

## **REPEATERS**

**W8BAP/R** 146.850 - 600K

**W8BAP/R** 146.925 -600K

**W8BAP/R** 444.425 + 5M Wide area Network

**KA8WWI/R** **53.230 – 1M**

**W8BAP-1 Digi** **144.390**

## **NETS**

**SVARC** 146.850 Mondays. @8:30pm

**OSSBN** **3.972.5** @ 10:30am, 4:15pm, 6:45pm

**COTN** **+147.24** @7:15pm Daily

**SVARC** 28.417 @ 2200, 2<sup>nd</sup>,4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

**Ohio Severe Weather Network**

**-146.760** or **-146.925** When Needed

## **SVARC NET CONTROLLERS**

Mike Matheuws KC8WIW

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Jim KC8TYS

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**President:** Jim Snodgrass KC8TYS

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**Secretary:** Jim Boyce KD8BWV

**Treasurer:** Jim Anzelmo WB8NNJ

**Trustee:** Steve Newland N8TUW

**Trustee:** Shawn Coppel KD8FJH

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# Scioto Valley Amateur Radio Club

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## **SVARC Monthly Gatherings**

Regular Meeting 3rd Thursday  
of the month:

**Thursday February 18, 2010**

Elmer's/Social Night Whenever +

**Thursday March 4, 2010**

**SCIOTO VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES  
January 21, 2010**

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM., by President Jim Snodgrass with the pledge of allegiance.  
The following members/guests were present.

N8SIZ Jim-	WO8A MarkKD8EAL
KC8TYS Jim-	WA8RLB
AB8NL Baratt-	Bill
KD8FJH Shawn-	WB8NNJ Jim
AB8YN-	K8KX Marv-
KD8BWV Jim-	KC8WIW Mike-
KD8KBW	K8CLJ
KC8SYP jeff	WB8GRX John
K8LEK Larry	KC8CHP Jesse

**Previous Meeting Minutes:** The minutes were available and a motion was made and passed to dispense with the reading of the minutes. The minutes were approved as written.

**Treasures Report:** treasures report was presented and approved. A copy is attached..

**Health and Welfare reports:** Flowers were sent to Stella DeBoard's Funeral Services (Woody SK). Charlie WB8EEC is in the hospital.

**Repeater Report:**

Repeater	Comments/ Status
925	Working well. The tones still need to be installed.
850	Working well. The squelch appears to be too long
440	Repeater at clubhouse is OK
6 Meter	Working fine. Antenna may need a little work
Digi 144.390	Working fine but may need some tune-up.
D Star	Planning is continuing. Start up planned for Spring. Equipment has been received and Shawn is programming. A variety of folks have/are contributing to the installation and setup.
	Work is being done/is being done in the repeater room to organize and clean.

**Old Business:**

1. There was some discussion about allowing repeater access to Bob but no written request was received and therefore there was no change. If a request is received it will be discussed at an announced club meeting.
2. No change. Jim S continues to work on the 501.3C paper work. He expects to have an appointment with the lawyer soon.
3. Clubhouse roof repairs will be undertaken when the weather breaks..
4. The 10 meter net is working but there have been very few local check-ins. As a reminder the net is 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 2200 hr. (28.417) (I am updating the net list on page 1 of this newsletter. If there are correction please email them to me)
5. Marv reported on the fruit cakes sales. This fundraiser made \$166 mostly as a result of Marv's efforts.
6. The club's ARRL affiliation has been approved and should start showing up on their web site.
7. The Fish Fry is scheduled for May 21. This is a big fundraiser for the club so please put this date on your calendar and plan on giving a hand. More discussions as the time grows closer.
8. The Christmas party was a big success with a record turnout..

**New Business:**

1. Dayton planning is underway. Jim S will be getting spaces for the Club in the flea market area.
2. This year we will be redoing the prize for net check-ins (Mike is handling this).
  - a. One chance for each net check-in plus
  - b. One chance for each meeting attendance plus
  - c. One chance for each club activity (work detail) and
  - d. Anyone can buy extra chances for \$1 each (50% for the prize cost and 50% to the club)
3. A test session is being planned for March 13. Doors open at 8 and the tests are at 9. Bring a copy of your ID and license for the VE.
4. There is a test session in Jackson Co. on April 1
5. **Dues are due. See Jim Anzelmo.**
6. Winter Field Day is Jan 30-31 and the club is planning on participation. Money (up to \$50) was approved for food costs..
7. There will be a trade around in Lancaster in early May. There was discussion about having one here and further discussion will be at the next meeting. Jesse will be the contact.
8. AEP is changing out some UPS batteries and Shawn has acquired the batteries for the Club. He expects to have about 6-12volt sets. They are planned to go into service at the repeater and the clubhouse, with some as spares.
9. Nominations of officers was held and the existing slate of officers was nominated. Additional nominations will be accepted at the next club meeting and the election of officers will be held. The nominations were:

