

The Daytona Beach Amateur Radio Association
eGroundwave Newsletter
June/July 2010 edition

FLASH BULLETIN - Reverend Glenn Jones, KJ4MNW, Heart Attack
Received late Friday night 2010.07.30

Hello Bob,

Just wanted to let you all know that Glenn's surgery went better than expected, He's a little sore but doing great. There were no complications and he will be able to use both his spinal cord stimulator and the Defibrillator with no problems, They said he will be home in 2 days. I'm looking forward to hauling him to the next DBARA meeting.

Some changes are going to be made he's going to have to share his ham shack with me and get used to me invading (his) space even if i have to chain him to me. I told him " You were at the golden gate without a care in the world, You were not on my end and it was not pretty, and you are NOT going to do that to me again!" The cigarettes are going bye bye, for me as well, as I realize that if he sees me smoke or even smells it on me that he will not be able to quit, Its going to be hard.....but he's worth it.

He's still in the same room, should be in a regular room tomorrow (Saturday), and out of the ICU. When he gets home the contact numbers are:

Home Landline 386-671-1813

His internet phone number is 386-308-0195

His cell phone is 386-795-0683.

God Bless You ALL and Thank You So Much For All the Support.

Mary Ann Jones

Thursday, 2010.07.29 1415 hours

Arrived at the Memorial Hospital to see the Rev Glenn. The room was curtained off like they were doing something with him so I stood outside the door and his wife, Mary Ann, spotted my feet and came out and got me. Glenn is wired for sound and anything else that they want to know by remote control. He is pretty mobile but has a hard time trying to sit up by himself with all that electronic stuff hanging on him keeping him tethered to the bed closely. While we were sitting around chatting about everything and nothing in particular one of his neighbors poked his head in to say Hi. So the four of us sat around and gabbed about one of Glenn's new ideas that he

wants to try when he gets back on his feet, a visiting the hospital ham radio oriented church ministry idea. Sounds good in the planning stages any way. He is slightly apprehensive about his upcoming surgery. But who in their right mind wouldn't be. When I left he was cheerful, alert and full of the devil. He has his handi-talkie up there by his bed so give him a call sometime and bat the breeze with him and take his mind of his current events and distract him.- webmaster

2010.07.28 1920 hours

Glenn had his Heart cath This Morning, There were no blockages found, so the plan is to operate Friday and put the pacemaker/defibrillator in. he's getting some of his short term memory back, he no longer needs to be on oxygen. Glenn is still in the same room and will be until after Friday, he is allowed visitors and phone calls to his room. Joe came to visit yesterday and Glenn remembered the visit so its all good.

keep the prayers and phone calls and visits coming,

Mary Ann

10.20 AM 27 July - I just spoke to Mary Ann and Glenn. Glenn was a little out of breath but said that Wednesday AM he was getting a pacemaker/defibrillator implanted in his chest. He had plenty of company for today already. I asked that he ask Mary Ann to please keep us informed. Webmaster Bob

From: Glenn R Jones [mailto:kj4mnw@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2010 11:53 PM
To: webmaster@dbara.org
Subject: Re: [DBARA] July has been a good/bad month

Hi Bob,

This is Glenn's wife Mary Ann... everything happened so fast when I left for the hospital I grabbed Glenn's old cell phone off his desk to take for contact numbers and it contained mostly non working numbers and luckily Tugs was in there and was able to let someone from the club know what was going on as when I pulled out of this the first words out of his mouth was not, did you call my kids or did you call my brother, it was what time is it? I'm going to miss the net...I assured him that I got a hold of Tug.

