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## ARRL ATLANTIC DIVISION CONVENTION AT THE ROCHESTER HAMFEST



Bill Edgar N3LLR and Richard Roderick K5UR

The Atlantic Division Convention was held at the Rochester Hamfest on June 5th. In addition to our "regular" ARRL officers Bill Edgar N3LLR and Scot Bauer W2LC, we were honored to hear Richard Roderick K5UR. Richard hails from Little Rock, Arkansas and is the 1st Vice President of the ARRL.

Listening to him speak, you can truly see the passion that he has for our hobby. He told a wonderful story about the first QSL card that he received. (*Perhaps that would make a great meeting activity—everyone bring in their first QSL and tell us your story. Just a thought...*)

Richard said he is often approached by fellow hams who are concerned about the hobby and its future and

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## DON'T FORGET...IT'S FIELD DAY WEEKEND!

STARS Field Day 2010 will be held Saturday/Sunday June 26/27 at North Evans Fire Department Grounds, 7130 Versailles Road.

Set up begins at 10AM with on-air activity beginning at 2PM.

Supper's around 6PM...bring a dish to pass.

Check the June Telstar for a map to get there.

## HAPPY JULY BIRTHDAY!

K2DCB	Danielle Bangsil
KA2QLH	Ken Brown
KB2OUT	Tony Balas
KB2VWC	John Crawford
KB2YJ	Gary Zanghi
KC2WEB	Drew Laudenslager
N2DNK	Edgar Bangsil
W2KRB	Kristopher Bangsil



## JULY MEETING

This month's club meeting will begin at 7:00 PM on Thursday July 1 at the NIKE Base Clubhouse.

All interested in amateur radio are invited to attend. Neither club membership nor an amateur radio license is required. We look forward to seeing you there!

the future of ham radio clubs. K5UR's opinion: The future of the hobby depends on you and the youth. Get kids interested in the hobby. And the future of the clubs—also depends on each one of us. Bring a friend to the meeting!

His talk turned into a couple of challenges for each of us—during the next 365 days:

1. Get one person interested in ham radio
2. Get one person to join ARRL—it's our voice in Washington when it comes to changes affecting our hobby.

Will you accept the challenge?

*(STARS is working in this direction— STARS Director Ken KC2AYK has been working with a Church group to get boys involved in ham radio. We recently conducted Technician classes for the West Seneca CERT team. These should only be the starting point — STARS needs to continue to do more of this.)*

## EMPIRE STATE GAMES LOOKING FOR HAMS!



The Empire State Games are coming to Buffalo July 21-25 and organizers are looking for hams to provide communications during the games. They'll be using 2m—so a Technician class is all you need!

If you're interested in volunteering contact:  
Patty Lewandowski KC2WHA at kc2wha@att.net or 866-0048.

## 2010 CLUB OFFICERS

President:	Wayne Carpus W2ZDP
Vice President:	Jim Starr N2TFA
Treasurer:	Jack Cullum KB2ESM
Secretary:	Keith Patterson KC2DGC
Financial Secretary:	Judy Levan N2TEZ
Director:	Ken Pokigo KC2AYK
Director:	John Crawford KB2VWC

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Clubhouse Chair:	Don Niles K2PMC
Telstar Editor:	Judy Levan N2TEZ
Webmaster:	Marc Fruth N2UBT

## CLUB MEETINGS

Club meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00PM at either the Hamburg Youth Center (Prospect and Hawkins Avenues) or the NIKE Base Clubhouse. Everyone is welcome. Board meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of the month at the Nike Base Club Station at 7:30PM and are open to all club members.

## CLUB HF STATION

The club Nike Base HF station is located on Lakeview Road 1.75 miles east of Route 20 next to the Hamburg Town Arena.

## CLUB NETS

STARS club nets are open to all to exchange information on local amateur radio activities.

STARS WB2EZU Memorial HF net meets at 10AM local time on Saturdays on 3.925 MHz +/- QRM. Bob Lehning WA2YSJ is usually the net controller.

STARS Sunday morning RagChew Net at 9:30AM on 28.380 Mhz.



STARS has been designated a Special Service Club by the ARRL.

## STARS JULY VE SESSION

STARS will be holding a VE Test Session on Saturday July 17th. The session will be held at the Hamburg Youth Center (corner of Prospect and Hawkins Aves.)



All candidates should arrive by 9AM. Walk-ins will be allowed, but pre-registering will help speed up the processing the day of the test.

All candidates should bring the following to the test session:

1. An original photo ID or two other original forms of ID, plus a photocopy of the ID(s) to be turned in to the examiners for their records.
2. Your current amateur radio license (if any) plus a photocopy of it.
3. The original copies of any applicable Certificate of Successful Completion of Examination (CSCE) plus a photocopy of each.
4. A test fee of \$15.00
5. Your Social Security Number (SSN) or your FCC Federal Registration Number (FRN). Your application for a new or upgraded amateur radio license will be rejected by the FCC if you do not provide one of these numbers.

For more information, or to register for the test, contact John Crawford KB2VWC 649-5933.

