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VMARS Membership Renewals 2017

VMARS Membership renewal forms for 2017 were circulated electronically with issue 164 (November) of the News Sheet and paper copies were enclosed with Issue 41 of *Signal*.

The deadline for renewing your Membership has now passed. However, you may still renew by paying the £2.50 surcharge until 28th February 2017.

Readers are advised that those who have not renewed by 28th February will be deemed to have lapsed their membership and will receive no further VMARS publications, nor may they take part in the forthcoming VMARS sales/auctions.

VMARS NEWS SHEET EDITOR

As part of succession planning, a vacancy exists for a VMARS Member to edit and produce our monthly News Sheet, requiring a commitment of up to one day (usually spread over several days) per month. Previous experience of desk-top publishing would be an advantage but is not essential. Applicants, who should have a good grasp of WORD and photo editing, are invited to contact VMARS Chairman Tony G3YYH or may discuss informally with Bronek M0DAF.

NEXT VMARS AUCTION

Saturday 25th February 2017 at Baginton Village Hall

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From our Chairman

Users of the Yahoo reflectors will have gathered that there's been a significant event for the Society taking place near Chichester over the last month. We were approached by the son of a member who passed away some years ago (Paul McKee G4EGJ) with a view to disposing of his father's radio gear. We had little idea what we were getting into at that stage. There were two complications (1) there was a huge

amount of gear (2) it needed to be removed within three weeks as the house had already been sold. We decided to purchase the whole lot and set to removing it... three vanloads, two car loads and a lorry load later, it's all now in storage ready for auction to members. There are may be 500 lots, all of it the sort of gear that is of interest to members. So stand by for announcements of further auctions.... as a teaser, there's an ET4336, six TA1885s, a good deal of Drake and Hallicrafters gear, and much much more. I'm grateful to

all those that have stepped up to the plate to achieve removal and storage with some of those involved pictured below:



Speaking of auctions, it's under a fortnight now until our next auction on February 25th at Baginton Village Hall; I hope to see many of you there. The catalogue has changed, with the removal of the manuals (which will be listed in the next News

Sheet and will go to the archive) and the inclusion of more gear. A late entry is a SCAM mast removed from the G4EGJ silent key clearance referred to above.

Further talking of auctions, we have been approached to sell the radio gear belonging to the late Dennis Willis, a key player in the Duxford Radio Group. His son, Jon Willis G4MES, is a new member of the Society. This auction will take place at a village hall near Royston in Hertfordshire on Saturday June 10th. There are about 10 lots of wartime German gear in good condition to be sold as well as much else; proceeds will go to Dennis' widow. A catalogue will be published soon.

We are still looking for a member to take over Bronek's duties as newsletter editor. We are looking for someone who will accept full responsibility for its production. The skills required are relatively straightforward; a good command of written English, competent use of MS Word (desk top publishing is not required) and a disciplined approach to timescales. If you are interested (and it is important that somebody steps forward to take over the responsibility) please get in touch with Bronek M0DAF or myself.

There are still some who have not yet renewed their VMARS Membership for 2017. The deadline for renewing has now passed but the Membership Secretary will be happy to accept late renewals up to 28th February 2017, subject to a late renewal surcharge of £2.50. Anyone who has not renewed by that date will be deemed as having lapsed their VMARS membership and will be removed from the list of current members meaning that he/she will no longer receive VMARS publications and will not be entitled to bid at VMARS auctions and sales. Those whose membership has lapsed may apply to re-join the Society subject to the usual rules.

And finally, we've had great fun this winter with the three special nets we've run so far. A report on the last (for marine equipment) is included in this News Sheet. There's another one taking place on Saturday June 11th starting at 07:30. The focus will be QRP equipment.

Tony Barron G3YYH

Canvey Island Rally 5th February 2017

As is evident from the photographs it was a real treat to see many VMARS members at the SEARS Canvey Island Rally. There were at least 22 who signed in at the stand, thanks to all who made the trip. Apart from regular visitors to the stand who were admiring and reminiscing over vintage equipment, there was a steady stream of non-members also interested in what VMARS and members of the society do.

On display was a WS19 Mk III and a complete KW2000E. I had several requests to sell the WS19 and, likewise, Pete Shepherd's KW was drooled over by current and previous owners of the type, but I had to let people down gently and remind them this was an information-only display.

I am reliably informed that we signed up a few new members with some visitors taking forms away with them. I managed to sell a sweat top to a brand new joining member from the Netherlands, would you believe?

