

Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler

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Vintage Ham Radio

Vintage ham equipment is fun to restore, collect and operate. And words from hamdom's days of yore are still with us, even if their origins may have been forgotten. If you've got an interest in the history of ham radio - or, better yet, have actually lived it - you'll have an easier time with this week's puzzler. If not, you'll have fun anyway.

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Across

1. Radio named for a bird
5. Lake ____ swing
9. An SB-220, very broadly speaking
14. Oscar's follower
15. In the middle of EME
16. Tough, durable wood
17. Times past
18. Fine tuning, on some vintage receivers
20. Presses the upper left key
22. They get disqualified in a contest, probably
23. Vibroplex manual item
24. Iowa ham equipment maker, informally
25. Cartoonist Schultz, on CW maybe?
26. ____ generator
28. A step lower in frequency than Re's
29. Proof ender, maybe on CW too
32. Meadow sound
34. Volatile computer storage
35. Four digits of nothing, on CW, for short
36. An R-390 on a carrier?
41. Part of S.R.O.
42. What log entries were often written in, before computers
43. Sixty-one-forty-____
44. Foxhunt (abbr.)
45. Delight
46. Pertaining to a point of connection, in a circuit or network
50. Base predecessor?
51. W2 summer time
53. Dir. beaming Billings from Boise
54. Bad, if a tire...; good, if SWR...
57. Desk Kilowatt maker
59. Lots of Hertz, in the early days
62. ARRL Op-____ (dupe sheets were #6)
63. Receiver maker in HPM's time
64. Walk back and forth
65. Natural antenna support
66. A YL, after getting an X
67. Jet-setters' jets, once
68. Wisdom says that sometimes it's more

Down

1. 20 WPM, 300 Baud, and others
2. SP capital
3. To AMers it's the scratchy one from Heath
4. AMSAT partner
5. Glowing remnant
6. Effect of 5-down on a hot dog
7. Sometimes it's plus sometimes minus
8. AR, on CW
9. Some amplifiers, starting around 1970
10. "Who ___?"
11. Part of EAN, CAN, PAN
12. Future doc's exam
13. Docs of another kind
19. Arrangements or organizations - in databases
21. Like a ruling in HV-land
25. Layer, as with paint
27. Pac. div. ARRL sect.
28. Their dials are greenish-blue
29. Miamisburg, to 28-down
30. Maker of 9-down, once
31. Serial port pin
33. Code proficiency, say
35. Extra stable freq. ref.
36. Kind of logic gate
37. Another kind of logic gate
38. What the original ham band is called today
39. Linear (but not an amp), briefly
40. IN district
45. Honored or favored
47. Covet, as a big antenna farm
48. Collectors' ancestors?
49. Contacts (but not QSOs)
50. ___ King 500
51. VCR button
52. Prescribed amounts
54. Italy, No. Ireland, in prefixes
55. McCartney, Lancelot and others
56. Took a 707
58. Mfgr. of HRO rcvrs
60. Hz, to Hertz
61. A step higher in frequency than so's

SOLUTION

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