

What have all these people got in common? They each volunteered to help with an aspect of running the club. Rachel has a role too - but she's not in the picture as she took it!

There are several activities coming up over the next few months, so please check your diaries and get involved as much as you are able - including the Thursday night net. This year Acorns is going to grow.

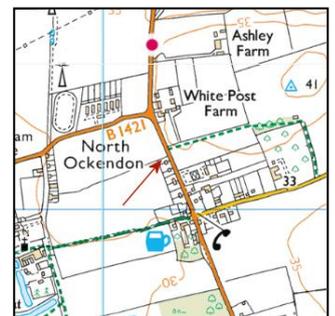


Next Club Meeting is on February 19th. RSGB Official, and regular friend to Acorns, **Vic G6BHE**, has a presentation with the intriguing title: "*Not So Great Canal Journeys*". Also, we hope to welcome **David M0MBD** (photo) the new Region 12 representative who is now our RSGB liaison.

There will be a short summary of the plans for 2019 and the chance to put your views to the Acorns' Committee and the RSGB.

Saturday 16th March: 1pm-5pm. Club 2m Activity Afternoon

VHF needs high ground and club members are invited to the QTH of **Nigel MOICH**, in North Ockendon, which is a good location having made 2m contact with Shropshire on USB. The aim is let any club member who wishes to do so use the club call sign taking in turns with 30mins slots. No need to stay for the whole afternoon if you don't want to. Warm drinks and biscuits supplied. More details on Club night where there'll be a timetable for you to sign-up for your slot.



The website, run by **Gordon M0WJL** is a mine of useful information including photos, calendar and reports. It is the central source of information for what's going on presented in a bright and easy to read format. Save it as a favourite and check on a regular basis as new information is being added all the time.

Where's Tom? You will have noticed **Tom G8EXQ** has missed a couple of meetings. He is still a keen member and about to take delivery of a new Acorns Top - well done, Tom! He can't make it along to the next couple of meetings either but will be monitoring the bands which is what being a radio amateur is all about. Look forward to seeing you soon.

Reminder that the deadline - 31st Jan - to book the Construction Evening is fast approaching. The event on Tuesday 5th February is being led by **Mike M1MOG**. This is open to the public as well as members of Acorns. Please confirm attendance m1mog@yahoo.co.uk so that the right amount of kit can be ordered.



If you can't make it; then **Rachel G6AMY** will be running the regular SSTV net on 144.500 MHz as an alternative Acorns activity. A double booking on this occasion only.

That's a bit of luck! We needed two plastic signs with our logo and website address to be strategically placed in photos and at club events. A discount code appeared which expired at midnight and we managed to submit the order with only 30mins to spare.