

Torbay ARS GX3NJA Club Field Day

9th - 11th May 2025



A wonderful weekend was had by all!

4 Separate Antenna systems were set up, calibrated, and operated.

Club call sign GX3NJA was logged just under 150 times, Peru, Georgia, Catskill mountains New York state, even VK was heard.

The noise floor was virtually zero so a very enjoyable experience was had.

The Club Station Rig Yaesu FTDX10 performed excellently, after some setup teething issues. Eddie quickly set it up making it run very sweetly.

I had opportunity to set up my off grid solar system as the 13.8V power pack, making use of all that solar energy, making the entire station truly net zero!

Eddie 2E0EVM and John 2E0SPS made most of the contacts under club callsign. Numerous European stations, including UK were contacted.

Lin M0TCF catered for us, with a fantastic barbecue, excellent home brew, and tea & coffee, which was enjoyed and appreciated by all who attended.

A good number of TARS members visited on the main day (Saturday), making the social aspect of the event very enjoyable, many staying for the barbecue.

I want to extend a personal thank you to all who attended, as I personally learnt a lot in one day.

I made a few CQ calls but once making contact, I choked on the co-ordinates and my mind went blank! Classic Rookie Error! Eddie quickly recovered the situation.

It was great to see how different antenna configurations performed, especially the Doublet. Hopeful we can do something similar soon!

I'm happy to host future events so members can test antenna systems, and anything they want to try.

If your health limits your mobility, we have proven the merits of the site for field day operations as we sited the station in my workshop, where water, electricity, and flushing toilet is available.

Best 73's
Paul
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