At around 2 PM Sunday afternoon he was in his ham shack (as always) and asked if I would make him a coffee and I did, I found him sitting in his chair unresponsive and called 911 he had no pulse no nothing, paramedics got him to come back once but getting him from house to rescue he went into cardiac arrest again and he was down for 13 minutes before the could get him back the second time, he was transported to The New Ormond Hospital

Off of SR 40, they put him on life support as soon as he arrived, was called back and told he was not going to make it. After tests were run it was learned that he had suffered 2 Cardiac Arrests and a minor stroke. At 10 PM he woke up and started to come back little by little, they took the life support off of him this morning and he was able to talk, he has not suffered from any paralysis or speech, he is giving the nurses a hard time and his long term memory is fine but there is some damage to short term memory, they are unsure at this point if it will permanent or wether it was caused by stroke or the lack of oxygen he received between the cardiac arrests, they will be doing another cat scan as they cannot do an MRI because of the metal implants in his body, he is having issues with his heart rate being VERY erratic it will beat once then a long pause then 4 beats fast so they feel he needs to have a pacemaker with a defibrillator put in, he will be having a test done on Wednesday to go up and look into his previous bypasses and make sure they are not clogged or if any new clogs are present and then they plan to put the pacemaker in. He can get calls in his room and he was able to talk to Tug himself for a few minutes earlier today. He is in room 511 5th Floor ICU he can have visitors, they will observe him in ICU for a day or 2 and then plan to move him to a regular room.. I have had strict orders from him that I am to bring his Yaesu ht when he will return to hospital in a few hours. I would like to thank the club for all the prayers and best wishes and support that helped a great deal to pull him through this trying time. His Dr basically told him {Glenn, You died not once but twice to three times if you include the first time back in 2006....Heaven kicked your ass out and sent you back here, your work's not done....so deal with it}.

I will keep you all posted as I can

God Bless

Mary Ann Jones

Memorial Hospital of Ormond Beach, Williamson Blvd, 676-6046 Room 511

2010.07.25: Mrs. Jones called President John LoCicero today to report that Glenn had been taken to (an unknown hospital at this time). As information becomes available and I get it, it will be posted to this page. The Rev. Glenn was sick when he passed his ham examination last year but it was something he wanted very much to do. Since then he has gotten better, become a productive club member and is doing a wonderful job as our new Public Information Officer for DBARA.

2010.07.26: I still don't have a hospital for Rev Glenn but his wife, Mary Ann, called John "TUG" and updated him. Glenn apparently had a big catastrophe and had to be restarted with the defibrillator. The doctor told her there will maybe some brain damage and they were going to have to "crack his chest" and do some work on his heart to fix the problem. If

anyone needs some additional prayer support right now Glenn does.

FLASH BULLETIN - TOM DAVIES - AA3AS -STROKE VICTIM

2010.07.27 1908: Today, Anne and Bob Ledford took a trip to Daytona Beach and stopped by the Good Samaritan Rehab Center to visit with Tom. We found his room to be almost SRO (standing room only). It cleared rather rapidly as most of the crowd were "care givers" making sure Tom had everything he needed for his comfort zone. He looks good, well as good as he ever did, lets leave it at that. His speech is almost 100% again. The left leg is getting better and the left arm is getting some reflex types of motion back in it (involuntary movement in response to a triggering action like a sneeze or yawn).

His schedule at the moment is therapy in the morning and rest in the afternoon. He remarked, "I need to rest as the therapists wear you out on purpose. Yea, they do! Apparently they are really pushy which makes the difference between a therapist and a good therapist in my opinion. - webmaster

2010.07.27@1045 AM I just talked the Mrs. Davies, Tom is really doing quite well. His rehab schedule takes up the morning hours and some of the afternoon. He is standing and getting feeling back in the leg and arm now. He is undergoing Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapies (OT, PT, & ST) daily. [Having just finished up with this routine 3 X a week for 3 months I know just how wiped out he feels.]

Good Samaritan Rehabilitation Center, 323 South Seagrave Street, Daytona Beach, 253-6791 Room 611.

2010.07.26: From John LoCicero
Talked to Tom again today he sounds better and continues to improve slowly but surely a little bit each day.

2010.07.25: From John Locicero and Carolyn Truesdale.
John talked to Tom today and he is now at the Good Samaritan Rehabilitation Nursing Home where he is under going "rehab for his stroke." He is speaking clearly, getting movement from the left leg but the left arm is still holding out for more cookies before it starts to do anything at this point.

