

## OFFICERS

- Tom Reis NØVPR  
President
- Craig Long KCØYNN  
Vice-President
- Tre' Critelli KAØFRW  
Secretary
- Bill Claypool NUØQ  
Treasurer

## BOARD

- Bruce Brumm KCØZMT
- Rick England KØCSS
- R. F. Hellstern KØRFH
- Dean Madsen KEØWO
- George Noble KK7FM
- Dennis O'Brien KAØDOS

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## DMRAA Elects Officers & Board

The Des Moines Amateur Radio Association elected officers and board members at a special meeting July 22nd. Thirty members were present for the vote. Tom Reis NØVPR was elected as the new President, replacing Lowell Abarr KB6SDI. Craig Long KCØYNN was voted in as Vice-President and Bill Claypool NUØQ was re-elected as Treasurer. Joining present board members Bruce Brumm, KCØZMT and Dean Madsen KEØWO are new board members Rick England KØCSS for one year, R.F. Halstren KØRFH, George Noble KK7FM, and

Dennis O'Brien KAØDOS for 2 years.

The new board met infor-



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mally to set a date for the first new board meeting. The special election meetings were needed to allow extra

time for a nominating team to be formed and for that group to build a team to stand for election.

Dan Miller KCØFRL chaired the nominating committee and presented the ballot at a special meeting in June. A special thanks to Dan and the rest of the committee, Bruce Brumm KØZMT, Dean Madsen KBØWO and Ed Cowen KCØIEB for their efforts.

Comments from the election meeting were very positive and the officers and board are anxious to see the DMRAA flourish.

## DMRAA Board sets preliminary Calendar

The first board meeting (August 4th at Dahl's) included setting dates for board and club meetings as well as special events. The board believes there should be meetings every month and meetings will continue to be the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm. The date may be altered to accommodate the holiday conflicts. The board meet-

ings will be the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm. The board will meet at Dahl's (33rd & Hubbell). Any interested Hams are welcome to attend, regular meetings will be at Plymouth Congregational Church (42nd & Ingersol). The topics for the meetings will be published in the Static Sheet. The September meeting will feature a presenta-

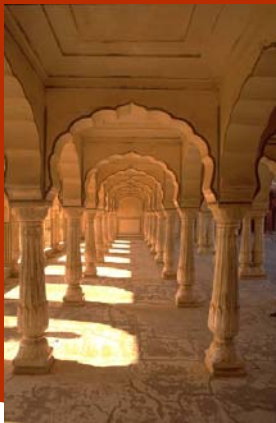
tion and discussion by Craig Long KCØYNN. His presentation will outline the impact of PRB-I and related cases. He will also discuss personal liability for volunteers in Iowa. The calendar is featured on page three.

# MS 150



Giving back through community service

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The MS 150 Bike ride is coming up fast! I still need some help. I need to cover the following positions:

Rest stops:

Saturday  
State Center from about 8:00 am to 11:30 am

Just before Highway 330 from about 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

Sunday

Just before Highway 330 from about 7:15 am to 8:45 pm

State Center from about 7:30 am to 10:00 am

Rhoades from about 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

I still need shadows for two people, and 6 operators for sag wagons.

The MS 150 will be leaving DMACC in Ankeny on Saturday morning.

Shadows and Sag opera-

tors will meet there. (exact times will follow when I get them pinned down) They will ride to Marshalltown where they will overnight. Those people that are shadows and with sags will be brought back to DMACC. No one will have to overnight in Marshalltown. They will meet again on Sunday at DMACC to go to Marshalltown to pick up the return trip back to DMACC. If you have any

questions, let me know and I will go into more detail.

The MS Society depends on us for communications support. They are very appreciative of our services. Lunch and dinner will be supplied by them. There is also a banquet in Marshalltown Saturday night for any-

one that wants to attend. Spouses are welcome. This is their biggest fund raiser for the year. Please don't let them down! If you can help at any of the positions, please let me know. You don't have to take both days, if I can get enough people, we can split things up.

