

# SVARA Harmonic

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**For ARES Members:** Next training is on June 26 at 7pm at the Harry Brown Airport.  
(Please refer to the ARES website for contact and more information)

- **SVARA Meeting Presentations**

We are still 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.

## **New Meeting Time**

**Please note that the time of the regular SVARA club meetings has changed. The meetings will still be at the Red Cross on Michigan south of Covenant Hospital in Saginaw the first Friday of the month but the starting time will be 7:00 PM. We hope this new time fits into your schedule and that you can attend.**

**Club Meeting Dates** (at Red Cross):

All dates are Fridays: June 6, August 1, September 5, October 3, November 7, and December 5

**Club Breakfast Dates** (at State Street Texan):

All dates are Saturdays: June 7, July 5, August 2, September 6, October 4, November 8, and December 6

**Board Meeting Dates** (at State Street Texan):

All dates are Wednesdays: June 18, July 16, August 13, September 17, October 15, November 19, and December 17

General Meeting Minutes  
American Red Cross Building  
May 2, 2014

Mike KD8MMH called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with 22 members and guests present. Mike KD8MMH then led us in the pledge of allegiance and introductions.

John KC8WZM made a motion and Duane KD8AUY seconded to accept the minutes as published within the current Harmonic newsletter. Motion Passed.

The Treasure's Report was presented by Duane KD8AUY, Emmet NE8D made a motion and Ron KC8YVF seconded to accept the report. Motion passed.

Minnie KD8PAZ updated the club on the upcoming swaps.

## Remember the new meeting time of 7:00 PM

*There will be no regular club meeting for the month of July*

Mike KD8MMH reported on upcoming events.

Mike had the drawing for the weather radio that was given away at the Preparedness Expo and the winner was Tom Tiethoff.

Ron KC8YVF updated us on the Harry Browne airport event.

Mike N8XPS updated us on the progress of the Technician Class training being held at the Red Cross on Wednesdays.

Emmet NE8B announced that the Frankenmuth MS walk will be on May 10, 2014 starting at 8:00 AM at the Kern Pavilion.

Dave W8DW updated us on the Drake 2-b receiver, the Echolink project, and Field Day.

There will be a Field Day presentation at the June Meeting and also a demonstration of a Flex radio system.

Ron KC8YVF talked about public service hours. Please remember to report your public service hours monthly. If you have any questions about how and what to report contact Ron.

The upcoming Care Break was talked about along with the Labor Day Care Break.

The 50/50 was won by George N8NPW.

John KC8WZM made a motion that was seconded by Jeff KC8BDQ to close the meeting. Motion was passed.

Meeting closed 8:12PM.

Respectfully Submitted  
Mary Paquette, WB8LZA  
Secretary

Board Meeting Minutes  
State Street Texan Restaurant  
May 14, 2014

Duane KD8AUY called the meeting to order at 7:34 with Dave W8DW, Mary WB8LZA, Mike KD8MMH, Tom N8EUI and Mike N8XPS, present.

Mike N8XPS made and Mike KD8MMH seconded the motion to accept the minutes as published within the Harmonic newsletter. Motion passed

Treasures Report: The Treasurer's Report was presented by Duane KC8AUY.

President's Report: Mike KD8MMH updated us on the MS Walk. Mike talked about the power problems they experienced in the club trailer during the Expo. Mike made a motion that we purchase MFJ rig runners for the trailer Dave W8DW seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

Vice President's Report: Mike N8XPS said that he still has two Technician Class Manuals available for purchase.

Secretary Report: Mary WB8LZA discussed procuring supplies for the Car Break.

Chairman's Report: Duane KD8AUY asked about the progress on the Echolink project.

Comments: None

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Duane KD8AUY made and Mike KD8MMH seconded a motion to adjourn at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted  
Mary Paquette, WB8LZA  
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SVARA Members sponsor the 147.240+ PL 103.5 & 224.28 Open Repeaters K8DAC/R and Emergency HF stations at the American Red Cross and auxiliary field operations.

General Membership meeting is held monthly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday, at 8:00 p.m. at the American Red Cross, 1232 N. Michigan.

Board of Directors meeting - monthly on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday following the general membership meeting, 8:00 p.m. at the Texan Restaurant, 5656 State St.

Club Breakfast – monthly on Saturday morning after the meeting, 8:30 a.m. at the Texan Restaurant, 5656 State St.

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