



Capers

August - 2025

The Monthly Newsletter of The Candlewood Amateur Radio Association

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Monthly Program/Activity Meeting: Thursday, August 14

In-person at Stony Hill Vol. Fire Dept., Rte. 6, Bethel

Doors open at 7:00 pm. Meeting begins promptly at 7:30 pm.

Elmer Night

In ham radio, an "Elmer" is a mentor or teacher who guides and supports a new or less experienced ham radio operator. The term is used to describe someone who provides personal guidance, assistance, and experience-based learning to help others develop their skills and knowledge in the hobby.

Elmering is a tradition in ham radio, where experienced hams mentor new hams, helping them gain knowledge and experience in the hobby.



President's Message

de W1NSK



Welcome to the “Dog Days” of August. Enjoy the longer and warmer days while still here. Also, It’s a good time to get any antenna projects planned and done before the weather starts to turn and the days get noticeably shorter.

This month is the Northeast HamExpo in Marlborough, Mass. On Friday August 22nd thru Sunday August 24th. Friday is a “Mini Contest University” all Day. If you have never been, its time well spent. Beginners are very welcome. Saturday is packed with Forums as well as a YCCC Meeting. The region’s largest Flea Market is included. Both Friday and Saturday nights have dinners, one is Contest/DX focused, and Saturday’s topic is Space Weather with guest speaker Dr. Nathaniel A. Frissell, W2NAF, from the Ham Radio Science Citizen Investigation (HamSCI) program. Further info can be found at <https://hamxposition.org/>

Our Monthly meeting is on August 14 at 7pm, Stony Hill Firehouse, Rt. 6 in Bethel, CT. Our Business Meeting via TEAMS is on Thursday the 28th at 7:30 PM. Look for the email link to be sent.

The monthly Pasta Night Dinner is on August 19th at Vespucci Lodge in Danbury. We gather at 6:00 pm. Cost is \$10 for an all you can eat spaghetti and meatball dinner with salad and bread/butter. Bring a friend, family member, or a perspective new Ham!

See you on the Air!

Bud - W1NSK
CARA President



CARA Has been an ARRL Affiliated Club since 1946 – 79 Years in 2025



**CARA is an ARRL-Designated Special Service Club
ARRL SSC recognition renewal application approved: March 2024**

Vice- President's Message:

de W1JGM



It's August and summer is more than halfway done. I encourage all members to try and make the CARA events, POTA, Pasta Dinners, Elmer Nights, Meeting, and Nets. CARA has many actives during the month, check the website or E-mails for the latest events.

The repeaters are off the air presently and the repeater committee is presently working on relocating the repeaters. I know that everyone is anxious to get back on the air.

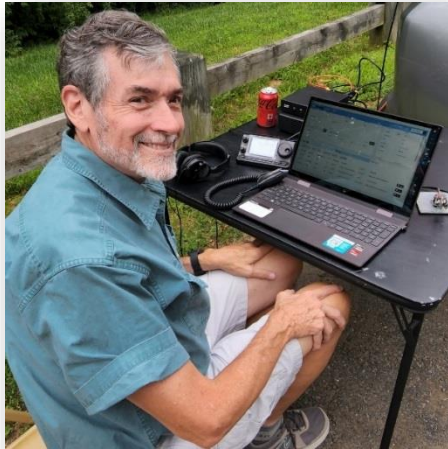
The club has some Ham Radio equipment for sale, A list will be available in the Capers Newsletter. Please review and let me know if anything interests you. This equipment is sold "AS IS".

Remember this is your club, it depends on you.

John Morelli
VP CARA

July 24 - Monthly Business Meeting Minutes

de CARA Secretary/Treasurer, John Ahle - W1JMA



CARA July 24, 2025 Business Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:38pm. John W1JGM, VP, presiding. There was a quorum; 2 officers, 2 board members and 5 members.

The June minutes and treasurers report as printed in CAPERS were accepted. The following report of the repeater committee by Steve W1SMS,

- 2m and 440 repeaters off the air and removed from Spruce Mountain.
 - A motion was made, seconded and approved to allocate up to \$500 for equipment rental to remove the remaining

CARA property from the hill.

