

Rally Newsletter

The 21st Newbury Radio Rally & Boot Sale

Sunday 15th June 2008

Newbury Showground, next to Junction 13 of M4, Berkshire

Open to visitors at 9am and traders at 8am

PARKING FREE

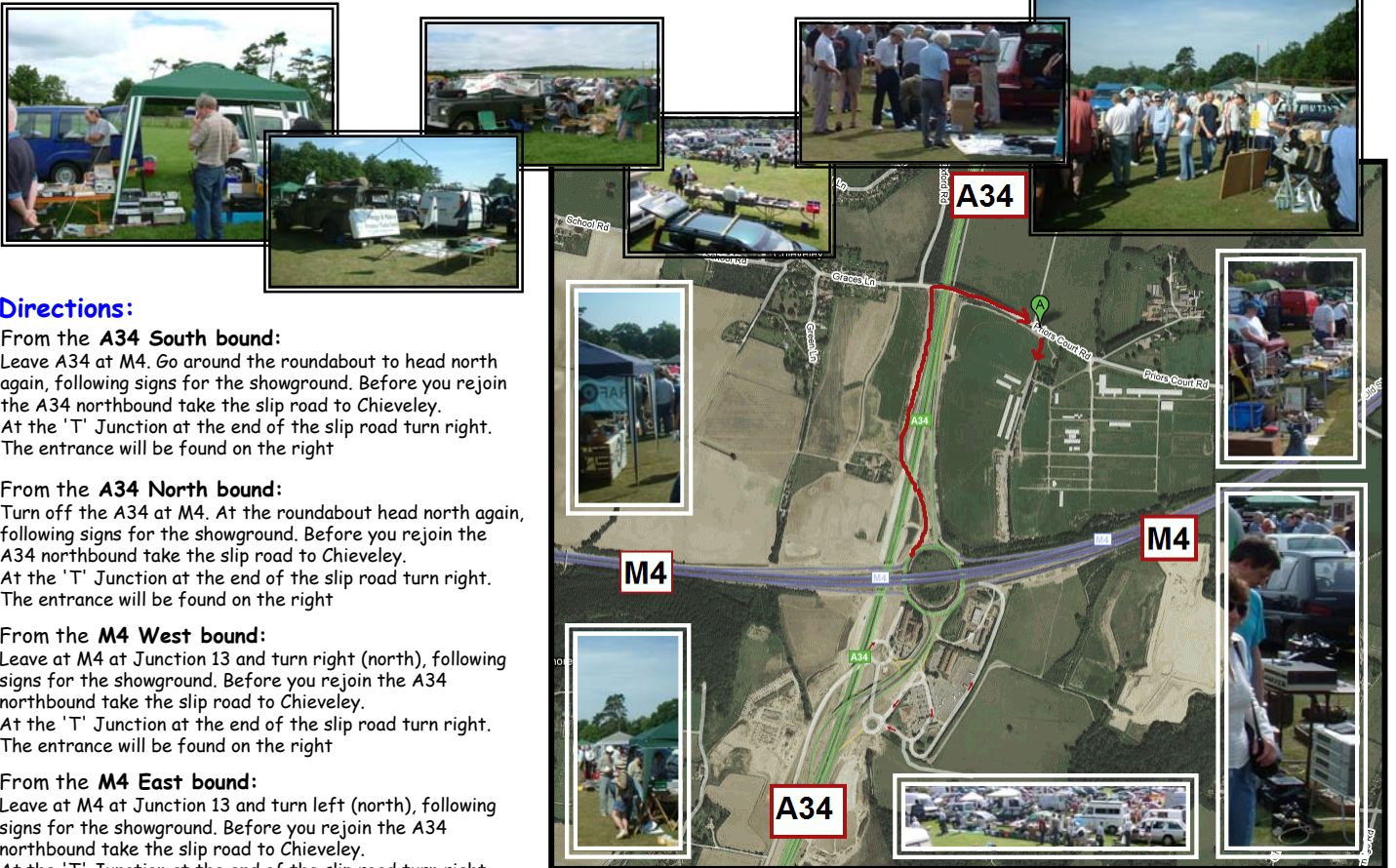
Admission: Visitors £2 per person, traders plots £10 each (size 7.5 x 5.5m)

Erect you own Marquee £50

Catering and disabled facilities available.

