



SVARA Harmonic

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March 2021

- **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. 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 8, February 5, March 5, April 2, May 7, June 4, August 6, September 3, October 1, November 5, December 3

Club Breakfast Dates (Check club website for location):

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

All dates are Saturdays. January 9, February 6, March 6, April 3, May 8, June 5, August 7, September 4, October 2, November 6, December 4

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

Board meetings are being held on FreeConferenceCall.com until further notice. Changes are posted on the club website. All dates are Wednesdays. March 17, April 14, May 19, June 16, July N/A, August 18, September 15, October 13, November 17, December 15

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 last 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 9:00 PM
D3 Digital Training Net (Olivia 8/500) Seasonal 3.586 MHz USB Sunday 8:00 PM	BAARC (Bay City) 145.310 Tuesday 9:00 PM	MI Digital Traffic Net (Olivia 8/500) 3.583 MHz USB Tues, Thurs, Sat 8:00 PM

Saginaw Valley ARA meeting minutes for March 4, 2021

Attendance: KD8MMH, W8DW, N8ERL, N8EUI, KE8MYJ, KD8PAZ, KC8YVD, KC8YVF, KC8VOA

Meeting started at 7:05 pm

March meeting club dues are due, send check to Mike N8XPS.

Regular dues are 24 dollars, senior, student 12 dollars.

Mike KD8MMH asked Mike N8XPS to send list of people who paid dues sent to Ron KC8YVF to post on website.

Mike KD8MH attended the Midland club meeting, talked about the club equipment sale, sale will continue.

No Midland swap meet in June.

Mike KD8MMH asked if we should continue a virtual meeting for the April meeting or in person. Dave W8DW suggested we continue for another month virtual.

Renee KE8MYJ asked about a verbal bid from Rob KD8SDL from Bay City for the heath kit power supply of \$25, board agreed on the sale price.

Field day was discussed, Mike KD8MMH suggested another at home event, Ron KC8YVF suggested an in-person event at the park as normal. Social distant guideline can be met at the part location, no communal dining. Will determine at a later date.

Cadillac swap has been moved to September, it will depend on if the school being open.

Midland VE sessions are still in operation; people are driving from other locations for testing and are only taking 7 people and 3 VE's.

Dave W8DW discussed the Michigan QSO party on April 17.

ARRL International DX contest tomorrow Saturday March 6.

Special event for Last Man Standing , Ron KC8YVF talked about the event on March 23 to 29. Any and all modes would be used including D-star, Echolink, SSB, CW and digital.

EC report – Ron KC8YVF talked about the SCEPC meeting and donations by MMR and Covenant hospital for computers and TNC's.

There is a March 16-18 state exercise and a Red Cross exercise on May 8.

Tom N8EUI talked about the 2 ten foot poles he has and whether they were part of the antenna equipment sale. Ron suggested use of 1 mast for use at 911 for the HF antenna to replace the thin wall 4 foot masts currently in use.

New Business

Rick KC8VOA sent email to mike KD8MMH on suggestions for club presentations. Mike will look into it

Mike KD8MMH was added to the bank account to be able to make deposits

Mike will collect money from equipment sale next week.

Skywarn virtual training will take place over the next couple of month, anyone that did not take a class last year will need to take one of the trainings to stay current.

Daylight savings time next Sunday March 14.

Minnie talked about her brother is in the hospital with lung issues, requesting prayers.

AEC meeting Wednesday March 10 at 7 pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Huss KC8YVF
Secretary

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Board Member
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