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I have few words. My father, who had all of them, left so suddenly
that he did not have the time to give them to me.
Hélène Cixous, 1969, *Dedans* (trans.)

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We have been delighted with the excellent response to the renewal of subscriptions and the generous donations to the ACC Prize Fund 2012. It looks like the New Year will be richly rewarding for all solvers! Details of renewals and the names of those who have kindly donated to the 2012 Prize Fund can be found on p7. Further renewals and donations will be acknowledged in the next *Crozworld*. Many thanks for your generous sponsorship of the ACC in 2012.

Don't forget about the special offer where you can sign up a new member for 2012 for only \$30. Some of the members have already taken up this great offer. It will make a wonderful gift to your friends and a great Christmas present not to mention a year-round intellectual challenge for your friends!

Puzzleman extraordinaire **Ian Williams** has selected another excellent range of puzzles for you this month. Many of your favourites are featured: *Jesso*, *Virgo* and *Southern Cross* with excellent cryptics, *Difficult Women* have compiled another of their challenging and popular AJ's in the Slot 4 position and *Crowsman* offers us another brilliant composition for Slot 5 with the title *Anagind Party*. *midships* has devised an interesting Slot 6 puzzle titled *Snapper, sole - so fishy*. And our Quizmeisters *Both Sides* have challenged us with another one of their fascinating quizzes called *Feedback*. (see p9).

Kindly note the early closing date - **Friday 16 December**. This will enable us to get the January *Crozworld* out in good time for Christmas. Finally, a special note of thanks to the Williams team - Kay and Ian - for adjudicating the Slots 1-5 puzzles this month plus the e-lodgment ones too! Best of Luck with your solving. And welcome to our new Adjudicator - **Andrew Miles** - who has taken on the pleasant task of adjudicating Slots 1-5. —Patrick

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A short month but nevertheless a good entry. The inevitable blanks, and the normal number of distressing "typos", including those from e-lodgers - who really have no excuse since Doug has made proof-reading in *AxWord* easily accomplished, with just a couple of clicks. Some pointed comment on the grid formats this month, discussed under the Members' comments on p10. Setters, please note!

Slot 1: A well-received puzzle with a surprisingly low success rate. 25ac proved a stumbling block and lost most dots for solvers, but JOB and LOT were the only prophets recognised in Christianity, Judaism and/or Islam not requiring to be abbreviated. FLY also caused some problems.

Slot 2: As noted on p10, any answer was accepted for 21dn, the definition for which was omitted by your crossword editor. Members enjoyed the puzzle and commented favourably on the Melbourne Cup theme that didn't just require study of the list of horse winners.

Slot 3: A vintage *Jesso*. Apart from entry problems, the only solution-related problem here was the marque of car DeLorean, which confused two solvers.

Slot 4: Much praise expressed for *InGrid's* very clever AJ. Some slight controversy over "ecotours", a word that is splashed over advertising material, but is hyphenated in some sources and has not yet reached others. "Weight" instead of the required WRIGHT was responsible for a small number of lost dots.

Slot 5: What can I say? Except that it should perhaps have been in Slot 6, especially in view of the short time available for solving it! A triple puzzle on the theme but with a twist. While some members gave up trying to solve the instructions, others went to extraordinary lengths to derive the names of horses from instructions that were intended to lead to the names of jockeys! Unfortunately, no dots for the 11 solvers who completed the puzzle correctly but fell at the jockeys. One of our solvers actually applied the instructions to find a "bonus" horse, VERVE. Overall, a good success rate for such a difficult puzzle.

COTM: It is a reflection on the expertise of our setters that each slot received at least two nominations for COTM. *InGrid*, with her clever FOUR-LETTER WORDS scooped the pool with 10 nominations, but a special commendation for *zinzan*, who attracted 9 nominations, but for 9 different clues! Must be a first. —Kay Williams

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	88	81	83	87	67	406
Correct entries	60	71	72	79	46	328
Success rate (%)	68	88	87	81	69	81
Prizewinners	B Symons D McManus	R Wilson C Hambling	S Howells WG Ryan	B Bennett	L Carroll A Martin	from 91 members

Prizewinner: November 2011 Slots 1-5: Eileen O'Brien

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Nov 1-2011

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MEMBERS RESULTS FOR OCT Slot 6 & NOV 2011 Slots 1-5

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ANDERSON C
ARCHIBALD C
AUSTIN A
BALNAVES J
BARBOUR J
BARNES J
BARRETT A
BENNETT B
BRYANT R
CAINE R
CALLAN A & D
CARROLL L
CHANCE C
COATES D
COCKBURN B
COLE G
COLGAN L
COLLINS M
COPLAND F
COWAN M
CROMER H
DAVIS M
DEARIE P
DE GRYS A
DENNIS M
DINHAM V
DOBELE T
DORRELL R
DUCKER R
EVANS, Jean
FOWLER J
GARDINER R
GARNER P
GLISSAN B


MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
GRAINGER D
GREENBERGER O
GREENING D
HAGAN R
HAMBLING C
HARPER K
HAZELL N
HEENAN C
HEMSLEY D
HOWARD L
HOWARD V
HOWELLS S
IBBOTT B
JERMY A
JESSOP N
JONES C
JONES D
KASIVAJJULA B
KENNEDY DJ
KENNEDY M
LEEDS G
LEMON G
LORD P
McADOO G
McCLELLAND C
McGRATH J
McKENZIE I
McMANUS D
McPHERSON T
MARTIN A
MAY S
MEEK D
MERCER P

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
MILES A
NOBLE C
O'BRIEN Eileen
PARSONS D
PATTERSON A
PEARCE J
PINDER S
POTTS M
PROCTER D
PROCTER M
PYC M
RODDICK M
ROULSTON S
RYAN W
SHIELD A
SIEGMAN B
SIMONS A
SMITH J
STEINBERGER M
STOCKS J
STOREY N
SYMONS B
TAYLOR R
TAYLOR S
TICKLE B
TOFONI B
VILLIERS W
WAITES L
WALTER A
WENHAM J
WILCOX C
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WOOD J

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Half 'n Half
by
Jesso

Prizes: \$50



Win!

