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VMARS attended the Flixton Air Museum again this year, the occasion also being RAFA day. There was a good display of vintage items including a very nice and operational PYE C12, impressively restored by Brian Murfitt M1JLM. The pictures below show the VMARS display table. The table also had excellent examples of an ART13, a suitcase 'B2 spy set' and a rather nostalgic R109 receiver restored by Peter Best G8BLS.



The VMARS display table. From right to left: Peter Best G8BLS, Brian Murfitt M1JLM, John Brand G0MGN, Lawrie Atkinson G4FAA, Owen Cubitt G0TGQ and Peter Bridgeman G3SUY

Peter Bridgeman G3SUY set up the T1154 and R1155 gear on 80 m and a number of stations were worked through the morning and into the early afternoon, when all went quiet. A number of local radio amateurs came to the Museum, with several operating the T1154 and R1155. They found that it was an interesting and a rather different experience to operating a modern transceiver, with many commenting on the pleasant audio quality and tone produced by the AM old technology. The best QSO was had with Steve G7KLJ in Ashford whose absolutely superb audio drew the attention of many visitors within earshot. Several visiting amateurs expressed interest in the construction of a Class E transmitter with a Class H modulator after hearing that signal from Steve



The museum event was well attended by many veterans, re-enactment groups and the general public and it was good to see the VMARS display attracting its fair share of visitors. There were three impressive fly-pasts including a spirited display by a P51 Mustang. With thanks to David Skeate G0SKE for taking the pictures.

Peter Bridgeman G3SUY



Brian Murfitt M1JLM operating the C12 and chatting to the local morning topband AM net with his ART13 and spy set alongside