

Q5

North Bristol Amateur Radio Club

Page Community Association,
Page Road, Staple Hill,
Bristol BS16 4NE

September 2023 Extra Edition



Welcome to Our New Venue



Photo courtesy of Dave MOHDJ

The Free car park is just behind the camera and another car park is just along the road if on a rare occasion this one is full.

We meet in room 4 and room 3 is available for training or a quiet area for playing radio when required.

Visitors entrance is as normal these days, by door buzzer, just announce your arrival to the staff. Members however have door access code. Please park legally, there are bays for disabled and Page Community permit holders only.

We know it will take a bit of time to settle in. We hope that all current members will still support the club, even though we are in a different area.

The Venue is clean, dry, is heated in the winter and doesn't suffer from mould, unlike our previous building that was gradually deteriorating.

The Calendar of events will now be published and will bring back the popular quiz night with prizes.

Christmas is not too far away (Sorry about that), and we will be looking for any member(s) to step forwards to organise this well supported event. Please give your Secretary or Chairman a call.

An Overview Of Our New Venue's Facilities

Visitors to the club Members and Non Members

Free car parking is available opposite the club. It is important to park only in the bays permitted not in marked bays unless you have a permit. If by any chance the car park is full, there is another one a few yards down the road.

As with most community associations, entry is by door phone / Key Code. Just announce that you are visiting the Radio Club, and you will be buzzed in by the door staff. Members however, will be issued with a Door Code.

Meeting Room

We meet in Room 4 (Just in front of the main entrance). There is a small kitchen available to us so that we can make Tea / Coffee as we did in the last venue. We will still collect donations for drinks at 30p per cup.

Room 3 is available for training. This is a smaller room and can double up for use of the radios when antennas have been erected.

If we should decide to hold a rally in the future, a large hall is available for just an event. This hall is equipped with a large kitchen and can be used to sell bacon butties, drinks and sandwiches.

Joining The Page Community Association

This is not compulsory, If you should join, there are certain privileges.

Reserved Car Parking

There are plenty of car parking places available in the car park across the road, however, a permit to park in the reserved spaces will be issued.

Club Bar

If a drink is what you want after a long natter there is a bar and pool table available.

Page Community Privileges

Snooker Hall

For those of you who like a game of snooker, there are several tables available.

It is to be noted that to join the North Bristol Amateur Radio Club you do not have to be a member of Page Community Association.

How To Find Us

Page Community Association is situated about 500 yards from the main cross roads in Staple Hill. Enter in the post code in your sat nav and it will take you there. I will not endeavour to write directions here as there will be someone saying "I got that wrong". We are all adults who should be able to find our way.

The address is now at the top of Q5

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We welcome all Members past and present, this is a new era for the club and hope it is a step forwards into making this a club venue to be proud of.

If there are any questions, feel free to send me or the Chairman an email. If you want urgent answer to a question, then a phone call may be more appropriate. 07533933831 If don't answer right away, I could be driving, feel free to leave a message.

The short Calendar of events are on the next page. There will be more published in the next Q5.

The 40's event is to be held this year, at Bitton Railway. If you remember this was cancelled last year due to the Ukraine war. If possible, the Railways on the air event the weekend after will take place. Hands will be required for this one as the absence of extra security at the railway may mean that we have to erect and dismantle every operating day, just as we did for flight 777.

You will notice that we have a Quiz Night with prizes. There is no fee to enter this bit of fun. I have the prizes in hand so please come along for this one.

Until the next scheduled Q5, 73

Dave G7BYN

Calendar of events

Sept 8 th	Find around way around the new venue
Sept 15 th	Prep for Avon Valley Railway 40's event
Sept 16 th	AVR 40's Event
Sept 17 th	AVR 40's Event
Sept 22 nd	Discuss 40's event and changes for Railways On The Air
Sept 23 rd	ROTA (Saturday)
Sept 24 th	ROTA (Sunday)
Sept 29 th	Quiz Night (Free to enter Quiz) With Prizes
Oct 6 th	General Meeting
Oct 13 th	Trap Dipole as used on Flight 777
Oct 20 st	General Meeting
Oct 27 th	Film Night Film of club events from 2018
Nov 1 st	Q5 Published with new events calendar
Nov 8 th	Prep for Christmas Meal (Yes, Christmas Already)

As usual, events marked in red are outside of the usual Friday Meetings.

We do our very best to put on the events listed but, due to unforeseen circumstances, things can change. If the event is important to you, you can always phone the secretary just to check if it is still on or not. A phone call is preferred rather than email or TXT.

Secretary's contact number is 07533933831

Club Nets & Contact Details

To spice up our nets, the Wed net will be a Technical net (If we can). If members have a problem, or just want to know how something works, ask your question here. This came about because some participants of our nets didn't want to spend the night talking about the weather and general chit chat. They said it was boring, so wouldn't come on any net. The Chit Chat evenings will be the Sunday net. We hope this will cater for all.

Wednesday net (This is the regular Net) GB3BS 20:00 to 21:00

Sunday Evening Net This is on GB3BS 20:00 to 21:00

Mat's Saturday DMR Net GB7BS This net has been suspended for the time being. The reason is due to the expansion of the network covers the whole of the South West and members on the net are mainly from the Bristol area, so in theory talk group 9 could be used instead of taking up the use of 21 repeaters.

Errors. Sorry Steve, an error crept into August Q5. Page 8 showed Steve G8JUT. I had Steve's call incorrect although it was correct on page 7.

It was also pointed out that there were a couple of spelling mistakes. I ran spell checker over the master again, no errors were found.

If there are any errors, I am pleased that they are found, It proves that Q5 is being read so my work is not wasted.

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It is hoped that I will get articles sent to me from time to time. I thank all of you that have submitted items over the past four years. Back issues are available on the club's new web site.

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