

Newcomers and Elmers Net: Books, Books, and More Good Books! **01-03-16 By Robert AK3Q**

- ARRL Handbook – (not necessarily the latest edition) the gold standard for encyclopedic information about amateur radio; multiple years
- ARRL Antenna Book – same as above, but focused on all things antennas
- Radio Communications Handbook (RSGB) – the British equivalent of ARRL Handbook, again older editions are quite good
- ARRL Hints and Kinks (8 Collections so far) – these are short topics with suggestions and problem-solving ideas (get 'em used!)
- Antenna Classics series from ARRL – culled from articles in QST over the years, such as wire antennas, Yagis, verticals, etc.
- ARRL Operating Manual – good for exploring the world of amateur radio
- The World-wide Listening Guide by John Figliozzi – absolutely excellent SWL reference with not just stations, but program guides
- Building Successful HF Antennas – Peter Dodd RSGB; considered an expert and has been writing a column for their publication for years
- Antennas Mastered – Peter Dodd
- The New Shortwave Propagation Handbook – George Jacobs, et al. – excellent book on propagation for HF; shouldn't overlook books on shortwave radio since our HF bands are in the same parts of the spectrum
- Art of Electronics – great practical resource for understanding circuit design from a not-so-technical standpoint
- Rider's Perpetual Troubleshooters Manuals – these and many other older public domain books may be found online for download at such places as:
<http://www.acrayara.com.ar/cms/RM?action=listLibraryFiles>
<http://www.tubebooks.org/>
- Oscilloscope Guide – BK Electronics – basic How-To for using oscilloscopes
- Radio Antenna Engineering
- Electronics Experimenter's Manual
- A Course in Radio Fundamentals
- A Beginner's Guide to Radio by F. J. Camm – 27 lessons on radio basics
- RCA 3-volume books on Tubes – comparisons and alternatives
- Amateur Radio Essentials - RSGB Publication – excellent short articles on various aspects of theory and projects to build
- Elimination of Electrical Noise – RSGB Publication
- Reflections III – Excellent book on feedlines and how waves travel between the radio and the antenna
- Novel Antennas - RSGB Publication for interesting antennas which can work in small/unusual spaces
- Hart Reviews - RSGB Publication concerning various equipment reviews from the last 20 years or so, more details than just specs and features
- Beginner's Guide to Reading Schematics

- Successful Wire Antennas
- UHF/Microwave Experimenter's Handbook
- Satellite Handbook – ARRL Publication
- Propagation and Radio Science – ARRL Publication

Be sure to check out the online shops of both the ARRL and The RSGB:

www.arrl.org/shop

<http://www.rsgbshop.org/>

Justin, KE8COY recommended these books to our list:

-- In Marconi's Footstep's: Early Radio. It is by an Australian Ham and is about his pilgrimage to Marconi's home in Italy and places he did his work with radio. The second half details his building of replicas of the early equipment.

-- The Voice of the Crystal & Instruments of Amplification, both by H. Peters Friedrichs