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Across

- 1 Roman censor (4)
- 4 Scottish island (4)
- 7 Germanic deity (4)
- 10 Regrets (4)
- 11 River in Africa (6)
- 13 Unfledged hawk (4)
- 14 Scandinavian book (4)
- 15 Goddess of peace (5)
- 16 Require (4)
- 18 Buzzes (6)
- 19 Supplement (3)
- 21 Bringing about (9)
- 24 Leers (5)
- 25 Most seductive (7)
- 27 Inhibit (7)
- 30 Japanese dish (5)
- 32 Boisterously (9)
- 34 Viper (3)
- 35 Encourages (4,2)
- 38 Key (4)
- 40 Sound of a bell (5)
- 41 Treat for parasites (4)
- 42 Language (4)
- 43 Small antelope (6)
- 44 Lose relish (4)
- 45 Prescribed amount (4)
- 46 Studies (4)
- 47 Stringed instrument (4)

Down

- 1 Shouts of approval about conservative king's game (8)
- 2 Stun a woman about unruly fans (8)
- 3 English runner carouses without wheels (4)
- 4 Employed a variety of unfinished suede (4)
- 5 Dude shot between partners. That's unexpected (6)
- 6 Wrench brat out (1-3)
- 7 Ugly person to move up on (4)
- 8 Inventor transformed energy slide (6)
- 9 One scene rewritten for relations (6)
- 12 Poison company poorly managed – ay, gone! Simpletons (11)
- 17 Highly excel in edgy confusion (11)
- 20 King (English) in the guise of birds (4)
- 22 Put under at home with the heartless king (5)
- 23 Fish smell for refuse collector (5)
- 26 Measure country for birds (4)
- 28 English flower lowly bird left in the wind (8)
- 29 Note unknown cause spoiled the condiment (3,5)
- 30 Plundered spoiled cake in South Dakota (6)
- 31 Deep ascent in the ship goes fast (6)
- 33 Disregard one name written in blood (6)
- 36 Stick heads on gold leaf under emerald (4)
- 37 Oscar married – was under an obligation (4)
- 38 Grafts for bridge points (4)
- 39 Still left up front by local sides (4)

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Cryptic
by
Southern
Cross



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Across

- 1 Step back taking in a rendition of "My Favourite Things? Quite the opposite! (3,9)
- 8 Criminal encouragement of – a battle-axe (7)
- 9 Kelvin initially points out what blots one's copybook (7)
- 11 Nonsense writer, Kelly, is erudite (7)
- 12 Pillar again sways back and partly falls (7)
- 13 Bush has to ring back about one ... (5)
- 14 ... possibly it rouses about five hundred aliens (9)
- 16 Continue being serious, trailing retreating agent ... (9)
- 19 ... that is following South American girl (5)
- 21 Measure creases made by clasps (7)
- 23 Roman officer's tune about the first wife's origin (7)
- 24 Sid won't organise this on-the-spot protest (3-4)
- 25 Wise perhaps, broken by desert, becomes unstable (7)
- 26 Model airing frame (7,5)

Down

- 1 Virginia, in terrible peril, is overcome (7)
- 2 Mammoth passenger liner (7)
- 3 Loved cycling on city's cycle track (9)
- 4 Precipitation reported as a rule (5)
- 5 Popular vehicle activator say – as soldiers mostly are (2,5)
- 6 Not anywhere do we see one clap out of context (2,5)
- 7 Little trimmers! (4,8)
- 10 This conveyance enters France, oddly enough (12)
- 15 The last one needed to make a score ... (9)
- 17 ... later rising half full in denial (7)
- 18 For an actor, Gould possibly helpful finally in toilet training (7)
- 19 A troublemaker, but good at mixing (7)
- 20 The bobbin is closed and then let out (7)
- 22 Scenic mostly, but spoilt from then on (5)

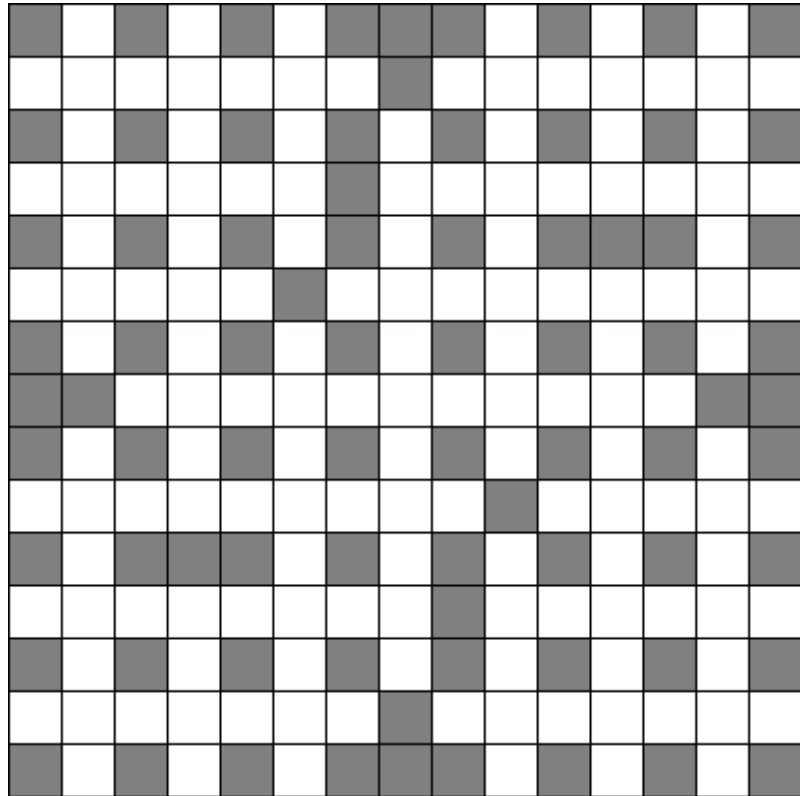
GENERAL COMMENTS:

- Thank you so much for my prize cheque and certificate which I found in this month's *Crozworld*. I do so enjoy having *Crozworld*: it fills in many happy hours. Nancy Hazell
- I think I've gone into meltdown after this lot! What a hard month's work! Pat Lord
- Thank you again for another beaut lot of puzzles. Many thanks for the book prize for September Slot 7. What a thrill! Anne Simons
- I was rapt in receiving *Chambers Crossword Dictionary* last week. It was my birthday on the Wednesday. A great gift, which will be well-used. Thank you. Graeme Cole
- Thank you to the Club for the book prize. A wonderful surprise. Verna Dinham
- A great Melbourne Cup issue. Betty Siegman
- I was on my way out to the dentist to have a tooth out. Then I found my book prize outside the door. That cheered me up no end. Thank you. Rosemary Dorrell
- Many thanks for another reference book to add to the library. Peter Dearie
- Trivial statistics: Percentage of Black squares in grid: #1 - 40%, #2 - 37%, #3 - 21%, #4 - 34%, #5 - 30%, #6 - 28%, #7 - 27%. Jigsaws and themed or special puzzles probably need the extra blanks but 40% seems a bit much. Apart from making the answers harder to confirm it also represents less value for money – dammit! Jim Fowler
- I understand that themes may test a setter's patience when constructing a grid but Slot 1 had too many unchecked letters and Slot 2 had three distinct areas. A fair grid should be the starting point of a puzzle. I was happy with the ideas and cluing but the grids needed more work. Andrew Patterson

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AJ
by
Difficult
Women

Book
Prize



Solutions begin with the given letter. solve the clues and place the solutions in the grid jigsaw-wise, where they fit.

