually on the second and fourth Wednesday evening of the winter months in the Braid Hills Hotel, 134 Braid Road, Edinburgh EH10 6JD.

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