

# JULY NEWSLETTER 2023



## MEMBERSHIP & ADMIN



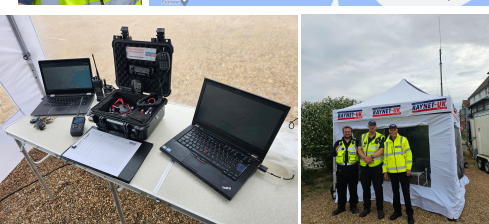
- Essex RAYNET recently migrated from our temporary SMS Callout Solution, following the withdrawal of SMS Responder, to SarSYS - which has seen a steady uptake over the last few weeks - however, we are still somewhat short of 100% migration, so I would urge Members who haven't done so yet, to login to SarSYS and install the Web App ASAP - don't forget to hit the 'Get Location' button as a test!
- If you have any questions, please contact **G8UDD Steve** [steve.james@raynet-uk.net](mailto:steve.james@raynet-uk.net)

## UPCOMING EVENTS



- Clacton Airshow - Thurs 24th - Fri 25th Aug
- Summer Training Day - TBC Early Sept**
- Cycle for Life - Sunday 17th Sept
- Chelmsford Marathon - Sun 15th Oct
- Winter Training Day - TBC Nov - Feb**
- Santa Fun Run - Sunday 3rd December
- Events in **Black** are confirmed, those in **Red** text are awaiting confirmation.

## BRIGHTLINGSEA CARNIVAL



- Last weekend saw Essex RAYNET support the Brightlingsea Carnival Procession, with Safety Radio Communications.
- 12 Operators volunteered 70 hours, which served as a Training Opportunity for Deployments & Equipment Testing
- During the event, we trialed our own 2m VHF APRS Digipeater and 70cm UHF FM Repeater, which provided excellent coverage of the area and on-screen Mapping - without the use of Internet Services - which is very resilient!
- I'd like to thank everyone who volunteered and helped with Rig/De-Rig, just before it bucketed down with rain!

## CLACTON AIRSHOW 2023



- With just 3 weeks now until the Clacton Airshow, you'll be pleased to know that the RAYNET Deployment Plans are well underway - those attending will be emailed in the next week
- This is by far, one of the biggest and most important Events of the year which we support, it will see us utilize a number of Digital Technologies, including D-Star and DMR
- We are still looking for additional volunteers to help with this Event - if you are available on either day, please let **2E0XTA Jason** know ASAP

## TRAINING OFFICER VACANCY

- For personal reasons, Andy MOIXY has had to step down as Training Officer, effective immediately - I'd like to thank Andy for his time, effort and progress with the Training since taking over from Jenny MOJKN in 2021/2
- As a result, a Vacancy for Training Officer is now available - if you feel you would like to be considered for this Co-Opted Role, please contact **G8UDD Steve** or your Area Controller, ideally prior to the 3rd August, so it can be discussed at the next Management Meeting
- In the interim period, Training is being overseen by **G8UDD Steve**

## FIELD DAY 2023

- We are currently in the process of arranging our Annual Summer Field Day, which we anticipate will be in early September, due to Summer Holidays
- Volunteers to run topical stalls/demos are welcomed - please email **G8UDD Steve** [steve.james@raynet-uk.net](mailto:steve.james@raynet-uk.net)
- If you haven't voted for a preferred date, please do so via the email sent to County on the 20th July

## ENGINEERING



- The Engineering Team has been busy this month, overhauling our Digital DMR Repeater, Tweaking our APRS Beacons and trialing a new APRS Digipeater, all part of our ongoing Resilience / Upgrade Program.
- If you have any enquiries, please contact [engineering@essexraynet.co.uk](mailto:engineering@essexraynet.co.uk)



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## WEEKLY & CASCADE NETS



- Week 1 - Cascade RF Nets @ 8PM**
- Week 2 - DMR Net @ 8PM on Phoenix/Brandmeister Talkgroup 23531**
- Week 3 - D-Star Net @ 8PM on Reflector 79 Module C**
- Week 4 - Icom LTE Net @ 8PM on Essex RAYNET Talkgroup**
- Week 5 - DMR Net @ 8PM on Phoenix/Brandmeister Talkgroup 23531**

## G3PED SHIELDS



- MOIXY Andy & MOLZI Ian have now been presented with their G3PED Shields, well done guys!

## TRAINING

- Duty Officer Training has been delivered by G8UDD Steve to Officers over the last couple of weeks
- Additional Work has also been done relating to National Power Outages, which will be delivered to all, over the next month - keep an eye on your inboxes!
- If you have any Training enquires, please contact [training@essexraynet.co.uk](mailto:training@essexraynet.co.uk)

## EMERGENCY SERVICES SHOW



- Don't forget, Essex RAYNET will be attending the Emergency Services Show on Tuesday 19th September! If you'd like to book your place, please make contact with **M6EBU Lloyd** or your Area Controller.

## BUYING A NEW RADIO?



- Essex Radio Hire (**2E0XLS**) is now able to offer products from Icom, Motorola, Anytone, Diamond, Watson and many more, stocking items such as Radios, Coax, Connectors and Accessories to order - why not support your local Dealer and save while you do it?
- For more info, Email **Owen 2E0XLS** [owen.hutley@raynet-uk.net](mailto:owen.hutley@raynet-uk.net)

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