DUTCH FORK AMATEUR RADIO GROUP W4DFG
PALMETTO AMATEUR RADIO CLUB W4MN
LITTLE MOUNTAIN, SC

DFARG Signal

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Congratulations to Our New DFARG Officers

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Clubs are only as effective as their leaders and active followers. We are pleased to announce the newly elected officers for 2027:

President: Mike Connelly KX4TKO
Vice President: Troy Morken KN4SNL
Treasurer: John Seibels K4AXV
Secretary: Wes Lane KQ4W

These excellent leaders will help to carry the club to the next level. Thanks to these guys for agreeing to accept that awesome responsibility and lead the club into new adventures.

Don't Forget these Nets!

Sunday: Ridge Club
Simplex Net: 146.550
7:55 pm
Net Connection: 147.255
8:05 pm

Monday:
Dutch Fork Net 147.000
7:00 pm
Cookie Jar Crew 147.255
8:55 pm

Tuesday:
Hope for Hams 147.000
11:44 am

Wednesday;
Radio Rag Chew Round Up
147.000 7:55 am and
7:55 pm

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Keep Up the Great Work!

The Dutch Fork Net is held every Monday at 7:00 pm on the 147.00 repeater. Mike Connelly, KX4TKO continues to engage the listeners in timely topics and interesting QSOs. Thanks to Mike for his continued efforts.

DUTCH FORK AMATEUR RADIO GROUP
(W4DFG)
MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
October 2026

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM following the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE:
Present officers:

- Rick Senkowsky – KQ4FOB, President
- Brandon Hawkins – KZ4HM, Vice President
- John Seibels – K4AXV, Treasurer
- Mike Connelly – KX4TKO, Secretary

2027 OFFICER ELECTIONS:
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HEALTH AND HAPPINESS:
We would like to wish all members with Birthdays in October a very Happy Birthday.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:
Motion made and approved to accept the September meeting minutes.
We would like to welcome 3 new members to DFARG:

Matthew KR4PHF
Jordan KR4PAE
Jason KD4YMD

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Balance: $11,768.58
Deposit: $218.00
Pay: ARRL - $255.00
Gas - $26.75
Rent - $250.00
(building next door for hamfest/tailgate)
Balance: $11,454.83

$876.00 Deposit to be made from proceeds (swap meet)

Scheduled Balance
$ 12,330.83

VE TEST SESSION: 9/26/2026
DFARG hosted a special VE exam session for the SC State Guard. We had 9 examinees from the SC State Guard and 2 other individuals take exams. Six of the 11 passed their exams. One examinee took the tech and general and passed both. Congratulations to all the new amateur operators.

NEW BUSINESS:
We received an email from Little Mountain Boy Scout Troop 61 asking if we could help teach the scouts basic radio/communication skills to help them earn their Radio Badges. We will be replying to their email and setting up a date and time to help the Scouts. More information to come.

OLD NEWS:
Relocation committee update – A dialogue will be starting in the coming days with the owners of the property across the street from our current location. More details to come at a later date.
Christmas Dinner: December 12, 2026 from 4 PM to 7 PM
Location: 232 Conifer Dr., Prosperity, SC 29127
Catered by: Bill and Fran's
A very special thank you to Jesse and Wes Lane (KQ4W) for hosting again this year.

NOTES:
We had the Dutch Fork Amateur Radio Group 2nd Annual Hamfest/Swap meet on Saturday, October 17th, 2026. We will be making a deposit of $876.00 into the club's bank account with funds raised from sales of estate equipment, the World Famous DFARG Chili Dogs and one new member who joined at the event. The weather deterred attendees early in the morning but overall, we had a pretty good turnout. We look forward to the 3rd Annual event next October.

Motion to Adjourn: 7:55 PM