President	Jim Snodgrass - KC8TYS
Vice-President	Mike Matheuws - KC8WIW
Secretary	Jim Boyce - KD8BWV
Treasurer	Jim Anzelmo - WB8NNJ
Trustees (3)	Jim Routt - N8SIZ
	Larry - K8LEK
	Barratt Banta - AB8NL
	Shawn Coppel - KD8FJH
	Steve Newland - N8TUW

The 50/50 Drawing was won by WB8NNJ Jim and donated back to the club.

Motion to adjourn at 8:50pm

**SCIOTO VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB TREASURER=S REPORT**

**January 2010 (2 Month)**

**Jim Anzelmo Treasurer**

Building Fund	\$ 27.07
Repeater Fund	\$ 240.78
Equipment Sales	\$ 761.00
501C Fund	\$ 500.00
Uncommitted Fund	\$ 590.94
<b>Total Cash Assets (11/20/09)</b>	<b>\$2119.79</b>
<b>Income:</b>	
Mark Lewis 2010 Dues	\$ 15.00
Barratt Banta 2010 Dues	\$ 15.00
Roger Jackson 2010 Dues	\$ 15.00
Peg Grimes 2010 Assoc Dues	\$ 10.00
Sid Grant 2010 Dues	\$ 15.00
Fruit Cake Sales	\$ 166.78
Huntington Bank Interest	\$ .09
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<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 236.96</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Horizon (2 Months)	\$ 81.62
AEP	\$ 65.44
Huntington Bank Service Charge	\$ 15.00
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<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 177.06</b>
Building Fund	\$ 27.07
Repeater Fund	\$ 240.78
Equipment Sales	\$ 761.00
501C Fund	\$ 500.00
Uncommitted Fund	\$ 650.84
<b>Total Cash Assets (01/19/10)</b>	<b>\$2179.69</b>

# SVARC

## Newsletter for February 2010

There has been snow and more snow for the past few days, weeks or maybe months. Being trapped inside when you are a ham does have its advantages. It is a great opportunity to spend some time tinkering or talking with the radios.

I was looking at meeting attendance and things are really improving. Pretty soon I will need to have an extra sheet of paper for attendance list. Come and enjoy the meeting. There is always lots of good stories before and after each meeting.

I have whacked the ice and snow off the antenna feed lines and I set up my PSK interface, and now if I could just get the shack looking neater....

At the last meeting the plans for a new check in prize was discussed. Take a second and look at the minutes to see the details. Mike will be coordination the prize contest and keeping track of the entries. Lots of opportunities to improve you change of winning by doing the things that come naturally.

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This is an update on Haiti

### Haiti Earthquake:

I included last time the efforts of the Hams in Haiti and the allocation of frequencies. While lots of work continue and will continue there for a long time the following releases the frequencies.

The following is from Ramon, XE1KK, via ARRL:

"Considering that the amateur radio stations on the air from Haiti are operating in more regular patterns Dr. Cesar Pio Santos, HR2P, IARU Region 2 EMCOR has released the use of 7.045 MHz and 3.720 MHz. We thank the world radio amateur community for their support in keeping these frequencies clear during the past days."

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The following may be of interest for all you history buffs out there or just interested in how we all got where we are. I have not spent much time on this site but there looks to be lots of interesting information and pictures.



**ITU Digitizes Historical Archives** (Feb 11, 2010) -- The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) [announced](#) on February 11 that they have launched the [History of ITU portal](#). This program -- the digitizing of the ITU's archive of historical documents -- aims to improve access to information on the ITU and chart its evolution since its establishment in 1865, while ensuring the long-term preservation of historic documents. The archives will be freely

accessible. ITU's Historical Documents Digitization Program is an ongoing project to catalogue and scan key ITU documents and outcomes of major conferences and make them available on the web. Optical character recognition (OCR) allows the documents to be fully searchable. Documents generated from ITU Plenipotentiary Conferences -- as well as from early radio, telegraph and telephone conferences -- are now available on the portal. The portal provides background information, key data and links to the documents and other materials for each conference. The digitization program will continue to make available documents of historic significance, including those related to Radiocommunication Conferences since 1903.

