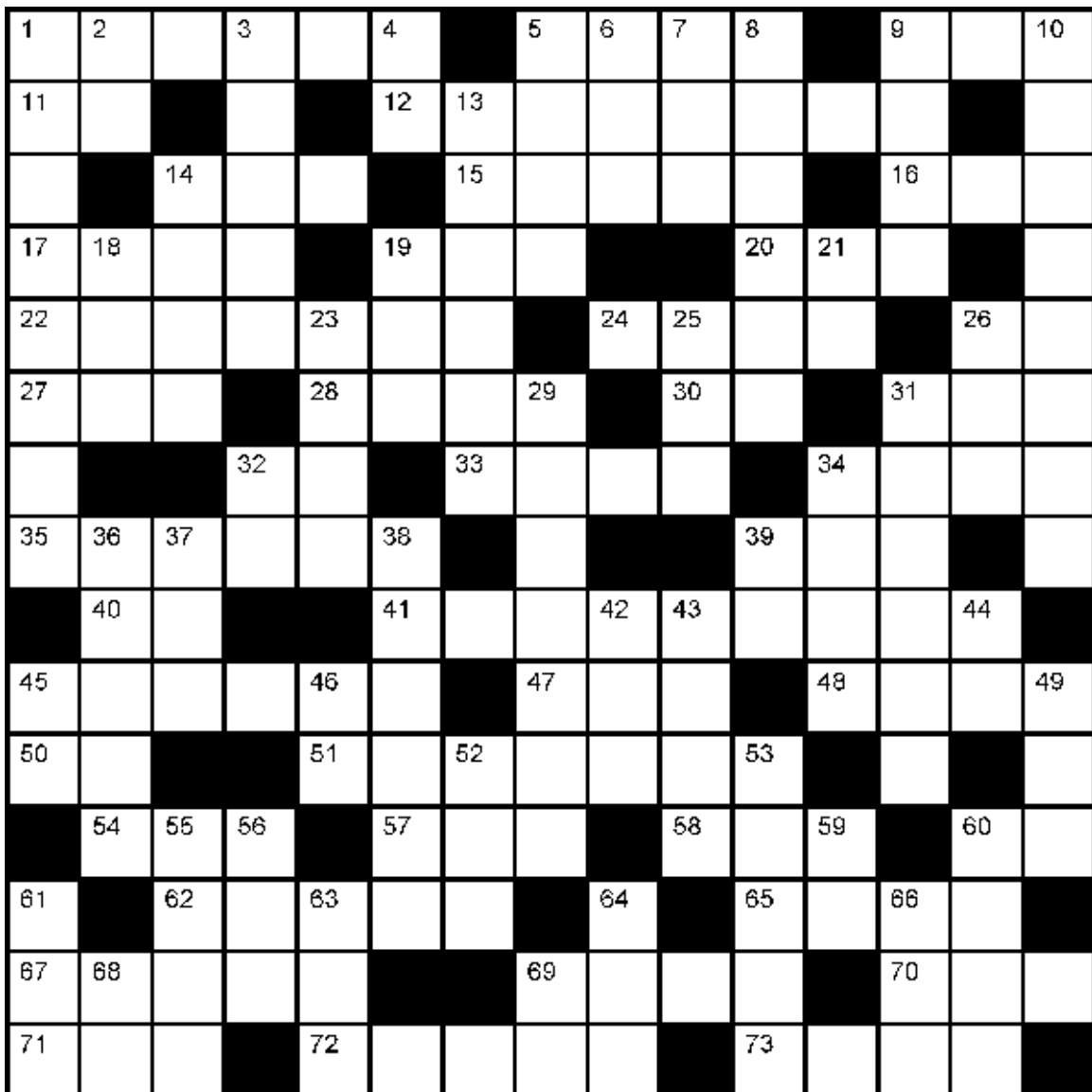


Amateur Radio Crossword Puzzler

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The Festival of Hams

As the temperature rises, so too does the number of hamfests being held. Why, there's probably one not too far away this very weekend! The biggest one of all, the Dayton Hamvention (www.hamvention.org) begins ramping up around May 14th and gradually concludes on May 17th. 20,000+ hamsters can't be wrong! Even if you won't be at Dayton, I'll bet you attend at least one hamfest every year. If you haven't been to one, grab your walking shoes and a shopping bag – they're fun!



Across

1. Directs data on a network
5. SK notice
9. Vehicle often used for roving
11. CW for "and"
12. Made it myself!
14. Nesting insect
15. Fred's wife
16. Promotional announcements
17. Start from the beginning (abbr)
19. Skyhook (abbr)
20. A poobah (abbr)
22. Something someone will buy
24. Too long here and you'll miss the fun
26. Common orientation of crystal slice
27. Early solid-state logic family
28. Most important part of the operator
30. Load current (abbr)
31. Type of fuse, a ...-blo
32. One thousandth of a liter (abbr)
33. Haze of polluted air
34. What a "cold 807" refers to
35. Tickets are sold for this at the hamfest
39. Conducting hole between PCB layers
40. Not heavy (abbr)
41. Put out to alert buyers
45. Hold on to this at the hamfest
47. Between liquid and solid
48. The best type of free
50. 3600 seconds (abbr)
51. How much stuff you can drive to the hamfest
54. What the first batch of buyers looks like
57. Adaptor for joining three cables
58. Automation that scans the Web
60. Emit a signal (abbr)
62. Remorse at missing that great deal
65. Unpleasant bouquet
67. To budget an amount
69. Walk around and observe the hamfest
70. Used to carry purchases
71. What the ARRL did to the FCC about BPL
72. If your prefix was 5W, you'd be here
73. Cease doing something

Down

1. Sign up
2. Windows and Linux are examples of these (abbr)
3. Symbol used for angles
4. Direction in which screws are tightened (abbr)
5. Leave out
6. A deca-dB
7. Gigantic computer company
8. Go somewhere
9. Exchange equipment
10. Temporary viewers
13. Those whose possess stuff
14. Shady part of a cap
18. The protocol that lets 1 Across get the right stuff to the right computer
19. Prefix often associated with ice cream
21. Measurement that determines what fits through a hole (abbr)
23. Rings at opening time
25. Not huge, but close
26. A drink or a protocol
29. Bring in without detection
31. Look for
32. The AM and Top Band frequency
- range designator
34. Sets a circuit's operating point
36. Goes off way too early
37. Superluminal (abbr)
38. What's left after 5 Across
39. Output voltage (abbr)
42. Prefix meaning "new"
43. Let slip the actual price you paid
44. Get 'er done
45. Electric energy (abbr)
46. ARES leader (abbr)
49. Gotta pay with every purchase
52. French sister society to ARRL
53. What opens to let in 54 Across
55. View with desire
56. Don't tase me!
59. Amount of delay (abbr)
60. Multiband antenna component
61. Too much power
63. Possessed by it
64. Gear that doesn't work when you get it home (abbr)
66. Alternate price suggested by a buyer (abbr)
68. Prefix used in Buenos Aires
69. Transistor package prefix