We will be using the 440 link system for our communications.

## UPCOMING ARES EVENTS

# 2007 –2008 DMRAA Calendar

## DMRAA Calendar 2008 - 09

### General Meetings and Events

#### September 23rd Program

Craig Long KC0YNN will speak about the impact of PRB-1 and personal liability for volunteers in Iowa

23 September, 2008  
28 October, 2008

25 November, 2008  
Chili Feed and Auction  
9 December, 2008  
Christmas Party  
27 January, 2009  
24 February, 2009  
24 March, 2009  
25 April, 2009 Hamfest  
28 April, 2009  
26 May, 2009  
23 June, 2009  
27 June, 2009 Field Day  
28 July, 2009  
25 August, 2009  
22 September, 2009

### Board Meeting Dates

2 September, 2008  
7 October, 2008  
4 November, 2008  
2 December, 2008  
6 January, 2009  
3 February, 2009  
3 March, 2009  
7 April, 2009  
5 May, 2009  
2 June, 2009

*Making a change is easy. Making a difference, now there is a challenge!*

## The President's Soapbox

I struggled with a name for this column as I would prefer to be called the Grand Poobah or Exalted Ruler. I seriously doubt the board will change the bylaws though!

I must tell you I am pleased with opportunity to serve DMRAA in my capacity of President. The election meeting was an affirmation that the DMRAA is an outstanding club. Thirty Hams showed up to elect and support their club and the upcoming leadership.

Since that meeting the board has met and the optimism is inspiring. The group will keep the club active and will raise the bar. It won't necessarily be easy but I suspect it will be fun.

I want to thank the previous board and officers for their hard work.

I hope to involve many members in the activities in the coming year. I also hope to do a small profile on all of the board members in upcoming months. I've included mine

below. The more I'm involved with Amateur Radio the more I see the vast diversity on our group. CW, phone, APRS, D-Star, RTTY, you name it and we have Hams that excel in it. We will tap some of these folks to demonstrate their talents. As for me, I'm not always anxious to leave, but I am ready to go,

73

Tom

NØVPR

## Leadership Profile

Tom Reis, NØVPR is serving as DMRAA President for the upcoming year. A native Iowan growing up in the small town of Early in Sac county. An Air Force veteran he graduated from Kansas University. His education also includes post graduate Prosthetic education at Northwestern University's Rehabilitation Institute in Chicago. Tom became a board certified Prosthe-

tist in 1979.

Tom and wife Heather moved to Johnston in 1982 and all five of their children(2 daughters, 3 sons) graduated from Johnston HS. Two daughters are Hams KCØDVI Katie and KCØILH Heidi. Tom and the 3 boys are Eagle Scouts. Five grandchildren round out the clan.

Amateur interests include ARES Emergency Service, APRS, and Skywarn. He is presently investigating the D-Star digital modes. You can also bet he will be asking you to help at upcoming club functions.

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**TOM REIS**  
**NØVPR**



Have you checked into a net lately? →

ARES Nets serve several purposes, including

- Operator training
- Training of Net control operators
- Passing formal traffic

Please check in!

Time to upgrade your license?  
→→→→

# Area Nets

## AMES

Sunday	147.240+	7:00pm	Story County ARES Net
Wednesday	147.375+ t 114.8	9:00pm	Cyclone Amateur Radio Club

## BOONE

Sunday	146.850-	9:00pm	Boone County AREA Net
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## DES MOINES

Sunday	146.940- t 114.8	8:00pm	Central Iowa ARES Net
Sunday	146.940- t 114.8	follows ARES net	Central Iowa technical Net
Sunday	146.820- t 114.8	9:00pm	ARTS Net
Thursday	146.940- t 114.8	7:00pm	Polk County ARES Net

(note) The Des Moines Sunday night nets are available thru the Shehdahl 147.075+ t 114.8 repeater

