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Meanings receive their dignity from words instead of giving it to them.
Blaise Pascal, c 1654-62, *Pensées* (trans. WF Trotter), no. 50.

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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 2017. 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 2017 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 2017.

Don't forget about the special offer where you can sign up a new member for 2017 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!

Our outstanding Puzzle Editor **Ian Williams** has selected another excellent range of puzzles for this month. Your favourites are featured: *St Jude*, *Crowsman*, *Manveru* and *KA* with challenging puzzles. Our dynamic compiler and Puzzle Editor *Bogeyman* has compiled a stunning cryptic in the Slot 5 position and *Valkyrie* gives us one of her brilliant cryptic compositions for Slot 6. Brian Symons has devised another fascinating Quiz titled *In Hiding*.

Kindly note the early closing date – **Friday 16 December**. This will enable us to get the January *Crozworld* out in good time for Christmas. Best of Luck with your solving. And we sincerely thank our Adjudicator – **Andrew Patterson** – who has taken on the pleasant task of adjudicating Slots 1-5 for December.

Finally, a special note of thanks to Joan Smith for adjudicating the Slots 1-5 puzzles this month. Well done, Joan.

—Patrick

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Thank you for the nice cards and letters I received with the entries which are getting fewer each time I adjudicate. I do miss the friendly communication I had with some members but ACCOLADE is proving very popular (I do use it myself: it is so convenient) and it does make adjudication a lot easier (with Ian's help). Only one postal entry had a missing letter JA-E others had transcription errors apart from wrong answers. The biggest problem was BESIDE for RESIDE in Slot 3. Yes William I will be attending the Luncheon.

Slot 1: A few members thought it was a harder Slot 1 than usual, different clues were responsible for loss of dots. JIMCRACK (GIMCRACK) and BELATED (DELAYED) were allowed for quite a few entries.

Slot 2: No major problems here: this puzzle seemed to be well liked by everyone. BEER GLUT was a favourite and received a couple of nominations for COTM. DISTAL for DISTIL and LATERALLY for LITERALLY were two of the mistakes among others.

Slot 3: PLOOKIE was a favourite word, getting votes for COTM. BESIDE 7 for (RESIDE), STEPS 4 ETAPP 1 for (ETAPE) were common mistakes. FLANCH for (CLINCH) and CLOOTIE 2 for PLOOKIE.

Slot 4: 12 nominations for COTM with KIDNEY STONE and THIRTY-FIRST the two with most of the votes. Very popular puzzle with few mistakes JANE 3 (JADE) and 1 JA-E, XEROTIC (XEROSIS), GLEAN (GLEAM) and DOORMAN (DOORWAY) were some of the errors.

Slot 5: Some members thought it hard for a Slot 5, however, the biggest problem apart from individual mistakes was SENSED 3 TENSED 1 for VERSED. One LOCK NESS MONSTER.

COTM: All slots received nominations from 52 members with Slot 4 receiving 14. PLOOKIE six nominations, KIDNEY STONE and DENEbola each received four and BEER GLUT, TARPAULIN and KIDNEY STONE 3. The winner was PLOOKIE. Congratulations to *Pentangle* (Brian Tickle).

—Joan Smith

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	97	97	88	93	76	451
Correct entries	87	94	72	81	69	403
Success rate (%)	89.7	96.9	81.8	87.1	90.8	89.4
Prizewinners	Jenny Wenham	Stephen Matthews	Jill Freeland	Bev Cockburn	Eileen O'Brien	from 107 members

Prizewinner: November 2016 Slots 1-5: Merv Collins, Congratulations!

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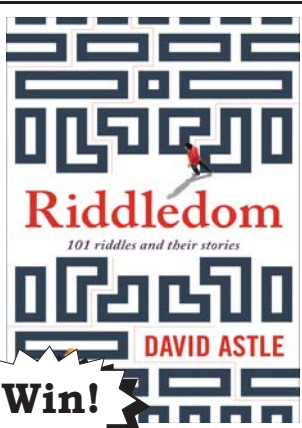
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Simply Cryptic
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St Jude



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- 1 Banal to put public land first (11)
- 7 Have scowl when French depart (3)
- 9 Place inside the fashionable crowd ? (5)
- 10 Most tranquil sea site disturbed (7)
- 11 Gramophone record-player includes sharpener (5)
- 12 Strikes and recoils (5)
- 13 Film one thank you note (7)
- 14 Heard no horse call (5)
- 16 Prediction after bumpy start replaced by a balanced chance (2,4,3)
- 18 This can hold back befuddled ardent tar (9)
- 21 Must take away the right from cave (3,2)
- 22 Indian ox cart infiltration (7)
- 23 Material idiot sent to hospital (5)
- 24 Drop audibly to coincide shortly (5)
- 25 Nematode disorder of owl mere (7)
- 26 Priest deliberately set alight after decapitation (5)
- 27 Colourful bouquet has no aroma (3)
- 28 Manufactured bolt on early large, soft pneumatic support (7,4)

Down

- 1 Afraid the gorge is ruined by unsolvable question of precedence? (7,2,3,3)
- 2 Scum! Toy! Without hesitation, I claim lash to be wielded pleausurably for receiver! (15)
- 3 Promises grain in about an hour (5)
- 4 Myopia no-laughing-matter when holding a very good hand of cards (7)
- 5 Mean to declare one's years (7)
- 6 Seasonal treat may be a joke program (6,3)
- 7 Lover-boy suit I am folding too pretentiously (15)
- 8 Deliberately contact the felon erroneously (3,4,2,6)
- 15 Choose room B: remove rings to prepare animal groomer (5,4)
- 17 Sister leads papal ambassadors (3)
- 19 Some baby's' malformations are very bad (7)
- 20 Storm damaged a party (7)
- 23 Restraint popular after tea (5)

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Cryptic

by

Crowsman



With grateful acknowledgement to Richard Skinner who suggested the theme and provided advice.

