



# 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 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](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.**

<b>District 3 Net</b> 145.310 Sunday 6:30 PM	<b>SVARA (Saginaw)</b> 147.240 Monday 9:00 PM	<b>MARC (Midland)</b> 147.000 Thursday 7:30 PM
<del><b>D3 Digital Training Net</b> (Olivia 8/500) Seasonal 3.586 MHz USB Sunday 8:00 PM</del>	<b>BAARC (Bay City)</b> 145.310 Tuesday 9:00 PM	<b>MI Digital Traffic Net</b> (Olivia 8/500) 3.583 MHz USB Tues, Thurs, Sat 8:00 PM

## SVARA meeting August 6, 2021

### Attendance

Mike KD8MMH  
Minnie KD8PAZ  
Dave W8DW  
Ron KC8YVF  
Tom N8EUI  
Dave N8ERL  
Gordy KC8YVD  
John KC8WZM  
Renee KE8MYJ  
John N8DXR  
Garrett - guest  
Gale KE8SLP

Meeting called to order 1907

Introductions

Mike KD8MMH motion to accept secretary report – Gordy KC8YVD, Tom N8EUI second, carried by all

Mike KD8MMH reported:

- Check for \$1340.00 given to Ron for purchase of new 220 repeater from Bridgecom Systems
- Account balance – \$15,306.72
- One new member paid – Howard Hannon
- Bay City parking lot swap August 14

Midland club meeting notes:

- Jack Robinson EC is resigning at the end of the year, looking for replacement
- Midland VE session August 14, contact Lee Hodges for more information
- Max SEC reported the fall exercise will be on some form of traffic handling
- Midland repeater issues, sound bad
- Aug 28 dirty dog race at 8 am at City Forest
- Sept 18 Dow run walk

National Night Out report by Ron KC8YVF, good turnout of public and vendors. Thanks to those operators that participated.

Dave W8DW – Contests

- QSO party for Hawaii
- Cadillac swap September 18

Ron KC8YVF reported on list of new microwave equipment for covenant and county trailer sent to Mark the county emergency manager. Looking for funds for the purchase.

Mike KD8MMH asked if anyone needs a name badge, he will pick up while on vacation

Jeff KB8SWR suggested there may be a location in Bay county to add a 147.24 receive site, would expand footprint for Bay operators.

Issues exists with the Saginaw Winlink site at Covenant Harrison, needs to be upgraded to increase footprint.

No board meeting at this time, on demand only.

Meeting adjourn at 2129, motion by Gordy KC8YVD, Dave N8ERL second, carried by all

Respectfully submitted,  
Ron Huss KC8YVF  
~~Secretary~~

## 2021 SVARA Officers

**President** Mike Doherty KD8MMH  
**Vice-President** Brian Kleinfeld K8HY  
**Secretary** Open appointment  
**Treasurer** Mike Linton N8XPS

**Board Member**  
Term expires 2020

Tom Schmidt N8EUI

**Board Member**  
Term expires 2021

Mary Paquette WB8LZA

**Board Member**  
Term expires 2022

Renee' Paquette KE8MYJ

## 2021 SVARA Appointments

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### Repeater Committee

Dave Paquette, W8DW (Trustee)  
Ron Huss, KC8YVF  
Brian Kleinfeld, K8HY  
Rick Schattilly, KC8VOA  
Jeff Metiva, KB8SWR

### SVARA Elmers

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