2010.07.21 - From H. D. "Mitch" Mitchell:
Saw Tom today. Spirits are good, hasn't lost his sense of humor. Giving nurses a hard time. Has feeling coming back to leg, talking better, but still can't lift his left arm. Now on Coumadin, as soon as that is regulated will be

moving to rehab on Ridgewood. Maybe tomorrow or the next day.

2010.07.19 1530 - We, Anne and I, stopped in to see Tom; and ran in to Pat Schwartz who is chauffeuring Robert around while his leg is acting up, Tom was sitting up in the bed with his daughter and daughter in-law and the Doctor having a conference so we waited out in the hall. When we got in Tom was still sitting up in the bed and for all that he has gone through this past week his spirits were really good. He has a good outlook on things and is going to whip this bear! We stayed just long enough for him to get tired and then we left him in their good care. Room 1514 in the France Tower.

2010.07.18 12:23 - Mrs. Davies just called to say that Tom was sitting up and moving his body parts a little better today. He is eating some and talking some what better. They were to talk about "rehabilitation" today when she goes to the hospital. It sounds like our former leader maybe on the mend which is a good thing. More information forth coming I hope.

2010.07.17 K4TUG just called me to put this out to all the members of DBARA that our former President Mr. Tom Davies, AA3AS, is currently a patient of the Halifax Medical Center on Clyde Morris Blvd at International Speedway Blvd as of today. He has been reported to have had a stroke and be paralyzed on the left side.

I will be posting data to the home page of www.dbara.org from this point on. Unless of course he worsens. Don't forget the power of prayer to give him that extra edge to getting over this.

Patient Welfare Line: 254-4145

Bob Ledford, WA4IDI , Director and Webmaster for www.dbara.org

Saturday, July 31, 2010 09:53
New Country coming up!

PJ7 Sint Maarten planning is well underway. Joe, W8GEX and Craig, K9CT, co-leaders, have been on the island this week and have secured property for the CW and PHONE stations to be located on east and west sides of the island.

These locations have clear shots to EU and NA. ICOM is providing IC7600s and Alpha will be providing their amplifiers to the Dxpedition. Four stations will be on continuously and manned by a 12 person team of experienced international operators. Logistical planning was completed for all of the equipment. Our plan is to provide a loud signal for everyone to get a new DXCC on 10/10/10 for 10 days. Local government, business and ham community have provided wonderful cooperation and support for our

operation. More information will be available on our upcoming website.

Ormond Beach will be the Staging area for this NEW DXCC Dxpedition this October.

If you like to help out with testing and packing, please contact William Beyer N2WB wbeyerjr@cfl.rr.com

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Bill N2WB

P.S. Like to thank, Local's that offered SUPPORT for this Project.

DX RULES!!!

Daytona Beach Amateur Radio Club member's DO IT AGAIN!

DBARA is all about Team Work we are all winners!

We may call it by this name, or call it by that name, teamwork or cooperation or even solidarity what ever we call it remember our crew of DBARA members took valued time away from their families and gave up their Saturday to put their heads, backs and an collection of electronic expertise together as a team and repaired our DBARA repeater today.

Whatever we do in our lives, what ever plans we make we often find it is extremely difficult to do things alone.

All the way from the top to the bottom our unique members working in all areas of our club are always ready and prepared to help very much like a looking into a mirror, when we look into it we get back a reflection of pride, team work and great people.

We are all one group sharing each of our unique gifts with our other group members and are very proud and appreciative of our fellow DBARA member's hard work today and every day.

DBARA members stand tall and are strong as steel.

Growing up in a steel working family I learned the process of making steel is combining many different minerals and natural resources from many different areas, mixing them together using manpower and brains all into one huge melting pot.

Then add tremendous heat melting and molding all of these very different ingredients under extreme pressure into steel one of the strongest metals in the world much like so many of our DBARA members.

It makes me very proud to be a part of our DBARA team. I salute everyone involved in today's project and every DBARA project where we are fortunate enough to work together as a team. We accomplish our goals, have as much fun as possible making Amateur Radio a better hobby for everyone and in turn making new and lasting friendships along the way.