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| A Silver base a steady light (5) | N Cold Ken's lousy kiss (4) |
| B Intellect brandishes bright ideas (10) | O Enhance too much translation many forgive (11) |
| C Gossips about drug swindlers (6) | P Basically, prudishly disapproving riyal exchange (9) |
| D A bribe, not on, leave immediately (4,3) | Q Sovereign's rock band (5) |
| E Flower at all times durable (11) | R Runaway doctrine concerning displaced persons (10) |
| F Stringy heads off fabric imbued bright red on unfinished samples (7) | S Frighten mistreated races (5) |
| G Train a man - W African native (8) | T Argentina mouse clutching bird (7) |
| H Unfriendly compère at French Island (7) | U Old city state's lower constellation (4,5) |
| I Soldier returns at night, say, to burn (6) | V Mexican orchid without a popular aromatic essence (8) |
| J A lively dance of old company jumping up and down (7) | W Win the French battle (7) |
| K Recognised some she-oak now native (5) | X Unknown component of TV show (1,6) |
| L Position rods in cars gear boxes (9) | Y Small fishing boat to zigzag left (4) |
| M Spenser to fail baptising by calling wrong title (9) | Z Domestic animal at brook meets a wild one (7) |

A Selection of Diggerisms

- **Anzac Stew** — The food upon which Birdwood's Army made a world-wide reputation. It consists of an urn of hot water and one bacon rind. Much appreciated in the Suez Canal zone.
- **Bantam** — A short man. [Originally a Briticism (from 1914) used mostly in the plural, with reference to those volunteering for service but of less than regulation height.]
- **Consumption stick** — Cigarette.
- **Dugout King** — An officer who remains at the bottom of a dugout, while his men are exposed to danger.
- **Hashmagandy** — An insipid and monotonous army dish.
- **Herring-gut** — A thin man.
- **Little bit of eyes right** — A girl.
- **New-laid egg** — An innocent or unsophisticated person.
- **No good to gundy** — Of no advantage.
- **Pongo** — A soldier; one of the rank and file.
- **Ride-on-your-back!** — A term of abuse signifying goat.
- **Scarperer** — Runner; front-line messenger.
- **Treacle-miner** — A man who boasts of his wealth in Australia or his position in private life.
- **Trick the books** (ie, bookmakers) — Deceive; defeat by a scheme.
- **Very nice, very sweet, very clean, very good, Mister Mackenzie** — A street phrase of the Egyptian hawkers and shopkeepers, in extolling their wares to an Australian.
- **Whackle out** — consider deeply.
- **Ziff** — A beard.

—from WH Downing's *Digger Dialects*, edited by JM Arthur & WS Ramson, OUP, 1990.

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Anagind Party
by
Crowsman

Prizes: \$50



2006 edn

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The eleven double-number clues lack any definitions.

Across

- 1 16 16 (7)
- 5 15 15 (5)
- 8 29 29 (9)
- 9 Clubs' reckless collapse (5)
- 11 7 7 (6)
- 12 **and 27** Worked term in pasty plant (4,4)
- 13 24 24 (3)
- 15 Injuries bring signs of distress (5)
- 16 Reassigns roles of characters removed from projects (7)
- 19 Blow up General Crook! (7)
- 21 Deceitful companion of Hal's half English (5)
- 24 Drive backwards, getting damage (3)
- 25 Ladder bolt (4)
- 26 Fool old president, a despot (6)
- 28 9 9 (5)
- 29 Adjustable mosaic piece succeeds, without fault, the other way round (9)
- 30 Put question to bridge partners in a crooked way (5)
- 31 Foreign borders of Soviet region (7)

Down

- 1 Chim Chim's follower rings fair Indian (8)
- 2 To divulge information about mad character is damaging (10)
- 3 Aircraft comes in before one departing (6)
- 4 Perpendicular throw taken from castle tower (7)
- 6 25 25 (4)
- 7 Relax around Gold Coast's tourist centre (6)
- 10 21 21 (5)
- 14 2 2 (10)
- 17 30 30 (5)
- 18 This girl is a good looker (8)
- 20 31 31 (7)
- 22 He typically takes in female and splits (6)
- 23 Entertainer is a person involved in meditation (6)
- 27 See 12 Across

MEMBERSHIPS and RENEWALS FOR 2012:

Abraham T, Ainsworth Y, Alt-Cooper G, Anderson C, Austin A, Barrett A, Brotherton J, Bryant R, Caine R, A&D Callan, Cameron H, Campbell G, Champion G, Christiansen R, Clayton J, Coates D, Copland F, Coulton L, Dyer A, Fauser G, Fowler J, Garner P, Gillis J, Glissan B, Grainger D, Greening D, Hagan B, Hambling C, Harper K, Hatchuels D, Hazell N, Hemsley D, Horan P, Howard L, Howells S, Kennedy M, King J, Knight V, Lee N, Lemon G, MacDougall I, McKindlay Y, McPherson T, Martin A, Martin F, Owens G, Patterson A, Procter M, Quinn C, Roddick M, Shield A, Siegman B, Simons A, Steinberger M, Storey N, Symons B, Thompson J, Titus-Rees D, Tofoni B, Veress M, Whitehead R and Wood J.