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Across

- 7 Airline finally sent back new small wing flaps (7)
- 9 Agents return, holding local aircraft fairing (7)
- 10 Cancelled entering unique thing for sale (2,5)
- 11 Award fancy silk needle (7)
- 12 In favour of dividing an aerodrome area (5)
- 13 Wind changed direction, splitting something initiating an explosion in aeroplane's body (8)
- 15 This informs pilot it could be wind disturbing plane (10,5)
- 19 Aircraft housings' back-to-front inspection restricted model (8)
- 22 Exclamation of rebuke is turning back Rwandan (5)
- 24 Abnormal plane oscillation from empty fuel, say (7)
- 25 Carrier bearing stock (7)
- 26 Wing flap has no reliable part put back (7)
- 27 Dish taken from sink in passage (7)

Down


- 1 Concerned with stunt flying – requiring oxygen covers a brief time (9)

- 2 What transit passenger does concerning commissions (8)
- 3 Scientist becomes smelly in rubbish container (6)
- 4 Lateral movement of aircraft has teams on edge (8)
- 5 Conclusion is imminent without first bit of proof (6)
- 6 What pilots do when landing, hearing crack (5)
- 8 End of Roman letter raised passions (5)
- 9 Backer loses right to get new stabilizing projection on aircraft (7)
- 14 Reading from dial during change in part of 15 (9)
- 16 2 English amongst lessees (2-6)
- 17 Manipulate head in routine plane flight (4,3)
- 18 Trifles are fine in between egg-flips (8)
- 20 A feather clipped on a golden eagle (6)
- 21 Aircraft with inadequate lift might do this in seconds, on high (5)
- 22 Power generated by aircraft gives confidence about height (6)
- 23 Refuse youth leader leaving county (5)

GENERAL COMMENTS:

- Great puzzles this month. Two questions: (1) Why is a Capital City a "diagonal"; (2) What is a "Nina"? [Reply from Ian Williams: The explanations to November's slots 6 and 7, when published in the January issue of *Crozworld*, will answer David's "diagonal" question. On the Nina question, David should refer to the article in the October 2012 issue of *Crozworld*, which explains Ninas in detail.]
- Thank you Patrick for my beautifully illustrated certificate and cheque.
- Many thanks for my prize for October Slot 4. The AJ is always my favourite; so it's nice to win that one.
- Lots of very clever clues across the board.
- Thank you all for a lovely surprise last month.
- Thank you once again for some fine puzzles to solve. My only regret I cannot master No 6 or 7.
- Challenging and good fun, as usual.
- Thank you for the Slot 5 prize last month. Much appreciated.
- November slots got the better of me and I could only submit three.
- Just got this batch finished in time to take off for the Shaky Isles.

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Laurence Kennedy
Robyn Wimbush
Norma Heyes
Sue Robertson
Robert Hagan
Lynn Jarman
Kath Harper

D E C E M B E R 2 0 1 6 S L O T 3
<h2 style="margin: 0;">Cryptic</h2> <p style="margin: 5px 0;">by</p> <h3 style="margin: 0;">Manveru</h3>


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Across

- 1 Employs software for mobile inventions (7)
- 5 Settled action to restrict police investigators (7)
- 9 It reveals broadcast, such as *Sons and Daughters* (9)
- 10 Competitor making appearance after accepting a rule from the start (5)
- 11 Provide orchestra, recording a series for television (5)
- 12 In an anxious state with US? Rely on Venezuela's leader for a change (9)
- 13 Review Olympic event with head of swimming (7)
- 15 Neil, perhaps a rock sparkler (7)
- 17 Have dinner with former US rock band - European pizza perhaps (7)
- 19 Corroborates a temperature experiment on sun (7)
- 21 Fill up ten orders. That's heaps! (9)
- 23 Sharp projections in jobs with university superseding academy (5)
- 25 Dictator bitter with internal revolution (5)
- 26 Flat widescreen is shattered after opening (9)
- 27 Mortar! Get surgeon to save victims (7)
- 28 Approaches empty subway and stops (7)

- 2 Phosphorus combined with amalgam of lead turned white (5)
- 3 Establish Tudor in Church of England following Reformation (9)
- 4 Ship conveying Australian wine by the gallon is money in the bank (7)
- 5 Had a longing for date with English gentleman with a bit of education (7)
- 6 It's carried principally by ancient ship! (5)
- 7 Hell contains ideal sections (9)
- 8 Late after pirate's final deadly ransacking (7)
- 14 Changeable term with bees beginning to pollinate! (9)
- 16 Temperature taking precedence over latitude in heights and outlooks (9)
- 17 Drink wine for 'maintenance' (7)
- 18 Struggles to besiege castle with English foot soldiers to start with (7)
- 19 Books on the World Series? (7)
- 20 Mistress, perhaps, has no money for people with habits (7)
- 22 Handle small bird with lice from top to tail (5)
- 24 Perhaps the sight and sound of money (5)

Down

- 1 Reached a turbulent river on delta (7)

ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER 2016

We are looking forward to celebrating the 2016 Get-Together at William Ryan's exciting **Harold Park Hotel** which is situated cnr Wigram Road and Ross Street, Glebe NSW. The date is Sunday 27 November and the festivities commence at 11:30am. Many thanks to William for making his 'pride and joy' available for us to meet and discuss important things of a cruciverbal nature. And there will be grid challenges plus worthy prizes definitely worth winning! It's not too late to accept the invitation. Kindly contact our Secretary Bev Cockburn to tell her that you would like to be one of the prestigious members attending this VIP function. Bev's email is: bevco4@bigpond.com. William has suggested a phrase he uses for his school reunions – "Please drop in, whether for 5 minutes or 5 hours. We'll be delighted to see you." Be there!!!

