

## CLUB AGM

The Club AGM was held on Tuesday 26th March with 8 members in attendance. There were 2 apologies for absence. The officers were re-elected on block (with Eddie G0BKL returning to the Chair), the club accounts were accepted unanimously. There then followed a discussion of the proposed club activities. Many thanks to Marcin for his excellent cake.



## ESSEX WILDLIFE TRUST GB1EWT

Ten years on from the first operation, we again ran GB1EWT from the EWT site at Mucking and were joined by Andrew M0IXY and his wife from TARG running an QO-100 satellite station.



The 2m station suffered from lack of contacts until it was discovered that there was a fault in the coax that was being used. The HF FT8 station also suffered from odd propagation early on, we were being heard well but nobody seemed to want to work us, (see screen caps on club website). Moving from 10m to 12m and 15m yielded 4 contacts into Japan. After the issues with the 2m station we took the opportunity to try 2m FT8 and managed 7 contacts, best distance Wigan (187mi) and Zaandam (202mi). Totals for the day QO-100 22 FT8 contacts (wind curtailed operation as dish was moving) and 7 VHF and 12 HF FT8 contacts direct.

## NEXT 2M ACTIVITY AFTERNOON

The next 2 metre activity afternoon will be held on 4th May from 1pm to 5pm local time. REMEMBER if you do not CQ occasionally on the higher frequency bands, you have no right to complain that there is no activity.

## CHANGES TO CALENDAR

Due to events beyond our control the event at Saxmundham is having to be reorganised but has been replaced by the postponed SOTA event at Detling Hill, there is parking close to the summit at White Horse Wood (charge of £2 per day). There are no facilities on the site.

Contact James (station@G1JOB.co.uk) if you are interested in participating. Why not get on the air and try to make contact. If there is no interest this event will be removed from the calendar.

## AND FINALLY



There are no planned events until the middle of June leaving us space to have some operating events at possibly Laindon Hills or maybe somewhere else, let us know if you have some ideas. If you have something that you would like to know more about contact either James or me and we can see if we can arrange a talk.

Eddie G0BKL