

# February 2006 News

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## Special points of interest:

- SOTA
- Christmas 2005
- Club Nights
- Forthcoming events
- National Science Week

## Christmas 2005 at Conker's

I trust that everyone enjoyed the dinner dance at Conkers - I'm sure that you would agree that the service, along with the meal was first class.

A select group managed to stay the distance and could be seen

'boogying' the night away into the small hours...mentioning no call signs of course.

A very big thanks to Bill and Claire for organising the raffle - it was noted as to h the number of particular families that won, however!!! Better luck next time eh!!!

It has been suggested that a meal at another time may be appropriate?! What are your thoughts on this?

**Good luck to all the Foundation candidates next weekend!!**

73 Jacqui - M3JQY  
Roger - MICBO

## NATIONAL SCIENCE WEEK

CQ CQ CQ ... Calling all you budding operators, aerial erectors and all important tea makers - we are coming up to a very important time in the club's calendar... **Science week at Rosliston Forestry Centre.**

The dates in question for this year are: **Work Team Wanted for setting up on Friday 10th March.** Contact Roger (MICBO); also, as many members as possible to help, support, operate, make tea, feed us... at **Rosliston Science Week - 11/12th March 2006 - Rosliston Forestry Centre.**

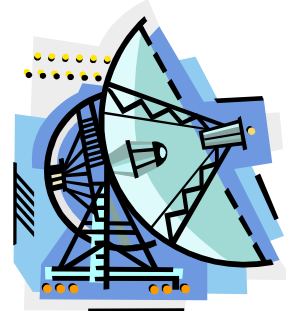
**Further details will be discussed at the club meetings prior to the event, but please keep some time free on these dates to help your club; help promote science and help promote amateur radio!!!**

### MUST 'AVE A MAST!!!

Just a reminder really... not that long ago a group of club members transported the masts to their new homes at Blackfordby. We really need to get a working party together to sort out the 2nd mast - IT WILL BE VERY USEFUL FOR SPECIAL EVENTS! Would be great to get it done for Science Week!!!

### WEB SITE!

Keep checking our web site for news, updates and all things amateur... Steve M3KPO - back - has just put on an article about his SOTA experiences—a very interesting read! Here is a picky and some of his phrases...



'clothing going to be warm enough, will it keep you dry?'... I remember Steve telling me about his first experience and getting soaked! ... 'everything needs to be tied down'... 'a cold rock under my backside'... 'advantage to freezing your bits off'... any way it's a great read!



## SOTA ACHIEVEMENTS!

You may be aware that our very own Web Master - Steve M3KPO back, as he is affectionately called! - has been very active recently up and down hills. Both he and Robert (M3 FKV) are the very proud owners of their 100 point SOTA chaser certificates.

I know that Robert was eagerly awaiting the postman for the arrival of his certificate—and very posh it is too!

G7JHW, M3FKV and M3JQY (if she gets a look in!), will be portable on Shining Tor some time between 19th and 24th Feb.

### ST. HILDA'S EVENINGS...

The following nights are club nights instead of Wednesdays due to the St. Hilda's group meeting on the Wednesday during these weeks:

Feb. 7th	March 7th
April 11th	Sept. 12th
Oct. 10th	Nov. 7th