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There is always time to add a word, never to withdraw one.
Baltasar Gracián, 1647, *The Art of Worldly Wisdom*.

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We have been pleased to receive feedback from members in relation to the cancellation of the Cumulative prize schedule for Jul-Dec 2004. You can read the comments on page 12 of this issue of *Crozworld*. You will see that there is a diversity of views. The Executive Committee is grateful to all those who have expressed an opinion. When we come to decide the details of the Prize schedule for 2005, we will take into account all of the views expressed. Many thanks.

Alan Walter has made a sensible suggestion in his comment on page 12 namely, that Slot 6 puzzles should have an Aussie theme. We agree. If our hard-working compilers could bear this in mind when devising a Slot 6 puzzle we would be grateful indeed. Kindly note that the Executive Committee does not place any restrictions on the type or style of the Slot 6 puzzle. It's a matter for each compiler.

It was pleasing to hear that the Victorian *Crossmas in July* function was an undoubted success. See the report on page 9. Many thanks to Valerie Howard for her skill and enthusiasm in organising such a memorable occasion. We hope many members will be able to join us at the Sydney Get-Together to be held at Rydges Hotel on Sunday 21 November 2004.

We have another excellent range of puzzles for you this month starting with the now familiar *Half & Half* by Noel Jessop. We are delighted to welcome back *St Jude* with another of his fine cryptics and we find *Praxis* in plain cryptic mode this month. *Timid Terrier* is back with another excellent AJ and *Virgo* reminds us that it's a 'Material World'. Finally, *Cactus* is back with another of his masterful challenges. And for the quizlovers, we have one with a sporting theme thanks to *The Beast*. Happy Crozworlding!
—Patrick

Adjudicating is mainly a pleasure thanks to all the nice letters but one of the distressing aspects is to see all the hard work not getting the desired result due to transcription errors (eg SQUIRMM, DUSPISER, KLOCKS, AQEUOUS, HAISTS, YGRE, BASEE, DEII, BARNAALE BILL etc) or presumably unintentional blanks. If intentional – guessing will often be right – blanks never are. Otherwise this was a month that virtually revolved around 6 clues only.

Slot 1: This proved the undoing of many. This despite the fact that both HOKI and MOKI were accepted as were OSAMA, USAMA, ISAMA and ASAMA (I declined to go to the source for the preferred spelling). The main problem was Schubert's *Trout Quintet*. 21 members put GROUP which is a kind of definition but not in keeping with the down marine theme. There were also a few misspellings of KIRLIAN.

Slot 2: Very few non-transcriptional errors here. Individual mistakes included HIREAGE, ELACITY, SCATTERING, MOHOCKS and CORNAGE.

Slot 3: Three clues caused all the worries here. STOLEN for the homonym STOLON (12 times). Many rooms were popular. CHINROOM (3) CLIPROOM (3) and CHIPROOM (13) but only CRIBROOM is correct. SIDECAR (19) was difficult to judge. It is clearly not right but understandable (reversing RACE and DIS). Unfortunately HIRECAR is not great as HIR can be pronounced here as in hirsute but has other pronunciations in other words. Incidentally no one got STOREYS wrong but *Chambers* and *Macquarie* state the plural of sty is STYES or STIES, not STYS.

Slot 4: Five transcription/spelling errors only.

Slot 5: Only 2 clues gave significant problems. Even if there was such a word as SETAS (SET + A + S) (9) nothing is left for the definition. SET + AE achieves this. Also RETAPES does not fit the clue REP + APE + R.

Clue of the Month: JUSTICE was a clear winner (if only it were true of life) getting more than double the votes of runner up BARNACLE BILL.
—Brian Symons

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	95	101	96	102	82	476
Correct entries	60	86	56	98	63	363
Success rate (%)	63	85	58	96	77	76
Prizewinners	D Fuller	M Dennis E Holford	B Siegman A Skillicorn	C Lee K Layton	M Galbreath	From 102 members

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July 1-2004

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July 2-2004

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MEMBERS RESULTS FOR JULY 2004

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ANDERSON JB
ARCHIBALD C
ATKINSON S
AUSTIN A
BARBOUR J
BENNETT B
BENNETT D
BUTLER D
CALLAN A & D
CAMPBELL G
CHANCE C
COATES D
COCKBURN B
COCKBURN M
COLE G
COLLES J
CONWAY H
COWAN M
DAVIDSON D
DAVIS M
DAY R
DENNIS M
DERRINGTON P
DINHAM V
EDWARD J
EISENTRAGER D
FOSTER C
FREELAND J
FULLER D
GALBREATH M
GARNER P
GLISSAN B

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
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GREENING D
HAGAN B
HAMBLING C
HOLFORD E
HOWARD L
HOWARD V
IBBOTT B
IKIN D
JERMY A
JESSOP N
JONES D
KENNEDY D
KITTO J
KNIGHT S
LAYTON K
LEE C
LEE K
LEEDS G
LOBSEY V
McCLELLAND C
MACDOUGALL I
McGRATH J
McKENZIE I
McKINDLAY Y
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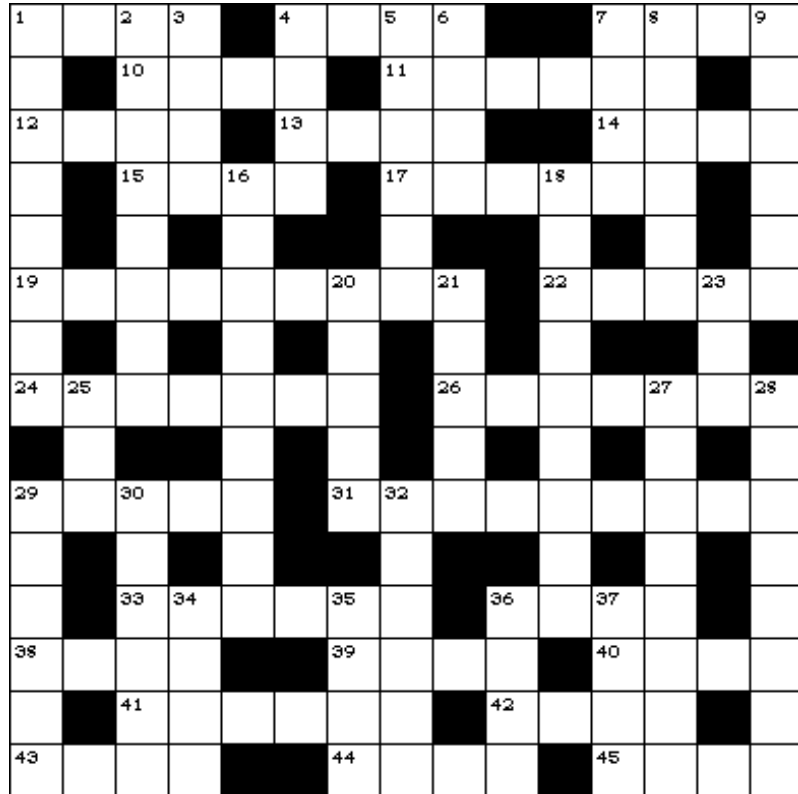
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REEVES V
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RYAN A
RYAN W
SAVANAH T
SEALE E
SIEGMAN B
SKILLICORN A
SMITH J
SOLOMON B
STANDARD J
STOCKS J
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Half & Half
by
Noel Jessop



