

Rally Newsletter

The Newbury Radio Rally

(Celebrate with us - it's the rally's 38th Year !!)

Sunday 5th July 2026

Newbury Showground, next to Junction 13 of M4, Berkshire

NOTE THAT IT IS A **>DIFFERENT ENTRANCE<** TO THE SHOWROUND THIS YEAR
(SEE NEXT PAGE)

Open to visitors at 9am and traders at 8am
PARKING FREE

Admission: Visitors £4 per person, traders plots £15 each (size 5m x 5m, suitable for a small car)

Catering and disabled facilities available.

Talk-in on S22, 145.550MHz

HUGE SALES AREA

and

DISPLAY AREA

with **live demonstrations** of amateur radio, along with a wide variety of **club stands and interest groups**.



This is the **38th year** of this enjoyable annual event that attracts visitors from all over Southern England as well as many regulars from outside the UK! The Newbury Showground, being one of the biggest in this part of the UK, provides a great venue for this great day out. Whether you come to see amateur radio in operation or pick up a bargain, there is something for everyone!



Advance Bookings

The Rally has become such a success, and following many requests, we now provide you with the possibility to make **ADVANCE BOOKINGS** of your boot sale plots. Please visit the Rally information page on the NADARS web site: www.nadars.org.uk/rally.asp

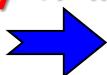
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Overview

The Newbury Radio Rally has been taking place every year since 1987 - yes that's 38 years !!!

It is organised and run by the Newbury And District Amateur Radio Society (NADARS) and attracts visitors from all over the country. This highly popular event provides the ideal venue for anyone interested in radio, electronics or computing. Themed around a 'boot sale' it offers the opportunity to buy and sell everything from the smallest components used for making equipment or projects, through to complete communication systems. Whether you want the very latest full featured transceiver from the world's biggest manufacturers, or simply something second-hand at incredibly attractive prices, there are more than 100 stalls waiting to help you.

But buying or selling is not the only thing on offer, as there are other attractions too !

Each year NADARS provides its 'Demonstration Marquee' where you might **see live amateur radio stations in contact with amateurs all over the world using Voice, Morse Code or Data communications.**

Also, there have been a number of national societies who have previously displayed (hopefully returning this year) including:

- ✓ British Amateur Television Club (BATC)
- ✓ RAYNET
- ✓ Castles and Stately Homes on the Air
- ✓ Radio Officers Association
- ✓ Reading Hackspace
- ✓ Restored Police command truck and support vehicle
- ✓ Royal Signals Amateur Radio Society
- ✓ Royal Air Force Amateur Radio Society
- ✓ Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society
- ✓ UK Six Metre Group
- ✓ Group For Earth Observation
- ✓ Worked All Britain (WAB) Awards Group,



And other organisations and clubs all displaying their special interests

Catering - with all the things to see and do, you sometimes also need to eat and drink!! Our professional caterers provide hot food, tea, coffee, soft drinks, etc.

The Newbury Radio Rally really is 'the one not to be missed' and ensures a great day out for everyone.



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 re-join 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. **Note that it is a different entrance to the showground this year. See map >>>**

From the A34 North bound:

Turn off the A34 at M4. At the roundabout head north again, following signs for the 'showground'. **Before** you re-join the A34 northbound take the slip road to Chieveley.

At the 'T' Junction at the end of the slip road turn right.

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From the M4 East or West bound:

Leave the M4 at Junction 13 and head north, following signs for the 'showground'. **Before** you join the A34 northbound (i.e. not far from the M4 roundabout) take the slip road to Chieveley.

At the 'T' Junction at the end of the slip road turn right.

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

The Newbury and District Amateur Radio Society (NADARS) has been in existence for 100 years and has about 95 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 Acland Hall, Hermitage Rd, Cold Ash, RG18 9JF. 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.

Live demonstrations and club stands
At the Newbury Radio Rally



Pictures from Newbury Radio

Rally

There are many facets to amateur radio; a popular one at NADARS is **contesting**, and the club has an excellent track record of results.

Events vary, but the basic principle is to make as many radio contacts as possible in a specified period of time. A very popular series of contests runs regularly each month where members operate from home and individual scores are added to make a club total.

Other contests involve setting up a portable station 'in the field' for a weekend with temporary masts and aerials, operating from tents or caravans.

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

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