- The 220 is now off, awaiting time to relocate to the hotel at exit 2
- The 2m Motorola machine is being worked on and will be deployed to the New Fairfield Fire House when ready. It will have Echolink capabilities
- While our repeaters are down, CARA has permission to use the 147.12 machine operated by PVRA
- Filing with CSMA will be accomplished as needed

Administrative:

- Website: working fine and updated with FD pix.
- Capers due on 8/7. Will be an abbreviated version for the time being due to time constraints on the editor, Dan, W1QK
- Testing is being coordinated and completed by the team lead by Jon Bernon

The August POTA is at Lover's Leap on Saturday 8/16.

The club table program as a fund-raising opportunity continues. We had to refund

\$600 for a defective amplifier. The amp is with Lou W1QJ for service. It will be sold again once it is working properly. We have another SK estate opportunity. John W1JGM and a team will gather the equipment from an SK in NY State. A motion was made, seconded and approved to spend \$25 on 2 storage containers.

These items will be stored at the Ball Pond FD and sold off first to CARA members and then various hamfests this summer and fall.

Old Business:

- Dan QK and Harlan QH are finalizing the FD entry due on the 29th.

New Business:

- August program will again be an Elmer's night
- We need a program for September
- There was a discussion about getting more activity on the Sunday night Elmer net on Teams due to minimal attendance.
- Anyone interested in the NYC marathon contact Bud, W1NSK
- We decided to have an area club picnic on Saturday October 18 at Putnam Park in Redding. This is also a POTA weekend and a station will be activated. This will be a bring your own sub and soda format
- A motion was made, seconded and approved to participate in the New Fairfield Day on Saturday 9/27

Announcements:

- August Pasta Night on Tuesday 8/19, 6pm Vespucci Lodge
- Ham Expo in Massachusetts 8/21-8/24

Good of the order:

- Microsoft 365 available to club members

Adjournment and next meetings:

Next program meeting August 14, 7:30 Stony Hill FD

Next Business meeting via teams on 8/28 7:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm

CARA Treasury Report July 25, 2025

Income:	Full Member Dues
	\$895
Income:	Interest Income
	\$ 201.84
Income:	Donations
	\$10
Income:	Sale of Donated EQ (net)
	\$628.05
Income:	Club Table at Hamfests
	\$3326
Total Income:	
	\$5060.89
Expense:	PayPal Fees
	\$20.19
Expense:	Website/Hosting Fees
	\$46.34

Expense: Repeater Maintenance
\$416.70

Expense: Insurance
\$305

Expense: 2022 Hamfest
\$ 50

Expense: FD Pins
\$77.62

Total Expense:
\$915.85

Net Income for Period
\$4145.04

Cash: Checking-Unrestricted
\$9239.87

Cash: Checking-Restricted
\$425

Cash: Petty
\$50

Certificates of Deposit-USB
\$10251.99

Total Cash/Investments
Balance: \$19966.86

Prepaid Field Day Food
\$142

Number of full members: 55

Associate members: 0

Auxiliary members: 2



Field Day Summary – Elmer Night

Thursday, July 10 Meeting
7:30 Stony Hill FD

Statistics and photo review of 2025 CARA
Field Day by Dan – W1QK and Harlan –
W1QH.

John – W1JMA explained his new POTA
antennas and telescoping mast.

[CARAW1QI] 2meter and 440 machines
now off the air, temporarily
att.net/Inbox

John W1JMA.CT via groups.io

From: w1jma.ct@gmail.com@groups.io
To: caraw1qi@groups.io Sun, Aug 10 at 10:42 AM

The CARA 2m and 440 repeaters were removed
from Spruce Mountain. The remaining
equipment will be removed shortly.

**In the meantime, we have permission from
PVRA to use the 147.12 machine with PL
141.3 for our Sunday night nets. This
repeater is in Danbury.** This is a linked
repeater to the other PVRA repeaters across the
state. There is also the NARA repeater to the
north and the Bethel machine on 147.03 PL
100; this machine might be best for local qso's.

We hope to have a 2m machine operating from
New Fairfield on our 147.300 PL 100 shortly.



Weekly CARA Sunday club NETS:

Informal 10M Net: 28.390 MHz. USB 7:00 pm – 7:30 pm. Net Control: John – W1JMA

The CARA Net: W1QI 2M FM Repeater – 7:30 pm.

Net Controls: David - KB1ZAC, Charlie - KC1IBR, Dan – N2DGT

Contact John – W1JMA or David – KB1ZAC respectively if you would like to be a CARA 10M or 2M Net Control Operator.