We continue working together building our great reputation making DBARA and our Daytona Beach Community a better place for everyone!

73

kj4mnw

This was written up by "Rev. Glenn" prior to his heart attack -
webmaster/editor

DBARA'S Patrick & Ian O'Keefe are at the BSA Jamboree

<http://www.bpmlegal.com/k2bsa.html>

Connect with the National Scout Jamboree via Amateur Radio

On July 26, 2010, more than 35,000 youths will descend on Fort A.P. Hill near Fredericksburg, Virginia for 10 days of activities—including Amateur Radio!

DBARA members Ian O'Keefe-KI4ZVH (15 years old) and Patrick O'Keefe-KJ4DDG (13 years old) and many other HAM radio friends such as Jay Langley-N4NRL will be among those attending the National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America. Boy Scout National Jamborees are usually held every 4 years. This year's Jamboree coincides with the Boy Scouts of America's centennial celebration, and a celebration of Amateur Radio's century long relationship too!

The National Scout Jamboree takes place July 26-August 4 at Fort AP Hill, Caroline County, Virginia. A myriad of exhibits and activities await the more than 35,000 Scouts, leaders and staff. Coming from all 50 states, territories and foreign countries, they will have the opportunity to live, work and play together in an atmosphere of Scouting fellowship. And just like the National Scout Jamborees in 1973, 1981, 1985, 1989, 1993, 1997, 2001 and 2005, the 2010 event will feature Amateur Radio.

A team of 17 Scouters and two Scouts will activate K2BSA as a demonstration station at the Jamboree. According to K2BSA Staff Member

Larry Wolfgang, WR1B, they will be demonstrating various operating modes to the visiting Scouts, with activity primarily on HF, around the published Scout frequencies. Wolfgang is the ARRL Liaison to the National Scout Jamboree. Another group of 17 Scouters and one Scout will assist other Scouts in earning the Radio merit badge, while seven Scouters will be offering classes and will help administer Amateur Radio licensing exams. K2BSA will also operate an EchoLink station at the Jamboree on 444.425 MHz simplex, with a CTCSS tone of 100 Hz on the Jamboree equipment. The EchoLink node number is 307770 and the IRLP node number is 3011. "We will also be on the air via D-STAR from the Jamboree site," Wolfgang said. "We will be using the WS4VA 2 meter repeater (145.320 MHz, -600 kHz split), located 35 miles north of us in Stafford, Virginia, which in turn will be connected to D-STAR Reflector 30B." The K2BSA repeaters will operate on 145.17 MHz, with a -600 kHz shift and 442.90 MHz with a +5 MHz shift; use a 100.0 Hz CTCSS subtone for both repeaters. There will be a Jamboree Net at 1900 (local time) each evening.

Some K2BSA staff will be equipped with APRS. [Click here](#) for to view APRS activity at the National Jamboree.

The K2BSA staff would like to thank ICOM America for the generous loan of some D-STAR equipment, the Stafford (Virginia) Area Radio Association (SARA) and SARA Trustee Emmett Price, K3EP, for the dedicated use of one of their D-STAR repeaters, as well as Gateway, Robin Cutshaw, AA4RC, and John Davis, WB4QDX, for the use of D-STAR reflector 30B. K2BSA also thanks the following companies and individuals for their assistance with their operation at the Jamboree: Array Solutions (W3NQN Bandpass Filters), Buckmaster, Cushcraft, Flex Radio, Heil Sound, HRO in Woodbridge, Virginia, Hy-Gain, MFJ, QuickSilver Radio Products, Steve Gwilliam, G8XGG, Ten-Tec and Yaesu USA.