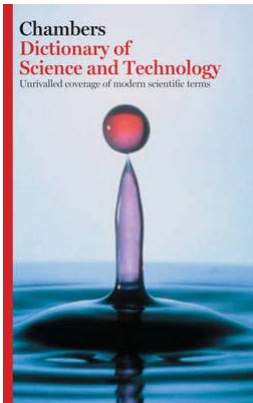
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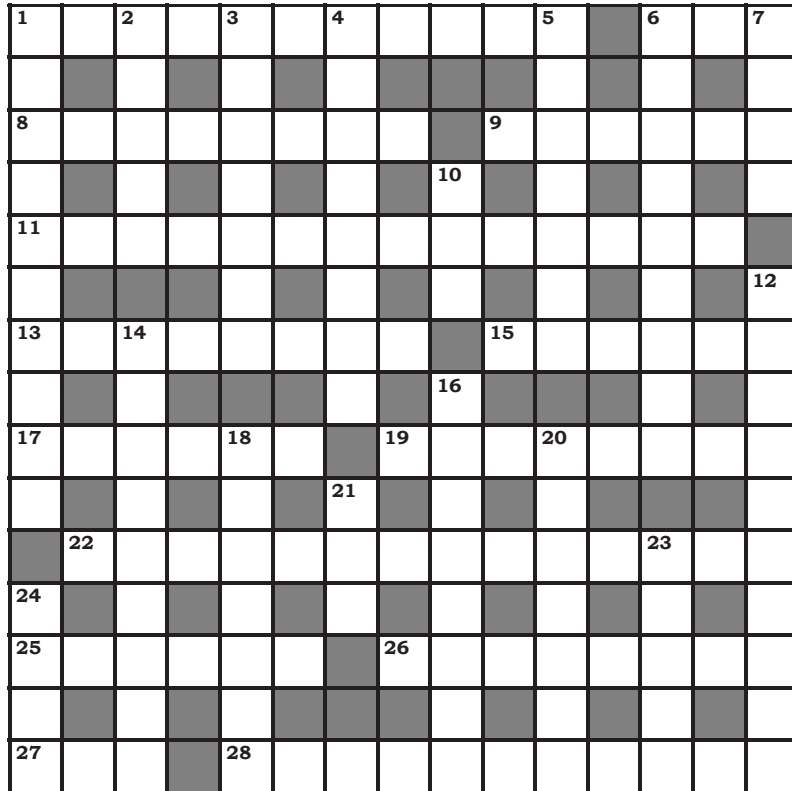
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Snapper, sole
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Prize:



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Across clues are capable of an alternative construction. One part of each such clue refers to the *en clair* meaning and the other to the alternative version, but all solutions are genuine words. Down clues are normal.

Across

- 1 Sleepy entertainer, paradoxically, is shutting up (7,4)
- 6 and 27 Water boatman may disturb insect (6)
- 8 Price of services by girl for sailor (8)
- 9 Become occupied with information era (6)
- 11 Author enjoys Australian sweetheart's poultry (7,7)
- 13 The most important was transported – and went over again (8)
- 15 Virgin possessed a painter (6)
- 17 Water control device tool may affect hearing (6)
- 19 Cat is superior in old car trial (4,4)
- 22 Bringing dimness to the restaurant is a thing that may be turned to advantage (5,2,3,4)
- 25 Enciphering note for sovereign (6)
- 26 Vegetables may cause river to eject fluid forcibly (4,4)
- 27 See 6 across
- 28 Birds make sharp noise by vegetables (4,7)

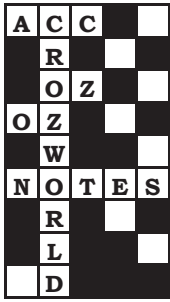
- 2 Surprised exclamation follows intonation of name of Nebraska city (5)
- 3 Disturbed returning archetypal fan in part (2,1,4)
- 4 More slippery as I interrupted Germaine ... (8)
- 5 ... as opposed to youngster after multiple French rejections! (3-4)
- 6 Hit on head by roller – what an idea! (9)
- 7 Regretted impolite sound (4)
- 10 and 21 Very small car? Not I. Small truck! (6)
- 12 Torments when Stalin eats stew (10)
- 14 Paper on case for transportation to area of high pressure (9)
- 16 Lessen resistance to frequently drink outside (6,2)
- 18 Knaves I confounded for composer (7)
- 20 Poet's over week in pub – created conflict (4,3)
- 21 See 10
- 23 20, part 1 and I translated combining form for languages (5)
- 24 Drug yield contained carbon (4)

Down

- 1 Monopoly in egg warmers created comfortable niche (4,6)

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Results of Quiz No 10/2011: Movie Linkwords by The Busybodies (Carole Noble & Bev Cockburn)

Entries: 36. Winner: Jim Fowler. Congratulations!
20: A Austin, R Bryant, M Cockburn, P Dearie, J Fowler, P Garner, B Glissan, D Grainger, K Harper, S Howells, A Jermy, D Jones, G Leeds, T McPherson, A Miles, E O'Brien, S Pinder, D Procter, B Siegman, J Smith, M Steinberger, L Waites, J Wenham and J Wood. **19½:** L Howard, M Procter, C McClelland, A Simons and P Lord: **19:** R Gardiner, D Jones, J McGrath, A Walter and R Wimbush. **18½:** T De Grys **18:** V Dinham.

Solutions: 1. AMERICAN BEAUTY, 2. ANIMAL KINGDOM, 3. BEING THERE, 4. BLACK SWAN, 5. CITY LIGHTS, 6. COLD MOUNTAIN, 7. COMING HOME, 8. DR NO, 9. FATHER BROWN, 10. FIGHT CLUB, 11. LOVE STORY, 12. PEARL HARBOR, 13. POINT BREAK, 14. PURPLE RAIN, 15. TRAINING DAY, 16. TIN CUP, 17. TOBACCO ROAD, 18. WALL STREET, 19. WHITE HEAT, 20. WORKING GIRL.

Setters' Comments: Our apologies for the misplacing of TRAINING DAY but all answers and non-answers for 15 were counted as correct. (We remind you all to check on p9 of *Crozworld* each month for any corrections or errors in the quizzes and puzzles. This really applies to Slots 6 and 7 and quizzes where there is a magazine published before the cut-off date). There were very few errors in the entries – SNOW WHITE, WORKING MAN, LOVE FIELD, RANGING MOON, BREAK DANCE and POINT BLANK. Half a mark was taken off those who spelt HARBOR - HARBOUR. The number indicator was (6) for the American spelling.

Solvers' Comments:

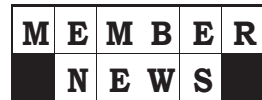
- Great quiz. Needed help from references. Can't agree with "Cheating at Crossword Solving" in November *Crozworld*. I always need some help. *Gabrielle Leeds*
- Wot! No British movies? *Audrey Austin*

- I've put Training Day where it should be. Thank you for another enjoyable quiz. *Peter Dearie*
- Thanks! I enjoyed the challenge. *Ross Bryant*
- I thought this would be a lot easier than it was. Quite a few I hadn't heard of. *Jenny Wenham*
- Thanks for this. Tracking down some of the answers rattled the brain cells out of their stupor, so it was doubly. *Margaret Steinberger*
- I always enjoy linkword puzzles and this was no exception. *Susan Howells*

- Back from walking in Wales and visiting grandchildren, so here's my go at your very enjoyable quiz. We knocked this off over the dinner table in Kent. *David Grainger*
- I'm very thankful that the *Busybodies* are so busy, dreaming up yet another way to nudge our brain cells into action. It was a nice mix of old and new, and a pleasure chasing up the names of movies I'd forgotten, or never heard of. *Kath Harper*
- Fun and imaginative quiz. Thanks so much for the challenge. *Trish McPherson*

- This was a lovely list of scintillating Linkwords. Thanks for the enjoyable puzzle quiz. Hope no one spells the second word in No 12 HARBOUR since HARBOR is the correct US spelling. THERE, THERE, what a calming phrase! *Alan Walter*

- I don't normally bother with Movie-themed puzzles and quizzes. My interest in movies etc is small and my actual knowledge pitiful but as I potted about with it (I do hate not to finish the puzzles in each magazine) I found that I could work out a few answers and, with a bit of perseverance and Wiki, Google etc I got to the end. *Jim Fowler*
- Not an easy one by any means. It's amazing how hard it is to think of words to follow another when put on the spot! There are so many alternatives. *Robyn Wimbush*
- Not quite as easy as I first thought. *Catherine Jones*
- Needed some help from some friends for this one. Unsure about No 3. *Anne Simons*



New Members: David Hatchuel of Malvern East (a Membership Gift from Max Roddick), **Lynne Coulton** of Bowral, NSW (a Membership Gift from Bob Hagan) and **Heather Cameron** from Geelong, Vic.