Upcoming Contests, Hamfests Events & Meetings:

Aug. 14: CARA Monthly Program/Activity Meeting. In-person at Stony Hill Vol. Fire Dept. Rte. 6 in Bethel. Doors open at 7:00 pm. Gavel at 7:30. Elmer Night

Aug. 16: Monthly CARA POTA event – Lovers Leap State Park, New Milford
10:00 am - 3:00 -pm.

International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend – ILLW

North American QSO Party – SSB

Aug. 19: Monthly CARA Pasta Night Dinner - Vespucci Italian-American club in Danbury on Vespucci Dr. Price reduced for 2025 from \$12 to \$10 cash. Bread/butter, salad, bowl of pasta with homemade sauce. Pasta refill included. Cash bar for soda, wine, and beer. Gather at 6:00 pm.

No reservations required.



Aug. 21 – 24: Northeast Ham Expo – Marlborough, MA

Aug. 23: Hawaii QSO Party, Ohio QSO Party

Aug. 26: CT ARES Region 5 Monthly meeting via TEAMS.

Aug. 28: CARA Monthly Planning meeting on TEAMS – 7:30 pm

Aug. 30: US Islands QSO Party. Colorado QSO Party, Kansas QSO Party ARRL DX Digi contest

Aug. 13, 20, 27: CWops CWT contest - 1300Z & 1900Z Wednesday, and 0300Z (Thursday)

<https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/>

Aug. 14, 21, 28: Weekly RTTY Test
<https://radiosport.world/wrt.html>

September 4: September 2025 Capers input deadline: w1qk@snet.net

Upcoming Hamfests:

Northern Berkshire Amateur Radio Club Hamfest

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

08/17/2025

MBARC Fall Fest

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

09/14/2025

Start Date: 09/14/2025

End Date: 09/14/2025

Location: Knights of Columbus Hall
339 NY Rt 82 Please consider bringing a donation of a non-perishable can (coffee, dry goods, etc.) for the Veterans Food Bank.
Hopewell Junction, NY 12533

Website: <http://wr2abb.org>

Sponsor: Mount Beacon ARC

Type: ARRL Hamfest

Talk-In: 146.97 100 Hz

Public Contact: Adam Nowik Jr , AE2AN
106 Boardman Road Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Phone: 845-849-3666

Email: AE2AN@aol.com

Nutmeg Hamfest, ARRL Connecticut State Convention

HAMFEST/CONVENTION

10/12/2025

Start Date: 10/12/2025

End Date: 10/12/2025

Location: Francis T. Maloney High School
121 Gravel Street
Meriden, CT 06450

Website: <http://nutmeghamfest.com>

Sponsor: Meriden Amateur Radio Club/Nutmeg Hamfest Alliance

Type: ARRL Convention

Talk-In: W1NRG/R 147.36 MHz PL162.2 +600 KHz

Public Contact: Edward Snyder , W1YSM
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Editor: Dates, links, and other details for this column provided by:

<https://www.contestcalendar.com/index.html>

For current scores, visit:

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3830scores.com
Contest Score Rumors

Use this link to access the WA7BNM Contest Calendar website:

<https://www.contestcalendar.com/index.html>



[Listing of State QSO Parties:](https://www.contestcalendar.com/stateparties.php)

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CARA 2025

Ham Exam Schedule



CARA 2025 Amateur radio exams:

Subject: VE Testing dates for 2025 at the Stony Hill Firehouse in 2025.

All sessions are on Saturdays at 11:30 am.

September 6, 2025

December 6, 2025

Test takers need to register in advance by emailing ajlu@arrl.net with their name, the test they wish to take, and a contact phone number.

Thanks,
73, Jon Bernon - AJ1U
CARA Volunteer Examiner Session
Coordinator

CT ARES Information:



Statewide Weekly ARES Net:
KB1AEV/NA1RA (NARA) linked repeaters:
Sunday @ 8:00 pm

Statewide Weekly DMR Net: DMR repeaters:
Sunday @ 8:30 pm

The CT ARES Region 5 South monthly meeting is held on the last Tuesday of the month – currently via TEAMS. Next meeting is April

Send an email inquiry to Harlan Ford – W1QH, Region 5 DEC if you would like to learn more about CT ARES or be added to the distribution for CT ARES announcements and links to CT ARES meetings via TEAMS.

hford01@snet.net

Visit this website to learn more about CT ARES, the weekly 2M FM nets, and Win Link Wednesday:

<http://www.ctares.org/>

Next CT ARES WinLink Wednesday:

Wednesday, September 3

de John - KB1LYP

KB1OVQ, Newtown EOC will be hosting Win Link Wednesday, August 6 - the first Wednesday of the month. We look forward to your submissions. John - KB1LYP and the rest of the KB1OVQ Newtown EOC Crew.



