



# 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](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 2/4/22**

### **Attendance**

Mike KD8MMH  
Ron KC8YVF  
Gordy KC8YVD  
Dave W8DW *online*  
Rick KC8VOA  
Fred KE8QCO  
Tom N8EUI  
Renee KE8MYJ *online*  
John N8DXR  
Thomas - *guest*

Mike KD8MMH called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

### Introductions

Gordy KC8YVD motion to accept the January minutes, John N8DX second, accepted by all.

Add TCARA net to the website newsletter on 146.66 Monday 7:30 pm (Tuscola county amateur radio association)

Treasury report by Tom N8EUI.

Dues are now lowered to \$12 for all for 2 year period and are due by the March meeting.

Gordy KC8YVD motion to accept the treasury report, Rick KC8VOA second, accepted by all.

Donation of power supply from Lou Vescio W8LPV for use in the club trailer, need tag to place on the supply for donation.

Sway meets report by Mike KD8MMH, Livonia

Dave W8DW contest report, a lot of state QSO party, RITTY contest, CQWW RITTY, PSK, check the club website for complete list.

VE test on March 12 in Midland, contact Dennis Clippa, N8ERF

### Other events:

March 28 - Skywarn training  
April 30 - Midland MS Walk  
May 7 - Frankenmuth MS Walk

Live Auction – Saturday April 23, 9 am at Airport, Ron KC8YVF motion, John N8DXR second, ham and related items.

Midland repeater – A club member is donating space on tower at M20 and 5 mile for repeater move.

Loren Curtis KF8F, is now the EC for Bay County

**Old business -**

Winter Field Day, Ron reported on field day, January 29-30

**- ARES Reports**

Ron, KC8YVF talked about:

New 911 executive director – Dan Weaver, Randy Phaf left the county. Dan will stay in place until a new director is found.

Install new computer and TNC at Covenant Harrison on Saturday.

April 30, state Winlink exercise

**New Business -**

Mike KD8MMH stated club dues are due at the March club meeting.

Club trainer needs to have an assessment of its condition, install new power supply.

Cadillac swap moved to a new school (Mackinaw Trail Middle School) located south of downtown Cadillac on May 7. Check <https://www.wexaukeearc.org/> for more information.

Need to get list of club equipment, contact Mike K8AVJ about secretary documents.

Tom N8EUI stated the post office box payment is due. Non-profit form from the IRS needs to be renewed. We are on our grace period for renewal.

Motion from Mike KD8MMH, second Rick KC8VOA to have Tom N8EUI set up online access to the banking account, accepted by all.

Board will meet on an on-need basis.

Tabled discussion on resuming club breakfast to the March meeting.

Gordy KD8YVD made a motion to adjourn, second John N8DXR, meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm

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There was no SVARA board meeting for February

Respectfully submitted,  
Ron Huss KC8YVF  
Secretary

**2022 SVARA Officers**

<b>President</b>	Mike Doherty KD8MMH	<b>Treasurer</b>	Tom Schmidt
<b>Vice-President</b>	Brian Kleinfeld K8HY		N8EUI
<b>Secretary</b>	Ron Huss, KC8YVF		

## 2022 SVARA Appointments

### Newsletter Editor

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### Board Member

KC8VOA

### Board Member

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### Board Member

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### Repeater Committee

Dave Paquette, W8DW (Trustee)

Ron Huss, KC8YVF

Brian Kleinfeld, K8HY

Rick Schattilly, KC8VOA

Jeff Metiva, KB8SWR

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