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ANTENNAS INSTALLED

The club recently installed three antennas on the tower at the Hamburg clubhouse. The Mosley beam was installed along with VHF and UHF antennas.



TECHNICIAN TRAINING CLASS

STARS has partnered with EMPact America, West Seneca CERT, and Elma CERT to offer a free Technician training class.

The first class will be Wed, October 4, 2017 at 6:30 PM, and will go on to 9:30 PM. The training will last 5 to 6 consecutive weeks, with the last class being a licensing exam.

The class will be held at 7615 Seneca Street, East Aurora, NY 14052.

STARS MEETINGS

STARS meetings are usually at 7:00 PM on the first Thursday of each month, at the Hamburg Memorial Youth Center, 200 Prospect Avenue in Hamburg.

During July and August the youth center is closed and meetings are held at the Nike Base Clubhouse at 2982 Lakeview Road in Hamburg.

This month's meeting will be on October 5th, at 7:00 PM, at the Hamburg Memorial Youth Center. All those interested in amateur radio are welcome.

The STARS board usually meets at 7:00 PM on the fourth Thursday of each month, at the Nike Base Clubhouse.

The next board meeting will be on October 26th at 7:00 PM. All members are welcome.

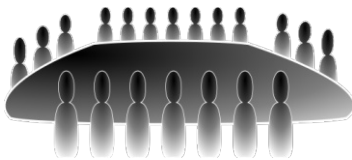
2017 GOALS

Participate in Field Day.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Participate in NYS QSO Party.	<input type="radio"/>
Conduct fundraising events.	<input type="radio"/>
Acquire new equipment.	<input type="radio"/>
Attend mini-maker faire(s).	<input type="radio"/>
Conduct club build project(s).	<input type="radio"/>
Install three yagi antennas.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Present 4 monthly programs.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>
Conduct training on club equipment.	<input type="radio"/>
Conduct general and extra classes.	<input type="radio"/>
Install satellite antennas.	<input type="radio"/>
Maintain repeater system.	<input type="radio"/>

CLUB OFFICERS

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CLUB NETS

STARS holds two nets every week -- one on 2 meters and one on 75 meters. All are welcome to participate.

Tuesdays	7:30 PM	147.09 MHz (Repeater)
Saturdays	10:00 AM	3.925 MHz ± QRM

STARS LICENSING EXAMS

STARS offers licensing exams at 9:00 AM on the third Saturday of each odd-numbered month. The exams are conducted at the Hamburg Memorial Youth Center at 200 Prospect Avenue in Hamburg. Walk-ins are allowed.

Candidates must bring the following items to the exam:

- Legal photo ID (a driver's license is excellent).
- Your SSN or FRN. FRNs can be obtained on [the FCC website](#).
- Current license and/or CSCE, if any, with a non-returnable photocopy of each.
- \$15 in cash.
- Two #2 pencils with erasers, and a pen.

Calculators are permitted, so long as any programming has been cleared.

NEXT MEETING

There are not currently any events planned for any future meetings. If you would like to present something at a future meeting, please contact Larry Plumb, WA2TLY. Some suggested topics include feedlines and RFI troubleshooting.

VE SESSION RESULTS

STARS conducted an exam session last month. Four candidates took exams. All of them passed, and one was an upgrade to extra.

Brian Nickles	KD2OET	Tech
Duane Cronin	KD2OEU	Tech
Jason Ross	KD2OEV	Tech
David Kowalewski	WA2OXZ	Extra

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