



**SEMARC BOARD MEETING**

Our next meeting for the board is August 11th. We plan to have a virtual meeting. Skip will send out an email to all members the day before with instructions on how to join in on the meeting.

**SEMARC BREAKFAST**

Breakfasts are on hold for now. We will update when the time comes to start them again.

**REGULAR MEMBER MEETING**

Our next regular member meeting is August 25th. Ryc Lyden will be presenting the program. The topic is MNVOAD to include: What is VOAD?; What organizations are members, or partners?; How are we deployed?; What do we do?; and What part does communications play?

**NOTE FROM THE PREZ, RYC KDØZWM**

Please check out our calendar for upcoming events. There are still opportunities to do things as a club on the air! It looks like I will be teaching AERO courses in webinars of 90 to 120 minutes. We will be taking our 4 hour courses and dividing them up a bit into chunks of time that will be easier. If you haven't taken the courses, I encourage you to do so. AERO 101: Introduction to EmComm; AERO 102: Advanced EmComm; AERO 200: Fundamentals of Net Control; AERO 201: Introduction to Net Control for EmComm and finally AERO 202: Advanced Net Control for EmComm. There will also be training and an exercise for supporting served agencies. The Red Cross and ARES, plus Salvation Army SATERN will be doing the following: September 12<sup>th</sup> in the morning will be a training on forms used by the Red Cross and ICS forms as well. On October 10<sup>th</sup> in the morning will be setting up and practicing with first WinLink and then switch over the Flmsg. On November 14<sup>th</sup> we will have the national ARC and ARES EmComm exercise. Please let John Regan know if you can participate in these opportunities. Ryc

**VE SESSION REPORT**

For the last session we had 8 candidates total (6 technician and 2 general). All candidates passed. Congratulations!

We will be testing again this month and so far, we have 8 signed up.

Dan Franz WDØGUP

**SEPTEMBER MEETING**

The September meeting is on Tuesday, September 29th. The program has not been finalized.

**ARES NEWS**

Washington County ARES members who are available will be asked to participate in the American Red Cross / ARES Drill on November 14. The drill will be primarily locally designed. There will be two chances for training prior to the drill: September 14<sup>th</sup> on Red Cross forms and ICS forms and another training on October 10<sup>th</sup> to practice modes of communication including WinLink and FL msg. The November drill is being coordinated by our own Ryc Lyden, KDØZWM. Hope that many of you can join us.

The ARRL holds a Section Phone Net most days at 1230 and 1730 on 3.860. Please listen in when you get a chance. There is an ARRL MN Section (CW) Net at 1830 on 3.568 that you can listen in on also and one of the main operators is our own NØBM Brian. All of these nets are for passing traffic so you can get a good idea of how traffic is handled. Why not give it a try?!

John Regan KAØHYR

**U.S. AIRMAIL SPECIAL EVENT**

This special event is scheduled for Saturday, September 26. Dave Blume, KDØIRF, volunteered to chair this event. Watch for details in next month's Telegraph. Dave will also provide an on-line schedule for band and times.

Dave Larson KEØHAL

**OSL TODAY VIRTUAL HAM EXPO-continued**

Google the title of this article and you can get to the Expo's website. Of course, I spent a portion of my available time trolling the commercial exhibits as I would in any hamfest or division convention. I learned a little as part of that tour.

What really attracted me were the presentations. Four tracks were provided and some of the presentations were live while others had been previously prepared and recorded. The topics included kit building techniques, HF antennas, grounding and bonding in amateur installations, remote and portable operating, amateur radio ballooning, moon bounce (EME), Cycle 25 predictions and, my favorite, Youth in Ham Radio.

I didn't get sufficient time to tune in during this past weekend but I note that the website and the presentations will be on-line and available until September 9<sup>th</sup> or so. Log on... give it a try... think about contacting the presenters and seeing if their presentations can be included in club meetings, especially for new hams. A virtual club meeting using one of the presentations followed by a local Q & A session might be just the ticket to introduce newly licensed members to diverse aspects of the amateur service.

Brian McInerney NØBM

**ALL MEMBERS—STAY HEALTHY OUT THERE!**

**SEMARC VE Sessions**

VE exam sessions are held every 3rd Saturday. The next VE session is on August 15th. 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.**

**Planning Calendar**

- August 11-(T) Board Meeting
- August 15-(S) VE Session
- August 25-(T) Member Meeting
- September 8 (T) Board Meeting
- Sept 19-(S) VE Session and Breakfast
- Sept 29-(T) Member Meeting

**The Digital Corner**

Digital Net follows SEMARC net on Wed pm. Go to [www.w1hki.com](http://www.w1hki.com) for software & help.

Fldigi v. 3.23.09 Flmsg v. 2.0.17  
Flamp v. 2.1.03 Flwrap v. 1.3.4

Meet on 146.985 and QSY to 144.950.  
Mode is BPSK125. Other modes possible.  
Sign up with NØUC for net bulletins & help.

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**OSL TODAY VIRTUAL HAM EXPO**

Like some of you, I dropped in on the virtual ham expo this weekend. If the numbers are right, more than 20,000 folks registered for the event.