Sadly one or two did not hear the call for a VMARS group photo—apologies to those not featured in the line-up but better luck next time.

Finally, my thanks to Pete Shepherd G7DXV, VMARS Treasurer, and my better half Anne M3TBI for help in manning the stand. Grateful thanks also to the SEARS for hosting us and other club stands and the many and varied sales stands.

Stuart J McKinnon G0TBI



Members attending the Canvey Island Rally

Special net for marine gear: 14th January 2017

This net followed the pattern of previous special nets of this winter, starting at 07:30 and finishing at 08:30 in time for handover to the normal Saturday morning AM net. It suffered from the same issue, that propagation conditions for the first half-hour were poor for inter-G working. However, the higher power of the marine transmitters meant that running a net was not quite as difficult as a fortnight before in the WS19 net.

Ten stations joined the net, with barely any duplication of equipment types:

Station	Equipment	Max signal report by G3YYH
PA3BOH	US Navy airborne transceiver	+10
M1PVC	Ajax Leader, Marconi Marine Falcon 2	+15
G4EJM	Marconi Marine Oceanspan	+25
G3XGW	Rees-Mace/Pye 619, Woodson	+15
G4JSX	Marconi TTY2	+25
GW3OQK	Rees-Mace/Pye 618	+20
G4GEN	Harris	
MW0XHO	unknown	
G3YJO	WS19 HP	+15
GW8TBG	Collins TCS12	+20

I controlled the net using my Heathkit DX100U. The net was great fun and gave an airing to equipment which is not often heard on-air, so I suspect that this was an exercise that will be repeated. I have a couple of sets of equipment in my project queue which will provide very suitable equipment for just such an opportunity.

Tony Barron G3YYH

Visit to Bob Warner

Recently Anne and I had the pleasure to call in on Bob Warner and his good lady Ruth.

To say Bob has an interest in the good old faithful, the WS19, is an understatement. I have, folks, yes have witnessed, lounge walls that are festooned with all different Marks and configurations.

Bob served the obligatory two years National Service starting out at Catterick Camp and training as a Wireless Operator on a 19 set. After his initial training, Bob was posted to Falling Bostel, to become a driver operator on Centurian tanks, also fitted with WS19 and, occasionally, Bob was called upon to be the CO's driver operator, on a winterised Willys Jeep; a nice bit of kit if you can find one. Whilst in Germany, Bob served with the Queens Bays, 2nd Dragoon Guards where he continued in this role. After de mob, Bob joined the City of London Yeomanry (Rough Riders), continuing his knowledge and experience of the 19 set.

Quite rightly, Bob is proud of his collection which must have started back in the early 1950s whilst visiting emporiums such as Jobstocks in Walthamstow East London. Bob tells me that, like many of you, he used to stroll in there and, after paying £3 for a brand new-in-box 19 set, he would quickly shoot home to test his new purchase.

Bob's initial interest as a lad came about through admiring his father's handiwork constructing sets by Scott Taggart and other names, so building and fault finding has always been of interest to him. But his allegiance to domestic radios soon changed when he visited his first military show, Military Odyssey, and he was back into 19 sets and every year he continues to patronise these military shows such as War and Peace Revival and Detling, snapping up those bargains

Bobs National Service days must have made an impression as, believe it or not, he has a bedroom dedicated to that of the barrack room of the day, including locker, full kit and army

bed. However, I did have to pull him up on the fact he had not a bed block on display. Hi!

You may think it all a bit one-sided in this household, but his wife Ruth would certainly prove you wrong as she has an amazing collection of perfume bottles and ephemera associated with the industry, even down to signed pictures from such fragrance houses as Givenchy, Chanel and Dior, and a very nice document from and signed by Karl Lagerfeld

of Chanel. The collection dates right back from the early 1800s to present time. Ruth has also appeared on national TV and local press and has delivered talks about her collection

Thank you both for an enjoyable visit, and keep up the good work

Stuart J Mckinnon GOTBI



VMARS Auction
Baginton Village Hall
Frances Road, Baginton, Coventry CV8 3AB
Saturday 25th February 2017
10.00 a.m.–4.00 p.m.

This event is for VMARS Members and guests only. Members are advised that non-Members may not bid for items sold at this auction. Members who have not yet renewed for 2017 may do so on arrival on Saturday 25th February.