[rrp: \$36.95]



Across

- 1 Plays on words (4)
- 4 Cadence (4)
- 7 Jacob's twin (4)
- 10 Assistant (4)
- 11 Non-violence (6)
- 12 Prepare to fire (4)
- 13 European (4)
- 14 Hidden obstacle (4)
- 15 Flightless bird (4)
- 17 Smear (6)
- 19 Not smelly (9)
- 22 Spartan serf (5)
- 24 Sprinting (7)
- 26 Prefers (7)
- 29 Alter to suit (5)
- 31 Relating to dress (9)
- 33 Rev-counters (*coll.*) (6)
- 36 German woman (4)
- 38 Wicket topping (4)
- 39 Mother of Helen (4)
- 40 Bathing-beach (4)
- 41 Naples (*It.*) (6)
- 42 Dash it! (4)
- 43 Notice (4)
- 44 On the sheltered side (4)
- 45 Spanish coin (4)

Down

- 1 Summit backed condition that's dead calm (8)
- 2 Lustrous common sense shown about some land (8)
- 3 Look for sound Indian soldier (4)
- 4 Lead out Helen's mother (4)
- 5 Light gold vehicle (6)
- 6 Woman has an article and a conclusion (4)
- 7 Hands off lesser actual existence (4)
- 8 Lands a different slipper (6)
- 9 Old city fellow is critical (6)
- 16 Self-centred, it goes off with a twitch (9)
- 18 Bearing bill of exchange – average one in sixty minutes (9)
- 20 Gaol's collapsed – rocks in the middle! (5)
- 21 Better protected from untoward fears (5)
- 23 Inboard propeller? (3)
- 25 Assistance from topless servant (3)
- 27 Uranium and bismuth left off alloy's final omnipresence (8)
- 28 State information about youth's dressing (5, 3)
- 29 Go public with public conveyance. A plane (6)
- 30 Giant conservative out of order performing temporarily (6)
- 32 Scale down rotten lies after first two letters (6)
- 34 Some balanced chap (4)
- 35 Part of a dollar for an urn (4)
- 36 Lose colour from craze with English (4)
- 37 Of a wing left in Swiss river (4)

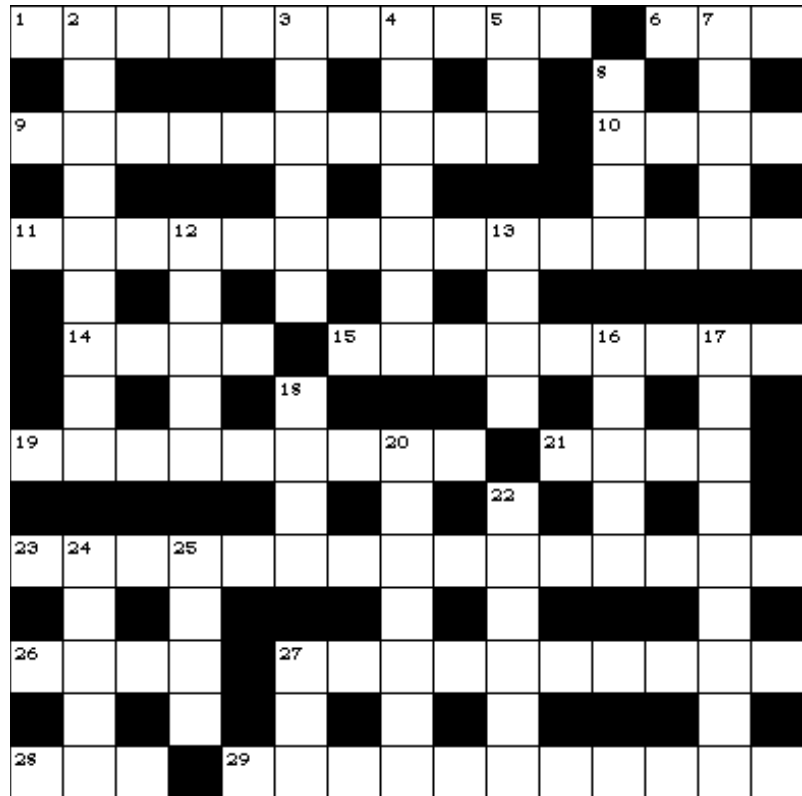
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Closing mail date: Friday 3 September 2004.

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Cryptic
by
St Jude



Across

- 1 Flesh eating Greek has burial container (11)
- 6 Adapt well (3)
- 9 Spoil cacti, spoil bones (10)
- 10 Await speech on city (4)
- 11 Maniacal Bash Inc. provide participants for drunken revelry (15)
- 14 I avoid the in-cinema shift (4)
- 15 Trims withdrawn; I board HMS Angels (9)
- 19 Swedes lie about in the mountain flowers (9)
- 21 Reduce noise of wagon (4)
- 23 Man's ideal mate is a succubus (4,2,3,6)
- 26 Cavity formed when vulture starts to attack the centre of eggs (4)
- 27 Begin apricot, strawberry and cherry harvest in early October after damage to fruit (10)
- 28 Note easy listening hat (3)
- 29 Action at twilight when brawny motorhead leaves after unfinished pancake (11)