Welcome to the Wonderful World of Crozworlding.

Thank you to Ken Davis for his valued assistance in making essential changes to the ACC's website. Sincere thanks to **Maurice Cowan**, **Gwen Owens** and **Andrew Miles** for their Special donations to the ACC Prize Fund 2012.

Jack O'Brien has kindly given the ACC permission to publish any of Shiril's puzzles that we hold and have not yet published. Thank you, Jack, from all of our members. The appearance of any of Shiril's puzzles was always the high spot of the month and we're pleased that we will have the pleasure of solving them in the future.

Clue missing from the Clue Writing Comp No 5/2011: Our sincere apologies. Here is the Clue and the Adjudicator's Comments:

Yahoo ferments Chinese anger ***

The final anagram of CHINESE ANGER. This one uses a lovely indicator in 'ferments'. The surface reading conveys the idea that a yahoo (lout) is making the Chinese angry. The indirect definition crops up again but otherwise a nice clue.

Renewal of Subs: A deposit has been made to the ACC a/c that does not have sufficient identification: it was "SCCU" on 3 November for \$40. Kindly contact Patrick on pstreet@bigpond.net.au if you can identify the payment maker. Many thanks.

A Note of Appreciation from the Family of the late Ted O'Brien: "To the many family friends, school friends, crossword friends, professional friends and the staff of Cardinal Freeman Village especially the kind, caring and friendly staff of the Serviced Apartments, Barbara and the members of Ted's family thank you for your expressions of sympathy, support and demonstrations of love for Ted. Thank you all and God bless."

The Australian Oxford Dictionary

WORD OF THE MONTH

burrmys *n.* the rare mountain pygmy possum *Burrmys parvus*, now restricted in habitat to Mount Hotham in Victoria. [ORIGIN: *burra*, supposedly from a New South Wales Aboriginal language, meaning 'stony place' + Greek *mus* 'mouse'.]

Quiz No 12/2011

Feedback by Both Sides

A careful perusal of the title will assist in solving this quiz!

Send your solutions to Nea Storey, 10 Whiteman Street, Wanniasa, ACT 2903. Fax: 02 6231 0820. Email: neachy2@netspeed.com.au

Closing mail date: Friday 13 January 2012. Book prize.

- 1 Chain Dale roughly (9)
- 2 Ken's first, pig's backward (5)
- 3 Vulgar licensee within (6)
- 4 Stupid rat sucks it back in (7)
- 5 In favour of tree-foil variety (11)
- 6 Fix float, Mae (8)
- 7 Stole mine (7,3)
- 8 Acid money (9)
- 9 The pig sat around (9)
- 10 Goat extract (10)
- 11 Crooked roof feature (5)
- 12 To drive dogsled, you need space (8)
- 13 Save it for Francis (5)
- 14 Goa's revolution (4)
- 15 Tomahawk chopped bird; added to broth (6,4)
- 16 4 hold 50 prisoner (5)
- 17 Pieces of maize (10)
- 18 Nothing stays the same except for the bomb! (6)
- 19 Fund air ace by any means (10)
- 20 Anna drops final four in the vernacular (3)
- 21 Bog plant (11)
- 22 Noise of French Street (4)
- 23 Utter love twisted inside (7)
- 24 Air raid around the North (6)

Nov 1-2011: Half 'n Half by The EmCee (Merv Collins)

- Found slot 1 rather testing – took ages to find FLY.
Anne Simons
- A shortage of checked letters made this harder than expected.
Peter Dearie
- I found this puzzle quite difficult in places because of the percentage of unchecked letters, for example 7 & 29ac are 8-letter words with 5 unches. 3-letter words with only one checked letter I always dislike, particularly for the conventional clues. Without a second I've had to take an uneducated stab at one of them. My favourite clue was 21dn. *Jenny Wenham*
- Good opener. 25ac prophet. Hmm – Bahai, Christian, Islam, Hebrew . . . so many. I've settled for JOB although *Chambers* doesn't list him, only Jon. (Jonah) and Hos. (Hosea) [*With no indication of abbreviation in the clue, Job (recognised as a prophet in the Epistle of James and in the Koran) is the only one that fits: Adj.*]
Tony Dobele

November 2-2011: Convoluted Cup Connections by Kaeila (Anne Simons)

- A number of solvers have commented on 21dn and the lack of word length indicators for 10ac and 22ac. The lack of definition was a crossword editor's omission, for which he apologises. BIGOTRY was intended, but other answers have been accepted. The indicator issue was unintended and also deserves apologies.
- The grid is not a true crossword grid. It is in three parts that are not connected to each other.
Carole Noble
- In 14dn, connecting a 40-year-old TV show to Dandy to get MOO took a while. [*Dandy Nicholls played Alf Garnett's wife (he called her a "silly old moo") in "Til Death Do Us Part": Adj*]
Peter Dearie
- I enjoyed this puzzle.
Catherine Hambling
- A pleasant surprise to have a Cup-themed puzzle where the answers weren't all horses. Very enjoyable. Interestingly, 30ac could also have been PARTIES. This would have caused solvers some problems since it fits the theme but not, of course, the crossed words. Could you please explain 14dn? I've got the definition but don't understand the second.
Jenny Wenham
- Clever and timely inclusion of 'convoluted' (anagrammed) Cup connections. Probably not an ideal grid pattern with NW and SE corners totally separate.
Tony Dobele

November 3-2011: Cryptic by Jesso (Noel Jessop)

- Jesso's LACONIC threw me for a while because CONICAL was the obvious answer.
Bev Cockburn
- 11ac indicator should be (2,5) for De Lorean [*Although the name is spelled DeLorean, after the founder, his name is spelled as one word in available references: Adj*]
Alan Walter
- A pleasure to solve.
Peter Dearie
- Vintage Jesso. Can you please explain 12ac? I don't understand "Haggard heroine" [*SHE – perhaps H Rider Haggard's most famous book + L + VE: Adj.*]
Jenny Wenham

