

Hi All!

## GB3FK Repeater News

The repeater continues to work well;

In the last newsletter I mentioned this problem –

Sometimes you may hear what appears to be “open squelch”

On the repeater – which basically means the person before the open squelch was NOT running CTCSS, and it has caught the repeater, as it was about to put it's IDENT out. This is a bug in the repeater logic control; and will be sorted at some point in the future.

### This problem has now been solved

Thanks to Don G4TKR for providing me with a logic upgrade!

## Remote System MB7IMP-L

The remote system on 145.2125 is still running well with a 24 hour link to GB3FK from the QTH of G4IMP.

It has excellent coverage down through the Alkham Valley, into Dover, St Margaret's, up onto the Deal road, and beyond.

Reports would be welcome.

## CTCSS Problems on GB3FK

You may have noticed recently that when the repeater is in “Mode 2” (Internet linking mode) there have been some issues with some radios when TSQL is being used. You will have noticed no audio until you turn Tone Squelch off. This is an issue with the repeater

and the internet linking and will be solved soon.

## RSGB News Broadcast

The News broadcast on GB3FK is continuing to work very well, and I would like to thank everyone for their comments on the broadcast, and to those that call in on the net after the news has finished.

I have received a lot of feedback, with many saying they listen to the news, but don't always have the chance to call in at the end.

I would also like to thank Paul 2E0AYY for offering to help with the news broadcast in the future if needed.

## RSGB News on 70cms from Jan 06!

The most asked question from members of the Dover Radio Club – we can't get GB3FK in Dover and Deal, but would love to hear the news.

After much discussion with the RSGB news team, Tony G4IMP will be relaying the news on 433.525 from January 2006. We are currently sorting out the hardware required for the job.

Tony will be using an omni directional antenna at the top of the tower, and will have good coverage “over the hill”

For more information keep an eye on [www.gb3fk.com](http://www.gb3fk.com) for start dates.



### RSGB News Break for Christmas

The RSGB News team are taking a break for the Christmas period. Normal transmissions resume in early January 2006.

### GB3FK Auction Nite

Thanks to everyone that came along to the auction night, it was an excellent evening

Have a great Christmas, and hope to hear you all soon

73 Matt M1CMN  
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