



# Capers

January 2014

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***CARA Meeting Saturday, January 11, 2014 7:30 p.m. @ Stony Hill  
Fire Station***



**MINUTES:**

No Meeting in December.

**Just a reminder that our meeting this week is on SATURDAY starting at 7:30PM due to a scheduling conflict at Stony Hill. We will be conducting the QSL sort.**

**Someone taking the ham radio class and exam has expressed some interest in learning about different models of HTs. If you would, please bring your HT to the meeting on Saturday and I'll introduce him around - you can give your opinion of the model(s) you have.**

**Thanks, Ron Cabral AB1RJ**

**CARA Net, December 15, 2013:**  
7:30 PM to 7:49 PM

CARA repeater, 147.300 MHz, PL 100Hz

NOTE: 1) Net Script is on the CARA website

[http://cararadioclub.org/images/documents/CARA\\_netscript.pdf](http://cararadioclub.org/images/documents/CARA_netscript.pdf)

2) Net Log sheet is also on the CARA website

Check-ins for the evening:

- 1 Net control N1TIW, Bill
- 2 KO1F, Oscar
- 3 W1QH, Harlan
- 4 KB1ZAC, David
- 5 N1IBQ, Ron
- 6 N2OHH, Vin
- 7 N1NRP, Jay
- 8 K1JOS, Jerry
- 9 KB1YHW, Gregory

Our thanks to all who checked in.

Note: After the net, several people QSY to 10 Meters @ 28.490 MHz to continue the discussion.

Bill, N1TIW, Net control

**CARA Net, December 22, 2013:**  
7:30 PM to 7:50 PM

CARA repeater, 147.300 MHz, PL 100Hz

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- 1 Net control N1TIW, Bill
- 2 KO1F, Oscar
- 3 KC1AXP, Bill
- 4 W1JMA, John
- 5 W1QH, Harlan
- 6 KB1ZAC, David
- 7 N2OHH, Vin
- 8 N1NRP, Jay
- 9 W1QK, Dan
- 10 N1IBQ, Ron
- 11 KB1YHW, Gregory
- 12 WA2ILY, Bill
- 13 K2ZZ, George

Our thanks to all who checked in.

Note: After the net you are encouraged to QSY to 10 Meters @ 28.490 MHz to continue the discussion.

Bill, N1TIW, Net control

**CARA Net, December 29, 2013:**  
7:30 PM to 7:58 PM

CARA repeater, 147.300 MHz Output, 147.900 MHz Input, +600 KHz Offset, PL 100Hz

NOTE: 1) Net Script is on the CARA website

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2) Net Log sheet is also on the CARA website

- 1 Net control N1TIW, Bill
- 2 KB1SPA, Jim

- 3 KB1ZAC, David
- 4 N1IBQ, Ron
- 5 WA2ILY, Bill
- 6 W1QH, Harlan
- 7 W1QK, Dan
- 8 N1NRP, Jay
- 9 N2OHH, Vin
- 10 KB1YHW, Gregory
- 11 KO1F, Oscar
- 12 N1VTK, Joe
- 13 W1SMS, Steve

Our thanks to all who checked in.

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Bill, N1TIW, Net control

### **CARA Net, January 5, 2014:**

7:30 PM to 7:55 PM

CARA repeater, 147.300 MHz Output, 147.900 MHz Input, +600 KHz Offset, PL 100Hz

NOTE: 1) Net Script is on the CARA website

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2) Net Log sheet is also on the CARA website

- 1 Net control N1TIW, Bill
- 2 KB1ZAC, David
- 3 N2OHH, Vin
- 4 W1QH, Harlan
- 5 NG1R, Roger
- 6 W1LCR, Frank
- 7 N1SUZ, Suzanne

- 8 KJ4WKD, Jim
- 9 N1NRP, Jay
- 10 W6RSE, Bob
- 11 KB1YHW, Gregory

Our thanks to all who checked in.

Note: After the net you are encouraged to QSY to 10 Meters @ 28.490 MHz to continue the discussion.

Bill, N1TIW, Net control

### **Ham Exam Schedule...**

Here are the dates for upcoming ham radio exams at the Stony Hill FD:

**March 8, June 7, Sept 6, Dec 6**

All are Saturdays, starting at 11:30 a.m. Walk-ins are welcome, but it's helpful if candidates call or e-mail Frank Sileo, N1PE, at 203-438-0218, or send a message to frsileo@att.net.

