



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

TCARA (Tuscola)
146.66 MHz
Monday 7:30
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 Meeting 3/3/2022

The meeting called to order by Mike KD8MMH at 7:05 pm who lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Ron KC8YVF
Mike KD8MMH
Gordy KC8YVD
Minnie KD8PAZ
Fred KE8QCO
Chris KB8UIH *online*
Tom N8EUI Tom
Rick KC8VOA *online*
Dave W8DW
Mary WB8LZA
Jeff KB8SWR *online*
Dave N8ERL
Renee KE8MYJ *online*

Introductions

Gordy KC8YVD made a motion to accept the February secretary report, seconded by Mary WB8LZA, Jeff KB8SWR apposed, motion passed.

Treasury report, by Tom N8EUI. Minnie KD8PAZ made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Gordy KC8YVD, apposed Jeff KB8SWR, motion passed.

Old business

Mike KD8MMH reported that the club breakfast will start again at 8:30 am at Daniel's Grill on Michigan on Saturday March 5

Board meetings – no meeting scheduled for March

Contest report – by Dave W8DW: ARRL International DX, State QSO parties this weekend

Club Auction April 23 – Mike KD8MMH will contact AI at the airport to make sure we are ok to for use of the conference room.

New business

Dave W8DW has a list of items for sale from Lou Vescio W8LPV. Items will be sold to club members with any remaining items going to the club as a donation for the club auction.

Mike KD8MMH asked if there were any updates on the clubs' repeaters and equipment. No new information at this time reported by Ron KC8YVF or Jeff KB8SWR, systems working properly.

Skywarn sign-up is up on the K8DAC and ARES websites. The county is offering their own training; others are listed on the NWS website.

Tom N8EUI on 501c3 status, Tom N8EUI talked about updating our status with the IRS. Documentation was not submitted for 2020 or 2021. Tom will complete the necessary forms and update the information with the

IRS.

Mike KD8MMH gave an update on the Midland Club activities:

- March 12 is a VE session
- Updating the 911 radio room
- Moving the Midland repeater to a new location on M20
- Current antenna is at 100 feet, the new locations will be at 120 feet but location the site is 40 feet below current antenna ground level.
- Field day on their own this year, wanted to know if we are doing one, we will discuss
- Dow run, will be on June 4, not sure if radio is going to participate, need someone to chair the event for ham radio
- Cadillac swap is May 7, same day as Frankenmuth MS Walk
- Chris KB8UIH reported on the Midland MS Walk, contact Chris at kb8uih88@charter.net if you can help.

ARES Report

Ron KC8YVF reported on ARES activity

- Tabletop exercise March 10 at the Kochville Veterans hall at 1300 hours
- Covenant Harrison packet station installation postponed
- Skywarn training Monday March 28, register online from ARES or K8DAC website links
- May exercise will include the airport, 911 and a portable location, no hospitals or transportation will be necessary. Will include Bay and Midland County operators.

Other

Echolink presentation by Ron KC8YVF.

Motion to adjourn the 8:58, meeting by Gordy KC8YVD, seconded by Mike KD8MMH, all in favor

No board meeting scheduled for March

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Huss KC8YVF
Secretary

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