

### Amateur Radio Special Event Stations List Since 1989

Since the third North Wales Amateur Radio Club and its Annual Weekend Rally at the Aberconway Centre Llandudno in early November 1989 a Special Event Amateur Radio Station has been activated for twelve years to 2000. In addition to this other Special and Special (Special) event stations were activated from various locations in around the UK as can be seen from the following list:-

GB4RSL Royal Signals Llandudno Rally at the Aberconway Centre Llandudno North Wales for 12 consecutive years at	3 Days	1989 to 2000
GRSOY. 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary End WWII GB5OY. 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary End WWII Penarth Cliff top event. HRH Prince of Wales.	1 Day	1945 to 1995
GB 150PRU 150 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Prudential Plc Prudential ARS at IBIS Sports & Social Club Tilehurst Reading in May 1998.	5 Days	1848 to 1998
GB4AFS Air Formation Signals at 21 Signal Regiment (Air Support) Colerne Airfield 1994.1995.1996.1998.2001.	2/6 Days	1994 to 2001
G B99SET Science Engineering Technology, British Association "Science Week" & DTI at Barry ARS Radio Shack & Prudential ARS jointly from Sully near Barry at various periods.	10 Days	1999
GB2000SET & GBONSW SET & National Science Week by the British Association & DTI office of Science run by the Barry & Prudential Amateur Radio Societies jointly from the station at Sully at various periods 17 <sup>th</sup> to 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2000. The GB4NSW used again at the Barry Welsh Amateur Exhibition from the Memorial Hall Sunday the 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2000.	10 Days	2000
GB75AFS Birthday of Royal Signals formed about 1924/1925 and WWII "Air Formation Signals" units from 1939 to fulfill RAF Signals commitments. The Stations were operated from 21 Signal Regiment (Air Support) Colerne Airfield Nr Bath the end of July 1999, again in 2000 both at 4 days the same venue. 4 Days	4 Days	1999 2000

GB21 SHF AFS Celebrating change role to Royal "Signals Helicopter Forces". Open Day 21 Signal Regiment (Air Support) 8<sup>th</sup> June and again at the Training Wing 24<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> June 2002

1 Day 2002  
5 Days 2002

GB2003 SET & GB4AOS Science Engineering Technology with Advancement of Science in "National Science Week" 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> March 2003. Operated from Murch Junior School Dines Powys. With the support of the Vale of Glamorgan Council the Head Master Mr C A Davies also during "Red Nose Week". The HF station was demonstrated to the various classes in groups during the week with a VHF station instruction by the local RSGB Instructor GWOPPG. The GB4FUN vehicle also paid a day visit on the Friday with instruction by Carlos Eavis GOAKI assisted by Glyn Jones GOANA with the children attending with the teaching staff.

5 Days 2003

GB4SSP & GB4AOS Stanwell School Penarth & Advancement Of Science for British Association and DTI "National Science Week 2004" at the Stanwell Road by Prudential ARS also supported by a Barry ARS member. Thanks to the Headmaster Mr Malcolm Parker and Staff with the Vale of Glamorgan Council. The RSGB local course Instructor Sidney Richards GWOPPG attended and gave a lecture with practical demonstrations etc.

6 Days 2004

GB600L with GB4OL 60th Anniversary D Day June 6th 1944 Operation "OverLord" activated from the Training Wing at 21 Signal Regiment (Air Support) over 1st to 7th June 2004 then with GB4OL from another location in July. Again this being a team event supported by the Service Amateur Radio Societies CO and all at the Regiment

7 Days 2004

GB60VED.GB4VJD GB4ON. GB4VED these Stations Commemorating the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day & VJ Day 1944 to 1945. Activated by the RSARS/RAFARS/RNARS/RSGB team from the Training Wing 21 Signal Regiment (Air Support) at Colerne Airfield near Bath 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> June 2005 by the dedicated Team. Then GB4OL in July from another venue social hours only.

7 Days 2005

GB4ASS & GB4SNF Air Support Signal with Signal National Forces supporting "Air Support International Forces" operating in support of the United Nations with complex military involvement & counter-insurgency we remember those lost in these actions by activating these stations from 21 Signal Regiment (Air Support) Training Wing currently in action with their "Helicopter Support Forces" The Team were in action over the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 7<sup>th</sup> June 2006 also GB4SNF in July on a reduced basis at another location.

7 Days

2006

GB4TCW & GB4JHF Tactical Communication Wing and Joint Helicopter Forces "In Honour of those lost in the cause of freedom" into days hostile environments with civil and military actions with counter-insurgency also giving humanitarian aid & support in the cause of freedom. The stations small team were in operation from the Training Wing area at 21 Signal Regiment (Air Support) Colerne near Bath Wiltshire 1<sup>st</sup> June to 7<sup>th</sup> June 2007 and an additional short period of GB4JHF at another location during July.

7 Days

2007

GB4LRG & GB2ASS Long Range Desert Group with Air Support Signals. A Sequel to GB4TCW and GB4JHF. These call signs from 2nd June to 8<sup>th</sup> 2008 commemorate the LRDG and Air Support Signals in 1940 — 1945 of the Middle East Land & Air Force with an additional period of GB4LRG from another location in July. As in 2007 operation was from 21 Signal Regiment (Air Support) Colerne near Bath Wiltshire Training Wing when overall some 900 Stations were recorded in the log books world wide on most amateur bands SSB and CW. As before a very special QSL card was issued with a background showing an SAS Detachment at the Sidi Haneish Road July 1942 Libya North Africa by David Pentland. Most of these cards are printed by FDS Graphics G8RCZ to our design so record and acknowledge this fact with thanks.

7 Days

2008

## CONCLUSION.

This is very brief resume of Special and Special (Special) event Amateur Radio Stations run over a number of years generally by a dedicated team of people who have not been funded from any outside source. They have all met their own individual costs for accommodation etc. The QSL card costs, well, we did receive a couple of small donations from one Amateur Radio Society for which our most grateful thanks, but all other costs were met from the Team members own pocket. Over the years we have had quite a number of individuals radio amateurs and short wave listeners who have participated in these events. They will be well known to those who have contacted these stations. Our acknowledgment is therefore, restricted to the successive Commanding Officers and all members of 21 Signal Regiment (Air support) Colerne Wiltshire SN14 8QY together some others who have given the Team the logistic support and assistance as without them many of the events could not have got on the air from Colerne Airfield..

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