



SVARA Harmonic

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- **SVARA Meeting Presentations**

We are always looking for ideas for meeting presentations. If you have an idea for a presentation or would like to do a presentation after one of our meetings, please contact Mike KD8MMH or any of the board members with your idea.

- **SVARA MONDAY NIGHT 2 METER NET**

Every Monday at 9:00 PM local time, on the Saginaw repeater – K8DAC 147.24, with a 103.5 PL tone or via EchoLink at K8DAC-R. All are welcome and encouraged to join in.

Club Meeting Time and Place:

Due to current circumstances club meetings will be held on FreeConferanceCall.com or at Harry Brown Airport. The club will meet at 7 PM. Changes are posted to the club website.

Club Meeting Dates:

All dates are Fridays: January 7, February 4, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 3, August 5, September 2, October 7, November 4, December 2

Club Breakfast Dates (Check club website for location):

The club breakfast is **on hold** until further notice.

All dates are Saturdays. January 8, February 5, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, August 6, September 3, October 8, November 5, December 3

Board Meeting Dates (at Biggby Coffee, 3085 Bay Rd.):

Board meetings will be held at Bigby Coffee on Bay Rd. Changes are posted on the club website. All dates are Wednesdays. January 19, February 16, March 16, April 13, May 15, June 17, July N/A, August 17, September 14, October 19, November 16, December 14.

ARES Members:

Ares members please visit the Ares website http://ares.saginawradio.com/scares_training.htm for training schedule information. Ares training are held the fourth Thursday of the month.

Weekly Nets, Please join us. All licensed operators are welcome.

District 3 Net 145.310 Sunday 6:30 PM	SVARA (Saginaw) 147.240 Monday 9:00 PM	MARC (Midland) 147.000 Thursday 7:30 PM
D3 Digital Training Net (Olivia 8/500) Seasonal 3.586 MHz USB Sunday 8:00 PM	BAARC (Bay City) 145.360 Wednesday 7:00 PM	MI Digital Traffic Net (Olivia 8/500) 3.583 MHz USB Tues, Thurs, Sat 8:00 PM

SVARA Club meeting minutes January 7, 2022

Attendance

Mike KD8MMH
Ron KC8YVF
Gordy KC8YVD
Dave W8DW *online*
Rick KC8VOA
Fred KE8QCO
Dave, N8ERL
Tom N8EUI

Mike KD8MMH called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

Introductions

Mike reported on the passing of Fred Klienfeld K8EMQ on December 27

Mike ask for a motion for the Secretary report, motion by Gordy KC8YVD, seconded by Mike N8XPS

Swapmeets – Minnie not present

Contest report from Dave W8DW

January board meeting, Mike KD8MMH reported that Bigby is now open in the side room for meetings. Mike asked for vote for location of Bigby or at the airport for the meeting. Bigby will be the location for the January meeting at 7 pm.
Ron will update the website for the location.

-Upcoming events

Winter Field Day, Ron reported on field day, January 29-30

- ARES Reports

Ron, KC8YVF talked about
Next training will be January 27 – ICS-100 review
May MBS exercise 12
Midland MS Walk April 30
Frankenmuth MS Walk May 7

Mike KD8MMH asked about the club auction, should we keep it in February at the club meeting or move it to a later date, the board will discuss the date for the auction.

Presentation by Ron KC8YVF on Evacuation Go Kits

Gordy KD8YVD motion to adjourn, second Mike KD8MMH, meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm

Board meeting minutes from January 19, 2022

In attendance:

Mike KD8MMH

Dave W8DW

Mary WB8LZA

Rick KC8VOA

Tom N8EUI

Renee' Virtual KE8MYJ

Meeting called to order at 7:09pm

First order of business was to elect Board Chairman. Renee' made a motion for Mike KD8MMH for board chairman, Rick KC8VOA seconded the motion all in favor, Mike accepted nomination. No other nominations and Mike was elected as board chairman for one more year.

Next order of business was to select the repeater committee. The following were selected for one more year for repeater committee:

Ron KC8YVF

Jeff KB8SWR

Rick KC8VOA

Brian K8HY

Dave W8DW

Dave W8DW brought up the question of an inventory of club equipment and where all the equipment is located. Our past secretary Mike K8AVJ had at one time gathered all of that information. Mike KD8MMH said he will try to get a hold of either Mike K8AVJ or his wife and former treasurer Anne KB8AWE and see if he still has all that information.

Dave informed everyone of the sale of equipment from Lou Vescio W8LPV. And the donated power supply from Lou (A 35 Amp power supply) donated for use in the club trailer. Also we can now open up the sale to the Midland & Bay City club also.

Dave W8DW brought up new business of proposing new lower membership dues for the club seeing as though at this time the club is set fairly good financially. He proposed a new dues fee structure of \$12.00 annual dues for all member, Hoping this will attract new members. Rick KC8VOA questioned that funds are still needed for such things as club trailer maintenance and insurance. Renee' proposed that we could do a special membership pricing and membership drive during our summer field day. Tom N8EUI discussed how we could generate more interest in joining the club for younger members or possibly students or scouts. Dave made a motion to lower the dues to \$12.00 for all members for a two year trial period. Mary WB8LZA seconded the motion, all in favor, motion passed. Dues will now be \$12.00 per year for all members. Renee' made a motion that all new licensees in the Saginaw Valley Region (Counties of Saginaw, Bay, Midland and Tuscola) receive a one year Honorary membership. Honorary membership does not include voting rights. Motion was seconded by Rick KC8VOA, all in favor and motion passed.

Future board meeting schedule was discussed. Rick KC8VOA noted that Wednesdays were not good for Ron KC8YVF, and discussed possible other days to meet. It was decided that future board meetings will meet on an as needed basis, subject to days that are convenient for all board members. No future board meetings

have been set at this time.

Discussed adding Tom N8EUI to the accounts at the bank seeing as though he is our new treasurer. Mike KD8MMH will meet up with Tom at PNC Bank in the very near future to have him added to our account.

Discussion about our upcoming club auction and dates was had and will be brought up at our next club meeting.

Tom N8EUI will look into Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts for their club activities and possible interest in ham radio.

Dave W8DW made a motion to adjourn and Rick KC8VOA seconded the motion, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:51pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Huss KC8YVF
Secretary

2022 SVARA Officers

President	Mike Doherty KD8MMH	Board Member	Rick Schattilly
Vice-President	Brian Kleinfeld K8HY	KC8VOA	
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