

DIWATA-2 Amateur Radio Unit (ARU) Utilization Manual

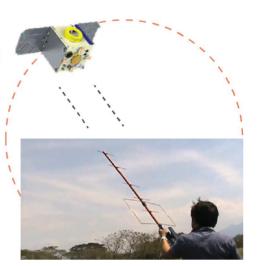
## **DIWATA-2 ARU**

at a glance

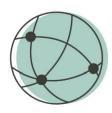
## Diwata-2 Amateur Radio Unit

Call Sign: DW4TA

- designed, developed and fabricated locally
- FM Voice Repeater (half-duplex)
- Automatic Packet Reporting System (APRS) - based digipeater for real time text messaging



## CAPABILITIES



Country-wide communication



Operation is not affected by ground conditions



Regular Pass Time

# How do I use the — AMATEUR RADIO UNIT?

## Gears you'll need!

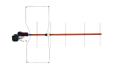
#### **NTC License**



#### Radio Transreceiver



#### Antenna



Want to know more?

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### 1. First things first.

Register as an amateur radio operator. Being a licensed ham is attainable for everybody, even a 12-year-old child can be one! To know more on being a ham, visit the Philippine Amateur Radio Association for more information: www.para.org.ph

#### 2. Things you need

a VHF/UHF handheld transmitter, directional antenna (homebrew or bought in stores), orbit tracker app is recommended

#### 3. Set the transmitter.

Downlink (receive) frequency of your transmitter should be at 145.900 MHz. Uplink (transmit to Diwata-2) frequency is at 437.500 MHz with a tone of 141.3 Hz.

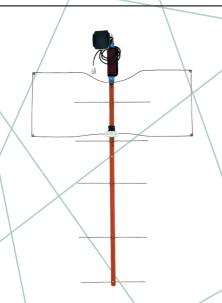
## 4. At Diwata-2 (PO-101) flyby

Search the horizon for the location of Diwata-2. Use an orbit tracker for faster and more accurate search. Point the antenna to the current direction of the satellite and wait for signal downlink. When signal is received, you are ready to transmit. Listen first for ongoing calls before pressing the push-to-talk (PTT) button in your transmitter.

## Enjoy having conversations (QSOs) with fellow hams!

Always observe proper etiquette when using amateur radio satellites. Keep messages short and transmit only with minimum power (recommended is from 5 W to 10 W). This is to keep Diwata-2 and other satellites available for those who need it for emergencies.

## MOXON-YAGI ANTENNA



#### **FEATURES:**

Very good RX and TX signals Easy to build. Elegant design Easy to tune Lightweight and portable Durable

#### Designed by:

Low-cost

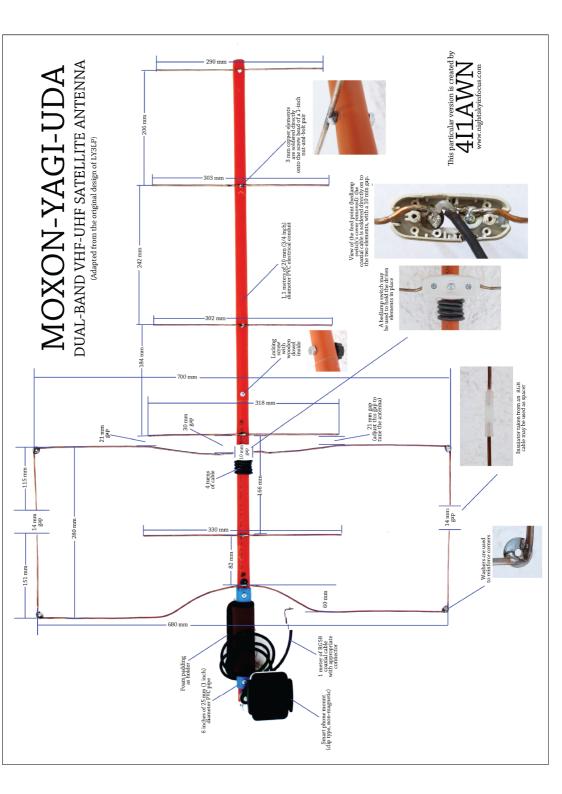
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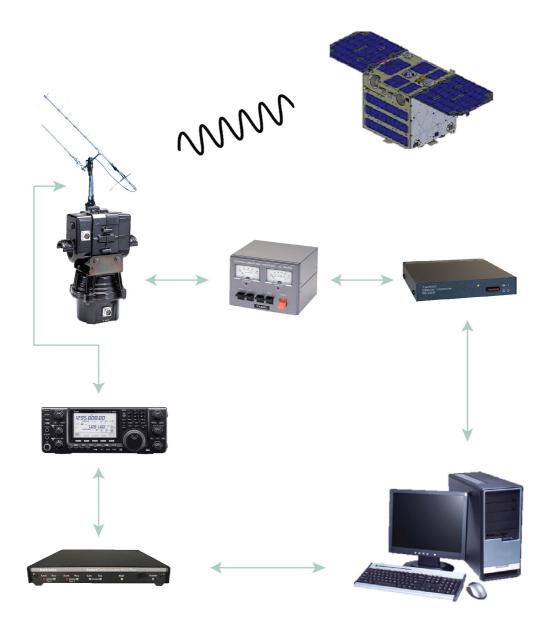
## Materials you'll need:

- 4 meters of 1/8 inch copper tubing—the one used in refrigerators, costs about 950 pesos per 1 roll (15 meters per roll) NOTE: only 2-3 meters are needed, but we must have extras, very easy to make mistakes)
- 1.2 meters PVC pipe (3/4 inch diameter, orange only, do not use other color such as blue – blue is too flexible)
- 12 pcs of 1/8 inch screw, 2 inch length, complete with 2 washers and 1 nut
- 6 pcs extra washers
- 6 pcs extra nuts
- 3 used ball pen casing (we only need it as an insulator, Panda pen may be used, any brand will work)
- cable ties about 6 inches long (buy one big pack for the whole group)

- 1 meter Rg58 coax
- some foam padding or strips of soft cloth to be used as holder electrical tape
- 1 PL259 plug
- soldering iron 100 W and lead 2-3 meters
- metal grinder/cutter (power tools)
- electric drill with drill bits (power tools)
- carpenter's meterpliers
- P.....
- cutters
- lighter torch/pencil torch file set (needed for tuning)
- SWR meter
- radio



# Block Diagram of UP ARSS



## RADIO ETIQUETTE



When you want to communicate on a frequency, listen for a while before talking, there may be a conversation in progress.



If you are listening and would like to have a conversation, just give your call sign. You can add "monitoring", or "listening". Using the term "CQ" on a repeater is generally discouraged.



Use English and standard phonetics "Alpha, Bravo, Charlie". Avoid jargon as much as possible.



If you want to join into a convesation, just give your call between transmissions rather than using the term "Break Break". You will be acknowledged and allowed into the conversation.



In an emergency, give your call and say "emergency" rather than using "Break Break". Saying "emergency" will make it clear why you are interrupting and it will also get more attention from those just listening.



If you want to talk to a certain person, call their call sign once or twice, then your call sign.



Give your call sign clearly, and slowly.

## **CONNECT WITH US!**

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