



# SEMARC WØCGM

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### **BOARD MEETING JULY 9TH**

Our next board meeting is July 12, 2016. All board members and committee chairs should attend but all members are welcome.

Meeting as 7:00 pm at the Zion Lutheran Church. The second door on the east side should be open.

### **MEMBER MEETING JULY 26**

We will have our next meeting and program on July 26, 2016. Program that night will be on Heard Island by Bill Mitchel, AEØEE. Bill lives here in the TC.

After twelve days at sea aboard the R/V Braveheart, the VK0EK DXpedition spent three weeks on Heard Island making radio contacts and working on scientific projects under challenging weather conditions. Hear the stories, see the pictures, and learn about the adventure of a major DXpedition.

Bill Mitchell was first licensed in December 2012. He lives in the Twin Cities, but his portable station can be found on the air throughout the midwest, mostly on CW. In March and April of 2016, he was an operator on the VK0EK DXpedition to Heard Island. Now returned, he spends much of his radio time as an activator for National Parks On The Air.

### NOTE FROM THE PREZ, JEFF AAØIJ

The Pavek Museum of Broadcasting has one of the finest collections of vintage radio and television equipment. I am inviting all interested people Thursday July 28<sup>th</sup> to join me in visiting the museum.

The museum is open from 10am to 5pm. The admission is \$7 and if there are enough interested visitors, a guided tour can be obtained for a couple dollars more. It's a great way to learn about radio, and at the same time support this unique Twin Cities museum.

I would like to get a headcount for the tour. Please contact me if you plan on attending. Should be a great time to visit and have fun. (507) 995-9483

### ARES NEWS - JOHN REGAN, KAØHYR

John has created the ARES newsletter and action list for 2016. ARES members are requested to monitor the Website at: mnwashcoares.org.

ARES nets the on first Sundays and on the 15th of each month.

Summer in here. This means tornado season. While the main months for tornados are June through August, they can occur in any month. Are you prepared for such an emergency?

Do you have an emergency and sheltering plan for your family and home? Check your ARES folder for safety steps, the Go Kit Check List, and the Emergency Communications Plan on the inside front cover. And remember, in the event of a disaster: DO NOT SELF DEPLOY.

### **VE SESSION REPORT**

The June VE Session had two candidates both got new tech. Both tried general test but no luck. They will be back. The next VE session will be July 16th.

## **SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT**

We have approved the scholarship for Richard Marsh from Cottage Grove. Please watch for his presentation. Award date to be announced.

# SPECIAL OPERATING EVENT PLANNING

We need to do this now. Bring your ideas to a meeting soon and lets talk. We can combine with NPOTA activation.

We can use one of the Hastings riverside parks and be within the boundaries of the Mississippi National River and Recreation Area. That would be permitted as an NPOTA activation.

# **DIGITAL NET ON VACATION**

Digital net will resume in the fall.

### **MAGIC HAMFEST TAILGATE**

Magic Repeater Group tailgate is Saturday, 7/9, 2016 at Galilee Lutheran Church, 145 McCarrons Blvd, Roseville, MN from 0800 to noon. Buyers free.

### **SEMARC NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

If you have some material for the newsletter you should contact Skip before the first of the month. Please call him at 651 -260-4330 to offer suggestions or to add content.

Have a topic for a program? Please contact Skip and we will work it in.

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## Planning Calendar

Jul 9 - (S) Magic Tailgate HF

Jul 12 - (T) Board Meeting

Jul 16 - (S) VE Session

Jul 26 - (T) Member Meeting

Jul 28 - (Th) Pavek Field Trip

Aug 9 - (T) Board Meeting

Aug 20 - (S) VE Session

Aug 30 - (T) Member Meeting

### **SEMARC VE Sessions**

VE exam sessions are held every 3rd Saturday. The next VE session is July 16th. Exams are held at 9:00 am at Zion Lutheran Church. Call 651-769-0358 for information, to register or to arrange for special needs. Information is posted on the webpages also. No testing in December.

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