CT ARES Winlink Wednesday

Put your 2M FM Winlink Packet station on the air to participate in the monthly CT ARES Winlink Wednesday message practice session. Try to use the W1SP nodes in our area:

W1SP-6	LITCCT	Litchfield
145.650	FN31JR	

W1SP-7	NHAVCT	Oxford
145.630	FN31JK	

W1SP-8 FAIRCT Bridgeport
145.690 FN31JE

KX1EOC-10 Danbury EOC Greater Danbury
Area
145.030



Editor: Rick Palm, K1CE

amateurs are eligible for membership. The possession of emergency-powered equipment is desirable but is not a requirement for membership.

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- [ARES Standardized Training Plan Task Book \[Word\]](#)
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- [Emergency Communications Training](#)

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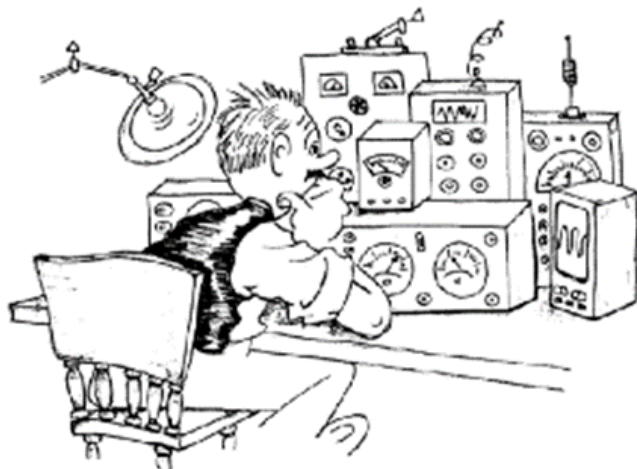
This document lists CT DEMHS Towns by Region:

<https://portal.ct.gov/DEMHS/Emergency-Management/Resources-For-Officials/Regional-Offices/Towns-by-Region>

Submit CT ARES news to CARA Capers to be included here in next month's issue.

"When Everything Else Fails. Amateur Radio often is our last line of defense... When you need amateur radio, you really need them."

The Hon. W. Craig Fugate - Former Administrator, US Department of Homeland Security, FEMA



"Tuning in together"

The Amateur's Code The Radio Amateur is:

CONSIDERATE...never knowingly operates in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others.

LOYAL...offers loyalty, encouragement and support to other amateurs, local clubs, and the American Radio Relay League, through which Amateur Radio in the United States is represented nationally and internationally.

PROGRESSIVE...with knowledge abreast of science, a well-built and efficient station and operation above reproach.

FRIENDLY...slow and patient operating when requested; friendly advice and counsel to the beginner; kindly assistance, cooperation and consideration for the interests of others. These are the hallmarks of the amateur spirit.

BALANCED...radio is an avocation, never interfering with duties owed to family, job, school or community.

PATRIOTIC...station and skill always ready for service to country and community.

**--The original Amateur's Code was written
by Paul M. Segal, W9EEA, in 1928.**



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Photo: W1QH

A brief word from our editor...

CARA CAPERS is the monthly publication of the Candlewood Amateur Radio Association, Inc. (CARA) and is intended to present news, issues, and opinions of interest to CARA members and the Amateur Radio Community.

We encourage contributions of articles, letters to the editor, etc. and welcome newsletter exchanges with other clubs from around the country and around the world. Permission is granted to reprint material contained herein if proper credit is given to this newsletter and the author.

Ideas for, and contributions to the CAPERS should be submitted to: w1qk@snet.net.

Submissions must be received no later than the date indicated in the preceding month of issue, *unless otherwise specified*.

Submissions should be in MS Word format or ASCII text. Photos should be in .jpg format.

The input deadline is announced in the previous issue and again at the monthly planning meeting.

Material received after the deadline will be used in the next month's CAPERS if it's still current and /or newsworthy.

The CAPERS is published by CARA Capers Editor. All material contained herein is considered the opinion of the author and not necessarily that of CARA.