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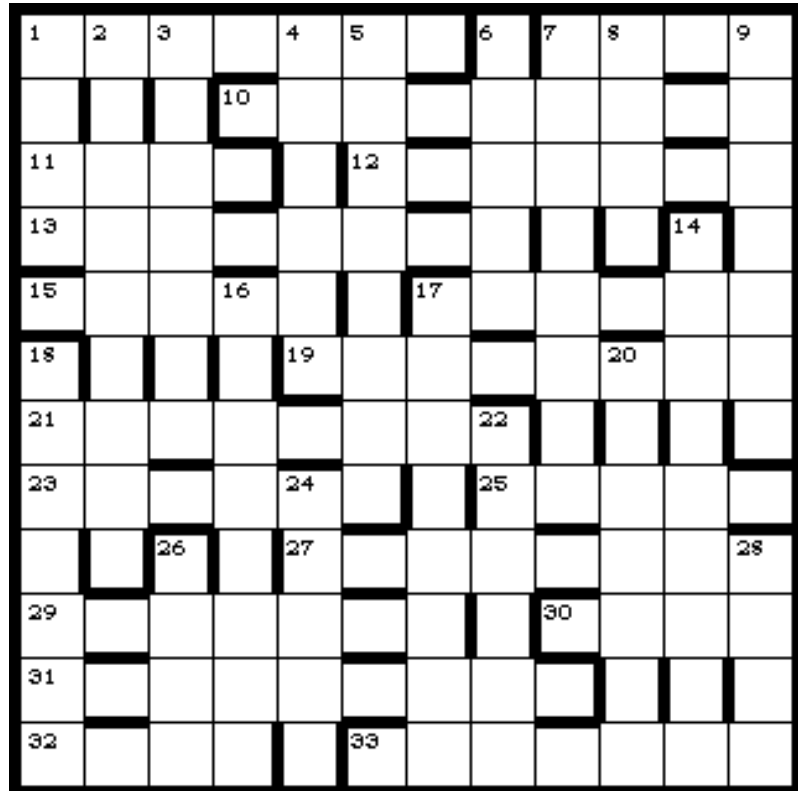
- 2 Famed when I go to the club wearing a metallic fabric headdress (9)
- 3 Emptying the pot is a necessary start for making a tonic (6)
- 4 A long time after Welsh son has an income from the crown ... (7)
- 5 ... and rolling hills have changing fortune (3)
- 7 Semiconsciously envelop images (5)
- 8 Shock from small bear leaving (4)
- 12 Gallant Dalmations oppose almost fifty (5)
- 13 Find the moslem leader in a grim ambush (4)
- 16 A push short of paradise (5)
- 17 The brief moment no man is able to start an obsession (9)
- 18 Money found as fur model leaves when given a note (4)
- 20 Foothold could almost cause trouble (7)
- 22 They are lyricists, but with honey, musicians (6)
- 24 Habituate in old city of the orient (5)
- 25 Record no sign (4)
- 27 Station said to be lowly (3)

Xword Book References from Alan Walter

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Pretty Girl in Crimson Rose (8) by Sandy Balfour. Cost \$39.95 published by Atlantic Books (London). This title is itself a cryptic clue. The book uses autobiography, history & travelogue to uncover the origins of crosswords & gives examples of some memorable clues. *Araucaria* sets a cryptic puzzle as well as an epilogue. Solution is included plus 3 pages of notes on clues & references occurring within the chapters of this unique book.

A U G 2 0 0 4 S L O T 3
Cryptic by <i>Praxis</i>




Across

- 1 Ed's collapsed over the trial – can't stand (7)
- 7 Case's cracked with old Germanic letter (4)
- 10 Engineer's detailed report's left for reading (9)
- 11 Discharge over a period (4)
- 12 Note: Island's to appeal re-release (7)
- 13 Heading off fawn turned into the goal (8)
- 15 Tantalus' daughter returned home by order (5)
- 17 S.A. capital's an uproar (6)
- 19 Kel escorted Oriental back to church in style (8)
- 21 The oldest spill tears about untruth (8)
- 23 Slater's out! Not as keen? (6)
- 25 Secure again, I invested in the network (5)
- 27 Blooming wedding gripped the old town (8)
- 29 Most corny abstainer clung to rituals (7)
- 30 Mark sculptured a king (4)
- 31 Penned nice letters – church influenced (9)
- 32 I'll leave poetic young man a pen (4)
- 33 Man in a rush, settled (7)

Down

- 1 American kid turned up one with facts (4)
- 2 Drop bird into the cream (9)
- 3 Some time (am), fellow left bass in vestibule (7)
- 4 Couch's laid over part of the course (6)
- 5 Yarn has a brook go into the river (8)
- 6 I'll come in a month with a worshipper (5)
- 7 Arkansas' legislature's requiring salt (8)
- 8 Actual existence requires serving to some extent (4)
- 9 Coloured one's inclined to become domestic (7)
- 14 Design engine to include alternative technology (9)
- 16 Edict's direction on metal makes news (8)
- 17 Let trees develop and establish again (8)
- 18 Resister with no originality, moves (7)
- 20 Seen alive! (7)
- 22 Custer worked for more than one treaty (6)
- 24 Chieftain's seen with unknown mineral (5)
- 26 I'm set up, about to make glass substitute (4)
- 28 Network's good and free (4)

VERBATIM ...

I was delighted to receive the prize for June slot 4 complete with the Certificate in Patrick's wondrous calligraphy – thank you! Just solving the puzzle brings on a warm satisfied feeling, but being the lucky winner is the icing on the cake!

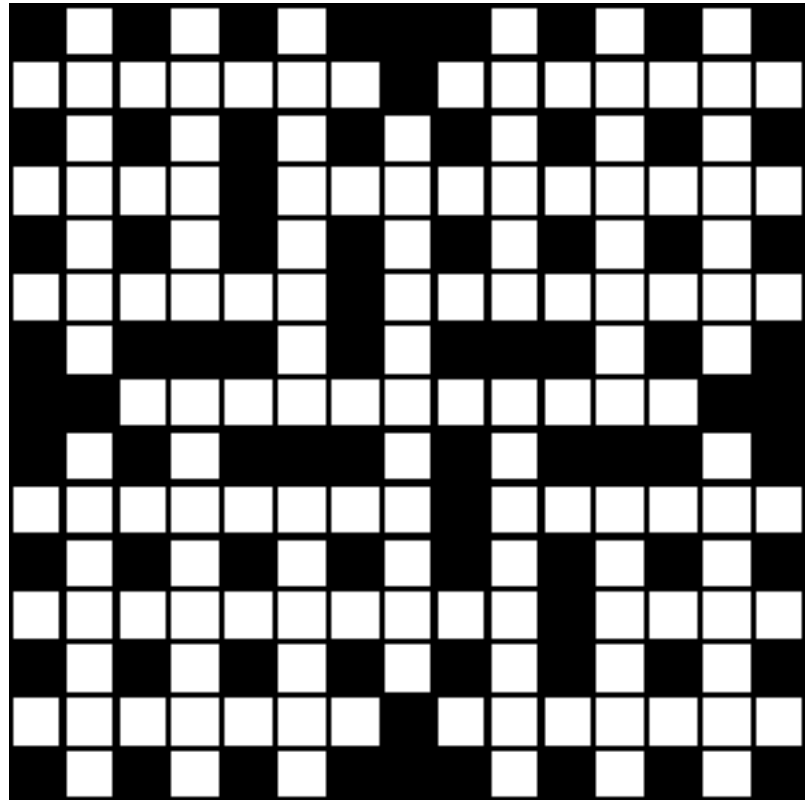
Max Roddick

• I think the idea of 2 x \$50 per puzzle is a great idea. It is so difficult for most members to achieve a prize in the cumulative even though we try very very hard. Except for the odd one it certainly seems that most of the cumulative prizes go to the same people every time. However, if my maths are correct, the extra \$150 per month represents about half of what the present cumulative prize fund is. Perhaps we could have even more monthly prizes. It is so exciting to get a prize and, from the feedback that we read in the mag, most people really appreciate it.