November 4-2011: AJ by InGrid (Jean Barbour)

- Bouquets for such an innovative grid used to accommodate the 26 answers.
Len Colgan
- Took me a while to "get" the F solution (FOUR-LETTER WORDS) after I'd already worked out the answer. My COTM.
Dave Parsons
- Indicator for E should be (3-5). An enjoyable AJ, thanks InGrid.
Alan Walter
- By coincidence I saw my first JACANAS a couple of weeks ago. The only wading bird that dislikes getting its feet wet! A good puzzle.
Peter Dearie
- Tough grid for an AJ, but ultimately gettable. I liked the G clue with the definition deceptively appearing to relate to the second. I was very surprised that ECOTOURS isn't in either my *Chambers* or *AxWord*, though it is (hyphenated) in *Macquarie*.
Jenny Wenham

- Very enjoyable, quite tricky: SW corner my last in.
Tony Dobele
- **November 5-2011: Cryptic by zinzan (Andrew Patterson)**
- [The hidden message was, after putting the solutions in order and taking the first letters of the equivalent clue: "Replace head in ten answers for Cup winners"]
- One cannot imagine but must applaud the compilation effort needed for this puzzle. Favourite clue was for OVERREACH.
Len Colgan
- Wonderfully clever.
Brian Symons
- What a devilish challenge! Hard enough to solve the grid and then find the jockey winners of the Cup!
Alan Walter
- My mind was frazzled by some of the clues, stretched finding the instructions, then fried with frustration until I realised that jockeys were wanted, not horses. Thanks, zinzan, it was brilliant.
Roy Taylor
- I could not fully decipher the instructions for finding 10 more answers. I think that the puzzle alone would have sufficed.
Col Archibald

- I always enjoy Andrew's puzzles. I'd never heard of ROTE for the roar of the surf – so another new one for me. The only trouble is that my memory is not what it used to be so I'll probably forget it in next to no time.
Robyn Caine
- Imagine compiling Slot 5. Incredible!
Graeme Cole
- Congratulations to zinzan for a cleverly conceived and brilliantly constructed puzzle – with added extras! *Merv Collins*
- Slot 5 was a challenge and should probably have been a Slot 6, particularly with the limited time.
Hilary Cromer
- Great complexities, zinzan! Too difficult for No 5. Sorry you missed the biggest winner of all ROTE = TOTE!
Bill Bennett
- I loved Slot 5. It had me chasing after the jockeys!
Betty Siegman
- After obtaining the instructions and unable to find any horses I considered turning ROTE to tote, KOOKY to booky and even TOPER to dooper – until the penny dropped!
Peter Dearie

- Just fantastic.
William Ryan
- I found Slot 5 grid very difficult to complete, so hope I got there in the end and also hope I have interpreted the instructions correctly for the supplementary answers. This was a fairly mechanical and somewhat tedious task!
Catherine Hambling

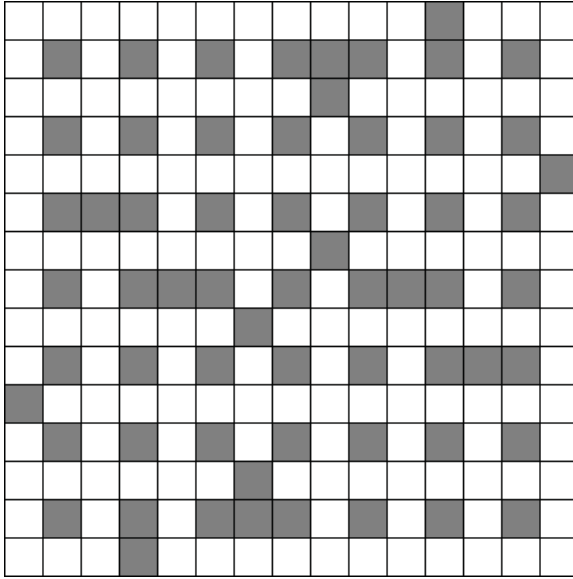
- Special accolade to zinzan for a beautifully constructed puzzle; it was quite brilliant and I thoroughly enjoyed it. Thanks, Andrew.
Roy Wilson
- Pleasingly, another Cup-themed quiz without horses for the answers. It was clever and complicated with several layers to solve and must have been very difficult to compile. Unfortunately, I think the cleverness was achieved at the expense of the quality of the clues. Some of them seemed very contrived and forced, with wording obviously adapted so that the initial letter could fit into the message. Fun, but a bit disappointing overall.
Jenny Wenham
- An excellent puzzle with quite a nasty bite. In addition to the winning jockeys. I also found a bonus – a winning horse. 2dn NERVE becomes Verve.
Jim Fowler
- 1. Solve the puzzle; 2. Get the instruction; 3. Realize winners are jockeys not horses; 4. Find the jockeys. Wow, four puzzles in one, tawrrific work as always zinzan! An enjoyable Sunday afternoon while the wife did the mowing:).
Tony Dobele

Solution to Cryptic by zinzan November 2011 Slot 5

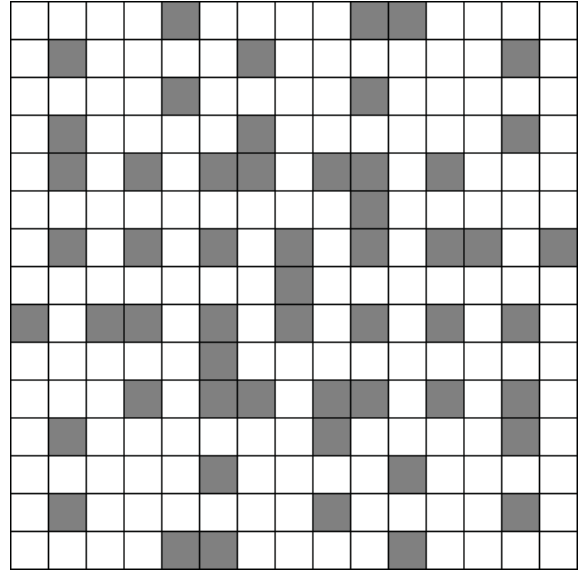
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(L)KING	(R)DYE	(O)MUNCE
(T)HALL	(T)BOSS	(B)SEAMER
(L)COOK	(G)BROWN	