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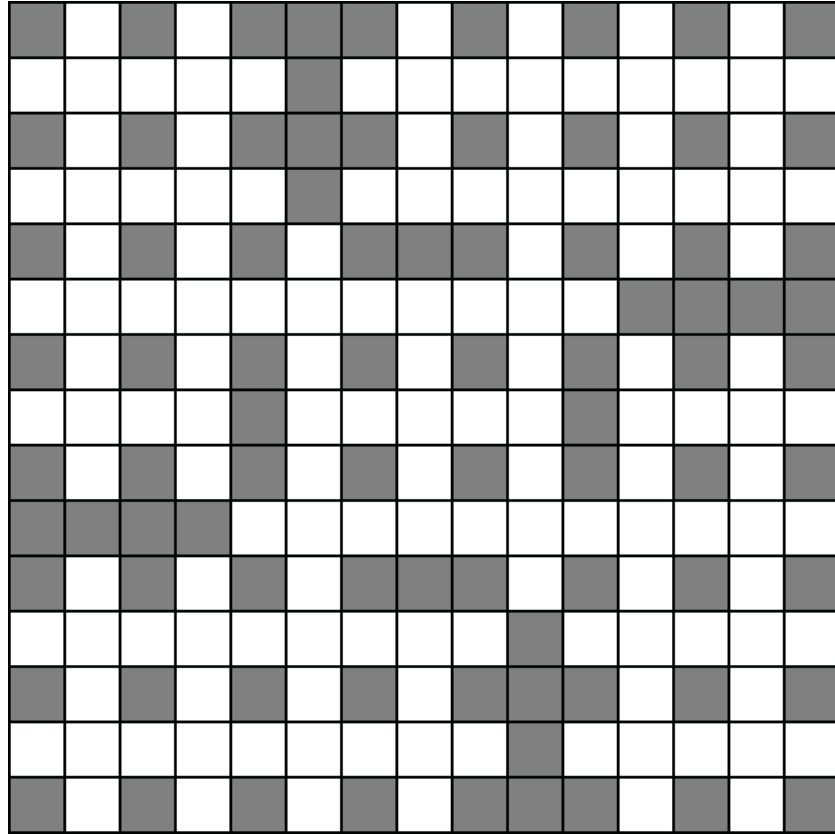
AJ

by

KA



Solutions begin with the given letter. Place them in the grid jigsaw-wise, where they fit.



- A** Consent to a sin without end (5)
- B** Account on Island leads to anger from Mr Lowy, for one (11)
- C** Sister, trapped by payment, has strange problem (9)
- D** Committed to action covering disjointed dicta (9)
- E** Girl name is not odd (4)
- F** Look at price, for what it's worth (4,5)
- G** Donated pound for mallet (5)
- H** The Nahum Anthology includes Man (5)
- I** Soldier turns smallest room into Indian dwelling (5)
- J** Nervous about leap towards the unknown (5)
- K** Plaudits for Britain returning to computer system (5)
- L** Volcanic rock surrounding river reveals a caterpillar (5)
- M** Pamper girl having to cook (11)

- N** Pole on anaesthetic comes down to earth in the country (11)
- O** Present, and in a difficult situation (2,3,4)
- P** Moves camera to second-last flower (5)
- Q** Demented Squire holds meeting in bogs (9)
- R** Mention about barrier surrounding Royalty (9)
- S** Turn chauffeur to drink (11)
- T** Fish in ditch lost direction (5)
- U** Somewhat dreadful name for bone (4)
- V** One in vehicle is egotistic (4)
- W** A lot to carry, being carelessly a goal down (9)
- X** Warrior Princess removed name from westward-facing extension (4)
- Y** Bumpkin has link to learner (5)
- Z** Marx brother almost broke lines to blimps (9)

Explanations to Clues in November 2016 Grids 1-5

Slot 1 InGrid. explanations to cryptic clues. Down: 1 sp+lend+id, 2 anag, 3 (meRE Weakling)<, 5 (p)int+ruder, 6 co+m+parable, 7 ai+oil anag, 8 k(it)ing, 9 dd, 14 anag, 17 anag, 18 homoph "wane" (wain)+scot, 19 angst+rom, 22 anag-(and), 23 dd, 25 Our Class Used Lead In, 27 anag.

Slot 2 Lexi Conner. Across: 1 CAT + A + TONIC, 8 (afte)R(noon) (a)UCTION, 9 (aro)UND + ERMINE, 10 WAS + LEFT, 12 (MAN UPSET)*, 14 (gosp)EL M(usic), 15 DD, 16 (pa)RCHmENT - map)*, 19 IS + LAND, 22 (ra)RE ACH(ievement), 23 due HOMOPH, 25 BRAND -ISH, 26 R + A(V)IOLI, 28 DELICATES(sen), 29 PLACE + (new)BO(rns), 30 LIT + ER + ALLY. **Down:** 1 Homoph from Cruz, 2 T(m)EDIUM, 3 (ART)* + PAUL + IN, 4 NAIL + T + RIM, 5 Crui(se) HOMOPH, 6 (storyline - ron)*, 7 CON + F + IS + (a sect)*, 11 A + BUT, 13 (pearl usable)*, 17 CAR< (ING) CAR, 18 BEER G(L)UT, 20 ANTI + Oceanic + H, 21 DD, 23 DIS + TIL(l), 24 W + HIS + K(entucky)Y, 27 (intrep)ID OL(ympians).

Slot 3 Pentangle. Across: 1 SW + ARMS, 4 PAN(OR)AMA, 10 AVER + AGE, 11 T(HEART)*E, 12 S(IT)E, 13 D(R)EADLOCKS, 15 IN(j)URE + D, 16 P(LOOK)IE, 20 S(K)INFUL, 21 RE + SIDE, 24 DEC(HE(LET)AT)*, 26 rev hidden, 28 TI (BEAT)*N, 29 PER(SIS)T, 30 RE (LASSES) S, 31 C(L)INCH. **Down:** 1 STARS + HIP, 2 homoph "or struck", 3 Hidden, 5 ACTU + ALLY, 6 DD (and contranym), 7 (gig)ANTIC, 8 AVER (u)SE(s), 9 (RENAL)*, 14 REIN + STATES, 17 (l)IMITATION, 18 OUT + LINES, 19 (o)DES + PATCH, 22 (REDO IT)*, 23 E + TAPE, 25 CO + BRA, 27 (past)ORAL.

Slot 4 Zinzan. A {a,single,AA)*, **B** bi(pe)ds, **C** n+(boat,race)*, **D** (do/N)orway, **E** -ed or e- <, **F** is > (facts)*, **G** (game)* +l, **H** (eighth)*,ch, **I** (triple,o,n)*, **J** ddef, **K** k(-i-d-n)eystone, **L** li(er)ne, **M** morals><tin, **N** gateman<, **O** --or,--ch,--id, **P** drain,o,p <, **Q** hm(key), **R** r(a)iders, **S** (queens)*,CE, **T** (it,the,stirfry)* -e, **U** (a)unt,r-u-e, **V** (natives)*, **W** w,rang(l)ers, **X** (-oxers)*,is, **Y** (no + grey + u)*, **Z** ze(l,pipe)*n.