Veniece Lobsey

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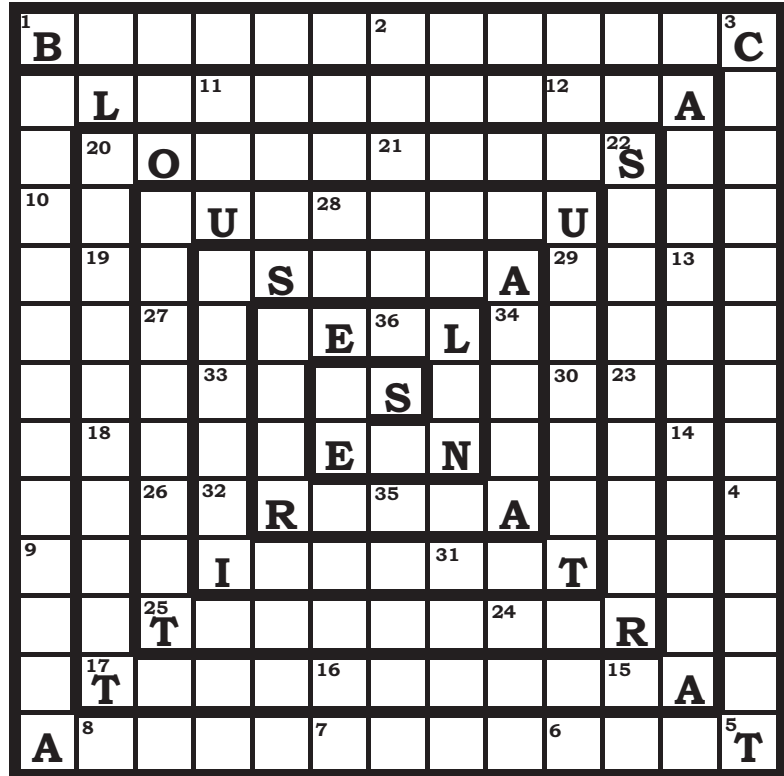
AJ
by
Timid Terrier



The letter before each clue is the first letter of the answer.

- A** Plant a container in this manner (8)
- B** Support team at Scot's premises at the rear of the house (8)
- C** Kentuckian grain biscuit (4-7)
- D** Some infectious disease odour in equines (7)
- E** Struggle with letter to trading post (6)
- F** Ceremonious system of government at Alabama (6)
- G** Huge concert caper (8)
- H** Irrational animal support with old editor (4-7)
- I** Freeze the best dessert (3-5)
- J** Elastic-sided boots (coll) for girls (7)
- K** Strike island gentleman! Stop it! (5,2,3)
- L** Young animal constellation (6,4)
- M** Small relative is a little darling (7)
- N** Typically a pattern for large marble (8)
- O** Antelope heads off onrush, unleashing reckless effort beyond imagination (6)
- P** To get ready before French Surgeon (7)
- Q** Quibble about some equipment (4)
- R** Finished pier construction (4)
- S** Sniff powdered tobacco with the French (7)
- T** Hair-streaked genus of butterflies in "The Claw" (6)
- U** Anaesthetic for old operation on King's companion (8)
- V** Six dance without energy to old Spanish guitar (7)
- W** Employee to rework arrangement (6)
- X** In composition, strange aurochs and genus of armadillos (7)
- Y** Give a short sudden cry and urinate expressing delight (6)
- Z** Girl about to spoil shepherd's sheepskin coat (7)

A U G 2 0 0 4 S L O T 5
Material World by <i>Virgo</i>
Prize: The Chambers Dictionary [1998 ed rrp \$100]



The last letter of each answer starts the next.

Clues:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 The newly amalgamated bread company is short of woven silk (7) 2 Whalebone, at a stretch! (7) 3 Various sectors admit the French but they hold you in (9) 4 Edge around the kilt (5) 5 They bind the bows (4) 6 It muffles when Al Capone drops his ace (5) 7 Ruffle the fellow at the brook (5) 8 Fifty peal off in a flap (7) 9 Sort out the real skin (7) 10 Shake the earth off large and detailed woolly overcoat (6) 11 Pile relative to second-grade serviettes (7) 12 Skives off and pants (6) 13 Get rid of wine bag (4) 14 Cocktail and Fanta served in a loose robe! (6) 15 Name Lyons' shapely stockings (6) 16 Trish's casual garment fits to a tee (5) 17 After lost weekend, tuck in messy jacket! (5) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 18 Split hairs and tease the crest (4) 19 The spill catcher is Tucker's best companion! (3) 20 Good French webbing in the US hood (6) 21 Pants up north (5) 22 Has shot to knock out a tasselled military cap (5) 23 University's shoes (7) 24 Underwear that tingles when tangled (7) 25 A Scottish hat from Mat Turner (3) 26 A Morris skirt (4) 27 Roman priestly badge can be dashed painful with loss of pinhead (6) 28 King in French love mail (6) 29 Ridge raised in crocheting with a bone (3) 30 To bear lopsided straw hat (6) 31 Palm comes back in sia if farmed properly (6) 32 The Papal Bishop has this clerical robe (3) 33 Deb drapes can be spun into a warm cover (9) 34 A curtain material request from mother (6) 35 Scarf seeker loses sight of staple (8) 36 Nell's fan lost important cricket gear (8) |
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A Fair Cop by Cactus



Clues are normal cryptic for each answer in grid, plus an extra definition for a word which differs by one letter (1) changed, (2) added to or (3) removed from that answer. Solvers must decide which. Examples: 1. Clever/to begin road without bitumen (5) = (Smart/Start) 2. Stoops to hear Europeans'/plans (6) = (Deigns/Designs) 3. Drink/attendant's ire at women's order (6) = (Water/Waiter). There are 11 clues of each type, and the 33 letters thus identified randomly convert to two well known quotes from the movies.

