

Results from 21/08/25 6.00pm start local DF run by GP.

Essex 5 2025						
	Position	Time	Time Points	Grand Prix	Getaway	
PC	1	7.10.10	1	40	40	
RE	2	7.26.12	-16	32	32	
TP	3	7.28.08	-18	26	26	
RS	4	7.32.02	-22	23	23	
Tx Operator	GP					
Map	N.Essex					
Location	In wood W of Wenham Lane Gt.Wenham					
NGR						
Current Leaders (Best 4/5)						
	1st	Points	2nd	Points	3rd	Points
Chelmsford	PC	137	GP	110	TP	98
Colchester	TP	-25	GP	-26	PC	-46
Getaway	GP	140	TP	124	PC	115

Using his favourite method of research a site online using google maps, leave work early, and set up with little time available, Gary led us a merry dance yet again. A strong signal was heard at the start, and a bearing of 260 led me to think that the TX may be at Nayland, where we sometimes start. Dashing down the A12 from Capel to find a junction to head west, I heard the next transmission which gave a signal strength of 7 bars on the in-car. So probably 5-10km from the start. Nayland looked good.

At 6.20 I was at Stoke by Nayland, and heard nothing. Looks like it's back towards the start. Yes, indeed, and more wasted transmissions on the way. I decided that the bottom end of Wenham Thicks looked good, although used recently, and ended up down Wenham Lane at point A, and started off down the bridleway to the East. A signal confirmed that this was wrong and I needed to go west. A check on the map indicated a bridleway of some length going west from the road. Had I spotted this about 50m up from the car, I would have been about 100m from the Tx. Instead, I got it into my head that the bridleway must be inaccessible and drove up to park W of the church. See the yellow line below for the run in ! I met Richard half-way.

On site there was a stream and plenty of nettles. I batted through some but then my set said to go out of the wood and along the bridleway more. I didn't spot the power line near until after the event. On the bridleway the signal said back into the wood.

Once further in, I met Phil and Roy, but I couldn't get a definitive direction using my set, so a visual search eventually led me to Gary hidden near the stream, but, now expectedly, behind Phil and Roy. I was kicking myself for not seeing the bridleway where I had parked earlier.

Well done to Phil on his third win this year, and to Gary for finding another good site which got us all a bit fooled.

