



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 FreeConferenceCall.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 3/3/2023

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

Attendance

Mike Dougherty KD8MMH
Fred Bolger KE8QCO
Brian Kleinfled K8HY
Randal May KE8AHW
two other attendees
Renee Paquette KE8MYJ- Online
Tom Schmidt N8EUI - Online
Ron Huss KC8YVF - Online
Rick Schattilly KC8VOA Online
Dan KC8ZMM - Online
Dave Paquette W8DW – Online
Mary Paquette WB8LZA – Online
Jenny Rogers (guest – jennyrogers@redwagonartists.com)
Lee Perry Belleau (guest – Lpbelleau@gmail.com)

Introductions

Mike asked for a motion to accept the Secretary report for February, Dave W8DW motion to accept, second by Fred KE8QCO, motion carried by all.

Treasury report for February – Tom N8EUI reported on financial state of the club. A motion to accept by Mike KD8MMH, seconded by Randy KE8AHW, motion carried by all. Club dues are due.

Tom N8EUI reported that club insurance is due May 8, same cost as last year. \$411.07. Tom will send in a check.

Announcements

Next club breakfast will be on Saturday at Sullivan's on Gratiot at 8:30 am
There will be no Board meeting in March

Swap Meet Report

Dave W8DW, nothing to report

Contest Report

Dave W8DW gave a report on upcoming contests, International DX and QSO parties. Michigan QSO party in April.

Old Business

Mike talked about the YMCA for the Kids Program, Jeff KC6CJY had talked to the YMCA. There is no Kids day but there is a STEM program day on June 15 and 16 we could participate in. Discussion was for just Friday the 16 (4-8 pm). The club will talk about it more at the April meeting.

New business

Mike reported on the Midland Club

- Midland county search and rescue Kevin Barnum KB8CWQ reported on an exercise May 6 (same day as the Cadillac Swap)

- *Kawkawlin* flood plane in northern Midland County will have a search and rescue exercise, will have other groups, rescue dogs, fire departments. Looking for ham volunteers

Mike KD8MMH reported on an email from Kenneth Meijer on the Michigan QSO party. Club was asked to sponsor a Michigan plaque. Club members decided we will sponsor the Michigan QSO plaque for \$70. Approved by the active members present.

Dave W8DW will be at the April meeting and will talk about the Michigan QSO party.

ARES Report

Ron KC8YVF reported on ARES events

- ARES training in March will be on our Skywarn nets, do's and don'ts

- Skywarn Training for 2023 - NWS Skywarn training in person and online available, check the Detroit weather service web page at www.weather.gov/dtx

- AUXCOM cards are in progress with the county. ARES members should complete the application form, background check form and ICS classes 100, 200, 700 and 800 as soon as possible.

Mike KD8MMH asked for motion to adjourn at 7:55 pm, motion by Rick KC8VOA, seconded by Tom N8EUI, motion carried by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Ron Huss KC8YVF

Secretary

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