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Quote 2.....(2,6,3'1,3,2)

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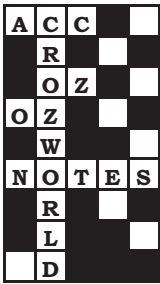
- 1 Facilitates lines of credit on cushions (7)
- 5 Fools Ray, who plays not seeing Bob, of course (7)
- 9 A sword outrage during Republican gerrymander (5)
- 10 Told to check figures, editor got back up (9)
- 11 Relating to crew in actor's country (7)
- 12 Behind Chinese quarter get a hiding (7)
- 13 Confessing to burning grass, and being guillotined (8)
- 16 Agitates celebrities taking one flight (6)
- 18 Half way's free from fog, one believes (6)
- 19 Goes over a balance sheet, accepting bank cuts (8)
- 23 Ship carrying popular German choir livens up (7)
- 25 Too old to claim life span is normal (7)
- 27 Fees are set in roubles, ruining guards (9)
- 28 Makes listeners plant new pines (5)
- 29 Skips Sunday Sun, keeping pick of comics? (7)
- 30 Garbo broke, and must refuse collectors (7)

Down

- 1 Rush south electrifies horses (7)
- 2 Counter set-up, I agree, not a feature of range (5)
- 3 Exhibitors flowers collect Queen's ribbons (9)
- 4 Special school operator's a push-over? (7)
- 5 Hides when he supports Conservative bill senate stages (6)
- 6 Is alongside a small vessel raising objections (5)
- 7 Splendid, bearing new title and decoration (9)
- 8 Produces notes, about 501 extra lines news (7)
- 14 A bully, he proposes indecently to a minor, not the first (9)
- 15 Painter and Territory nanny end eloping (3)
- 17 Mr Street, mid-recital, muddled lines and terms? (9)
- 18 Leaves rats on courses (7)
- 20 Exalted artist is in plot cooked up (7)
- 21 At home, under stairs, interferes with relative (5,2)
- 22 Escorts useless, possessive, female drug addicts (6)
- 24 Life I've returned to, opening a musical (5)
- 26 Early letters are saying I'm full of lip (5)

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PAT GARNER IS CALLING ALL TRIVIA PLAYERS!

"The Trivia site I play on is *www.chatgames.com*. It has 19 new Web Games each day comprising a variety of mostly trivia games, but also a card game, a dice game and a couple of Scrabble® type games. It's totally free and your points add up for each month. There are also live online games, mostly hosted from US and UK, but we are trying to get more Aussie members and are starting to run games to Aussie friendly times. It does tend to become addictive! Of course there is a US bias, but for the Web Games you can use Google to attempt to find answers. I find it helps to keep the grey cells active once *Crozworld* is put to bed for the month."

DIARY DATE: The ACC's Annual Get-Together will be held at Rydges Hotel, North Sydney on Sunday 21 November 2004. Make a note in your diary to join us on this Special Occasion.

CAROLE and LEN NOBLE: After 32 days in hospital undergoing a successful double bypass operation and the fitting of a defibrillator, Len is back home recuperating. Carole wishes to sincerely thank all those kind

members who sent thoughtful cards and their best wishes for a speedy recovery. Best of Good Health Len!

Valerie Howard reports on the Victorian Crossmas in July!

"The Victorian Crossmas Cruciverbal held last Sunday was a bright and happy occasion. Sadly, President Patrick and Sandra were unable to join us and we missed their cheery presence. Another disappointment was that Doreen Jones, from W.A., who is in Melbourne for the Australian Bridge Championships, was hoping to attend but competition times did not permit. She sent her best wishes to everyone and we wish her good luck. However, the 18 members and spouses present enjoyed the Xmas fare and Bonbons and the chance to renew friendships. My thanks to David Procter who challenged us with Cryptic clues to members names and also for his support in organising and hosting the day."

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT! (courtesy of Mike Potts)

CHILDREN:

1. You spend the first two years of their life teaching them to walk and talk. Then you spend the next sixteen telling them to sit down and shut up.
2. Grandchildren are your reward for not killing your own children.
3. Mothers of teens now know why some animals eat their young.
4. Children seldom misquote you. In fact, they usually repeat word for word what you shouldn't have said.
5. The main purpose of holding children's parties is to remind yourself that there are children more awful than your own.
6. We childproofed our homes, but they are still getting in.

ADVICE FOR THE DAY: Be nice to your kids. They will choose your nursing home one day.

AND FINALLY: If you have a lot of tension and you get a headache, do what it says on the aspirin bottle: "take two aspirin" and "keep away from children".

Quiz No 4-2004

"What do you know, Sport" asks The Beast.

Find a phrase linking the two clue words that will make a total of three phrases, words or names. (Example: Sea horse race riot.) Some words may be hyphenated. Five of the answers apply to more than one sport. Of the remainder, no sport is represented more than once.

Send your entries on this or a separate sheet to: Kev Layton, 40 Alfred St, Aitkenvale Qld 4814. Closing mail date: Friday 3 September 2004. Prize: \$60.

- 1 Grand _____ Island
- 2 Kick _____ watch
- 3 Plant _____ ball
- 4 London _____ Desert
- 5 Grand _____ stop
- 6 Rose _____ suit
- 7 Mouse _____ star
- 8 Body _____ office
- 9 Water _____ rug
- 10 Lemon _____ order
- 11 Butter _____ sale
- 12 Station _____ race
- 13 Game _____ mark
- 14 Hang _____ horse
- 15 Better _____ door
- 16 Sand _____ time
- 17 Card _____ elbow
- 18 River _____ house
- 19 Blind _____ ship
- 20 Old _____ Street
- 21 Fruit _____ smack
- 22 Death _____ store
- 23 Leopard _____ bell
- 24 Blue _____ Pacific

Puzzle Adjustments: Steve Trollope gained dots for slots June 1-4. Ian McKenzie gained a dot for June slot 4. Bev Solomon lost a dot for May slot 6. The Anon of Scullin ACT in 14th Anniversary Quiz was Drew Meek.

Betwixt and Between: Below the cryptic crossword in *The Age* for 9 July was the following message: "We apologise for the error in last Friday's cryptic crossword clues, where both 28- and 29-across led to the answer ULYSSES. The correct answer for 29-across was BETWIXT. The error occured (sic) at the proofing stage."

Quiz No 3 Results.

ON FIRST NAME TERMS by Brian Symons

Entries 37. Prizewinner and best entry Alan Walter. Congratulations!

24: D. Procter, J Smith, C McClelland, A Walter, B Cockburn, C Noble, A Jermy, H Zucal, J McGrath, V Dinham, C Hambling, P Mercer, J Standard, J Colles, A Ryan, C Foster, G Campbell, R O'Rourke, A Austin and anonymous.

23: I Watts, J Wenham, S O'Brien, B Glissan, P Garner, Y Ainsworth and J Stocks.

22: S Atkinson, L Howard, B Ibbott, M Procter, L Waites and G Leeds.

21: B Siegman, B Solomon and G Cole.