Slot 5 Blue King. Across: 1 DD (currency in Venezuela), 5 M(arriage) + IS + USED (, 9 COL < + US, 10 DISC + OUR + SE, 11 (ORAL INSPECTION)*, 13 Hidden, 14 DEN + EBOLA =, 17 (l MISREAD)*, 18 HER + E, 21 LONG (WIND) ED NESS, 23 (TOYS AREN'T)*, 24 E (TU) DEn, 25 T inside THRUSheS, 26 DOLE + FULL. **Down:** 1 B + ILK, 2 (SCOTSMEN SHORN + LE)*, 3 VI + SION, 4 R + ADIOS, 5 homoph Miss + TAKEN, 6 SHO(WERE)D, 7 STRUTS ONES STUFF, 8 DEEP-SEA + TED, 12 CONS (U) + LT + ANT, 15 W + AX + WORKS, 16 homoph "Pie on ears", 19 reVERSED, 20 ANNE + AboriginaL, 22 WE'LL.S+A+ME, 8 LA(N)CED, 12 FOX+T(ERR)IER, 14 (GREEN)* + (CITE)<, 16 (SHOUT)* + ONE, 17 AC(ID+I)C, 18 ..FED OR A..., 21 (DEVIL + (E))* , 22 (s)URGE, 25 homoph "to to".

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Cryptic by Bogeyman


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Eight across clues have something in common and are not otherwise defined.

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- 2 Oil initially located in reretreating discharge (4)
- 5 State bread content (7)
- 11 Lemurs chewed rind when occupying islands (6)
- 12 Single work of verse is terminal! (5)
- 13 Animal taking education gets the bird (8)
- 14 Gets out, namely with sheep ... (6)
- 16 ... that is sheep before finding a nettle (5)
- 18 Millionaires are returning with investment - rubber! (6)
- 19 Car crashed tank (6)
- 21 Girl taking cask around the back (6)
- 23 Pick-up after theatre (6)
- 25 Pet let out (6)
- 26 Offensive gestures against roundhouse! (1-5)
- 30 Well-behaved son (5)
- 31 Contemptible townsman blushing within (6)
- 33 One of 34, perhaps, to bed 1 in 9 (8)
- 34 Sins of mixed-up Elvis (5)
- 35 Blue content of Iron River! (6)
- 36 Fail year-end course (7)
- 37 Frozen crystalline vapour comprising tin, oxygen and tungsten (4)

Down

- 1 Little spill-over may be slip before proverbial destination (4)
- 2 Catch first of spots on neck (5)
- 3 Dickens character had socially-acceptable messy hair (5)
- 4 Ham careless on game point? No, no, no! (7)
- 6 Foreign princes arse around entertaining me (6)
- 7 Old Central Americans popular around South ... (5)
- 8 ... but hill people spread suffering (9)
- 9 Begone from worthy officer (7)
- 10 Ultra-Republican to force measure internally (8)
- 15 Distilled orchid sap - ecstatic (9)
- 17 Throttled Queen's representative in sacred dissolution (8)
- 20 Turn radius to develop gradually (7)
- 22 Irishman takes bread, we hear. Rounds? (7)
- 24 Young officer in space device (6)
- 27 Poem eventually discussed in retrospect, intrinsically (5)
- 28 Reveal fifty note crumpled (3,2)
- 29 City is returned to strength (5)
- 32 Heard round bird (4)

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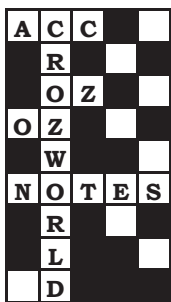
- 1 Pig feeder is demanding about recipe (6)
- 4 Chicken curses nightshades (8)
- 10 Injuries gotten from cats ingesting ecstasy and sulphur (7)
- 11 Bottled Sulu Sea blenny is available (7)
- 12 Kid with drug craze (4)
- 13 Rare lake bream are reportedly unusual (10)
- 15 Inferior backtracking expertise finally disorients a couple of hyenas (6)
- 16 Politicians follow outdated cattle review overhauls (7)
- 19 Girl captures small horses (7)
- 21 Sheep starts to mock enfeebled beast that's lost top of horn (6)
- 24 Places for needy slum horses, answer for Republican trouble (10)
- 26 Close of day bird cry (4)
- 28 Made use of a vein initially, sloth showed the way (7)
- 29 In favour of retiring gorilla? Point front foot (7)
- 30 Pig or rat? (8)
- 31 Mouse swarm encircled rubbish tips (6)

Down

- 1 Bear, bear, bears – real confusion! (8)
- 2 Seal, bat, goose in loveless entanglement (9)
- 3 Midnight owl lost luminous appearance (4)
- 5 Back to front crossbreed knocked back ape (7)
- 6 Mole buster grips raised whip (10)
- 7 Catch out of bounds fat cat (5)
- 8 Stoned syphilis-gripped sheep (6)
- 9 Tree snake exportation limits (5)
- 14 Rabbits in Queensland town! (10)
- 17 Unknown scurrilous writer: 'Excrement is inclusive with new pig enclosure!' (6-3)
- 18 River fenced nearly all of old sheep (8)
- 20 Polecat – ultimate ball roller (7)
- 22 Donkey supported an unlimited share for badger (6)
- 23 Fat insect. Gutless insect (5)
- 25 Monkey leader starts to inflame antagonism where French produce animal sound (5)
- 27 A sample of fresh crayfish turned up fingerprint pattern (4)

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Quiz 12/2016 In Hiding by Brian Symons.