K2BSA/4 at Fort A.P. Hill in Virginia during the National Jamboree operated on the US Scout JOTA frequencies. These are the same as the international frequencies, with the exception of 40 Meters phone (the international frequency is not available in the US)

Two Meters: 145.17 -600KHz shift - monitored 24/7 - Jamboree Net 1900 each evening

70 cm: 442.90 +5MHz shift

Use 100.0 Hz PL/CTCSS subtone for both repeaters

Scout Frequencies

80 Meters: Phone: 3.690 and 3.940 MHz CW:3.570 MHz

40 Meters: Phone: 7.270 MHz CW:7.030 MHz

20 Meters: Phone: 14.290 MHz CW: 14.070 MHz

17 Meters: Phone: 18.140 MHz CW: 18.080 MHz
15 Meters: Phone: 21.360 MHz CW: 21.140 MHz
12 Meters: Phone: 24.960 MHz CW: 24.910 MHz
10 Meters: Phone: 28.390 MHz CW: 28.180 MHz
6 Meters: Phone and CW: 50.160 MHz

QSL Information:

(SASE, please)

K2BSA C/O Ray Moyer

303 Westover Dr

Euless, TX 76039

<http://www.bpmlegal.com/k2bsa.html>

Arthur Byrnes, KA4WDK, announces he is running for Mayor of Holly Hill

If you are a resident of Holly Hill and know nothing about his ideas, ideals, and philosophical outlooks on Holly Hill politics. Visit his election web site www.ajb.us to update yourself so that when it becomes time to vote you can cast your vote for the one right person to be the new Mayor of Holly Hill.

K4BV is well again

Fellow DBARA Members:

Saturday, July 24, 2010 at 1000 four intrepid adventurers converged on the DBARA repeater site to investigate intermittent low output power problems observed during the previous week. The likely cause appears to be a damaged female N connector at the transmitter connection of the repeater duplexer. Temporary repairs have been made while options are being considered. The repeater receiver was peaked and the antenna system was swept and shows to be in very good shape.

Steve "Captain" Szabo WB4OMM, Marty "Hakko" Wilcox W9OV, Joe "Principles" Daley N2GBT and Frank "Tweak" Haas KB4T carried about an eighth of a ton of test equipment to the site and began a methodical physical and electronic evaluation of the repeater system.

Physically everything looks good. The antenna is stable. The weatherproofing on the feedline connection appears to be intact. The feedline itself appears to be working well. Return Loss measures less than 19 db across the 2 meter band (this is a good thing.)

Inside the cabinet the equipment looks as good as it did several years ago. The new equipment cabinet provided by Mike Lee WB6RTH of Palm Coast houses both the club repeater and the new D-Star VHF & UHF systems co-located at the site.

The receiver produces 20 dB quieting at .18 microvolts.
Transmitter output power to the duplexer is 21 watts consistent. (The re-solder of the exciter done several years ago seems to have held up.)
Output power to the antenna is 13 watts.
Receiver Desense is negligible (much less than 1 dB.)
Repeated Audio Modulation is +/-5 kHz though it seems to favor negative more than positive.
When measured, the transmitter frequency was 89 Hz low (well within the 2 ppm expected for this system.)

The only issue that remains is the damaged N female connector on the duplexer. The connector is part of a proprietary cable harness and can't be replaced easily with just any N female connector. A special type is required. We will either buy a new connector or a new harness...whatever the manufacturer offers.

So please use and enjoy the repeater system. Report any issues to Frank Haas KB4T at kb4t@arrl.net or call him at his roster phone number. Reports can go to Steve Szabo WB4OMM as well at wb4omm@arrl.net or his roster contact number.

73, Frank KB4T

N2GBT Joe "Principles" Daily or Daley as he spells it added this;

Well put Frank.

Adding to that- the cavitron symmetry was as balanced as we could hope for.

The metrix reissuer was weak- down 1.5 db as measured on a sputem imaging meter- but acceptable.

Cross desense was high- but we attribute that to moisture being found on the cavitron phased input shield- we took care of it by drying the input shield and ifd cavity ground.

Parasitic nefulance alo added to the attenuation weve been experiencing but damper bypasses placed across the paralytic flexode choke inputs

worked well.