18: C Anderson.

All comments were positive. Thanks especially to Audrey and Irene for their nice cards, to Marion Procter for her entry from Yorkshire and Yvonne Ainsworth for her list of appropriate surnames such as Maria Richman and Warren Peace.

All definitions are from *Chambers* including that of Harry and the spelling of Fay. Most difficulty was experienced with 14 (Eric - admittedly obscure) and 7 (Felicity. Prudence is not good enough nor is Germaine which has the extra handicap of incorrect spelling.)
—Brian Symons

Answers

- 1 Warren; 2 Carol; 3 Amelia; 4 Barney; 5 Rose; 6 Harry; 7 Felicity; 8 Eddy; 9 Dean; 10 Sibyl or Sybil; 11 Ruth; 12 Fay; 13 Frank or to my surprise Lance; 14 Eric; 15 Abigail; 16 Patrick; 17 Mark; 18 Peter; 19 Maria; 20 Jack; 21 Beryl. Pearl allowed; 22 Jenny; 23 Bob; 24 Sally.

July 1-2004: Thematic by Virgo (Audrey Austin)

- A good start with an innovative puzzle from *Virgo*. Amazing to achieve all those sea creatures. *Catherine Hambling*
- A good No 1. Audrey sustained her fishy theme very well. The puzzle was almost a Half and Half also. *Irene Watts*
- A good effort to fit in so many sea creatures Audrey. *Shirl O'Brien*
- There's something fishy about this puzzle of Audrey's. *Ted O'Brien*
- Thanks *Virgo* for this delightful menu. *Trout Quintet* was the nickname of Schubert's work because of its 5 movements the 4th of which is set on his song *Die Forelle* — The Trout. *Albert Herring* is a comic opera by Benjamin Britten. *Alan Walter*

July 2-2004: Cryptic by Noel Jessop

- Thanks for another sterling cryptic Noel. 'Barnacle Bill' & 'Barbary Sheep' were memorable answers and 'twittering' deserved a chuckle. *Thea sinensis* is the Latin name for green tea. *Alan Walter*
- A good cryptic with some very tricky clues. I enjoyed the background music with 'Barnacle Bill' and 'Delilah' – could almost hear Tom Jones singing the latter. *Irene Watts*
- An excellent cryptic. I confused myself by writing MISLEAD and ELSIE before seeing the error of my ways. *Catherine Hambling*
- Noel is always fair and his clues often amuse. They are a pleasure to solve. *Audrey Austin*
- We always get our money's worth fom Noel. *Roy Wilson*
- ISN'T is not ISENT, is it? (No: e+bull+ie+nt – Adj.) *Max Roddick*

July 3-2004 - Cryptic by The Beast (Kev Layton)

- ASPROS give me a headache! *Max Roddick*
- Gardener's seems an unnecessary word in the clue 4ac. *Drew Meek*
- Amusing stuff from Kev. *Roy Wilson*
- Another amazing feat fitting in all those modes of transport and also producing some fine clues. I especially liked 2dn & 8dn. *Catherine Hambling*
- Quite difficult crossword with some amusing clues from Kev eg 1ac & 20ac. Snowski reminded me of a popular song from my dim and distant past —
"Olga Petravoski used to squatski on my knee
Did she care a jotski for old Trotsky — no not she". *Irene Watts*
- Talk about transport logistics. *Ted O'Brien*
- Many thanks Kev for your Transport of delight! Some very clever clues like EXPAND and TIFF and PRAM and BACKLASH. Surely 'fail' is a typo and should be 'fall' (I think so - Adj.) *Alan Walter*
- This one had me puzzled in a couple of places. Why is DUCK a whistler? (A whistling duck is a particular NT species which whistles - Adj.). CRIBROOM? I'd rather eat in a chip room without all those babies looking at me! TRAILER or TRAWLER? I chose TRAILER because all the other means of transport use roads. (Good thing you did, Audrey – Adj.) *Audrey Austin*

July 4:2004 - AJ by Southern Cross (Shirl O'Brien)

- My compliments to *Southern Cross* for the most user-friendly puzzle of the month. *Audrey Austin*
- Some clever clues in this AJ. Thanks Shirl. What we all want was far too broad a definition of JUSTICE but JUST ICE with Scotch on the rocks was a lovely cooler to finish off the clue. *Alan Walter*
- My sister agrees with J, Shirl. I stick to beer. *Ted O'Brien*
- Thank you Shirl for a normal AJ with a goodly share of your clever clues. *Irene Watts*
- A great AJ. My favourite clues were V & J. *Catherine Hambling*
- Just brilliant! *Roy Wilson*
- EXAM had to be explained to me. (Thanks Graeme!). *Max Roddick*

July 5-2004: Just a Thought by Praxis (Roy Wilson)

- I don't know about the imperfect part, Roy, but you certainly bring joy to me. (Well said - Adj) *Ted O'Brien*
- Lots of obscure words made this very slow-going over several days and the sentiment expressed is open to debate. *Audrey Austin*
- Wow! Art, craft and philosophy all in one session! *Max Roddick*
- Loved the clue for TEDS. 2dn gave most trouble. I wanted TAPE till I decided to look up REP. *Bev Solomon*
- 14ac appears to be HAREM but I don't get "this year". (HA = hoc annum + RE + M - Adj.) *Drew Meek*
- A most enjoyable slot 5. I loved the truism! *Catherine Hambling*
- Congrats to *Praxis* for slot 5 — spent a good week trying to solve it & thanks to the club for my new *Chambers* that allowed me to get it out. *Jean Barbour*
- Love to get a laugh, and the hidden message surely gave me one. Thanks Roy. *Shirl O'Brien*
- I would prefer to have the number of letters for the clues rather than eg 8 letters 3 words. *Joan Smith*
- Many thanks Roy for your deep philosophical thought on imperfection. This puzzle was a great challenge. Liked 25dn with its reference to Hornblower. *Alan Walter*

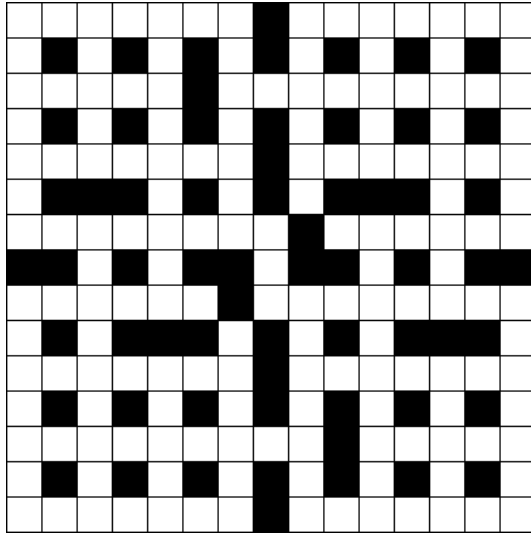
A note from Roy:

I guess I should apologise for the use of 'obs' and 'Spens', but, alas, they're part and parcel of the Ximenean diagram. I'm the first to condemn their use in puzzles on black and white grids and I can only say in my defence, whereas Ximenes made a point of using difficult and obsolete words for 50% of each of his puzzles, given a choice, I always choose the more familiar word.