## SPOTTED AT THE ROCHESTER HAMFEST...



Kyle KC2RQO



Joe KB2JDB

## 30th ANNUAL BATAVIA HAMFEST & COMPUTERFEST

Sponsored by Genesee Radio Amateurs  
W2RCX

Saturday July 24th, 2010  
Alexander Volunteer Fire Department  
Firemen's Recreation Center  
10708 Route 98  
Alexander, New York 14005  
Gate opens at 7:00 AM  
Admission only \$5.00 / under 12 free



Mike N2MRN and Bob KA2WYE

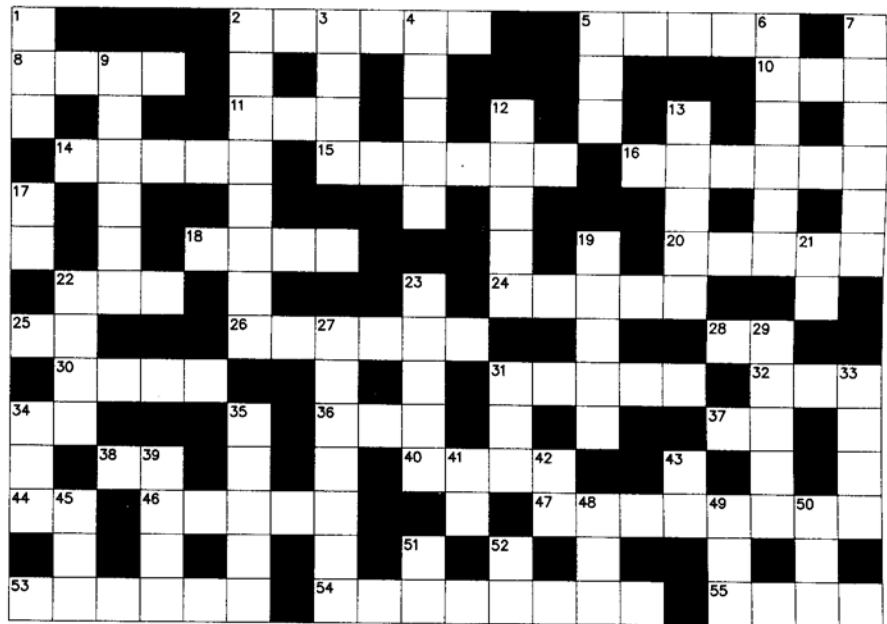
# Another great crossword from Ward Silver NAOX!

## Tools!

### Tools For Building, Fixing, Losing, and Finding

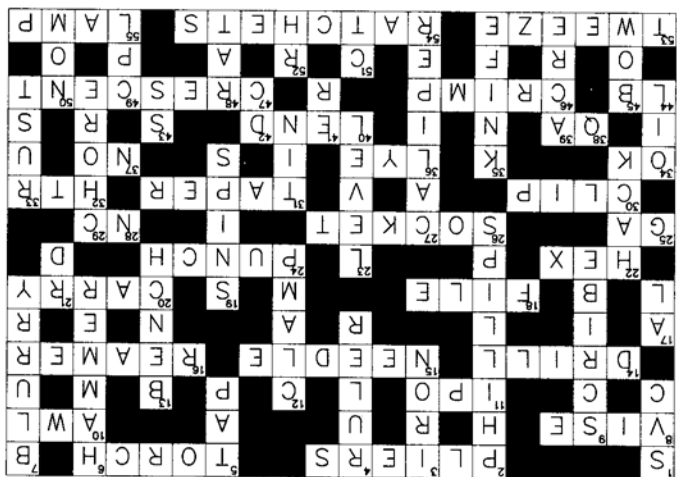
#### ACROSS

2. Used to grip things
5. Hot item
8. Jaws to hold, not to bite
10. Hole poker
11. Initial public investment in your invention
14. Rotates a bit
15. Style of a nose
16. Makes a hole bigger
18. Scrapes metal edges smooth
20. To lift and move an object
22. Six-sided key
24. Start a hole with a center...
25. Gauge (abbreviation)
26. Fits a nut
28. Numerically controlled (abbreviation)
30. To cut off the end
31. Gradual reduction in diameter
32. Heater (abbreviation)
34. Everything alright
36. Caustic chemical
37. Normally Open (abbreviation)
38. Quality Assurance (abbreviation)
40. Do not do this to your tools
44. Pound (abbreviation)
46. Tool does this to hold a terminal on a wire
47. Type of adjustable wrench
53. What a tweezer does
54. Only turns one way
55. Puts light on the work



#### DOWN

1. Service (abbreviation)
2. Type of screwdriver
3. Used to solder
4. Measures distance
5. Puts threads in a hole
6. Used to hit things
7. If you get a metal chip in your eye, your vision will become...
9. Draw a line on metal
12. Holds firmly
13. Where the work is done
17. Aluminum (abbreviation)
19. Cut tin with these
21. Round (abbreviation)
22. Saw used on metal
23. Both sides at equal heights
27. Measures precise widths and lengths
29. Cleanup is a...
31. Coat with solder
33. Wet tools do this
34. Lubricant
35. Used for cutting
39. Unit of area
41. Where you will go if you're not careful around tools (abbreviation)



42. Battery power
43. Stainless steel (abbreviation)
45. Saw kept under tension
48. Type of a file tail
49. Couple (abbreviation)
50. Nominal (abbreviation)
51. Count (abbreviation)
52. Right-hand (abbreviation)