Talk-in on S22, 145.550MHz

As you can see, we are celebrating the **21st anniversary** of this enjoyable annual event which attracts visitors from all over Southern England as well as many regulars from outside the UK! Having outgrown our previous location in Cold Ash, Newbury, our move to the Newbury Showground last year has been a great success and we are pleased to make this our new permanent venue.



Directions:

From the A34 South bound:

Leave A34 at M4. Go around the roundabout to head north again, following signs for the showground. Before you rejoin the A34 northbound take the slip road to Chieveley. At the 'T' Junction at the end of the slip road turn right. The entrance will be found on the right

From the A34 North bound:

Turn off the A34 at M4. At the roundabout head north again, following signs for the showground. Before you rejoin the A34 northbound take the slip road to Chieveley. At the 'T' Junction at the end of the slip road turn right. The entrance will be found on the right

From the M4 West bound:

Leave at M4 at Junction 13 and turn right (north), following signs for the showground. Before you rejoin the A34 northbound take the slip road to Chieveley. At the 'T' Junction at the end of the slip road turn right. The entrance will be found on the right

From the M4 East bound:

Leave at M4 at Junction 13 and turn left (north), following signs for the showground. Before you rejoin the A34 northbound take the slip road to Chieveley. At the 'T' Junction at the end of the slip road turn right. The entrance will be found on the right

About N.A.D.A.R.S.

The **Newbury and District Amateur Radio Society** (NADARS) has been in existence for over 50 years and has about 90 members. The call sign of the Society is **G5XV**.

We hold meetings on the fourth Wednesday of the month, starting at 19:30hrs, in the meeting room of The Travellers Friend, Crookham Common, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG19 8EA.

At these meetings there is usually a talk relating to radio, electronics or computing. We also hold many other social and radio related events, such as contests and special event stations etc. In addition, we run training courses to enable members of the public become radio amateurs. The first is a two-day "Foundation Licence" course which trains you in the basics of amateur radio and how to operate an amateur radio station safely. At the end of the course participants take a basic examination to obtain their transmitting licence.

We have a 98% success rate with this course & exam.



Members of Newbury and District Amateur Radio celebrate receiving an Awards for All grant
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Lottery grant for town's radio society

AN amateur radio club will benefit from more equipment and publicity after receiving a £9,950 lottery grant. Newbury and District Amateur Radio Society hopes to train more people to communicate by radio to places as far away as Antarctica and Pitcairn Island in the South Pacific, thanks to the Awards for All grant.

Grants of between £300 and £10,000 are available for non-profit-making groups to spend on areas such as training and equipment.

The group has been providing training for exams needed to communicate via radio for about six years, at Newtown Village Hall, south of Newbury.

Chairman Andy Hewitt said: "Amateur radio gives you so many other skills, such as electronics, computing, geography and communication."

"We hope to get more people interested through shows and other publicity."

You may have seen the 'Lottery' logo on the front page?

NADARS, a local club in Newbury for anyone interested in Amateur Radio and electronics, is pleased to announce that they have just been awarded a grant of NEARLY £10,000 by the National Lottery under the AWARDS FOR ALL SCHEME.

These grants are provided by the Lottery to help local clubs.

NADARS will use the Lottery money to run training courses for amateur radio licence examinations, to administer examinations for the amateur radio licence for which we are authorised by OFCOM (the governments 'Office for Communications'), to provide amateur radio awareness exhibitions and demonstrations at local events and to operate portable amateur radio stations - for emergency planning, demonstrations and of course the enjoyment of all our club members!

NADARS and its members have been successfully running the examination courses in the Newbury community, helping members of the public to obtain a licence allowing them to transmit 'on the air'.

There are three exams: A basic 'Foundation Licence' is obtained after a two-day starter course. This may lead onto an 'Intermediate Licence' and then an 'Advanced Licence' (the choice is yours - take one or all three !). The hobby and the examinations are open to people of all ages, from primary school children to pensioners, and we would emphasise that these examinations are not difficult, so everyone can quickly start enjoying this amazing hobby!!!.

If you would like more information, or find out about the **Newbury and District Amateur Radio Society** (who organises the Newbury Radio Rally & Boot Sale) then please do not hesitate to contact us.

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 Web: www.nadars.org.uk

**Rally Talk-in on
 S22, 145.550MHz
 GB4NBC**



Even hot air balloons drop in to this popular event



Traders plots as far as the eye can see !



Massive car park for visitors