All answers have something in common and are in alphabetical order.
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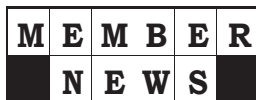
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| 1 Body part(3) | 9 Glide smoothly (4) | 17 Marsh grass (4) |
| 2 Aromatic substance(4) | 10 Weapon (3) | 18 Auction (4) |
| 3 Sloping river bank (4) | 11 Try judiciously (4) | 19 Coast |
| 4 Fettered (7) | 12 Body part (4) | 20 Common breakfast fare (5) |
| 5 Fool (4) | 13 Zero (4) | 21 Ancient garment (4) |
| 6 Crown (6) | 14 Poem (3) | 22 Tiny (3) |
| 7 Working at (5) | 15 Conditionally released (7) | |
| 8 Expel (5) | 16 Vegetable (3) | |

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Puzzle Adjustments: Ulla Axelsen submitted a fully correct entry for Quiz No 9.

Quiz 10/2016. Nitrogen, carbon and hydrogen by Valkyrie (Ulla Axelsen)

No. of entries: 38 Percentage correct: 71%.

Winner: Andrew Miles.

Results: 25: P Abbott, W Allen, K Audrins, R Caine, B Cockburn, L Colgan, P Dearie, J Fowler, R Gooderick, K Harper, B Hogan, S Howells, G Leeds, J Leigh, G Lemon, P Lord, C Mackay-Sim, R McKenzie, C McClelland, A Miles, A Millard, E O'Brien, B Siegman, B Symons, I Thompson, C Wilcox, R Wimbush. **24:** G Cole, J Crowe, P Garner, B Glissan, D Jones, S Pinder, M Procter, M Steinberger, K Watt, K Williams. **22:** T McPherson.

Answers: 1. Avalanche 2. Benchmark 3. Clincher 4. Crunchy 5. Disenchanted 6. Entrenchment 7. Franchise 8. Gut-wrenching 9. Hunchback 11. Keypunch 12. Linchpin/lynchpin 13. Melancholy 14. Nonchalance 15. Ornithorhynchus 16. Penchant 17. Quenchable 18. Ranchman/ranchero 19. Raunchy 20. Synchronicity 21. Truncheon 22. Unchained 23. Unchallengeable 24. Winchester 25. Zygobranchiate.

Adjudicator's Comments: Thanks very much for all the positive feedback and the lovely cards and letters. It is indeed sad that snail mail is slowly being replaced. The main source of angst seemed to be TRUNCHEON although only two people got it wrong. The most frequent mistake was LAUNCHER for KEYPUNCH otherwise all other mistakes were one of a kind.

Solvers' Comments

- Thoroughly enjoyed this quiz. Not super confident of a couple so fingers crossed! *Patricia Abbott*
- Having been in the wine industry for a lot of years thought I knew lots of bottle shapes and names, but my knowledge was incomplete. Many thanks for the brain workout. *Trish McPherson*
- Thanks for another challenging quiz. *Brian Symons*
- It was no cinch, You didn't give an inch, But I have a hunch..., When it comes to the crunch, I'll not be found out to lunch! *Andrew Miles*
- Many thanks for an interesting quiz, once again. It was a relief after the fiendish Slot 6! *Julie Leigh*
- Many thanks for an interesting quiz, and a bit of a challenge. No 21 had me stumped for a while, I wasn't aware of that meaning (presuming it's correct). *Betty Siegman*
- Thank you Ulla. As usual a fun puzzle with many difficult ones. Truncheon was a new one. *Robyn Wimbush*

• Thank you for a quiz that was both fair and challenging. It was interesting to find the various meanings of 'truncheon', which I'd only ever as a club. *Robyn Caine*

• Thanks for another great quiz. A highlight of the month. *Ann Millard*

• A delightful quiz – well delightful up to a point! None of my mates knew "Winchester" but I somehow stumbled across it. As for "Truncheon" – still don't know how you clever people know these words! Do you remember the Ornithorhynchus riddle from school days – We used to say, spell Ornithorhynchus. If you can't spell it, you are a dunce. Of course, the reply was "IT". Caught a few. *Eileen O'Brien*

• Good fun once I put away my chemistry books. *Gary Lemon*

• Thank you for making us such a varied and interesting lot of words to find. *Robyn McKenzie*

• A very challenging quiz requiring mental effort. *Bob Hagan*

• Another interesting and different quiz. *Marian Procter*

• Thanks for the very challenging quiz. *Pat Lord*

• Thanks for another interesting and challenging quiz, some answers taking quite some solving. *Bev Cockburn*

• Thank-you for an enjoyable quiz. It wasn't a cinch. Last one in was TRUNCHEON which was a new one for me. *Ian Thompson*

• I've racked my brains and worn out Google with number 8. Otherwise very enjoyable. *Julie Crowe*

• Thanks for an interesting quiz. The Z word took a lot of finding and I would prefer Rancher to Ranchman as the more usual term. Please keep up the good work. *Jim Fowler*

• I managed to complete your quiz, I think, but it took several tries. I had to keep coming up for O to counteract the N, C and H. Thanks for the mental workout. *Kath Harper*

• Did enjoy the search, found 21 difficult, but being on holiday was able to persist. *Cheryl Wilcox*

• This proved to be quite a struggle. Thanks for exercising the grey matter! *Pat Garner*

• Loved it! *Margaret Steinberger*

• Thankyou for providing such a different quiz for ACC. An unusual meaning for TRUNCHEON. *Graeme Cole*

• Quiz was great fun. Answers animatedly worked out *en famille* over several breakfast times. *Caroline Mackay-Sim*

• I do enjoy a quiz which allows one to extract most of the answers out of one's brain. *Gabrielle Leeds*

November 1-2016: Half 'n Half by InGrid (Jean Barbour)

- Loved both halves! So long since I'd heard Jimcrack. ALMOST gave it COTM. *Dale McManus*
- I thought I was off to a flying start but stalled part way through. Perhaps a bit harder than I expected for a slot one ... or more likely my foggy brain. *Jenny Wenham*
- Toughest slot 1 evaaah! Since mine, of course. *Ian Thompson*
- Jimcrack and belated are alternates for 4ac and 16ac. *Brian Symons*

