

**Show Notes for Episode 3  
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**Kite Aerials**

We are very grateful to Roger G4ROJ for his expertise and patience which has enabled us to produce a wonderful feature on using kites as 'sky hooks' for HF aerials.

Roger has his own very informative web site at: [www.roger-g4roj.webspace.virginmedia.com/](http://www.roger-g4roj.webspace.virginmedia.com/) where you can find out more about the amazing aerials he flies on a huge variety of kites.

**If you fancy having a go do remember the very important safety rules:**

**Never fly your kite where any part of its line or aerial could possibly come in to contact with overhead power lines**

**Do not fly near horses or other livestock**

**Do not fly on private land without the landowner's permission**

**If flying in a public area ensure your kite and lines pose no danger to members of the public and that they cannot come in to contact with your aerial while you are transmitting.**

**Bleed off that static! Pay close attention to what Roger says in our feature about the danger of high static potentials**

**The Military Wireless Museum**

A huge thank you to Ben Nock G4BXD and his partner Gloria for the warm welcome they gave to the TX Factor team when we visited the Military Wireless Museum in Kidderminster and for giving us a fascinating look at his unique collection of military radio sets.

If you would like a closer look the museum is now open by appointment for the 2014 season. To find out more go to: [www.qsl.net/g4bxd/introduction.htm](http://www.qsl.net/g4bxd/introduction.htm)

Here you will find information on the many various radios in the museum and a link where you can email Ben directly.

## **Exeter Radio and Electronics Rally**

The Exeter Radio and Electronics Rally was born from the demise of the popular Tiverton Rally, which used to be held at The Old Pannier Market in Tiverton on the first Sunday of March.

When Tiverton Rally disappeared and, disappointed that there was no longer a decent rally serving amateurs in this part of the country, rally organiser, Peter Longhurst G3ZVI decided to put a team together to make ensure the gap in the rally calendar was soon filled!

The Exeter Rally has been running for 8 years and has been held at its current venue at America Hall, Pinhoe, Exeter, since the beginning.

(Legend has it that Motorhead performed one of their early gigs here back in the day!)  
[www.americahall.co.uk](http://www.americahall.co.uk)

It's a well-attended local rally and officially marks the start of spring as it's held on the first Sunday in March.

This year over 20 traders had booked tables with some notable names present from the amateur radio retail community. It was great to see lots of components available and useful bit and pieces for sale to encourage amateurs and enthusiasts alike in getting the soldering iron out for a bit of home construction!

Peter Longhurst - trader and rally organiser - kindly agreed to give TX Factor an interview during his very busy day. Thanks Pete for your wise words and for the warm welcome you and the entire Exeter Rally team gave to the TX Factor cameras and crew – we look forward to seeing you next year!

(You may recognise Peter Longhurst as the *artist formerly known as Mr.Garex* and the guy we now all affectionately call the *Godfather of PMR!*)

<http://peter-longhurst.co.uk/index.html>

In time-honoured tradition, and in the spirit of supporting amateur radio on a local level, any profits made from the Exeter Rally go towards funding the local amateur voice repeaters **GB3EW** (2m Exeter), **GB3SW** (2m Sidmouth) and the 'all-new'"**GB3EX** (70cm Silvertown).

## The Wouxun KG-UV9500P Quad Band Mobile

Our thanks to Martin Lynch and Sons for providing the review radio and to Sanderly Jeronimo M6SEJ for showing Mike around this budget-price quad bander.

The details of the radio are:

10m, 6m, 2m, 70cm FULL DUPLEX DUAL-BAND (Not just twin band) Mobile Transceiver.

- Twin band simultaneous reception (V-V, U-U, V-U)
- Duplex communication (Cross Band Mode)
- Same band repeat on two combined radios
- 999 memory channels
- CTCSS/DCS scanning
- SOS/alarm
- 8 scrambler groups
- DTMF encoding and decoding
- 10W on 10m, 45W on 6m, 45W on 2m, 35W on 70cm

Available from Martin Lynch and Sons and other UK and international dealers

The ML&S website describes it as:

“New from Wouxun, a full duplex QUAD BANDER for only £229.95. Packed with features, this new mobile base transceiver is available now for mail order or store callers. Order yours today for delivery including **free shipping**.”

**(UK Mainland Only)**

For more information go to [www.hamradio.co.uk](http://www.hamradio.co.uk) or [www.wouxun.com](http://www.wouxun.com)



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