The antenna seemed fine- it's old- but fine. the variance directors which now aim north and south we checked- and angle deflection was normal- about 14 degrees under static reflectance nulls-were considering re-aiming the variance directors to offer better east- west coverage but we have to make sure adjacent inter- cabinet resonances are in line as not to cause adjacent interference with nearby services equipment.

The biggest problem was CPV (connector prong vaporization) of half the prongs most probably due to the last person working on the connector failing to use flozatine jel prior to tightening the fitting- resulting in cross separation and PPS (premature prong separation). The tell-tale sign was discolorization of the remaining prongs.... and half the prongs missing.

Strebulation was reduced by wire-tying the flexomatic cable to the wall.

Cross talk splatter was also checked- and was within limits.

Ballast was also checked in the cavities- and a bit of right rudder adjustment resulted in everything leaning the right way.

All in all- hopefully the repeater sounds better.

Editors Notation; I ran this through my "Bugs & Solids Filter System" and to sum it up in fewer words, "it works it is old like almost all of us and will breakdown or need tweaking again."

Letter From the 2010 Officer Nominating Committee

Marty Wilcox, W9OV, sent the eGroundwave a copy of the nominating committee letter to all members concerning the 2010 Nominations for Officers and Directors to run DBARA for CY-2011. The "Junior Members" election letter.

DBARA DOING WHAT IT DOES BEST!

Last Friday, I get a phone call from K4TUG telling me to make sure and stay home that afternoon. That's the easy part since I have been homebound for over 4 years now.

I said I would be home and wondering what was happening. It did not take very long and trucks started pulling up and parking in my driveway and

street. One truck parked in my driveway, then another and yet another! Oh you should have seen some of my neighbors faces in the trailer park they were looking very worried and trying to figure out why these men and three trucks with these crazy antennas were doing at my trailer. I think they thought "Homeland Security" had come to take me away.

K4TUG told me Sparky had rebuilt a Kenwood HF radio which was hit by lightning and he had resurrected it into a beautiful working rig.

A few minutes later out comes a fishing pole I looked over at K4TUG and said what in the world the fishing pole is for? TUG said "it's for squirrel fishing, Rev!" Now just stand back and let John and Sparky do their fishing magic.

Before you know it there was this long wire antenna high and I mean high above my trailer just waiting to go through the window of my spare room which is now my KJ4MNW radio station.

Next out comes a Kenwood transceiver and Deluxe Versa antenna tuner. Sparky and Tug bring the rig into my spare room and once again before you know it John came in and said the antenna is all tied off and ready to rock and roll.

I could hardly believe my eyes that there was the most beautiful set up I could ever imagine being hooked up and tuned along with step by step instructions to make it so easy even this old Rev can understand.

I told Tug, Sparky and John this means the world to me and there is no way for me to express how proud I am to be a member of the most wonderful group of good, decent and caring folks in the world. I wish to try and express to all DBARA members who made the donations and the time, effort, planning, and hard manual labor not to forget the long hours it took Sparky to repair and fix up a real deal HF radio station for some old Rev in living a trailer park in Ormond Beach.

Since I have retired at age 46 due to a miracle of modern science, I have lots of time to make friends and pay attention and I become aware of many things about our members.

Many members are still in the work force and their days are full of sweat and the pressures of making a living and rising children. I have one point here to make.

I have noticed in each and every person in the DBARA family will shake

hands with you wherever they meet you, treat you as a friend even though you are wearing old clothes and walk with a stick or roll steadily along in the wheelchair, no matter which company they happen to be in at the time. I have been a member since June 2009, and what I admire in each and every person, men, women and even the kids exhibit a particular character with the old time values and being upright Golden Rule folks so rare in today's busy world.

This morning I went to lint to DBARA.ORG and what do you think I saw big and bold?

"FLASH BULLETINS AND SILENT KEY NOTICES!"

Now what does that say about DBARA?

DBARA is a wonderful family from all walks of life who makes the time help you in your hour of sickness; send out notices to all members when you are in distress so our members can send loving and healing thoughts for a swift recovery and for the family's of recent silent key members to have healing peace and closure knowing their loved one was unique and very important to DBARA.