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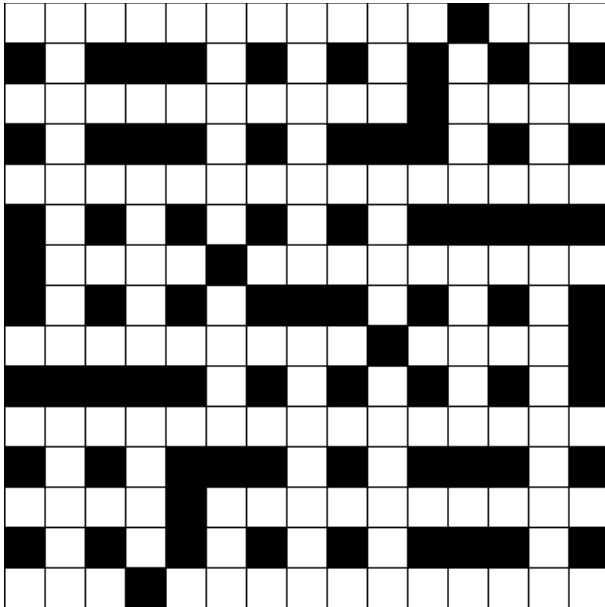
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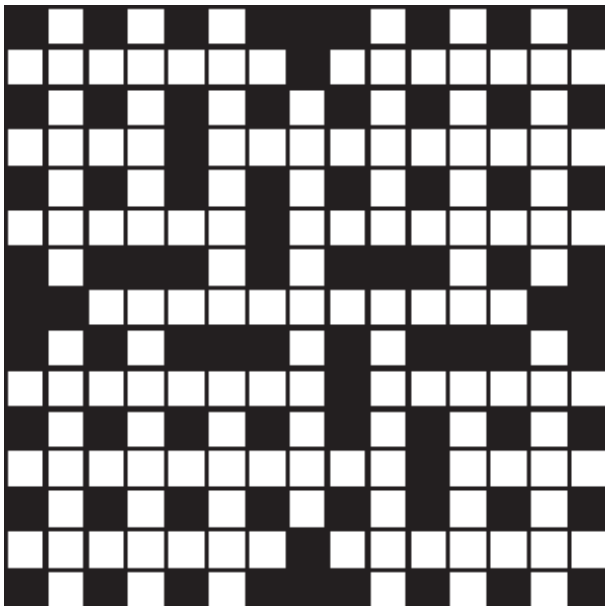


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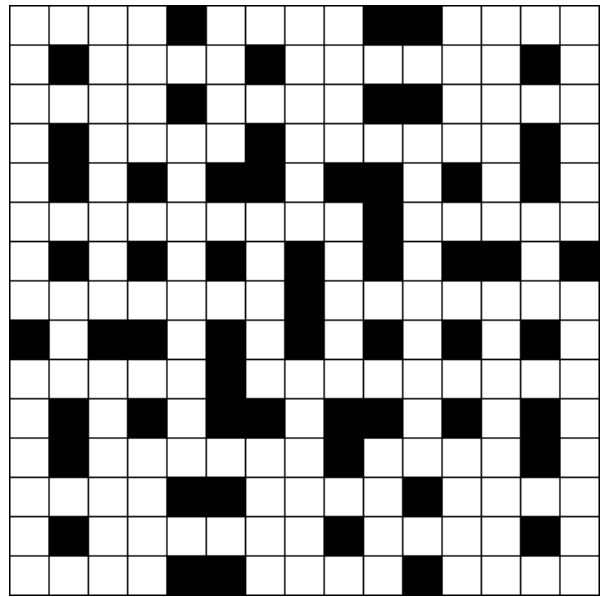
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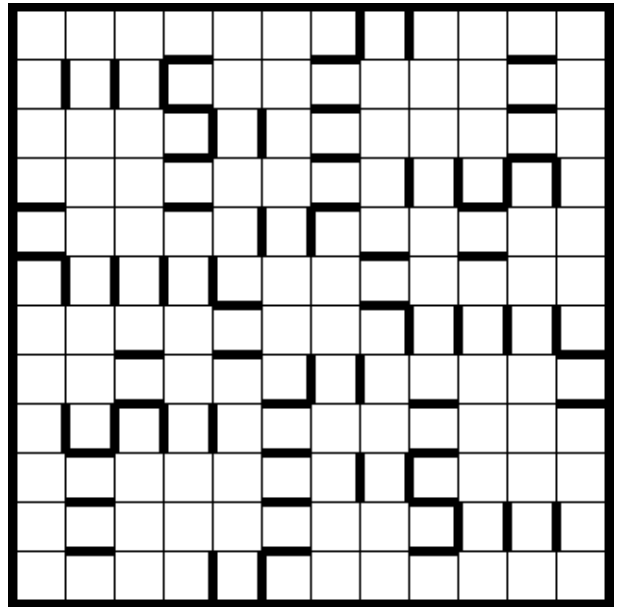
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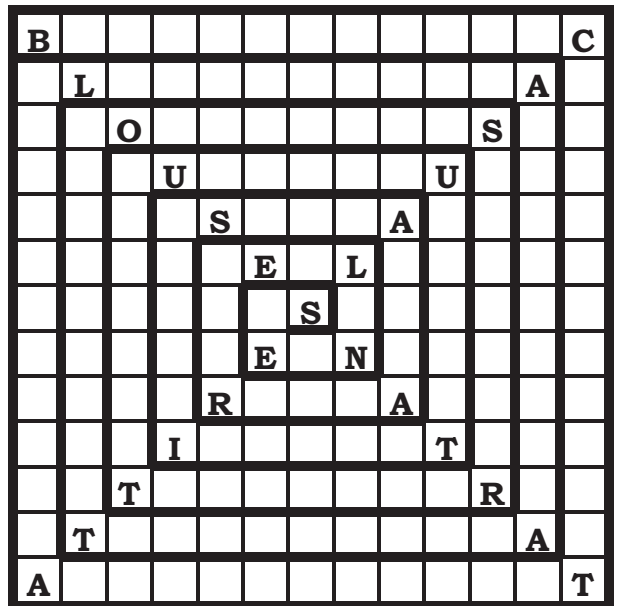
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Clue of the Month

June 6-2004 - Winter is Come by Brother Naga (Bob Hagan)

Entries Received: 50. Correct: 39. Prizewinner: Ted O'Brien. Congratulations!

