

## AARS Fox Hunts

The fox must set up his/her station within the boundary defined by Anderson Drive, the River Don, the River Dee and the beach.

- 1 No animals are harmed during the event
- 2 This is a fun evening social event
- 3 The purpose is to seek out and identify the fox by using a portable VHF radio and a simple antenna.
- 4 The band used is normally 2 meters and the mode is FM
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  - a. What the fox does.
  - b. The fox leaves the club premises before the hunt starts and sets up a static mobile station somewhere safe within the boundary. The antenna must be omni-directional. The frequency used is either 145.525MHz or 145.550 MHz which ever is clearer. The power level should remain the same throughout. The fox should remain on the same site for the whole event. Transmission by the fox should commence at 8.00pm and these transmissions should be repeated every 10 minutes Each transmission must contain the callsign and the fact that the station is acting as a fox for the AARS fox hunt. The transmission should be long enough to allow the hounds to do some direction finding. If the fox is proving difficult to find, the later transmissions can contain clues such as near landmark etc.. The event concludes when the fox reports being found by the first set of hounds or in the event of not being found, when the fox reports this situation.
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  - a. What the Hounds do
  - b The hounds leave the club premises after the fox has gone. There should be a minimum of 2 and a maximum of 3 persons in a car so that one can concentrate on the driving, one can operate the RX and do the direction finding and the third can have a map and a compass to help with the triangulation. At least 2 club members should remain at the Club and monitor operations from there. The Club station will be responsible for overall control and declaring a winner at the end. The winner will be the first car to find the fox or the fox if not located.