There is yet another quality of our DBARA members. You can bet your bottom dollar our members will say behind your back exactly what they say to your face and even go as far as to defend you if others speak gossip of you.

Who else in the world would go to the trouble and expense to give you a new microphone and so much NTS Traffic you don't have a spare minute to worry and dwell on medical conditions and various other aspects of life which we cannot change.

Daytona Beach Amateur Radio Association is a very special group of loving and caring people. DBARA members provided me a with a radio station, put up antenna and got me up on the air when I was sliding down the hill, brightening up the days on my journey home and all these things without expecting anything in return.

In conclusion I would love to thank each and every person in my DBARA family. There are no words great enough to express my happiness, respect, loyalty and sincere thanks to my entire DBARA family.

Sincerely from the bottom of my heart,

Rev Glenn R Jones
KJ4MNW

Club Roster

The DBARA Webmaster is currently in the process of trying to accurize the DBARA Membership roster. This week was spent in getting some Microsoft Excel "Sorting" and "Find and Replace" malfunctions repaired. The new roster system will be saved with the following file save methodology roster-2010-MM-DD dot xls or pdf file extension. So you can see how out of date your roster is. New rosters will only be sent on request to the webmaster@dbara.org this will eliminate all the whining about privacy being violated. Hopefully a new Secretary will take this job over and free me up to do other things needed more.

The following members had their rosters returned for "no account found reasons:"

Allen, Bob
Bestwick, Allen
Cardinal, Ted
Cote, Jason
Cote, Edmond
Fawcett, Arthur
Karel, Charles
Langston, Clay
McReynolds, Mac
Reynolds, Caitlyn
Stuber, Kenneth
Vola, Barbara
Winburn, Joseph

DBARA Tuesday Tech Net

NO ORDINARY JOE!
HELD OVER AGAIN BY POPULAR DEMAND!

FASTER THAN A SPEEDING IAMBIC CW PADDLE!
ABLE TO DISCUSS THEORY AND TECHNICAL DATA IN A SINGLE BOUND!
IT'S DBARA'S VERY OWN AMATEUR RADIO TECH GURU
JOE DALEY N2GBT

Why not join in the fun and gain helpful new knowledge or refresh your own expertise with the Brand New and Highly Acclaimed DBARA Technical net? Tune in each Tuesday evening at 19:00 on the 147.150 repeater.

The time for all the membership to reconsider the job performance of its elected Officers and some members of the Board of Directors is once again approaching election day. This years membership Committee chairman is Martin "Marty" Wilcox, W9OV, his first Executive Assistant is Victoria Wilcox, KI4PLK and the second Executive Assistant is the Rev. Glenn Jones, KJ4MWN, and DBARA Public Information Officer.

This year the following Officers are up for re-election or consideration incumbents; President, John LoCicero, K4TUG, Vice President, Leah Bowen, AJ4MR, Secretary, Carolyn Truesdale, KI4VPW, Treasurer Frank Reda, AJ4LE and Director Paul Milward, NU4C, (who does not want to be considered as he feels it is time for some new blood).

Paul Milward will be missed by the remaining Directors. But when you feel it is time to go then it is time to go gracefully knowing that he has done a good job and provided a much needed balance to the decision making process. Should the membership not re-elect President LoCicero he will revert to the position of a Director for one term of office.

As members you need to take some time when considering new officers for club positions and make some solid selections and not just elect a warm body to fill a position. The Offices of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer all have heavy time demands, plus a need for public speaking skills, social skills, time management, computer and above all organizational skills. As Directors' we just sit around listen to what everyone has to say, analyze it and say yes or no when called on to vote.

Member News

Marty N0BBB has a new call sign W9OV and a birthday at the same time.

Daytona Beach CERT - United Way Volunteer Reception Center Training 07/28/10

Good Morning! The United Way is again offering Volunteer Reception Center Training on July 28th. I am sharing the information with City Departments designated as a primary or supporting role for our CEMP-ESF #15 Volunteers & Donations. CERT members and other volunteers are also encouraged to participate.

