

KB1HPV-Chad, still busy in his wood shop.

Here are a few photos of a chair KB1HPV-Chad repaired for his cousin in Eden, North Carolina. The chair was broken into 10 pieces, and she wondered if anything could be done with it. After a little tender loving care in the shop, Chad brought this nice chair back to useful life. In addition, Chad picked up an old and



wrecked wooden vegetable bin for a buck (\$1), and worked his magic on it.

Other than amateur radio, Chad spends time rebuilding items to like new condition or, surprises everyone with a new piece of furniture, built from scratch.

My friend Neil, in Brooklyn sent me this photo to pass along as a suggestion to Chad for a future project. He was looking at various pages on the Internet when he came upon a handmade Vacuum Tube Chess Set. Maybe we'll see something like this at the Chad-works soon?



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We wish everyone a happy and safe 4th of July!

PASSING...

Ed Vanattan, VE3JRR

April 7, 2022

Ed was a long time participant in our 7.272 Ragchew net, the 160m 1721 group and the North Countries, Thousand Islands, Rooster Roster net.



<https://www.rushnellfuneralhomes.com/memorials/edward-vanattan/4896490>

His learned on June 12 of his passing when an e-mail was returned, and KC2UT-Jerry checked up on him.

It is important to let your family members know you also have a "Radio Family" so if anything should happen, the family will know to make contact with us so proper recognition can be made.

To leave a condolence for the family, please post at www.

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**WHAT... Me worry ?
I certainly know what
I'm doing!
"Alfred E. Newman"**

This almost 60-year-old cover of 73 magazine sums up what a little knowledge, and a hot soldering gun can produce. All too many times have we heard a cry for help when a ham has gotten in over his head! (HiHi)



Wood carving by KN4UDV

From: Colorado Springs, CO.
Today I am showing off my latest creation, a rustic hand carved bench.



I was contacted by a lady who asked to have it specially made for her father. They have a ranch and 'S' on its side or "Lazy S, and Y" is the brand for their livestock. The rose on the right is the family name 'Rose'. 73, KN4UDV-Jim
(Jim is a frequent participant in the morning, 7:30 am Rooster Roster net on the WA2NAN and AC2GE hosted Echolink net)

Volunteers Wanted!

Summer is here, and to keep the Chew on track, we need good friends to step up and be Net Control Operators. It's the vacation season and many of our scheduled NCS's will be stepping away from the mike for a while.



If you would like to be one of our Net Control Stations on a regular schedule or, as a much-needed occasional fill-in, please contact our net scheduler, KB3LGO-Walt.

A note from your editor ...

Our monthly newsletter "THE CHEW", contains information about the activities and participants in the 7.272 Ragchew Net. We rely on contributions of stories and pictures from the members to keep all of us up to date to impart information we can all use, and, of course, to raise a smile and a chuckle or two. If you find a new "Taz" photo that can be used for future certificates and QSLs, that too is greatly appreciated. Without you, there is no Chew! Please e-mail your stories, tech info, and photos to Loby at wa2axz@arrl.net
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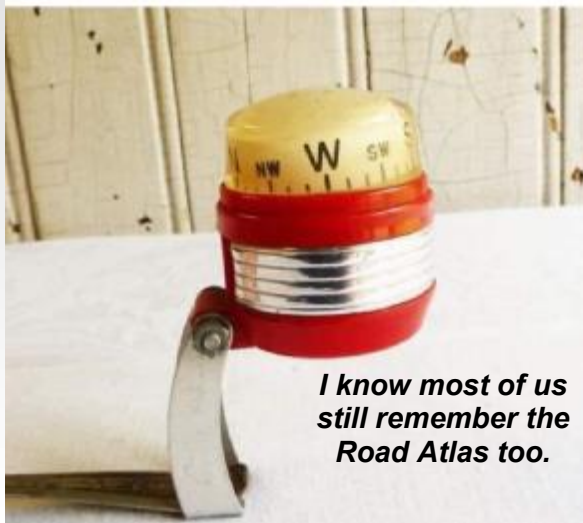
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still remember the
Road Atlas too.