The first part of the auction catalogue was published in Issue 164 (November) of the VMARS News Sheet with Part 2 in Issue 165 (December). Since there were more than 250 lots for auction, which is greater than we have had previously, it was decided to close the Auction to further lots and suggest that Members hold these over for a subsequent VMARS Auction. The current issue of the News Sheet includes a 'short-form' catalogue without photographs. **Members are asked to note the following changes to Part 2 of the auction catalogue:** it has been decided to withdraw for the time being the manuals advertised as lots #247-end and these lots have been replaced by equipment from Clive Collins GW3WEQ (now lots #230–254). An additional lot #256 "SCAM (self-contained army mast) mast" from the Estate of G4EGJ is being sold on behalf of VMARS.

We are indebted to Anne M3TBI for organising the catering for the day. She advises that the following are on offer:

Tea, coffee or squash with 2 biscuits courtesy of VMARS on arrival.

From then on all drinks 40p

Bag of crisps	40p
Small pork pie	50p
Sausage roll	50p
Piece of cake:	£1.00
(assorted - chocolate, carrot, Victoria sandwich, etc.)	
Fruit pie and custard or cream	£1.50

Rolls –white, granary or wholemeal

Ham, turkey, corned beef, cheese, brie and grape or tuna mayo £1.50

Jacket potatoes with a variety of fillings

Just butter	£1.50
Cheese	£2.00
Tuna mayo	£2.00
Cheese and beans	£2.40
Chilli	£2.50
Piece of Quiche	£1.00
Slice of ham, turkey or corned beef – 75p	
- Salad garnish, pickles, mayo, etc. available	
- Combinations of any of above.	
- Please say which bread rolls you prefer and also if you would like fruit pie with custard or cream.	

Members attending are encouraged to book their lunch order via email to pro@vmars.org.uk

Harwell Didcot Rally

It was a chilly start at 06.50hrs when we finally departed Kinver bound for Harwell where Peter Chadwick G3RZP, Anne M3TBI and myself were delighted to have seen 26 members turn up to the display stand and sign in the visitors book, despite an extremely cold sports hall.

We exhibited Peter's Ionisation Tester (see *Signal*, Issue 29, pp 37–39), an MCR1 'Spy' receiver, a WS19 MkIII and we

also 'sandwiched' in on the table a more modern example of ex-military radio: a Harris RT-138 otherwise known as the RT-1694. I have always wondered why the military have so many nomenclatures/numbers for these radios.



Interest was high with members and non-members who stopped by to chat. On the membership front we were happy to sign up a lapsed member with Ron MOWSN very obligingly organizing information on the end of the phone with members' queries. Three other potential members are also in the pipeline.

It has become a formality these days that we have an obligatory photo call for members attending, and, as you will see, we all just managed to fit into the frame, the stand being in a different area of the hall from previous years.

In another photo, Stephen Lambert G8PMU can be seen wearing his newly purchased VMARS Fleece: he was sold the first VMARS fleece and, with another 11 coming along next week, I shall be taking orders soon. Stephen commented that he very much liked it.





Members attending the Harwell Didcot Rally

One member, asked what he thought of 'Signal', commented that he felt it was the best UK amateur radio magazine!

A major highlight of the day was when we were visited by two young brothers Alex and Sergio, both accompanied by dad and originally from Spain. Alex wanted to engage in conversation about the display and it emerged he was interested in communications as he and his brother were, with the help of dad, constructing a 'breadboard' receiver.

I asked Alex what he wanted to do when he grew up and he replied that he wanted to work in IT and, for a seven year-old, that was a surprise; when I asked Sergio the same question, he exclaimed he wanted to be an Engineer. When I further asked him as to what kind of engineer – electrical or mechanical – he responded "mechanical", so I did the natural thing and suggested the Army and, in particular, the REME. He was taken with this idea, as was his father and is going to pursue another suggestion, that of the ACF (Army Cadet Force). Alex quickly took out his notebook and pen to write these suggestions down for his 11 year-old brother!



Attendance at the Rally was said to be generally down this year, probably because of the very cold (1.5°C) and inclement (wet) weather.