Announcements of events are for informational purposes and do not necessarily constitute an endorsement by CARA. No responsibility for accuracy is assumed by the CARA Capers editor or newsletter staff.



Photos: W1QK



CARA Merch: Update

In July 2024, Dan - N2DGT, made a motion to allow JSC Embroidery to set up a CARA website for CARA members to purchase hats, shirts, mugs, etc. with the CARA logo at no cost to CARA.

CARA will notify the membership of this opportunity monthly via CAPERS. The motion was seconded and approved. The link to the website is below.

Dan – N2DGT

<https://www.jse-repair.com/product-category/club-apparel/candlewood-amateur-radio-association/>



About ARRL:

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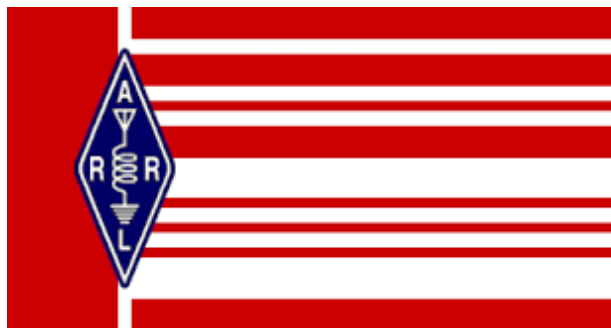
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The CW Operators' Club

cwops.org

The CW Operators' Club, commonly known as CWops, is an international organization, in membership and management, for amateur radio operators who enjoy communicating using Morse Code. Its mission is to foster the use of CW, whether for contesting, DX'ing, traffic handling, or engaging in conversations.

Visit the CWops website to learn more about **CW Academy** and how you can sign up for the popular & free **on-line CW training classes**.

<https://cwops.org/cw-academy/cw-academy-options/>

To become a member of CWops:
<https://cwops.org/membership/>



The Yankee Clipper Contest Club is a special interest amateur radio club devoted to the pursuit of operating and technical excellence.

There are in excess of 400 testers who are members of the club throughout New England, New York, and Canada.

YCCC has members who are some of the most proficient contest operators in the world.

Several CARA members are also members of the YCCC.

More information about the YCCC at:
<http://www.yccc.org/>



Win Link 2M CT Packet Gateways - Submitted by W1QK:

CALL	COUNTY	LOC./FREQUENCY	GRID	REGION	EMG.	POWER
W1SP-1	TOLLCT	Tolland 145.65		FN31UV	3	Y
W1SP-2	WINDCT	Brooklyn 145.61		FN41AT	4	Y
W1SP-3	NLONCT	Ledyard 145.63		FN31XK	4	Y
W1SP-4	HARTCT	Avon 145.69		FN31OT	3	Y
W1SP-5	MIDDCT	Haddam 145.69		FN31RK	2	Y
W1SP-6	LITCCT	Litchfield 145.65		FN31JR	5	Y
W1SP-7	NHAVCT	Oxford 145.63		FN31JK	5	Y
W1SP-8	FAIRCT	Bridgeport 145.69		FN31JE	1	Y
KX1EOC-10	Fairfield	Danbury EOC 145.030			5	Y
W8ZY	Litchfield	W8ZY QTH 145.610		FN31		

Put your 2M FM Winlink Packet station on the air to participate in the monthly CT ARES Winlink Wednesday message practice session. Try to use the W1SP nodes in our area:

Source: <https://ctares.org/data-comms-winlink-packet/>

The W8ZY-10 gateway is back up in New Milford on 145.610.

It is set up for 1200 baud packet and VARA.

Please give it a try if you can and let me know how it works.

Mike Walters W8ZY w8zy@hotmail.com

John Morelli

From:w1jgm@w1qi.org

To: Dan Fegley

Cc: Bud Kozloff, John Ahle

Thu, Aug 7 at 8:08 PM

This list is the recommended starting prices for the equipment . Best offer considered

73

John G. Morelli (W1JGM)

VP Candlewood Amateur Radio Association (CARA)

[Candlewood Amateur Radio Association \(cararadioclub.org\)](http://cararadioclub.org)

