



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 FreeConferenceCall.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 updates):

The club breakfast will be held at Sullivan’s restaurant on Gratiot Rd at 8:30 am.

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 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 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 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 12/2/2022

The meeting called to order by Mike KD8MMH at 7:27 pm who lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Mike Dougherty KD8MMH
Dave Schneider N8ERL
Jeff Burghgraef KC6CJY
Dan Gurett KC8ZMM
Gordy Schram KC8YVD
Thomas Jensen
Max Schneider KE8DON
Rick Schattilly KC8VOA
Mary Paquette WB8LZA
Dave Paquette W8DW
Ben Brownlee KE8MWN
Brian Kleinfled K8HY
Jeff Metiva KB8SWR
Ron Huss KC8YVF
Fred Bolger KE8QCO
Tom Schmidt, N8EUI

Introductions

Mike asked for a motion to accept the Secretary report for November, Gordy KC8YVD motion to accept, second by Dave W8DW, motion carried by all.

Treasury report for November – Tom N8EUI reported on financial state of the club, motion to accept by Rick KC8VOA, seconded by Mary WB8LZA, motion carried by all except Jeff KB8SWR.

Announcements

Mike KD8MMH reported on Christmas at the Zoo. The club paid for two night's stay at the Montague Inn, \$200 in gas cards and dinner at Jake's for Jim Wade. Mike thanked everyone that participated. There was an issue at Jake's this year so we will look at another place for dinner for next year's event. We had 177 Santa Grams send this year.

Mike KD8MMH reported that Rob KC8IJN stated that we will need new tires on the club trailer next year, the tire are very weather checked. The club will reimburse Rob \$20 for gas for transporting the trailer to the zoo.

Jeff Burghgraef KC6CJY applied for membership in the SVARA club, a motion was accepted by Mike KD8MMH, seconded by Gordy KC8YVD. Accepted by all. Jeff paid dues that will carry through 2023.

Swap Meet Report

Minnie KD8PAZ was not present

Contest Report

Dave W8DW gave the Contest Report

Tom N8EUI stated there will be an FT8 Contest on 12/3

Ron KC8YVF reported on the NWS Skywarn Recognition Day contest from 7 pm on Friday 12/2 to 7 pm Saturday 12/3

Mike KC8MMH reported on the Midland Club meeting.

- December they will have a VE test session at the Homer Township Hall
- March 2 there will be an in-person Skywarn Meeting, location to be determined
- The Midland repeater has been moved, but there are still issues, they showed photos at the meeting
- Club is looking for people to give presentations at the meetings

ARES Report

Ron KC8YVF reported on ARES events

- Ron reports on 2023 training topics to include Net Control, Trailer training, 911 training, FLDIGI, Winlink and Skywarn/Net Control
- The EOC Nino TNC was install and is now operational
- UPS batteries for Covenant Mackinaw was installed
- Max KE8DON presented the ARES group a certificate for 3rd place in the State Emergency Exercise

New business

Dave W8DW stated he might do a presentation on FLDIGI/FLAMP that is used in the MIDTN nets

Jeff KB8SWR reported that the Central Michigan Emergency Network and Anderson Radio now have an agreement to use Anterson towers for CMEN equipment

- The Mayville DMR and Repeater were moved to an Anderson tower
- Cass City DMR was updated
- Mi6 access points were updated
- General updates on other CMEN projects

Nominations for Club Offices for 2023

President – Mike KD8MMH

VP – Brian K8HY

Treasurer – Tom N8EUI

Secretary – Ron KC8YVF

Open Board position – Renee KE8MYJ

Nominations were closed – all positions will carry over from 2022

The board will meet in January to appoint a board chairman, club call trustee, and repeater committee

There will be no Board meeting for December

Mike KD8MMH asked for motion to adjourn at 8:48 pm, motion by Jeff JB8SWR, seconded by Dave W8DW, motion carried by all..

Respectfully submitted,
Ron Huss KC8YVF
Secretary

2022 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

2022 SVARA Appointments

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Brian Kleinfeld, K8HY
Rick Schattilly, KC8VOA
Jeff Metiva, KB8SWR

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