- Tricky. 4 and 24 lucky guesses. Liked 6, 7, 8, 19 and 15ac. IPECAC a great word. *Rob Moline*
- My favourite clue was for KITING. *Brian Tickle*
- The vague straight clues make this as hard as many cryptics; if not more so. *Andrew Patterson*
- Gimcrack appears to be the primary option; but jimcrack is an alternative spelling. [Also accepted - Adj] *Wayne Bradbury*
- Nice gentle puzzle – but generally when I think that I fall flat on my down side! *Eileen O'Brien*
- Very tricky slot 1 but that just made it more satisfying to solve. *Tony Dobebe*

- Always good to start another month. 16ac: BELATED or DELAYED?? [both accepted - Adj] *Ann Millard*
- Another good Half 'n Half. *Julie Crowe*
- Off we go again! *Robyn Wimbush*
- 8: 'with it ruler': does this really tell us to place 'it' inside 'king'? *George Rolfe*
- Many good ones in this Grid – AIOLI, FABRICATOR, SPLENDID. Splendid indeed! *Max Roddick*
- I thought DELAYED might be an alternative for 16ac BELATED. (Hope I chose the right one!) *Michael Potts*
- I learned a few new words. Thank you! *Caroline Mackay-Sim*

November 2-2016: Cryptic by Lexi Conner (Ron Shapiro)

- If BEERGLUT?? doesn't get lots of votes for COTM I'll be surprised... enjoyed the proximity of Whisky & Distil. *Dale McManus*
- Great puzzle. I liked 9ac and 4dn made me laugh – our son-in-law Will enjoys a bourbon. *Jenny Wenham*
- I love groanworthy puns like BRANDISH. *Rob Moline*
- Lots of great clues. My favourites were BRANDISH, DELICATES, PLACEBO and TEDIUM. *Brian Tickle*
- A nice puzzle with some creative clues and worthwhile surface reading. 7dn: 'as forced entry' for F could've been better but 3dn TARPAULIN was my COTM. *Andrew Patterson*
- Enjoyable. Liked RACING CAR and TARPAULIN the most. *Ian Thompson*

- Some good clues here – chose 17dn as COTM because of ING (love the girl who does the commercial!). Salad dressing popular this month! *Eileen O'Brien*
- Some great clues: thank you. I like 18dn BEER GLUT! *Ann Millard*
- I liked the clue for DISTIL. *Nea Storey*
- Another clever word play for ER in 30ac. *Ulla Axelsen*
- Gave BEER GLUT COTM. Amazing that AOILI featured in slots 1 and 2. (26 ac). *Roy Taylor*
- Enjoyable puzzle with praiseworthy clueing. Favourites were 9ac and 18dn. *Len Colgan*
- Great words and clues. Loved 11dn ABUT. *Bev Cockburn*
- Lots of good ones – FRENCH, RAVIOLI, TARPAULIN & many more. Thanks *Lexi Conner!* *Max Roddick*
- 28: 'for washing' is redundant. 18: Do you mean 'over large'; if not a question mark is called for. *George Rolfe*
- Thoroughly enjoyable. *Glenda Lloyd*
- I note the connection to 7dn slot 1 AIOLI and the clue for RAVIOLI – I love these coincidences! *Michael Potts*
- A pleasurable slot. *Lynn Jarman*
- An enjoyable puzzle; thank you *Lexi Conner!* *Caroline Mackay-Sim*

November 3-2016: Cryptic by Pentangle (Brian Tickle)

- Panorama – so NEAT! But awestruck my favourite SKINFUL rated high. *Dale McManus*
- Very tricky, especially in SE. Liked the smooth surfaces in DREADLOCKS, PANORAMA, RESIDE, SITE and IMITATION. *Rob Moline*
- Another newie – PLOOKIE! What a great word. Not happy with my answer for 21ac – couldn't decide whether beside or reside. What are the odds I chose the wrong one!!! *Eileen O'Brien*
- Who would have thought a PLOUK was a pimple? *Ann Millard*
- PLOOKIE! What a delightful word! *Nea Storey*
- Lots of interesting subtraction clues. I'm glad I'm no longer plookie. *Ulla Axelsen*
- Very good. Again. *Andrew Patterson*
- Great clues, particularly 1ac SWARMS. *Bev Cockburn*

- Succinct clueing. Liked 13ac, 16ac and 1dn. *Len Colgan*
- Admire SKINFUL, TIBETAN and ANTIC; but I'm unsure about 31ac. *Max Roddick*
- What a strange word – PLOOKIE. Amazing that you found it and even more amazing that you clued it. *Frank Martin*
- Loved PLOOKIE. *Robyn Wimbush*
- 31: Which reference source gives 'L' = hand? LH = Left hand; RH = Right Hand. *George Rolfe*
- Lots of great clues. *Anne Simons*
- Some straightforward clues but a few mistakes. *Lynn Jarman*
- Some very good clues. I liked dreadlocks; but my choice for COTM goes to the very clever and, new to me, plookie. *Caroline Mackay-Sim*

November 4-2016: AJ by Zinzan (Andrew Patterson)

- Loved T, M, & D. *Dale McManus*
- Some really smooth, clever clues and unusual devices here: D, E, I (but one too many Os?), K, M, O, P, W and Y all exceptional. Defeated by never-heard-of P and J. *Rob Moline*
- Enjoyable as always. Particularly liked Analgesia and Doorway. *Wayne Bradbury*
- Always enjoy these puzzles. Thought T was very clever. Thank you to Zinzan. *Eileen O'Brien*
- Normal words and great interesting clues – possibly the best AJ of the year. *Michael Kennedy*
- This AJ holds the record for the longest time for me to get the two elevens! *Tony Dobebe*

- Always an enjoyable puzzle. Beautifully misleading with "seven days" in T; and the mathematician in me had trouble with "calculus" in K. Great! *Ann Millard*
- Very well crafted clues although it took some time to work out wordplay for MORTAL SIN. *Ulla Axelsen*
- Took a while for penny to drop for THIRTY FIRST. Thought children a vague definition for BIPEDS. *Roy Taylor*
- Many great clues – especially DOORWAY, INTERPOL and PONIARD. *Brian Tickle*
- Two new words for me – PONIARD & LIERNE. I thought the clue for SEQUENCE was very clever. *Bev Cockburn*
- I thought that the T clue was rather enjoyable this month. *Richard Skinner*

