



Isle Of Man Amateur Radio Society

The Shack
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Minutes of The Committee Meeting 9th June 2025 held by WhatsApp 19:30 BST start.

Apologies:

None

Richard GD8EXI, Stuart GD00UD, John GD0TFG, Simon MD0RTZ, and Matty MD0MAN all present

Secretary's Report:

Dave GD4HOZ - has paid the repeater insurance, JD will recompense Dave, Wednesday Talk-In - to be continued thanks to John's kind offer- suggestion of perhaps trying DMR radio, for a smaller / lighter easier setup.

Treasurers Report:

Funds

£4081.32 - Bank

£662.83 Repeater

£3421.49 Club funds

£25.36 Cash in hand

John spent some time at Lloyds Bank, sorting out some login problems.

Chairman's Report:

May Creg Meeting - reasonable turn out, more than at Ballasalla - next Creg Meeting Bob Barden Talk, 25th June unusually on a Wednesday - Richard to put reminder on Website, Facebook & email. Testing night was a success, some new folks turned up, suggestion they might join- Richard has contact details.

Membership records:

John to send our personalized final reminder to those who have not yet paid their 2025 subs using Richard's spreadsheet with members from 2024, not re-joining in 2025.

Review of upcoming events:

- **25th June Bob Barden talk.**
"Antennas I have known" at the Creg hosted by Stuart GD00UD.
Need to check their TV is compatible with Bob's laptop.
- **30th July Outdoor Operating evening.**
Outdoor operating evening, weather permitting, hosted by Matty MD0MAN,. – Matty said he is on-call on 30th July so suggested a weekend/afternoon/evening with a BBQ
Possible venues being Derby Haven or the Point of Ayre, any other suggestions? final arrangements to be confirmed.
- **Autumn and winter 2025**
EMC Talk from David Taylor GD4FMB.
RSGB General Manager's talk from Steve Thomas M1ACB.
Possible Royal Signals talk from Lady Lorimer.

Suggestion from Richard for talks with invited speakers to be at the Creg or another venue due to the poor acoustics, projector, and low temperature in winter at the Scout Building in Ballasalla.

Need for a donation box at the Creg talk to cover the cost of hiring the room for the evening.

Suggestions to be requested from members on how to arrange the meetings next year. Two meetings per month in Ballasalla and have either one or two meetings per month at a pub, being one option. Final discussion/vote at AGM in December 2025.

Any Other Business:

Mobile shack in poor condition – what do we do with it?

Simon said it has moved off its supports and twisted- so a winch would likely be required to move it back into position - boards to help reduce friction?

It is no longer square and level. Richard suggested working party to examine / move it.

Backpackers contest 15th June 10:00 - 14:00 local time - Matty happy to lend equipment for anyone that might want to operate in this.

5/6th July VHF NFD / Backpackers - Matty happy to lend out kit for this.

Could the mobile shack be used for these events?

Plans for next meeting:

In theory Monday 7th July but that is Tynwald Day so the 30th June was suggested, bringing it forward a week.

Meeting closed at 20:32