Members' Comments:

- I really do enjoy your synomic puzzles. Having known your elder brother I should have realised where your ability to find such abstruse connections between words came from eg, surly, line 7. Enjoyed Jim's poem too!
Ted O'Brien (Wagga T. C. 49/50) with Jim. Roy Wilson
- What a delightful verse. I'm intrigued by the authorship and am wondering why we'd not seen it before.
Gwenda Prewett
- This was a difficult and rewarding puzzle which I enjoyed very much.
Jim Colles
- The concept is a most enjoyable variation on the crossword theme. Keep them coming!

Adjudicator's Comments:

The poet is my older brother, Jim, who lives in Canada. This poem came from his book of verse *Spotlight on Life* – first published in 1952 (Wagga Press) and reprinted in 1958, 1966 and 1969 (Canada). I would love an original copy if anybody comes across one.

It was most gratifying to receive so many complimentary comments. The puzzle was described as brilliant, enthralling, difficult but rewarding, excellent brain tester, absorbing and satisfying as well as others. A couple of members thought a little bit more help would make it easier.

Two errors were: changeable for translated (Clue 13 - Beyond (trans), behind (late) before the fourth (d) Greek character (mu) to translate outside (te)). Ruffles for ruffles (Clue 9). Scots applaud (ruff) to Parisian (les) (acts so) wildly (anagram) – coats.

—**Brother Naga (Bob Hagan)**

CUMULATIVE PRIZE SCHEDULE Jul-Dec 2004 - MEMBERS' COMMENTS

- I agree wholeheartedly with the decision to abandon the cumulative scores prizes. It seemed to be for a long time that the club was being run for the financial benefit of a few. May I also suggest that the same person does not win more than one cash/one book prize a year? (See Margaret Davis' comment p5 July *Crozworld*).
Ted O'Brien
- I think the new prize structure excellent – giving more members a chance to share the prize pool.
Bill Bennett
- Very disappointed to see the complete demise of the unique Cumulative Point Score system, which was designed to encourage total excellence in solving crosswords and total participation in all *Crozworld* puzzles.
Alan Walter
- With regard to the changes being made to the cumulative prize schedule, I am of the opinion the previous arrangements should be kept, bearing in mind that to win that cumulative prize one has to complete 30 perfectly complete puzzles over a 6 month period. You only need to drop one point or make one mistake to see that prize drop dramatically to a sum below that of the monthly prizes, whereas any member can win a monthly prize of around \$50 for completing only one puzzle! It is also highly unlikely, and rightly so, that a member who shares in the cumulative prizes will win another prize in that period. To win a share in the cumulative prize is not a matter of superior brain or solving power but sheer persistence and doggedness and therefore deserving of reward! I would like to see the slot 6 prize of \$100 made into 2 \$50 prizes giving 2 members a chance of winning for completing what is after all the most difficult slot! Having said that I would like to thank the club for my cheque for the cumulative slots 1-5. It was a very pleasant surprise and the first cumulative prize I have participated in for some time.
Col Archibald
- I hope that at the end of the trial period the cumulative prizes will be reestablished. I believe this is in the best interest of the club. I think they foster a higher degree of participation, a desire for new members to improve their solving, a mind set of care, persistence and determination in tackling the puzzles and appreciating their nuances, and a healthy competitive spirit. These aspects are a way of saying thank you to our compilers for their efforts in providing us with so much pleasure and challenge. The prize need not be so generous perhaps and there are other ways of increasing the number of members winning prizes such as 2 \$50 prizes for slot 6, 2 \$25-\$30 prizes for slots 2, 3 & 4, and having the quizzes monthly etc. This is just a personal opinion of what's best for the club and I am very happy to go along with either the majority or executive wisdom.
Brian Symons
- At last!! I have suggested changes before, but to no avail. Very few of us are able to become "perfect solvers" for a variety of reasons, but this does not stop us trying. However the same few people have won the cumulative prizes year after year and I see an element of elitism in our club. Members keep saying that they are only in it for the fun and challenge, if that is true then surely acknowledgement in the magazine is enough. Give more people a chance to win a prize; perhaps it will improve the participation rate, and make this a permanent change.
Margaret Dennis
- I have long been against the payment of large amounts twice yearly to a select few — and always the same 'few', so I am very pleased to see the policy has been changed — hope it works out — long overdue!
Paula Mercer
- By dropping the cumulative prizes and adding an additional prize to Slots 2,3 and 4 will save the Club approx \$1100 each six months. It will create 18 Slot prizes at the expense of approx 15 or so cumulative prizes. It is likely that some of these 18 Slot prizes will be won by members who would have achieved a cumulative prize under the previous system thus reducing the effective number of new prize winners. However it is possible that the Club could restrict members from winning more than one prize during the year or half year. If that is the case winners will only just cover their subscriptions. It could mean some of our top solvers deciding not to renew their subscriptions. Promoting substantial amounts for cumulative prizes (as previously) would have a big bearing in getting prospective members to join the Club. 12 additional prize winners could be achieved annually at no expense to the Club by splitting the Slot 6 prize into 2 x \$50 prizes. One further point – if other top solvers make a habit of donating some of their cumulative prize money back to the Club, then dropping cumulative prizes could see a marked decrease in donations as well as a reduction in membership. I would prefer to see the six monthly cumulative prizes restored but if not then at least cumulative prizes for the twelve months Jan - Dec.
David Procter

GENERAL COMMENTS

- Thank you to the club for my book prize for June — it arrived on my birthday (which is in July, not June). It was a lovely surprise.
June Parker
- Many thanks to Ted O'Brien and the Club for my prize in the 14th Anniversary Quiz.
Valerie Howard
- Thank you for a great selection for July. Our compilers and adjudicators do a grand job!
Catherine Foster
- A good issue and much pleasure taken from it.
Shirl O'Brien
- I really enjoyed this month's crop. Thanks to all the compilers.
Yvonne Ainsworth
- Good wishes to Ted O'Brien for a full recovery. I hope you are feeling better, Ted.
Irene Watts
- What a wonderful edition of puzzlement!
Bill Bennett
- Slot 6 participation & success rates have been noticeably down in recent months. Would suggest including proper crosswords in slot 6 & avoiding logic puzzles, decoding puzzles & super difficult puzzles that are chores to solve. Would like to see an Aussie theme puzzle here. Remember Arthur Wynne's first ever published crossword in 1913. First word across was FUN to indicate what crosswords should be (ie not a chore). Maximum participation in all crosswords should be the ACC aim.
Alan Walter