

BIRTHDAY ON THE RADIO

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AMATEUR radio enthusiasts in Thornbury, near Bristol, will be celebrating 75 years of communication next week.

The Thornbury and District Amateur Radio Club is a relative newcomer to the Radio Society of Great Britain, the national body that governs amateur radio.

But its members are keen to be involved in the 75th anniversary of the society, and on Saturday May 21 will hold an exhibition and demonstration at the United Reformed Church hall from 10am to 4pm.

All aspects of the expanding hobby will be covered, including amateur television, satellites and data communication.

The Thornbury club has been going for nine years and each year it sponsors an evening class at the Castle School, enabling people to prepare for the radio amateurs examination.

Thornbury chairman Mr Alan Jones said: "It is probably the most international of all hobbies, cameraderie extending over national frontiers both east and west."