K2LAG-Larry is an engineer, (*locomotive engineer, that is*) and as such, gets invited all over the country to participate in various railroading activities. During Fathers Day weekend, Larry was in Deshler Ohio, for a special patriotic event. There were several notable engines rolling through this B&O junction. The new CSX Engine-911 was on the scene, painted in a special commemorative scheme heralding all first responders.

If you would like to check on the various trains rolling through this busy junction each day, here's the live link to the Diamond Crossover cam: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JmjVorMiZK8> Here's the link to the main line: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2YVSFtoGsw>

An informative video on Deshler is at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_1p9E6fVyeU&t=777s.

For any rail fan, check out these posts: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/231049350774564>

“ALLL ABOOOORD!”

Where did our Call Signs come from ???

My friend Joe Sima, sent me this little video that may be of interest to all hams. “The storied history of the Ham Radio Call Sign” <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Su76QvChuEU>

It is a nice video by W7VO-Mike covering our long history. Enjoy, and many thanks to Joe for sending this in.

For your continued summer video enjoyment:

The history of the first SSB transmissions and early history of ham radio.

KB1PK-Bill is busy helping his XYL, after her foot operation, and together they spent time doing research and viewing videos. Bill found these fascinating little gem from the Antique Wireless Museum: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BBRntPJTr5Y> **and** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2v9aLm26p8>

Turn on the air conditioning, and enjoy the videos, along with the others mentioned in our newsletter.



73: KB1PKS-Bill

Field Day on Pikes Peak

From KN4UDV-Jim



On Field Day Our Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Association, PPRAA, gathered for a great weekend of ham radio. We operated in category 3A, using CW, side band voice and digital FT4 and FT8 modes.

In addition, we had a Get On The Air, (GOTA) station and a VHF/UHF set-up. Portable solar panels maintained power to keep



Some of the antennas were wire dipoles like those we've seen in field set-ups. One noteworthy antenna was the 10 meter rotatable aluminum Crutch dipole (left photo)

There was also the portable hex-beam, mounted on a trailer hitch in the back of a pick-up truck. A couple members donated use of camper trailers as operating stations.



The El Paso County Emergency Communications mobile unit was on site and on display.

A local Scout troop was there, under the shadow of the crutch antenna, and took classes and instruction to receive the radio merit badge.



This was as much a social gathering as it is a contest, so a group meal was in order. Burgers and brats were hot off the grill for picnicking. That's all from our Field Day site on Pikes Peak! **73 James-Kn4UDV**

*Note** Jim is a frequent visitor to the Rooster Roster net and has tried to be a DX contact to the Chew when band conditions have allowed.*

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*If anyone has additional stories and photos of their Field Day activities, please send them to WA2AXZ-Loby, your newsletter editor, for inclusion in future issues [wa2axz@arrl.net](mailto:wa2axz@arrl.net) or [nyctloby@aol.com](mailto:nyctloby@aol.com)*



all station batteries charged.

# Clayton, New York, Field Day

By K2LAG-Larry

In upstate New York, in the Thousand Islands, our friends from the Rooster Roster, the Seaway Net, and local radio clubs met up at the open field in Clayton



to operate their 2023 Field Day activities. Above, Bill-KD2DXJ and XYL, Meg-KD2DXI at their phone operating station.

Also on the scene were Chris-KD2GUD, Jay- KD2ZTC, Will-AC2GE, Tom-N2KPJ, and Doug- KE2BLD.



Below: Aaron-KD2RSS working the digital station.



As you see, this club has a good group of hams working together to make Field Day and other contests a huge success.



Meg-KD2DXI shows an unnamed visitor the station. She then turns the mike over to her and allows her to make a few contacts.



Below: Seated at the equipment table, Rick-W2QJH and Bill-KD2DXJ. In the background, Doug-KE2BLD observes as Chris-KD2GUD assists a visiting ham (call unknown) with an SDR



At the end of the day, a quick screen shot shows how logging was done on computer with a few impressive totals for day 1 of Field Day. All had a great time during the two-day event.

73... K2LAG-Larry