Stuart J Mckinnon G0TBI

VMARS Reflectors (Groups) on the Web

The Society hosts two official Yahoo Groups (VMARS-Member and VMARS-Collector) exclusively for VMARS Members. These are closed groups and the discussions cannot be viewed by non-subscribers. Members can join both groups by invitation only. Invitations to join VMARS-Member are issued automatically to new Members or by application to Broniek Wedzicha MODAF. Invitations to VMARS-Collector are issued by application to Tony Barron G3YYH. Both Groups are moderated by the Committee and their purpose is as follows:

The VMARS-Member Group is a forum where Members can share technical and other specialised information about all aspects of VMARS Members' interests and within the scope of the Society. It is not to be used for the posting of advertisements for trade.

The VMARS-Collector Group is a trading platform for VMARS Members. Its purpose is to enable Members to buy, sell, exchange or request items which relate directly to vintage and military radio, radar and associated items.

Members are advised that another Yahoo Group calling itself VMARS is not an official VMARS site and correctly identifies itself as having nothing to do with the Society except in name.

Broniek Wedzicha MODAF

Sale of back-issues of Signal

With so many becoming VMARS Members each year, it is inevitable that we should receive enquiries regarding the availability of back issues of *Signal* and its forerunner, The VMARS Newsletter.

Back issues of *Signal* are available to fully paid-up VMARS Members as follows: 1-9 issues at £4 per issue. 10+ issues at £3 per issue. 20+ Issues at £2.50. 30+ issues at £2 per issue; all + postage at cost. *Signal* is available in hardcopy only. Similarly, we can provide hardcopies of individual issues of the VMARS Newsletter; back issues are not held so reprints would need to be made and will be charged at cost +postage.

A complete list of the contents of each of the 41 Issues of *Signal* was published in Issue 164 of the VMARS News Sheet.

Any Member wishing to purchase back issues should contact the VMARS Membership Secretary in the first instance.

Ron Swinburne M0WSN

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The copy deadline for the next issue of the News Sheet is **15th February**. For articles for the next issue of *Signal* the deadline is **9th May 2017**, but copy would be appreciated as far in advance as possible.

Speaker sought for meeting in Bristol

I am Secretary of the Radio Society of Great Britain, City of Bristol Group. We hold monthly meetings where a guest speaker gives the Group a talk. You can see more about our Group at our website www.g6yb.org. I am writing to enquire if there is a member of your Group who would be willing to give us a talk and perhaps show some of his restored equipment.

Our meetings are held at 7.30 p.m., usually on the last Monday of the month, except where this is a Bank Holiday when it is moved to the preceding Monday. Dates which I am particularly trying to fill at present are 22nd May, 21st August, 30th October, 27th November.

Our venue is in North Bristol, close to the M4/M5 interchange, and is a purpose-built meeting room with overhead projector, screen, PA system, etc. There is a large car park and a bar next to the meeting room for refreshment.

The Group is able to offer a fee of £25 to defray your costs and expenses. I hope to hear from you soon; if you prefer you can telephone me on 01225 873 098.

Shaun O’Sullivan G8VPG

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Saturday AM Net-Controller’s Rota

Date	1 st op	2 nd op	3 rd op
18 th Feb	GW8TBG	G3YYH	G8AQN
25 th Feb	G3YYH	G8AQN	M1PVC
4 th Mar	G8AQN	M1PVC	G0TBI
11 th Mar	M1PVC	G0TBI	G3XGW
18 th Mar	G0TBI	G3XGW	M0TCM
25 th Mar	G3XGW	M0TCM	M0DAF
1 st Apr	M0TCM	M0DAF	MW0XHO

Committee Notices

Notice of VMARS Annual General Meeting 2017

Notice is hereby given that the 2017 VMARS AGM will be held on Saturday 9th September to be hosted by RAF Henlow and the RAF Henlow Signals Museum, the former by the good offices of the Station Warrant Officer, SWO Gary Owen.

Further information will be published in due course with reference to timings and documents needed to enter this MoD establishment.

We are pleased we have been able to secure this facility as it will be of interest to many members and our visit will be timely as, sadly, RAF Henlow is to be closed in 2020.



Call for Committee Nominations

Members are invited to submit nominations for Committee positions on the form circulated with this issue of the VMARS News Sheet. You are advised that all nominations must be seconded by two members and the forms returned to the VMARS Hon. Secretary before Friday 28th April 2017.

Call for AGM Motions

Members are invited to submit motions for discussion at the AGM to be received by the VMARS Hon. Secretary before Friday 31st March 2017. It is intended that motions be published early in the AGM planning cycle to receive any feedback.

