



SEMARC BOARD MEETING

Our next meeting for the board is November 10th. 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.

ANNUAL MEETING

Our annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 12 at 7pm. This will be a virtual meeting and when COVID allows we will have a restaurant get-together.

REGULAR MEMBER MEETING

Our next regular member meeting is November 24th. Meeting will include ratification of board voting slate. Program on "What's New in Amateur Radio Satellites" presented by Frank Karnauskas N1UW.

NOTE FROM THE PREZ, RYC KDØZWM

One election is over and one yet to come. The Board of Directors submitted a slate to the general membership and it was passed at our last meeting. The names aren't new, but the offices have changed over. Dave Blume will take over as Treasurer, giving Dick Roberts a much needed rest. Dick will stay on the board. Joe Hibberd will be our new Secretary, allowing Skip Jackson time to just attend as a board member. I would stay on as President and Dave Larson will continue as Vice President. At our next board meeting we will be discussing Winter Field Day. This time we'll be in our QTH. We will begin to look at special event stations and Field Day after the first of the year. You are always invited to sit in on any of the board meetings, so let Dick Roberts know if you're interested. Parking is free... bring your own snacks. Ryc

VE SESSION REPORT

For the last session we had 9 candidates total (7 Technician and 2 General). Six passed the Technician and 1 passed the General. Congratulations! Reminder-no testing in December.

The Digital Corner

Digital Net follows SEMARC net on Wed pm. Go to 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.

Dan Franz WDØGUP

DECEMBER MEETING

There is no December meeting.

ARES NEWS

Some ARES members are working on the data mode Winlink. There is a series of eleven classes providing specifics on how to do this. Details on the classes can be received from Ryc Lyden, KDØZWM or from John Regan, KAØHYR. A file with steps will be forwarded to you if you so request.

The ARC / ARES drill is scheduled for November 14. Participants will use Winlink for this drill. You will want to get started by down loading Winlink and registering ASAP.

John Regan KAØHYR

MOVEMBER

November is an annual event involving the growing of moustaches during the month of November to raise awareness of men's health issues, such as prostate cancer, testicular cancer, and men's suicide. As a survivor of prostate cancer I urge members to get a PSA test and tell all men you know to get one too. And if you or someone you know needs mental health counseling, urge them to get it today. I'm glad I did.

Joe Hibberd W3QLC

CLUB BAND FILTERS

At the September club meeting we voted to purchase band filters for 20, 40, and 80 meters for use at events such as Field Day to enable more efficient operations.

When Dick NØBM went to purchase the filters he found the low power filters are no longer available. The club then voted at the October meeting to purchase the 200 watt filters instead,

Dave Larson KEØHAL

2021 SEMARC MEMBERSHIP DUES

Skip will send out a dues form with this newsletter mailing.

HF NETS AS PROPAGATION TOOLS

Lots of hams set operating milestones for themselves: WAS, working all counties, DXCC, VUCC, VUCC by satellite. For all of us, there are tools: propagation forecasts, solar weather reports, DX alerts, PSK reporter, reverse beacon networks and just-plain-old beacons. For all of us, it's best to turn on the rig and listen around on several bands and modes to "sense" the propagation to and from our QTHs.

Included in my toolbox are the names, frequencies and modes of amateur nets. Depending on my objective, I find it useful to tune to a few net frequencies, listen for a while and pick my operating spots. As necessary, I check those nets throughout the day or evening. Most of the time, however, just listening on the bands provides info as to which band/mode likely will provide me success.

There are a number of sources for net information, among them the ARRL net directory. But it has its limitations, so I often search for the nets scribbled on my cheat sheet in the shack. If you want to try this technique, I refer you to two websites: AC6V and N1YZ. I like N1YZ, because he lists nets on central time and includes local and wide area nets. Check them out. Of course, MinnesotaAres.org contains great listings for local nets with an accent on public service.

Happy hunting!

73, Brian McInerney NØBM

SEMARC VE Sessions

VE exam sessions are held every 3rd Saturday. The next VE session is on November 21st. 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

- Nov 10-(T) Board Meeting
- Nov 21-(S) VE Session
- Nov 24-(T) Member Meeting
- Dec 8-(T) Board Meeting
- No VE Session or Member Meeting in December

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