CW Fun Day on Sunday 20th October 2024

Those of you who were with us during the dark days of Covid and the various "lock downs" will remember the 80 Metre Teatime Morse sessions launched by Bernard G3SHF and Tom M0DCG which were such a success running for over 3 years. Well, one of the participants who benefitted so much from the sessions was David M0WDD who has since gone on to host his own CW sessions on a variety of bands attracting many to take up morse or improve their CW skills.

Now David, who is a society member is going one step further and has recruited a number of operators including Evan M0TJU to help him host a CW Fun Day with the idea being to promote the art of CW to beginners and old hands alike. Kicking off at 10am, the event will continue throughout the day and on a variety of bands thereby catering for all. Please see below for details of times, frequencies and type of net.

Short QSOs – standard or ragchew, 18wpm or slower
Beginners Slow Speed Net, short exchanges, 14wpm or slower
Controller calls CQ at starting time for up to 1 hour
For dual bands, controller will try the first; if no calls, then the second

Times are British Summer Time, BST, which is UTC + 1 hr

Start time	Band	Freq MHz +/-	Net Type
10am	30m/40m	10.126/7.038	Short QSOs
12 noon	30m/40m	10.126/7.038	Beginners Slow Speed
2pm	2m	144.064	Short QSOs
3pm	70cm	432.064	Short QSOs
4pm	30m	10.126	Short QSOs
6pm	40m	7.038	Short QSOs
8pm	20m/30m	14.064/10.126	Short QSOs

Controllers will be listed during week before CW Fun Day

Generally, the net controller will call CQ or CQ NET (Beginners net 'CQ or CQ SSN') followed by their callsign at their allocated time & on their designated frequency. In reply, please send 'YOUR CALLSIGN' once followed by K, or send 'CONTROLLER CALLSIGN DE YOUR CALLSIGN' followed by K. Please listen carefully for the controller callsign.

The 10am and 12 noon nets will start on 10.126 MHz +/- for about 15 minutes switching to 40 Metres (7.038MHz +/-) if calls dry up. I highly recommend you use Reverse Beacon Network, RBN, and/or the app Ham Alert, to check on exact net frequency.

Please contact me if there are any questions, otherwise I look forward to hearing your call.

73s David M0WDD, October 2024

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