Minutes of Committee Meeting No. 2 of 2016/17

Held at the QTH of the Hon. Secretary, Three Oaks, Braydon Swindon, Wiltshire, SN5 0AD on 14th January 2016.

1.0 Present:

Tony Barron, G3YYH, Chairman
Peter Chadwick, G3RZP, Hon. Secretary
Peter Shepherd, G7DXV, Hon Treasurer
Ron Swinburne, M0WSN, Membership Secretary
Broniek Wedzicha, M0DAF, Publications Manager
Stuart McKinnon, G0TBI, Ordinary Member and Public Relations Officer
John Butcher, G4GWJ, Ordinary Member

2.0 Apologies for absence

None.
The Chairman opened the meeting at 10:46.

3.0 Minutes of last meeting

Previously agreed by correspondence.

4.0 Matters Arising from item 3.0

Item 5.2 AGM Minute Changes. Action TB, completed.

Item 9.1 Risk Assessments. Action JB and BW. Disclaimer is done and published. Assessments for other functions are ongoing. **Action: JB and BW**

Item 10.0 Field Days. TB reported a disappointing lack of response. TB and SM are to discuss outside the meeting and report back. **Action: TB and SM**

11.0 AGM Venue and Date. It appears that RAF Henlow on September 9 is probably OK: SM to confirm ASAP. See Agenda Item 12 **Action: SM**

13.0 Succession Planning for Publications Manager – see Agenda Item 14

14.0 Subscriptions 2018/9 – item deferred. The Chairman and Treasurer are to confer and decide before making a recommendation to Committee. **Action: TB and PS**

14.2 Volunteer expense remuneration. Action completed.

5.0 Decisions made by telephone/email since last meeting

To perform a gold reclamation exercise on various connector pins salvaged from connectors. This resulted in an income after costs of £2067.49.

6.0 Membership Secretary's Report

Last year's membership: 491. The current membership is 487 up to Jan 31. Renewals so far 294, resignations 4, 193 still to renew.

The Chairman thanked the Membership Secretary for his efforts in handling the renewals.

7.0 Publications Manager's Report

The last issue of Signal was produced on time and material is coming in for the next issue.

Previous copies of Signal are being reprinted as required.

8.0 PRO Report

A list of rallies together with risk assessments is required.

ACTION: SM

The Blackpool rally is to be co-ordinated by BW and SM

ACTION: BW and SM

9.0 Treasurer's Report

The Scottish Widows account currently stands at £10,121.94 as of 01/01/2017.

The Nat West account, which is the VMARS general operating account, stands with a balance of £21,972. This is the figure disclosed on the latest statement dated 05/01/2017.

The account has seen a recent influx of money from the annual membership renewals and it must be remembered that this money funds VMARS for the year's operating costs.

The small hiccup that we saw a couple of months ago with a change of signatories on the bank account with Nat West has now been resolved thanks to Tony Barron and his local branch of the bank, and their help was much appreciated during that frustrating period.

As new treasurer I am getting to grips with the accounting system and appreciate the help and support from others.

The Auction held in November was an interesting baptism by fire and I learnt a few lessons from that.

If any member does have an enquiry about their VMARS payments, then I urge them to contact me. I might not be able to answer the question immediately, but I shall do my best.

10.0 Health and Safety

Nothing to report.

11.0 Field Days

See Actions Arising. After discussion, it was decided that such an activity could usefully be combined with attendance at the 'Wartime in the Vale' event near Evesham in June. RS and SM to contact S. Williams regarding an invitation to VMARS to attend **ACTION: RS and SM**

12.0 AGM Venue and date.

See matters arising.

NB. Post Meeting, SM confirmed that following him having established communication with the Station Warrant Officer (SWO) Gary Owen at RAF Henlow, the AGM will be held there on the 9th of September, 2017

13.0 AGM Voting

The secretary outlined the problem currently existing that a motion supported by the majority of postal votes could be substantially amended by a very few people present at an AGM, effectively disenfranchising members not present or those members voting by means of a 'closed' proxy who has been instructed how to vote. The Secretary explained that the present Constitution requirements on the conduct of meetings means that amendments from the floor cannot be ignored without raising the possibility of a challenge to the Chair, or even demands for an EGM. A proposal that would involve a change to the VMARS Constitution in respect of the current time lines was considered by the Committee as undesirable, but noted that a valid motion could be deposited 6 weeks and 1 day prior to the AGM leaving possibly insufficient time to inform the membership. The time lines for the notification of

amendments to motions for debate are currently tied to the News Sheet publication dates. BW is to consider and propose acceptable timelines.
ACTION: BW

