# The Link

## **Newsletter of the Durham FM Association**

March 2025



## **Next Meeting:**

Tuesday, March 4, 6pm. At Bullock's BBQ

#### **Program:**

Dan KR4UB will bring a "strange object" for Show & Tell.

#### **President's Korner**

We are already 1/6 of the way through the year! Hello fellow members, did you know that we have 7 new members? Please welcome Janice KQ4ZGL, Greg W3FIE, Ron KO4RON, Martin KA5JUJ, Ian N4GBA, David KN4QOT, and Chris KE4ABB to our amazing group!

Here comes March and a break from the cold weather. What better time to put up a new wire antenna or clear out the "right of way" for your existing wire array? It's so much easier before the leaves pop out and it gets dense again. At least that's what I've

been doing. It's not hot or buggy and you can easily see what you're doing. There are some exciting ideas floating around and things to get involved in so let's get ready for the future!

**Bob Cook** 

W4FK

President of DFMA

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## **Get Involved!**

Tim KC1TWR would like feedback on the DFMA web pages. He is working on updating and your feedback on what should be improved or removed would be helpful. Also looking for interesting news, events, or tidbits for the next Link.

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#### Welfare:

It has been reported that Martin Brody KA5JUJ is now a Silent Key.

#### **Humor:**

"How do you start a war at a hamfest? Have one person say 'I like Baofeng' and another say 'I like

FT8."

I have heard of "ID-Ten\_T", but how about "The dummy load is between the chair and the microphone..."

Have you heard about the Ham Radio Operator's kids? They did-it and did-it 'cuz their dah-dah did-it.

Did you know CQD was the distress call before SOS? (Not humor, but interesting.)

Who is the most dangerous person in the world? A Ham with an idea, some wire, and a bow and arrow in his hand.

"Electricity originates inside clouds. There, it forms into lightning, which is attracted to the Earth by golfers. After entering the ground, the electricity hardens into coal, which, when dug up by power companies and burned in big ovens called 'generators,' turns back into electricity...where it is transformed by TV sets into commercials for beer, which passes through the consumers and back into the ground, thus completing what is known as a "circuit".......Dave Barry

I wonder what is planned for the April 1<sup>st</sup> DFMA Meeting?

## **Buy - Sell - Trade**

ICOM PW-1 Solid State Amplifier.

Selling for friend, good shape. Price \$2,500.00. \$2,000.00. Wilson, W4BOH

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#### **Kenwood SP-31 Speaker**

Superfluous to my needs. In good shape.

Price \$50.00. Tim, KC1TWR

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#### Kenwood TM-D710GA - 144/440MHz FM DUAL

BANDER Output:5/10/50W

Equipped with GPS, Dual wave receive on same band (VxV, UxU)

Easy packet transmission with TNC

The device is equipped with an AX.25 standard TNC (Terminal Node Controller), enabling genuine, standalone APRS operation. Connection to a PC also enables 1200/9600 bps packet communication and IGate terminal operation.

Operate node terminals with EchoLink Sysop mode function. EchoLink memory – simple access to node terminals. The price is \$500 Tim, KC1TWR

#### Bird Thruline Wattmeter Model 43,

SO-239 connections, includes Bird Case Includes: 50W 100-250 MHz, 250W 100-250 MHz, 100W 2-30 MHz. The price is \$120.00. Tim, KC1TWR

#### **Instruction Manual for IC-3200** A/E VHF/UHF FM

Transceiver with Schematic The price is Free. Tim, KC1TWR

#### MFJ-931 Artificial Ground

The price is \$40.00. Tim, KC1TWR

**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

#### 73 - Tim, KC1TWR, Temp Editor

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Durham FM Association 9169 W State St #644 Garden City ID 83714 appropriate info to TimKC1TWR@gmail.com 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, Tim, KC1TWR

Web Site: dfma.org

## **Upcoming Events** (dfma.org for details)

03/04 DFMA Meeting, Bullock's BBQ, 6pm 03/10 OCRA Meeting, Efland Baha'i Center, 7:30pm 03/18 DFMA Board Meeting, 7pm, Virtual 04/01 DFMA Meeting, Bullock's BBQ, 6pm 04/19 VE Test Session, Efland Baha'i Center, 10am