CARA Radio Association Available equipment list: 08-05-25

	Suggested selling prices	(*) Price found on E-Ham/ E-Bay
• HeathKit Receiver model 1680	\$100	175 *
• MFJ 969 Versa tuner 2	\$100	\$250*
• Daiwa Auto tuner Model DMA 1001	\$125	
• Kenwood Tuner Model AT130	\$125	\$190*
• Kenwood Speaker Model SP940	\$100	\$145*
• Kenwood Speaker Model SP230	\$100	\$160*
• Kenwood Speaker Model SP31	\$75	\$120*
• Kenwood Power Supply Model PS 50	\$125	\$190*
• Kenwood Power Supply Model PS 52	\$125	\$190*
• Kenwood Transceiver Model TS 570S	\$550	\$660-\$1100*
• 3 Amp Power Supply Model PS3A	\$15	\$45*
• AVE Data controller Model PK232MBS	\$25	\$69-\$120*
• AVE Data Controller TNC Model PK12	\$20	\$69*
• Recotom A-V Switch 4 Pos	\$10	\$35*
• Ten-Tek Tuner Model 238	\$200	\$350*
• Ten-Tek Power supply	\$150	\$225*
• Ten-Tek Omni 4 Plus Transceiver (Condition unknown)		Best Offer

- Tandy 6 Outlet power conditioner \$20 \$59*
- Astron Power Supply Model RS 50 Sold to CARA
- MG 22 Amp Power supply Model PS 22-Pro \$100 \$175*
- Hy-Gain/Flex Rotor controller model H-IV/DD-45 Best offer
- Alliance Dual speed Rotor Controller Best Offer
- Cantenna Dummy Load \$20 \$45*
- ECI Filter Model DC1-146-4H 2Meter bandpass \$15 \$40*
- Assortment of Coax switches, Filters, Coax jumpers. Best Offer
- Kenwood 2-meter radio (old type) Best Offer
- Icom 2-70cm Radio (old model) Best offer

For more information and if interested Call W1JGM: 203-417-0160



Equipment plans for my next POTA activation – de W1QK



What is N1MM Logger +



N1MM Logger + is the world's most popular ham radio contest logging program. For CW, phone and digital modes, its combination of contest-optimized features is unmatched.

<https://n1mmwp.hamdocs.com/downloads/n1mm-full-install/>

The [Cabrillo file format](#), used in [amateur radio contesting](#), originated with Trey Garlough, N5KO, around 1999. He developed it to standardize electronic log submissions for contests. The goal was to create a consistent way for contest participants to submit their logs electronically, which would then be used by contest sponsors for automated log checking.

Here's a more detailed look:

- **Purpose:**

Cabrillo files are used to submit electronic logs, typically for amateur radio contests, to contest sponsors.

- **Development:**

Trey Garlough, N5KO, created the initial Cabrillo specification.

- **Key Features:**

The format defines a specific structure for contest logs, including information about the contest, the participant, and each contact made.

- **Standardization:**

The format ensures that contest logs can be easily processed by computers, enabling automated log checking and score calculation.

- **Adoption:**

Contest sponsors like CQ, the ARRL, and DARC quickly adopted the format, as did leading software developers.

- **Evolution:**

While the format has seen some revisions (most notably from v2 to v3), older versions are generally still readable by current software.

- **Administration:**

The [World Wide Radio Operators Foundation \(WWROF\)](#) now manages the Cabrillo specification.

Cabrillo

The Cabrillo Specification was originally developed by Trey Garlough, N5KO to provide a method for consistent data formatting that sponsors could use in the submission of contest logs. Contest sponsors including CQ, ARRL, and DARC quickly supported the idea. More importantly and key to its viability, leading program authors such as K1EA, N6TR, K8CC, W5XD, EI5DI and others also embraced the concept.

Since its earliest days, the Cabrillo Specification has been the recognized gold standard for contest logs and has revolutionized the contesting world. It has enabled many contests to support electronic log submission and automate the log checking process. The WWROF administers the Cabrillo Specification on behalf of the contesting community.

There are two versions of the Cabrillo Specification. V2 is now deprecated and should be supported only for legacy purposes. All users are urged to migrate to V3 as soon as possible. Cabrillo V3 is intended to be backwards compatible with previous versions of Cabrillo. Therefore, if people submit logs that were created by Cabrillo v2-compliant loggers, their logs should be accepted by Cabrillo v3 email robots.

Questions about the Cabrillo Specification or enhancement requests should be sent to cabrillo@wwrof.org.



