

MFCA Anniversary Diploma

25 years of the Marine Funker Club Austria
April 1-30, 2022

The MFCA Jubilee Diploma is created to commemorate the founding of the MFCA on April 8, 1997, 25 years ago. It shows His Majesty's ship BUDAPEST during a cruise on the former Austrian Adriatic coast. The first successful radio contacts with SMS LUSSIN off Pola (today Pula) took place on December 21, 1898 on SMS BUDAPEST, one of the first naval radio connections worldwide. SMS BUDAPEST and the former Bundesheer patrol boat NIEDERÖSTERREICH on the Danube are the traditional radio ships of the MFCA.

Conditions of participation:

All amateur radio stations and SWLs are eligible to participate. The goal is QSO's with as many naval stations as possible. A QSO with **OE25MFCA (CA500)** is mandatory. Connections are valid from April 1 to April 30, 2022. Each station may only be logged once, regardless of the band and operating mode. SWLs only log a connection once, not in reverse order.

MFCA activity frequencies (+/- QRM):

CW	3.565	7.025	14.052
SSB	3.700	7.060	14.335

Every 1st Friday of the month the MFCA broadcast takes place immediately after the AMRS broadcast starting at 09:30 LT on 3,700kHz. The broadcast is then confirmed by the participants in SSB and/or CW. From about 10:00 LT QSY on 7,060 and after a few minutes QSY on 7,025kHz to also welcome our MF&CA friends in the neighboring countries. On this occasion, OE25MFCA would be additional to work on April 1st and the anniversary broadcast on April 8th.

Report information:

MFCA members give RST+Club+Membership Number (e.g. 599 CA58), other Naval members give RST+Club+Membership Number (e.g. 599 MF799) as Naval Identification Marks.

OM Werner, OE6NFK, CA058 will be on air for a month with the special call OE25MFCA in CW and in SSB especially on 80m and 40m daily in the late afternoon to lay the foundation for the diploma.

Anniversary bulletin:

On MFCA Founding Day, April 8th, OE25MFCA will be active all day on all bands.

When: April 8, 2022 from 09:30 - 14:00 LT, then also on the higher bands

Op: Werner, OE6NFK, CA058 and Nik, OE8NIK, CA003 as a founding member

QRG: 3,700 and 7,060kHz (+/-) in SSB and on 7,020kHz (+/-) in CW

QTH: near LEOBEN

At least 50 points are required for the diploma:

OE25MFCA count 15 points

MFCA stations count 5 points

Naval Stations, MF, GR, RN, PN, MI, IN, MA, FN, YO count 2 points

The special station OE25MFCA must appear in the log.

The diploma application is to be sent to the MFCA Award Manager by email without QSL cards, but with a clear log extract and a plausible statement:

DI Helmut Klein, OE1TKW
Nauseagasse 24/26
A-1160 Vienna
Email: helmut.klein@chello.at

The closing date for entries is May 15, 2022.

We ask for active participation in order to be able to celebrate the 25th MFCA anniversary at the QRGs! Diplomas will be emailed to applicants in PDF/JPEG via email. All award holders are listed on the MFCA website under 25 Year MFCA Anniversary Award. This is not a contest but an anniversary radio to commemorate 25 years of MFCA! There is also no ranking!

Further information and current radio times at QRZ.COM: OE25MFCA (see also the current online log entry).