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e2yvz2nhf2ce83e9> I am currently unable to forward to the DBCERT yahoo group but didn't want to delay in getting this out. Please share with others that you feel may have an interest. If someone that is part of the DBCERT yahoo group can forward this email on my behalf please let me know.

Karen Baum, FPEM Emergency Management Technician
Daytona Beach Fire Department
386-671-5422 office
386-671-5888 fax
baumk@dbfd.us
2010.07.14

Change Can Be Wonderful

If you don't believe it, just ask me how I like it. Things are in a state of change here at the eGroundwave for sure. Due to the almost total lack of support from the users of www.dbara.org you will be seeing less and less news items and articles appearing.

I have gotten almost no responses from my begging to my numerous pleas for news that I have finally awoken to the hand writing on the wall. Most of the users of the eGroundwave could care less so that is what you're going to get, less and less, because I want more out of life then to sit here for hours on end searching for news items or putting news items together that I think you want to read.

Bob WA4IDI Editor

Field Day News Items

I am going to do this the simple way this year as I have to many irons in the fire at the moment. Our thanks go to Steve Szabo WB4OMM for all the hard work and thinking that went into this effort

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Who put the kink in the Lines of Communications?

Some time between December 2009 and today some one put a kink in the internal lines of communications (LOC) between the Staff/Board of Directors and the webmaster. For the past five years the webmaster has been able to keep the "Functions Calendar" up to date with "speakers and special event dates and times." Whodidit?

Where is the "I" (eye) in the word "Team?"

Some where over the last couple of years the "I" crept into the word "team" in our organization. At least from my vantage point it seems like to me as "your webmaster" I need everyone's help in keeping up the web site. I need your idea's for new pages and news items of interests and happenings in your backyard not mine all the time."

Several members came up to me during the last meeting and wanted to know where the last couple of months meeting minutes were at? Simple answer, I just received them late Monday afternoon and since then I literally have not had a spare couple of hours to read, publish and reformat as needed.

What is going to happen to my ham gear or station when I die?

This is a subject that not a single one of us want to think about. But it is a subject that we all should face rather than avoid. If you are like most of us, myself included, your main thought is "I am going to live forever," and we all know that is not true.

I have given this a little bit of thought lately as many of my fiends are starting to have health problems and dying on me at the most inopportune times. Here is a guide to help you plan. I ask that if you see a need for a change please share it with us.

Do you have a will? Is your will, up to date? Does your spouse know what you own? Do she know it's value today? Does she know the value of the manuals and where they are at? If you have decided to give it all to someone does she know that person's name, telephone number etc? The same thing holds true if you think you want to donate your gear to your local ham club. Is the contact person and telephone or email address up to date since this could change from year to year? I would bet that the answers to most of the above questions is a big NO!

What should I do? You are beginning to ask yourself?

Start off by simply making a list of all your ham gear that you own today, and start keeping it up to date. Where do I keep this list? The best place is a large notebook marked ham gear.

In your notebook marked "ham gear" make a section in it called "location" and note where you have it stored or the name of the person that you loaned it to along with his telephone number. This also comes in handy when you go to look for something that you may have loaned out to your buddy last year and you need it to fix something tomorrow.

In the same notebook make a section called "manual" and either put the manual here or note it's location and be sure to it up to date. This will be in very handy if and when you decide to sell something also.

I want to add one more tip that makes life easier for all of your friends. Be they close , casual or email only. We all have those friends that we consider email buddies don't we? Alert your surviving partner to send an email to everyone in your address book as short note stating that you no longer are living so that they know why you are not answering mail any more. I did this for a close friend of mine and got a whole lot of thoughtful mail back and a few new email friends to boot.

In closing I think if you do the above items that in the end your spouse or significant other will be most appreciative of the help that a "death manual" of where your "stuff is and what you want to happen to it" will help her or him a lot. Let's be real for a moment before you blow this off. "Does your mate know what all that stuff is? I doubt it, so put it to good use consider your ham club out first or your best ham friend then the rest of your ham community rr maybe that new ham that you mentored in getting his ticket last month.

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