Member and Station News:

Your news or story could be included here in the next issue of CARA Capers. Contact W1QK, Capers editor.

Just snap pix of your station, antennas, mobile installation, etc. and send them to w1qk@snet.net with a brief description or explanation.

Your Capers Editor welcomes and encourages member input

Potluck Gathering at Dennis Hill State Park, Norfolk

519 Litchfield Road, Norfolk - August 3rd from 11 AM to 5 PM

Paul Gibb From: paulgibb@optonline.net

Hello Region 5 Amateur Radio Operators -

This is just a reminder about the "Potluck" gathering at Dennis Hill in Norfolk on August 3rd from 11 am to 5 pm. Everyone is invited. There will be 3 stations operating and a great opportunity to socialize with other operators in the Region. To register reply to sobarc@outlook.com or you can reply to me. We are trying to get a head count. Please bring something to eat/drink or to share. Alcohol is not allowed as Dennis Hill is a State park. There will be grills available for cooking.

CERT members who have an interest in amateur radio and who are considering getting a license may wish to attend as well, but they should register by replying to sobarc@outlook.com or to me. CERT members can also call me to register if that is easier. My number is below.

This event is being sponsored by the SOBARC, CQ and WOW clubs.

Hope to see you there!

Best,
Paul Gibb

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860-459-6801

-----Original Message-----

From: ka1wpm@charter.net <ka1wpm@charter.net>

Sent: Tuesday, June 24, 2025 8:29 PM

To: w1qk@snet.net; 'Paul Gibb' <paulgibb@optonline.net>; w1qh@w1qi.org

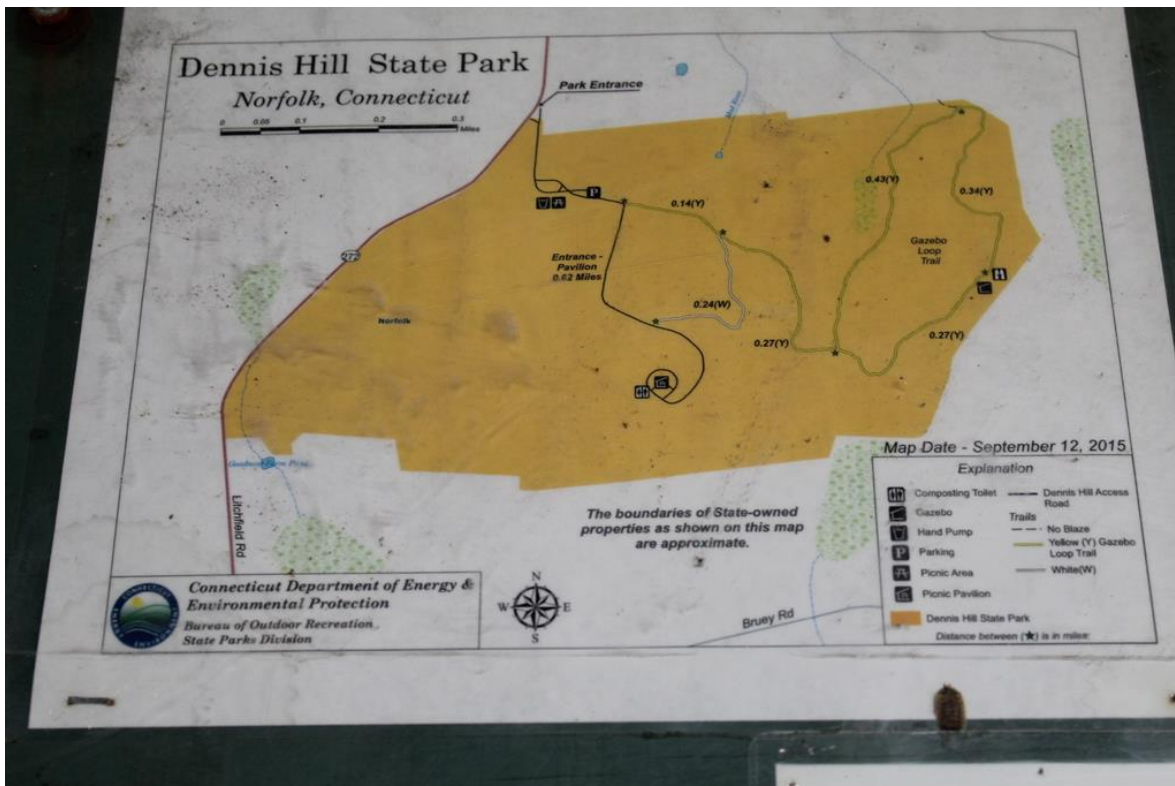
Subject: Emailing: 3 Club Potluck Aug 3 2025 - final.pdf

This is the flyer for the "picnic". It's potluck. RSVP to SOBARC.
Feel free to forward this email.