I am repeating this from the last newsletter so everyone can catch these links as the Club gets a new repeater and a new mode. Thanks from the Club

As mentioned in the newsletter a D Star repeated is being planned by Shawn, and others. D Star is a new mode for most of us and at the meeting folks were saying this will be an "excuse" to get a new radio. For listening to conversations on the repeaters over the past month or so it sounds like some new radios have already been acquired. Shawn has provided these links to help us get started in this new area.

From Shawn

Some links for you, as promised:

- <http://www.dstarinfo.com/default.aspx>
- <http://www.n6rde.com/>
- <http://www.big535.com/>
- <http://www.dstarusers.org/>

73

Shawn

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From CQ Web Site

The ARRL/VEC reports that more than 30,000 new people entered the Amateur Radio Service in 2009, nearly double the number of new hams who joined the fraternity five years earlier. The numbers have been climbing steadily since 2005, when only 16,000 newcomers joined our ranks, hitting 21,000 in 2006, nearly 27,000 in 2007 and 28,000 in 2008. Overall, more than 122,000 new people have become hams in the past five years ... not bad for a hobby that some of us continue to insist is dying!

BTW...As long as I am mentioning the CQ Web Site do not forget that they have World Radio Magazine on line and it is FREE. I always liked the stories in this publication and is still an interesting read each month when I download it.

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Most of that an interest in things radio that are not necessarily electronic in nature. Here is an opportunity for all you coin collectors.

A new commemorative dollar coin honoring the centennial of the Canadian Navy features a line of Morse code around the outer edge. The characters spell out the Navy's motto, "Ready Aye Ready," in both English and French. For more information, go to [www.mint.ca](http://www.mint.ca).

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Jim S provided this link about Solar weather prediction (from Computer World).

[http://www.computerworld.com.au/article/328867/solar\\_storm\\_could\\_zap\\_power\\_grid\\_2013/](http://www.computerworld.com.au/article/328867/solar_storm_could_zap_power_grid_2013/)

Just an update on solar weather; looks like tweaking the timing of the peak to May of 2013. There is more about solar weather on the ARRL web site and many other location on the web.

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This is the area of the newsletter that I normally include Hamfest and Operating activities. I encourage you to look at the ARRL web sit for activities happing in the near future. Some item of interest include Celebration of George Washington's birthday, Third Annual Snowbird Field Day, 5th Annual Freeze Your Acorns Off QRP Special Event. 1930s W9UA Transmitter built by M. H. Ensor, 6<sup>th</sup> Annual "Freeze Your Keys" Winter Operating Event, 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima & the Flag Raisings, Lost Dutchman Hidden Gold Legend ; 1<sup>st</sup> Activation Goat Island, Bataan Memorial Death March Marathon, and to get in the Spring attitude the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Cherry Blossom Festival. and there are many others. Let me know if you make a contact or two and get a certificate.

I am only aware of this upcoming Hamfest/Events in the area;  
On April 10<sup>th</sup> Hamfest, Radio, Electronics & Computer Show Jackson County Amateur Radio Club

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If you have items for sale and would like me to list them let me know and I will do so as space permits.

From, Allen KB8JLG  
(740) 654 - 8167

My neighbor has a used Kawasaki 5500 watt generator for sale. It originally cost \$1200 and he is offering it for \$650. He has wood heat so he used it for his deep-well pump, lights, refrigerator, two freezers, microwave and TV. (four circuits plus the 220 volt pump). It can easily handle an additional traditional, natural gas furnace blower. It is in excellent shape with a handle, wheels, a low-oil light and a 5 gallon tank.

He is selling it because it is difficult to pull-start when cold. He does not have a place to store it inside a garage, so it has to be brought inside the house for an hour to warm up... then it starts on the third pull

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**NOTE**

This is your newsletter and I am just here to put stuff on paper or in the digital world. Input is always welcome and sometimes needed, in fact the well is getting pretty dry so please help out with some thoughts. Let me know if you have input of ideas for the next issue. Please have a safe and enjoyable month and remember to try and be on the air at lease a little.

73 Jim KD8BWV



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