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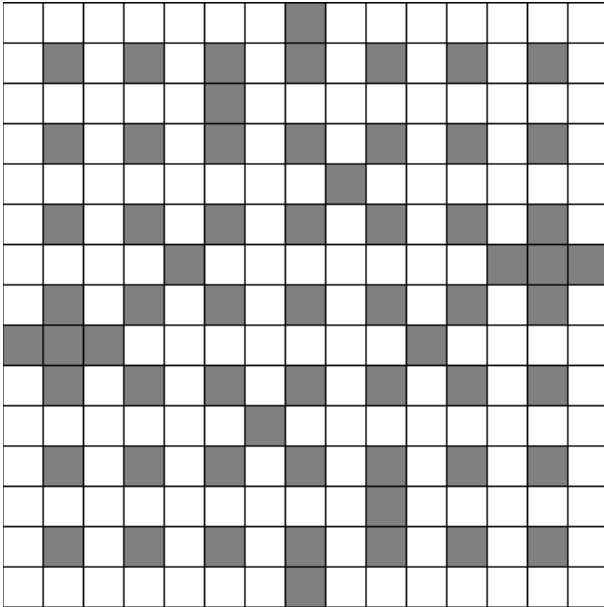
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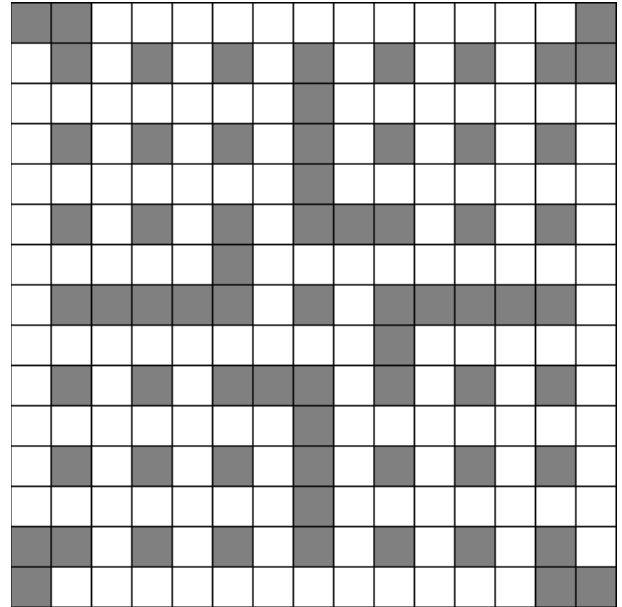
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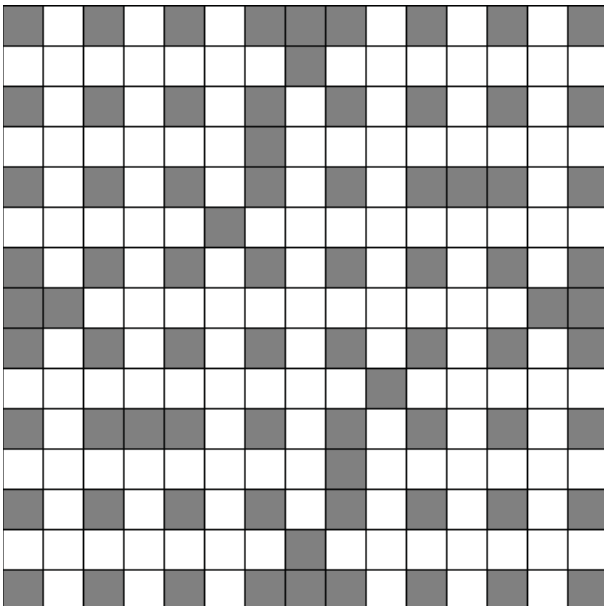
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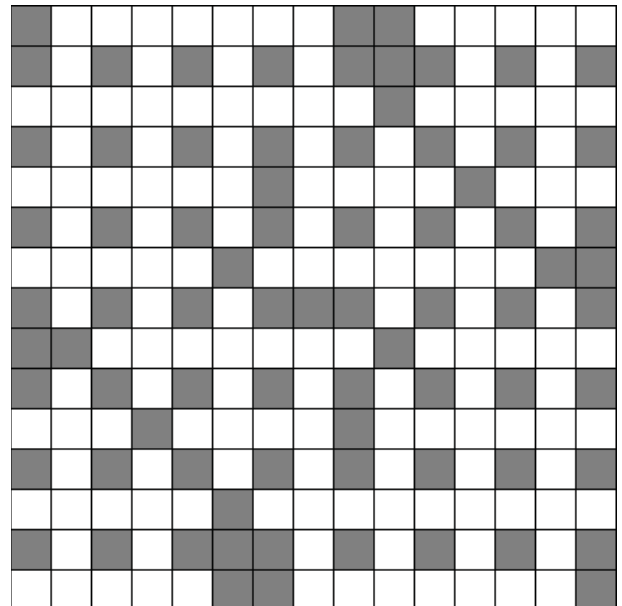
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Clue of the Month

October 6-2011: Cryptic by Æolian (Max Roddick)
Entries: 79. Correct: 59. Success rate 74.68.

Prizewinner: Bev Cockburn. Congratulations!

From the Setter: Thank you all! Reading your cheerful notes, cards and witty comments is like being in a room full of good friends with happy greetings and clever banter being tossed about — a great feeling!
 — **Æolian (Max Roddick)**

Explanations: Across: 1 L+AUREATE 6 Homonym 10Anag + T 11 (Ar)GON 12 Anag 13 Wordplay 15 A UK type = a type of auk, perhaps Cutthroat = RAZOR, William = BILL 17 RUR + AL (The 1920 play R.U.R. introduced 'robot' to our language. See 'robot' def. in *Chambers*) 18 TIM + ED 20 Double def. 22 TIER + CE 24 CUR+AS+SOW 27 wRITE 29 WISH(bone) 30 Anag.

Down: AGASSI+Z 3 Anag 4 ANN(u)AL 5 Double def. 6 Go get! = FETCH = a ghost (*Scottish*) 7 Double def. 9 Anag 14 Containmentment 16 I(MA)'M 17 RE+HEAR+SAL 19 Anag 21 Double def. 23 Crowd (def.) paniC afteR draW aT welsH 25 Anag. with phantom definition in Blake's poem: ... tyger, burning bright ... (URENT = burning) 26 Anag.

Trips & Traps: For the 6ac-6dn combination CATCH/CORN (x2) 11ac GEN, GUN 21ac RUT, R-T 21ac SIGH 4dn ANNUL (x9) In the clue "I hear you missed" = U missed (from ANN(u)AL) and "a record" is the definition. 5dn EYES 6dn (See 6ac-6dn above) 8dn LAEVOROTATORY had two false endings: -ION and -ING 10dn FLLC 19dn MAESTRO 23dn CAWTH, COWTH, CRUSH 25dn UNERT (x3) (See Explanations above).

A couple of the foregoing are obvious transcription errors. Please check your work! And there are a couple of cases where one error caused another because of an incorrect checked letter.