73, Dana,
KA1WPM

Photos contributed by Harlan Ford – W1QH, ARRL ARES Region 5 DEC.















DENNIS HILL August 3rd 2025

		POTA K-1661		40 meters	20 meters	17 meters	15 meters	12 meters	10 meters
8:00	10:00	Set up HF Radios & Antennas							
10:00	12:00	WB1COB	CQ Radio Club	XX					XX
10:00	12:00	WB1DJU	WOW		XX		XX		
10:00	12:00	W1BAA	SBARC			XX		XX	
12:00	14:00	WB1COB	CQ Radio Club		XX		XX		
12:00	14:00	WB1DJU	WOW	XX		XX			
12:00	14:00	W1BAA	SBARC				XX		XX
14:00	16:00	WB1COB	CQ Radio Club			XX		XX	
14:00	16:00	WB1DJU	WOW					XX	XX
14:00	16:00	W1BAA	SBARC	XX	XX				
17:00		close down							





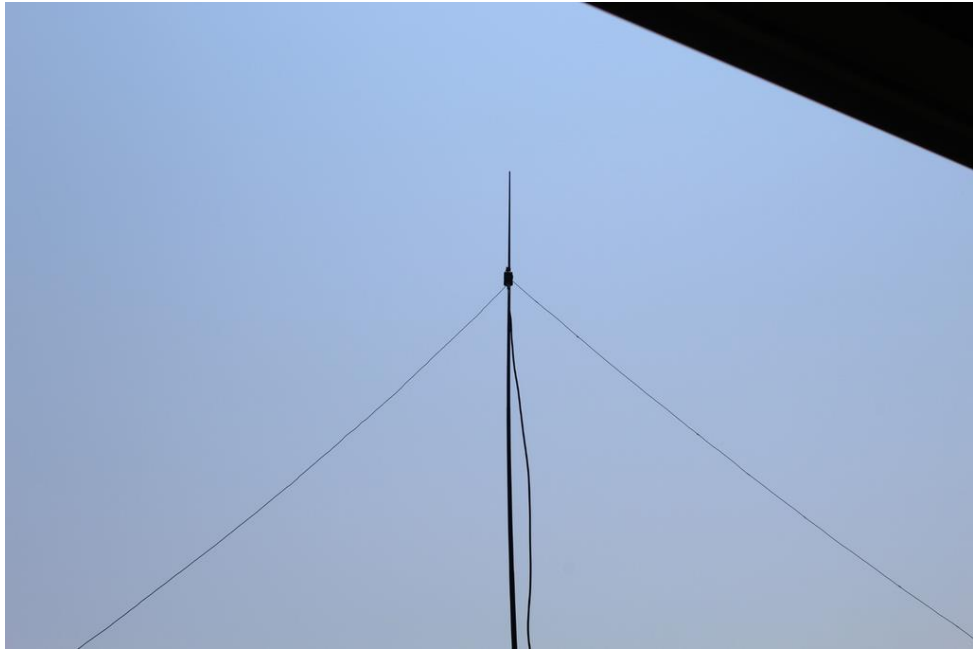




Photo: Dave Hyatt – K1DAV

Update on last week's Big Event

HARLAN FORD

From: hford01@snet.net **To:** Dan Fegley

Sun, Aug 10 at 3:57 PM

Dave's group shot...I'm 3rd from left.

Harlan Ford, W1QH DEC CT ARES Region 5

---- Forwarded Message ----

From: David Hyatt <iamdogman@optonline.net>

Sent: Saturday, August 9, 2025 at 07:55:38 PM EDT

Subject: Update on Last week's Big Event

Good evening everyone I have not forgotten you all.

We are working on the article, and I Hope to have it completed in the next few days.

In the meantime, I need your help.

If you have taken any photos, please can you share them with us I have only a few photos and want to try to add more to the article.

Here is the group photo I wish to share with everyone.

Again, thank you so much for all your support.

73's

David Hyatt - K1DAV

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