



Next Meeting:

Tuesday, October 1, 6pm.

At Bullock's BBQ

Program:

Bye-Bye GC, PAB & MBG

By:

You and your fellow DFMA & OCRA Members

This meeting will be a little bit different in that both OCRA and DFMA members have been invited to attend. And you may get to see some old friends whom you haven't seen in a while. Join us!

President's Corner

The change in the seasons have begun. Among the things we say farewell to is Summer. In case you haven't heard by now it's not the only change occurring this season. Dee - KU4GC, Lenore - KF4PAB, and Jack - KM4MBG will also be changing addresses from here to New Mexico. I have been around a little more than 3 years and they have formed the nucleus of the club. Lenore was President for two of those years. Jack has always been Treasurer, or as I like to refer to him as "Master of Coin", and Dee, He was the first to welcome me to the club at my first meeting. Dee does so many different things for the club like writing The Link that you're reading now, being a net control station, cohosting the meeting and running the door prizes, doing the website and more.

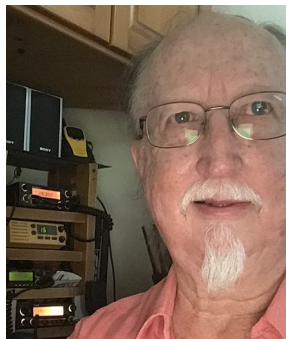
If you're on the OCRA-DFMA groups. IO then you may have seen that this October meeting will be a send off/ farewell party for them. Due to space limitations I'm asking all who want to attend to RSVP ASAP to my email Bonsairad@gmail.com

So let's all give them a good reason to miss us and wish them well on their new adventure in life!

Bob Cook, W4FK

President of DFMA

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So Long, and Thanks for All the Fish

I don't know why this Douglas Adams title popped up but since we aren't dolphins, it's mostly a miss. Whatever!

So, this will likely be my last time as editor of the Link. How would you like to take over? There's no heavy lifting. In fact, I do it all sitting down.

There will be discussion of other tasks that someone will need to take over? So if you've been thinking of taking a small step, this may be your chance.

I do want to thank the many members of the DFMA that have helped make my membership fun and rewarding. I especially want to thank the past and current DFMA officers and Board members. Many of them can be counted among my best friends. Thank you!

73, Dee, KU4GC

Hopes - Get Involved!

As I think about moving away in the coming weeks (maybe even months), I have high hopes for the DFMA. A lot depends on more people getting involved. When I was newly licensed in the late 1990's and had only recently joined OCRA and the DFMA, Jim Langley (WB4YYY) urged me to attend the monthly Board Meetings. I had assumed that they were reserved for the elected members but he pointed out that they were open to all. Through that I learned how the organization works, got to know people better and personally became more active. By 1999 I started my first term as DFMA president.

I hope that some of you do want to get more involved but feel that becoming an elected officer is a move too soon. There are many smaller steps you can take -- there is a lot to do. Here is a list of some "jobs".

Newsletter Editor
Directory Editor
Bylaws Committee Chair
Door Prize Coordinator
Public Service Coordinator
Nominating Committee
Field Day Coordinator
Emergency Coordinator
Hamfest Club Table Organizer

This is just a list and some of these tasks are already ably covered by your fellow members. But, there are quite a few that need a leader. You can probably also think of other things that need doing.

Another way to get involved is something that has recently started in the DFMA and OCRA - the Assistant officer. Some of the elected officers could really use help. Also, some offices involve considerable "learning" that is best done in advance if you are considering running for the office in the future. So, Paul (N2XZF) is now our Assistant Repeater Manager. OCRA recently appointed an Assistant Treasurer and he may become their next treasurer. Not all officers need or want an "assistant", but it can make life easier and allows for a potential, smoother transition.

So, whatever path you take, do get more involved. And I'll know that the DFMA, which I will miss, is in good hands.

73, Dee, KU4GC

Minutes

When approved by the DFMA Board.

Buy – Sell – Trade

AnyTone AT-D878UV. It is fully programmed for this area. Works great and looks like new in box with accessories that come with it. I can reprogram it for whomever gets it changing their call and DMR id number if needed. I use it with a hotspot which could be changed with software on the their web site. Full info is available on web site

WWW.bridgecomsystems.com

Price \$175.00.

Sidney, W4QWM,

edwards.sidney@gmail.com

[Note: Sidney is one of the founding members of the DFMA.]

The following equipment was donated to OCRA and Wilson, W4BOH is overseeing its disposition.

Heathkit SB-300-Simple but very effective ham band receiver. Amazing condition, \$150.

Kenwood TS-850-Solid state transceiver, the K3 of the 90s. Recently tested, GREAT receiver, HI-FI analog audio and excellent filters, with speaker and PS, \$700. - **SOLD**

Hallicrafters SX-99-Vintage Receiver, works but needs love. Easy to work on. \$50. - **SOLD**

Please contact **Wilson, W4BOH** by email:
infomet@embarqmail.com

if interested or to get more info.

(Note. It is hard to keep up with Wilson's inventory and he has received even more equipment recently. If you are interested in used equipment, it could be worth your while contacting him. - Dee, KU4GC, editor)

Do you have something that you need or something you want to get rid of? There's this spot in The Link set aside just for you. Just email the appropriate info to ku4gc@amsat.org and it will be included with the next issue. Make sure to include contact info and feel free to include a picture (that is yours – please no copyrighted stuff from the web).

73, Dee, KU4GC

73 – Dee, KU4GC, Editor

Lenore, KF4PAB, Proofreader

Send copy to DeeRamm@gmail.com

Deadline: one week before the Club Meeting

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Please address any mail you have for the club to:

Durham FM Association

9169 W State St #644

Garden City ID 83714

Web Site: **dfma.org**

Upcoming Events (dfma.org for details)

10/01 DFMA Meeting, Bullock's BBQ, 6pm

10/14 OCRA Meeting, Efland Baha'i Center, 7:30pm

10/15 DFMA Board Meeting, virtual, 7pm

10/19 VE Test Session, Efland Baha'i Center, 10am

11/05 DFMA Meeting, Bullock's BBQ, 6pm