Solvers' Comments:

- What a doozy of a puzzle! I thought that I'd never finish but perseverance paid off (I hope!) *Col Archibald.*
- What a fun crossword. The great thing about cryptics is that you can actually work out the answer and are then delighted to find that the word actually exists! I had never heard of "laevorotatory" before. *Robyn Caine*
- I thought it a fair, but not easy, test (I hope my entry is correct!) RIT and GON set me thinking the most. *Denis Coates*
- If Slot 6's were included in the COTM, I would have given 15ac as my choice. I loved the AUK type — very clever! And 3 lovely synonyms — two quite new to me. *Bev Cockburn*
- I have now learnt LAEVOROTATORY. My favourite clue was RAZORBILL. *Len Colgan*
- CRWTH Struth! *Maurice Cowan*
- Enjoyed this ... and hope I might even get it right even with so many new words. *Hilary Cromer*
- As a Scot, having solved 9dn I had no trouble with WIDDERSHINS but the other synonym was more difficult. However, when I did find it it rang a faint bell. I think I must have come across it in an earlier puzzle somewhere but who knows where? *Margaret Davis*
- LAEVOROTATORY took longest to solve. I liked "GON" and "RIT", more challenging than "GIN" and "RAT" (*Or 'GEN' and 'ROT'? Adj.*) "CRWTH" deserves a nomination for COTM. One day I may fulfil my ambition to use it in Scrabble. *Peter Dearie*
- I have never heard of the two synonyms of anticlockwise; are there also similar words for clockwise? I liked the anagind "unbuttoned" for visually. 17ac I do not understand the "source of original robots" (*See Explanations above: Adj.*). *Tony de Gry*
- Lots of gems here — I loved 15ac and 17dn. Who knew a merrythought is a wishbone or a crowd a musical instrument! *Tony Dobe*
- Quite hard but far from "screaming up the wall". I do not understand the "source of original robots" bit in 17ac to get Rural (*See Explanations above: Adj.*) Lovely word is widdershins. *Jim Fowler*
- I wasn't sure about RURAL — I assume it's the right answer! *Bob Hagan*
- Very satisfying to get this one out, with its elegant mix of unfamiliar words (RIT, GON), unfamiliar birds and an unfamiliar bod. Quite a challenge! *Kath Harper*
- I usually fail to finish your puzzles but managed to get this one. Hope it is OK. *Valerie Howard*

- Loved "fetch"! *Catherine Jones*
- 25dn is a guess. I hope it is a good guess. *Joan McGrath*
- Some luvly clues here — VISUALLY, REDHAired, ANTICLOCKWISE & LISTING. *Andrew Miles*
- I learned some new meanings, facts and spellings. CRWTH with no vowels must have been a challenge. *Carole Noble*
- 9ac was a nice anagram and I have just added MERRYTHOUGHT to my vocabulary! *Mike Potts*
- Especially liked your 15ac clue. Had me stumped for ages trying to find a UK type! CRWTH would be a good word for Scrabble. *Marian Procter*
- Tough workout, Max! Nice, misdirecting surface readings throughout. Add a few unusual words, and hey presto! — an excellent challenge. *'Raoul'*
- Had my head in a spin for a while but wasn't sure which direction. Some very clever clues. Favourite was RE HEAR SAL. *Jack Stocks*
- Especially liked 6,18 & 20ac and 2, 4 & 9dn. *Joan Smith*
- I thought the clueing of RAZORBILL & RED-HAIRED was outstanding. *Brian Symons*
- I certainly learned some new words from this puzzle but 'widdershins' wasn't one of them. Almost 20 years ago (*November 1991: Adj.*) Alan Walter put together a puzzle with 'Widdershins' in the title ... the solver had to enter the answers in an anticlockwise fashion. Some very clever (and cheeky) clues especially the space in A UK in 15ac. *Brian Tickle*
- Was this puzzle "a trick to catch the clever" — "ANTIC+LOCK+WISE"? (*Mischievous thought Alan, but the clever are too clever! Adj.*) *Alan Walter*
- Quite a few new words for me in this one. *Jenny Wenham*
- Unsure of 21dn & 17ac. WIDDERSHINS and LAEVOROTATORY took a bit of research. I had never heard of RIT or GON, and CRWTH! What a great word for Hangman! *Jan Wood*
- Seeing WIDDERSHINS again, I'm reminded of a puzzle Alan Walter set many years back (*Nov. 1991: Adj.*) on a circular grid: when I'd finished solving that I certainly knew its meaning!!! *Roy Wilson*
- Some crazy words in there! *Robyn Wimbush*

A Selection of Words Not Frequently Heard:

- **agiotage** *n.* stock speculation
 - **agomphious** *adj.* toothless
 - **anacampserote** *n.* something which can bring back a lost love
 - **apolaustic** *adj.* fond of pleasure; self-indulgent
 - **chimopelagic** *adj.* pertaining to deep-sea organisms that surface only in winter
 - **clish-ma-claver** *n.* foolish gossip (*Scottish*)
 - **dehorner** *n.* a rubbing-alcohol addict (law)
 - **dephlogisticate** *v.t.* to make fireproof
 - **ecballium** *n.* the squirting cucumber
 - **epizeuxis** *n.* emphatic verbal repetition
 - **fantoccini** *n.* puppets moved either mechanically, or manually, by strings; puppet shows
 - **farkleberry** *n.* a multi-seeded blackberry bush
 - **gamashes** *n.* pl. leggings worn for protection (especially by horsemen)
 - **kratogen** *n.* a dormant area next to one beset by earthquakes
 - **morpunkee** *n.* a long, paddle-powered Indian barge
 - **nimtopsical** *adj.* drunk (listed together with 227 other synonyms by Benjamin Franklin)
 - **novercaphobia** *adj.* fear or dislike of a stepmother
 - **omphaloskepsis** *n.* meditation while gazing at one's navel
 - **oxpecker** *n.* a starling-like bird that pecks cattle in search of ticks, etc.
 - **planiloquent** *adj.* straight talking
 - **poikilothermal** *adj.* cold-blooded
 - **quoz** *n.* something ridiculous, absurd or strange
 - **rhonchisonant** *adj.* snorting; snoring
 - **rixatrix** *n.* a shrew or termagant; a scolding, nasty old woman
 - **scriinary** *n.* a keeper of archives
 - **spizzerinctum** *n.* 1. ambition; the will to succeed. 2. gimcrackery; cheap, vulgar decoration
 - **tragomaschalia** *n.* smelly armpits
 - **ultracrepidarian** *adj.* overstepping one's boundaries; presumptuous.
- from *Mrs. Bryne's Dictionary of Unusual, Obscure and Preposterous Words*, Josefa Heifetz Byrne, Granada, 1974.