### **FROM PETE KZ1Z:**

Hams love to tinker and to research various elements of our hobby. Here is a huge collection of ham-related PDFs (DIY antennas, receivers, amps, meters, SWR, etc)

Check out

<http://transistori.net/~oh6gzt/putkizone.com/~gzt/pdf/>

73,  
Pete, KZ1Z

## **FROM THE ARRL WEBSITE:**

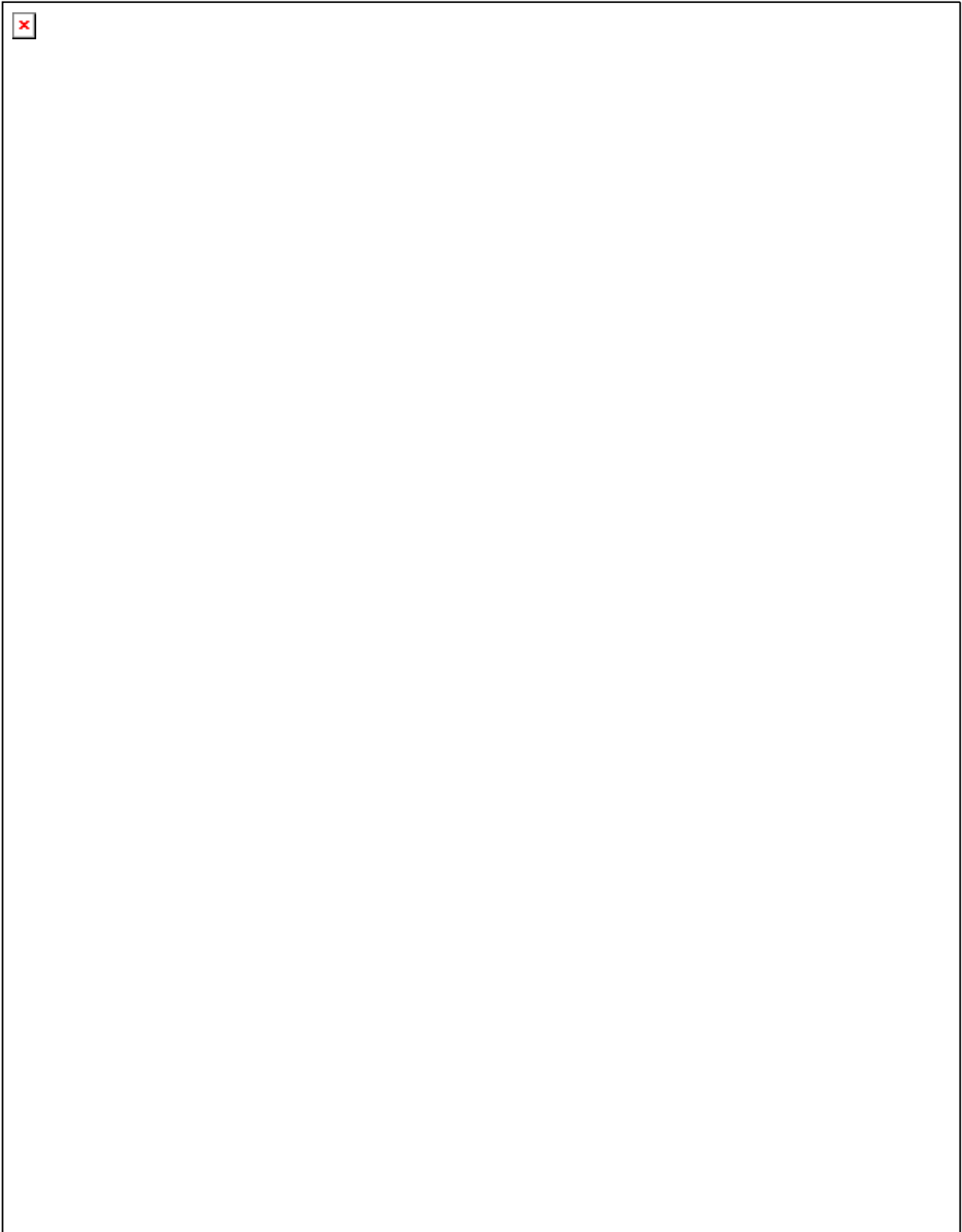
# **Two Ham-Astronauts to Repair Faulty Pump During Multiple Spacewalks**

12/18/2013

Expedition 38 Astronauts Mike Hopkins, KF5LJG, and Rick Mastracchio, KC5ZTE, will leave the confines of the International Space Station ([ISS](#)) December 21, 23, and 25 to repair a faulty cooling system pump. The malfunction has already caused the postponement of one Amateur Radio on the International Space Station ([ARISS](#)) school contact. NASA managers also are postponing until January an upcoming cargo resupply mission to the ISS. NASA said that during the multiple spacewalks — or extra-vehicular activities (EVAs) as NASA calls them — Hopkins and Mastracchio will remove a pump module that has a failed valve and replace it with a spare that's stowed on an external platform.

Charlie Sufana, AJ9N, who is involved with scheduling school contacts, said ARISS has postponed one contact with a school in Italy that had been scheduled for December 16. It's being rescheduled for January. It's unclear if the ISS problem will affect additional ARISS school contacts.

“We are working towards getting everyone scheduled, but it is pretty crazy,” Sufana told ARRL. “The two contacts for next week have not been scheduled yet, and it will probably be a near last-minute decision. We may just luck out and get something between EVA days.”



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July 17-19, 2014  
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- All-Day Training Tracks: public service, technology, radiosport, and more!

#### July 18-19, 2014 – Friday & Saturday

- Exhibit Hall featuring ARRL program representatives, Amateur Radio manufacturers, equipment sellers, and an indoor flea market
- Dozens of forums & presentations
- Friday Night Banquet

#### July 17-20, 2014

- Tours of ARRL headquarters and W1AW

Registration opens late summer 2013 (including hotel details)



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