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Dartmoor Radio Club Rally Report 5 May 2014

I attended the Dartmoor Radio Club's event at Tavistock Community College on the first Bank Holiday in May, namely May 5th. It was well-attended, with 208 people through the door, 15 organisers with 2 St John's Ambulance Brigade, fortunately not needed, 54 tables and 14 Traders plus their helpers, who seemed difficult to count.

Never mind, one Trader was over the moon, trading very well, but everyone seemed happy enough. There is an odd thing at Tavistock, everything seems to be buzzing along, and then suddenly everyone packs up. I have been hopelessly left behind in the past, so I am ready for it nowadays. If we are not out quick enough, it costs the Club a lot more money, and it is unproductive. Anyway, just as I realised it was time to pack up, I walked a figure that I recognised, in the form of Jim Heck. He went for a quick walk round, but he didn't seem to have bought any bargains, and walked past a table-full of ex-Army Clansman Radios without stopping. Not one of us!! Anyway we had a good chat and compared notes on a point or two. It was the first time in 5 or 6 years of trading for the RSARS that I have seen a Committee Member, and that was good. Unfortunately trading wasn't, with only some antenna books being sold. I did, however, pass out 2 application forms which should earn us a couple of new Members. A good day for the Visitors, with lots of goodies to purchase. Unfortunately photography was not on the menu, but I will endeavour to chase one up through the Club.

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