14.0 Publications Manager Succession

A member has suggested that he could be interested in helping produce the News Sheet. However, the task requires someone to take over full responsibility for the publication, rather than just assisting. The Chair is to reply thanking the member but explaining the requirements in terms of responsibilities.
ACTION:TB

The minutes of CM2 incorrectly state that VMARS can claim any copyright with respect to Signal. The reason for this is that there is no legal entity called VMARS and while the intellectual property and some copyright with respect to articles for Signal is that of the authors, some also belongs to organisations such as ARRL and RSGB and other authors who have given us permission to use their work, copyright in the final presentation of Signal rests with the Editor. Whereas the Editor will not restrict authors as to what they do with their articles subsequently, individual authors may need to consult others who have given permission to copy, before they release their work beyond VMARS, e.g. publish on their own websites.

The Committee recessed for lunch from 1230 to 1400

15.0 AOB

15.1 Auctions

There were some discussions on certain suggestions on equipment for future auctions. Further investigations are to be carried out by the Chairman, John Butcher and Stuart McKinnon.
ACTION : TB, JB and SM

15.2 VMARS Reflector

BW as the 'owner' in Yahoo Groups terms of the reflector is responsible for comments made on the reflector. There has been some adverse feedback regarding some recent postings and this has led to the imposition of moderation on an individual, which itself has led to further comments. The Chair informed the Committee of the Conduct Guide for the UK HF Contest and UK VHF Contest Reflectors. It was agreed that JB would use this as a guide to produce a document describing the behaviour expected from VMARS reflector users and the document would be published on the reflector at regular intervals. SM volunteered to speak informally to one of the members concerned, for which he was thanked by the Committee.
ACTION: JB and SM

16.0 Dates for CM3 and CM4

CM3 22nd April venue tbc: SM to investigate the possibility of using a room at Wellington Barracks in Birdcage Walk.

ACTION: SM

NB Since these minutes were first drafted, confirmation has been received that CM3 will be held Wellington Barracks, Birdcage Walk, London SE1 6HQ at 1030 on April 22nd.

CM4 1st July venue tbc.

17.0 Meeting closure.

TB thanked the Hon. Secretary for hosting the meeting and closed the meeting at 16:10.

Membership Renewals

The forthcoming VMARS Auction is a 'Members-Only' event and those wishing to attend should ensure that they have renewed membership for

2017. Those who have renewed by Bank transfer, etc. should also have informed the Membership Secretary by email that they have done so.

Applications for Membership

We wish to welcome the following new applicants for VMARS Membership:

Name, Callsign (Region)	Interests
Mr J Willis G4MES Royston, Hertfordshire	History of radio and computing.
Mr KG Lamb G4BUV Beech, Hampshire	Marine communications (RNARS Member 2053). Army FFR comms/ Clansman, Land Rover.
Mr R Caspers France	WWII German military communications.
Mr T Willis G8PZD Cheltenham, Glos.	
Mr PG Arts PE1GBU Deurne, France	Older valve radios, WS19, WS22, etc. PRC320, PRC319.

[Membership rules require names of applicants for Membership to be published, before they are formally accepted as Members. This allows existing Members to object, if they wish. If you want to object to any of the above, please write to our Hon Sec, Peter Chadwick G3RZP – Ed.]

Advertisement

WANTED: Three short-wave Denco octal plug-in coils, green, for a TRF. I have a lovely CR45 receiver sadly without any coils. Home-made ones won't do as the dial calibration will be out. Can anyone help please? I don't expect them for nothing!

Geoff G3YVF gw.woo@btinternet.com

Another photograph from Bob Warner's collection



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VMARS Auction: Saturday 25th February 2017

The SK clearance referred to in the leader above includes six Racal TA1885 1kW transmitters. These are all going to be available at the auction on Saturday 25th February at Baginton; Stuart G0TBI will auction them out of the back of the van in which they are delivered.

They are in similar condition to each other; each has parts missing and is in need of a good clean and careful restoration. Three have one element of the driver, but none has the full set-up. If you are intending a restoration, you may well be advised to acquire a couple of them.

If you are interested in purchasing one or more of them, please come prepared with appropriate transport to remove them; as an aside, if you intend bidding for the SCAM mast, you will also need appropriate transport because of its length and weight.

