



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:

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

Club Meeting Dates:

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

Club Breakfast Dates (Check club website for updates):

The club breakfast will be held at Sullivan’s restaurant on Gratiot Rd at 8:30 am.

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

Board Meeting Dates (at Bigby 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 18, February 15, March 15, April 19, May 17, June 14, July N/A, August 16, September 13, October 18, November 15, December 13.

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

TCARA (Tuscola)

146.66 MHz
Monday 7:30 PM

BAARC (Bay City)

145.360 MHz
Wednesday 8:00 PM

MI Digital Traffic Net

3.583 MHz USB (Olivia 8/500)
Tues, Thurs, Sat 8:00 PM

SVARA Meeting 6/2/2023

The meeting called to order by Mike KD8MMH at 7:02 pm who lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Mike Dougherty KD8MMH
Minnie Passmore KD8PAZ
Mike Linton N8XPS
Mary Paquette WB8LZA
Dave Paquette W8DW
Ron Huss KC8YVF
Gordy Schram KC8YVD
Tom Schmidt N8EUI
Fred Bolger KE8QCO
Lee-Perry Belleau
Rick Schattally KC8VOA
Randal Mey KE8AHW
Renee Paquette KE8MYJ
Dan Guiette KC8ZMM
Dave Schneider N8ERL

Introductions

Mike asked for a motion to accept the Secretary report for May, Gordy KC8YVD motion to accept, second by Dave W8DW, motion carried by all.

Treasury report for February – Tom N8EUI reported on financial state of the club, motion to accept by Rick KC8VOA, seconded by Gordy KC8YVD. Motion carried by all.

Tom reported the 990W Federal Tax Exempt form has been filed.

Swap Meet Report

Minnie KD8PAZ reported on upcoming swap meets in Hudsonville, Newberry and Midland

Contest Report

Dave W8DW reported on the State QSO Party

Announcements

There will be no club breakfast for June

There will be no Board meeting in June

2023 Dues are due, if you have not paid your dues for this year, check the K8DAC website for information on how to pay.

There will be no club meeting in July

Old business

Dave N8ERL reported on the use of the conference room at the airport. He stated that we have been grandfathered in and will not have to pay for the use of the conference room.

New business

Where is the clubs generator? Mike N8XPS will follow up. He knows where it is and who has it.

Dave, N8ERL made a motion to donate \$45 to Scott N3FJP to support the development of his contest software. His software is used by the club for Summer and Winter Field Day.

Rick KC8VOA wants to get an online meeting to discuss the club trailer. There are maintenance issues that need to be address like new tires, possible roof repair and interior work.

Mike KD8MMH asked if the club wanted a table for the Midland swap. The club voted to not get a table.

Mike KD8MMH reported on the Midland club

- Mike reported on the Midland repeater. New Cans have been swaped for the old, will see it that helps.
- Midland 911 repeater has dead spots and has requested help from the ham radio group to assist with the testing.

John PGW did a report on CW.

Field Day – Dave W8DW, Mike KD8MMH and Ron KC8YVF talked about the 2023 Field Day. Tom has a press release to send out.

Mike KD8MMH asked about getting \$400 petty cash to pay for food and other supplies for Field Day. Ron KC8YVF made a motion which was seconded by Rick KC8VOA for Mike to withdraw \$400 for this use. Left over funds will be used for the August Ice Cream Social.

ARES Report

Ron KC8YVF reported on ARES events

- There will be a State AUXCOMM emergency exercise tomorrow on Saturday June 3, Fred KE8QCO, Tom N8EUI and Ron KC8YVF will be participating
- June will be a fox hunt
- Aug 1 is the Saginaw Township National Night Out event
- There is no July ARES meeting

Mike KD8MMH asked for motion to adjourn at 8:20, motion by Gordy KC8YVD, seconded by Dave W8DW, motion carried by all.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Huss KC8YVF
Secretary

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