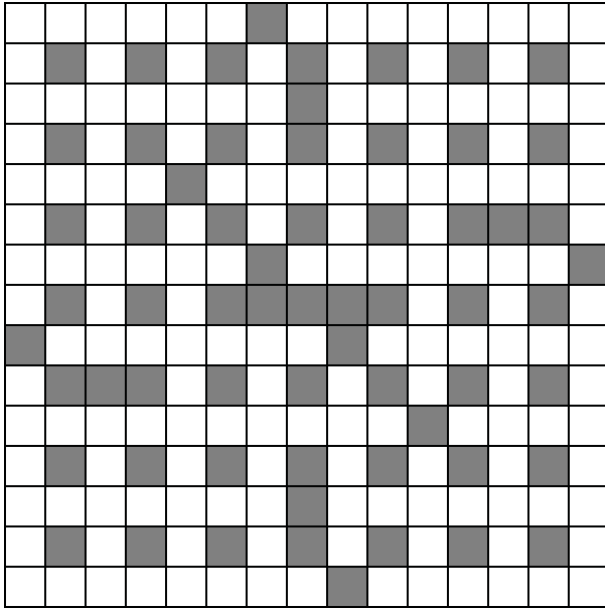
- Quite a struggle but an enjoyable challenge. *Laurence Kennedy*
- Clever ORCHID. *Robyn Wimbush*
- Found H & K hard but P was last. Liked clues for M, S, U, V & W. *Anne Simons*
- T: "Annually" seems redundant. [without "annually" the 31st is not defined - Adj] A good try-out for the old brain. *George Rolfe*
- The K clue. Didn't know that calculus could be physical! *Max Roddick*
- Tough; but enjoyable. *Trish McPherson*
- Nice one! *Mike Potts*
- K and M clues remain a mystery to me. *Caroline Mackay-Sim*

November 5-2016: Cryptic by Blue King (Roy Low)

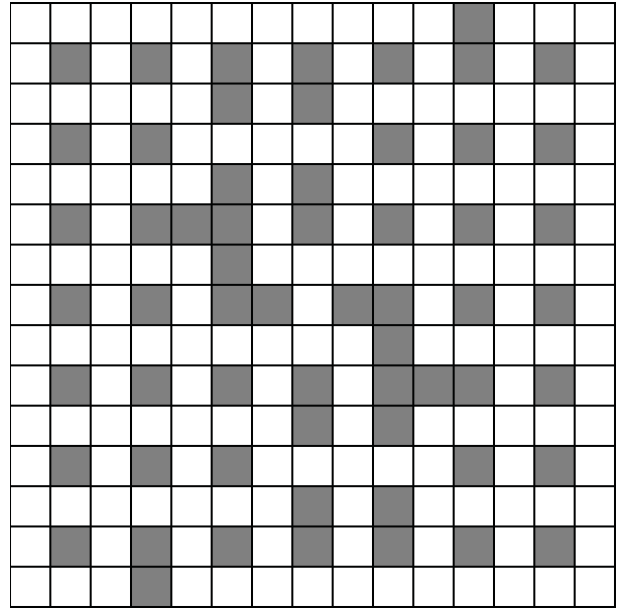
- Can hardly wait to read explanation of "Nessie..." How clever to get all those BIG words! But thought BILK succinct. RADIOS brilliant too. *Dale McManus*
- 17ac had me wondering if *A Town Like Alice* was written by Dame Iris – no; not one of hers. That was typical of how far off the wavelength I was; found the puzzle difficult. *Rob Moline*
- Another goodie from *Blue King*. Getting very hard to choose COTM. *Eileen O'Brien*
- Some complex clues for me. Always learn something. *Ann Millard*
- A good workout although still not sure of 19dn. Like anagram fodder for Loch Ness Monster. *Ulla Axelsen*
- Lot of good clues but I managed to go up the wrong track on some. *Roy Taylor*
- Great puzzle but far too difficult for a Slot 5. Worthy of a Slot 6. *Bev Cockburn*

- Thank you Roy. Very entertaining. *Robyn Wimbush*
- Loved clue for WELL. A couple of lucky guesses for long words helped! *Anne Simons*
- 1ac: How does 'ready for Caracas' give us Bolivar. I know Caracas is the capital of Bolivia. [Chambers defines one meaning of "ready" as "ready money", hence the currency in Caracas, the capital of Venezuela - Adj] 23: Poorly worded clue. 'allowed before judging'= attorneys?? *George Rolfe*
- Admired the complexity of the longer words; but liked better VISION and BILK for brevity and PIONEERS for wit. *Max Roddick*
- This puzzle was nearly the death of me! 21ac and 19dn took forever to make sense. Thoroughly enjoyed it. Many thanks. *Julie Crowe*
- LONG WINDEDNESS was my runner up for COTM. *Mike Potts*

