



SVARA Harmonic

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November 2024

- **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 FreeConferanceCall.com. The club will meet at 7 PM. Changes are posted to the club website.

Club Meeting Dates:

All dates are Fridays: January 5, February 2, March 1, April 5, May 3, June 7, August 2, September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6, 2024.

Club Breakfast Dates (Check club website for updates):

The club breakfast will be held at Levi’s Food & Spirits restaurant on 5800 Brockway Rd at 9:00 am. All dates are Saturdays. January 6, February 3, March 2, April 6, May 4, June 8, August 3, September 7, October 5, November 2, December 7, 2024.

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 17, February 14, March 13, April 17, May 15, June 19, July N/A, August 14, September 18, October 16, November 13, December 18, 2024.

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.

Mid-Michigan Net
147.240
Sunday 7:00 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
Tuesday 8:00 PM

MI Digital Traffic Net
3.583 MHz USB (Olivia 8/500)
Tues, Thurs, Sat 8:00 PM

SVARA Meeting 11/1/2024

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

Attendance

Mike Dougherty KD8MMH
Ron Huss KC8YVF
Dave Paquette W8DW – online
Mary Paquette WB8LZA – online
Gordy Schram KC8YVD
Tom Schmidt N8EUI
Randy Mey KE8AHW
Rick Schattally KC8VOA
Brian Kleinfeld K8HY
Dennis O'Connor W8DO
Charlotte O'Connor WD8RIM
Jeff Metiva KB8SWR
Matt Hodges - guest

Introductions

Mike KD8MMH asked for a motion to accept the Secretary report for October, Gordy KC8YVD made a motion to accept, seconded by Rick KC8VOA. Motion carried by all.

Treasury report for October – Tom N8EUI reported on financial state of the club, motion to accept by Doc W8DO, seconded by Rick KC8VOA. Motion carried by all.

Swap Meet Report

Minnie KD8PAZ was not present. Mike KD8MMH reported swaps in Troy and Northville

Contest Report

Dave W8DW reported on up-coming contests – November Sweep CW/SSB, ARRL CQWW, State QSO Parties.

Announcements

Club breakfast Saturday 11/2 at 9:00 am at Levis' on State St (*Sullivan's no longer open for breakfast*)
There will be no board meeting for November.

Old business:

Mike KD8MMH played a video on the ham radio response to the flood/Hurricane in the south.

Mike KC8MMH talked about the election nominations coming up in November. If you would like to hold a club position, and cannot make the meeting, contact Mike to have your name added to the list.

New business:

Holiday in the Heart of the City is on November 22. Setup at 4:30, begins at 5 pm. There will be a dinner after at Texas Roadhouse.

Mike KD8MMH ask for funds for the Monique Inn for Jim's stay, Gordy KC8YVD made a motion for up to \$500 to cover expenses. This would cover the hotel, dinner on Friday night and gas. Motion was seconded by Brian K8HY and carried by all.

Charlotte WD8RIM suggested to try and get sponsors for next year's event to cover Jim's expenses.

December's meeting will begin one hour early at 6 pm for the pot luck dinner. The business meeting will begin about 7 pm. Members are asked to bring a dish to pass.

ARES Report

Ron KC8YVF reported on ARES events

- Next ARES meeting will be November 21 – at the airport at 7pm. This will be on Meshtastic.
- 911 needs work to update radios, computers and cable management.

Presentation

Randal Mey KE8AHW did a presentation on the Psychologically Preparing for Emergency Communications Deployment.

SVARA Nominations for 2025 Officials and Board

President – Mike Dougherty KD8MMH

Vice President – Brian Kleinfeld K8HY

Secretary – Ron Huss KC8YVF

Treasure – Tom Schmidt N8EUI

Open 3-year Board seat – Renee KE8MYJ term ends December 31

Mike KD8MMH asked for motion to adjourn at 8:47 pm, motion by Gordy KC8YVD, seconded by Mike KD8MMH. Motion carried by all.

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Huss, KC8YVF
Secretary

2024 SVARA Officers

President – Mike Dougherty KD8MMH
Vice-President – Brian Kleinfeld K8HY
Secretary – Ron Huss, KC8YVF
Treasurer – Tom Schmidt N8EUI

Board Member – Rick Schattilly KC8VOA
Board Member – Mary Paquette WB8LZA
Board Member – Renee' Paquette KE8MYJ

2024 SVARA Appointments

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Ron Huss, KC8YVF
Brian Kleinfeld, K8HY
Rick Schattilly, KC8VOA
Jeff Metiva, KB8SWR
Tom Schmidt, N8EUI
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CW (Morse Code)
Contesting
Digital Modes
Winlink
APRS/WX

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