## MARSHALLTOWN

Sunday	147.135+ t 141.3	6:00pm	CIRAS Net,
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## WEBSTER CITY

Monday	147.015+	7:00pm	Hamilton County Radio Club Net
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## STATEWIDE NETS

Monday—Saturday	3,970	12:30pm & 5:30pm (6:00pm summer)	Iowa 75 Meter Traffic Net
Sunday	3,970	5:30pm (6:00pm summer)	Iowa Traffic and Emergency Net
Monday	3,990.5	5:30pm (1st Monday of the month)	Iowa RACES Net

# Amateur Radio Testing Sessions

Des Moines	1:00pm	AMES	7:00pm	BOONE	9:00am
September 21				August 9,	
November 16				October 11	
				December 13	
registration starts at 12:30 PM (no admittance after 1pm)				Location:	
Location:		Location:		Kruck P&H Warehouse Office,	
Johnstone Supply Classroom (2nd floor)		296 Town Engineering Building, Iowa State campus, Ames		807 6th St., Boone, Iowa	
11000 Justin Drive		Contact: George Oster, NP2N, 515-233-3535,		Talk-In: 146.850	
Urbandale, IA 50322				Contact: Steve NØNEU (515) 432-4006	



## Board Meeting Minutes

### DMRAA Board Minutes August 4, 2008

#### Present at Meeting:

- Tom Reis – President
- Craig Long – Vice President / Interim Secretary
- Bill Claypool – Treasurer
- Bruce Brumm – Board
- Rick England – Board
- George Nobel – Board
- Dean Madsen – Board

#### Discussion Points:

- ★ Common vision and purpose / direction of DMRAA.
- ★ Program development and educational opportunities.
- ★ Review of key subcommittees and their roles.
- ★ Status of .985 repeater.
- ★ Hamfest venue.
- ★ Location of future meetings.
- ★ Establishment of Communications Subcommittee.
- ★ Ideas re: communication with DMRAA membership.
- ★ Recruit of new and existing/former DMRAA members.
- Review and calendaring of future meetings.

#### Action Items:

Appointment of Tré Critelli as DMRAA Secretary

a. Moved – George Noble  
Seconded – Bruce Brumm  
7 ayes  
0 nays

Preliminary appointment of Committee Chairs – by general agreement

a. Membership Committee – Craig Long

b. Education Committee – George Noble

c. Field Day Committee – Bruce Brumm

d. Christmas Party Committee – Tom Reis

e. Repeater Committee – Rick England

f. Packet Committee – Dean Madsen

g. Hamfest Subcommittee – Bruce Brumm / Bill Claypool

h. Auction & Chili Feed Committee – Tom Reis

Motion regarding September Program re: PRB-1 presentation by Craig Long

a. Moved – Craig Long  
Seconded – Tom Reis

7 ayes  
0 nays

Motion to hold future DMRAA meeting at Plymouth Congregation pending confirmation of availability and \$100.00 donation for use of facility.

a. Moved – Tom Reis  
Seconded – Bruce Brumm  
7 ayes  
0 nays

Treasurer’s Report – Bill Claypool

Establishment of Communications Subcommittee

a. Moved – George Nobel  
Seconded – Tom Reis  
7 ayes  
0 nays

Establishment of 2008/2009 meeting calendar (see Static Sheet for details).

Motion to Adjourn

**The Des  
Moines Radio  
Amateur  
Association  
board meets  
monthly**



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The DMRAA is affiliated with the Amateur Radio Relay League



# DMRAA Membership Application

## Des Moines Radio Amateur Association

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_, Iowa Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Call Sign: \_\_\_\_\_

ARRL Member: ? Y / N

Dues    \$20 Single  
          \$25 Family  
          \$15 Over 60 / under 18

**Mail Application and payment to  
DMRAA  
P.O. Box 88  
Des Moines, IA 50301**