|D|E|C|E|M|B|E|R| |6| |2|0|1|6|



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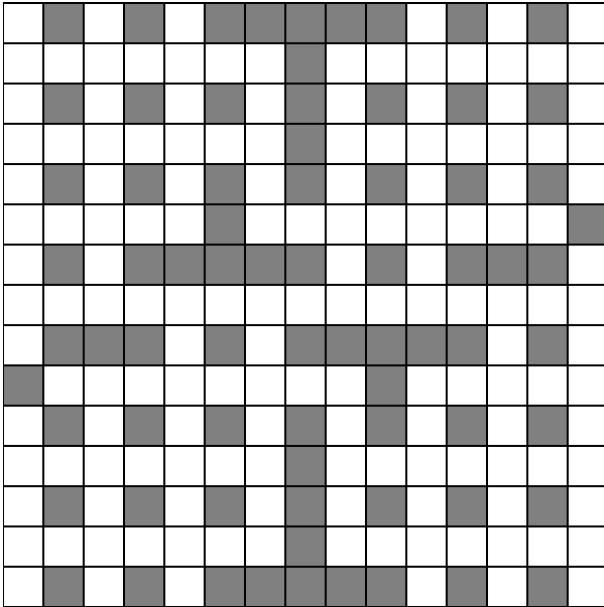
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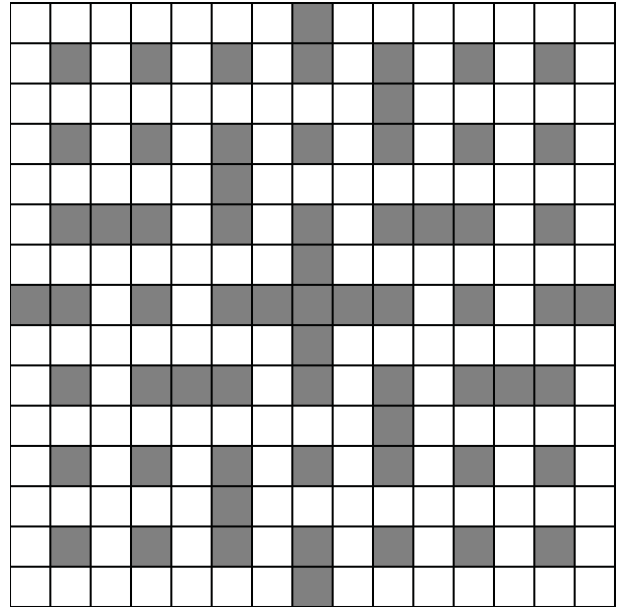
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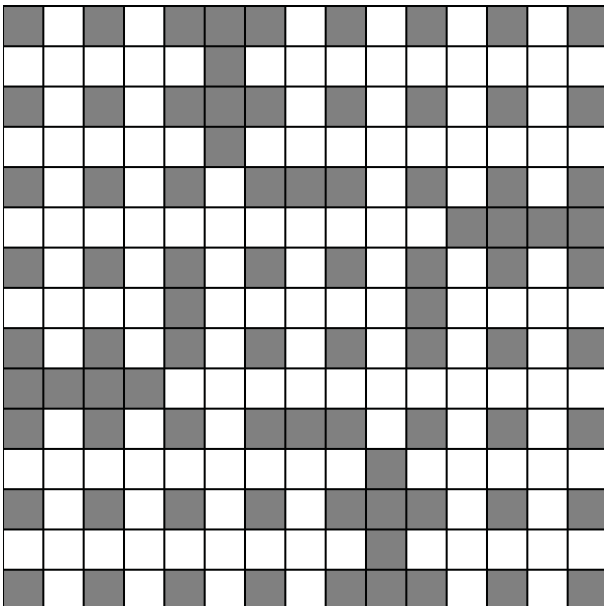


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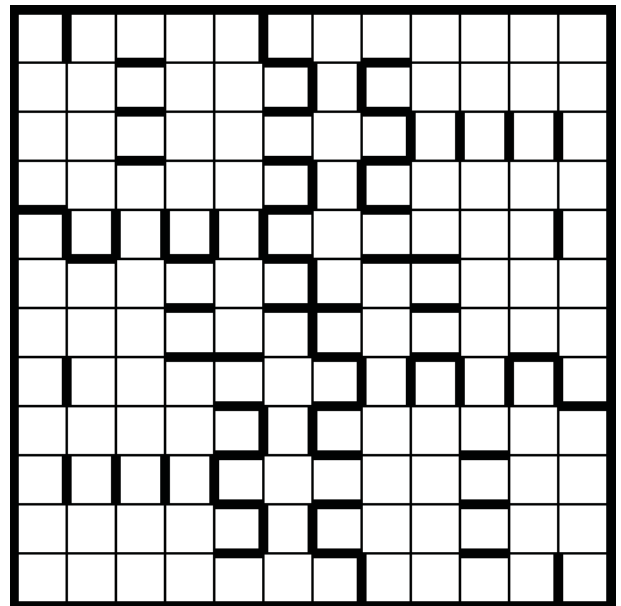


Clue of the Month

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October 6-2016: Displaced! by Betelgeuse (Gillian Champion)
Entries: 46 Correct 39 Success rate 84.8%.
Prizewinner: Julie Leigh. Congratulations!

Adjudicator's comments:

Thank you all for your letters (6 of them) and feedback. Main errors were for SCARF (definition "joint" in 3dn) which produced SCARS, SCART or SCORE, the displaced clue for which was at 34ac "Vehicle (CAR) parts small(S-) strong (-F) etc.." and a couple of ORATORIES for ORATORIOS. Also C/BOGS and NETO for NEVA (reversed letters).

Explanations: (Note: The second clue indicator is where the definition for the wordplay of the clue is to be found) **Across:** 1 12a (DECOR)*, 5 18a (NOT + ICED)*, 11 32a T (H(I)AM) IN, 12 25d (NAG + R + O)<, 13 30a GAgA + PO, 14 20d (DESTROY + N)*, 15 28a homoph "coarse" + T, 18 24a TEMPLE + T, 21 16d TO (gNOME) TER, 22 8d ORA + homoph "Tory" + OS, 24 11a O + VICe + IDE [homoph "Id"], 28 6d A + ER + ATE*, 29 2d (EVER + OWN + A)*, 30 9d haVE TO (losing area = ha), 31 1a HOLs + T, 32 33a ST + RE (W) ED, 33 5a (A + VOLVo + A + P)<, 34 3d S CAR F. **Down:** 1 14a D (GORE<) ATE, 2 19d (DR TIN PIE)* 3 31a GEE + SE, 4 17d (THE ROSE IS)*, 6 23d (SEA TRADE - AR)*, 7 22d OP + PO + SE, 8 21a PANT (A LET) S, 9 27d S (TEa) T, 10 26d (S + GO + B)<, 16 4d homoph "tied" + TABLE, 17 22a (YOBS)* round CEN (I) T, 19 1d HONEY + TOP<, 20 29a, dd (Empires) 22 15a cENTRE + E, 23 7d sLOGANS, 25 34a (DESIGn)*, 26 19d A + DEN, 27 13a N + AVE<.

Solvers' comments:

- As always a very challenging slot 6. It takes me ages to get a mind-set that works. Then hours of thought! The result is worth all the effort. Thanks for a great puzzle. *Bob Hagan*
- Neat idea – not as difficult as it sounded. I really enjoyed doing it. *Jill Freeland*
- Another great brain exerciser! Please keep them coming. *Robyn Caine*
- Thank you for a fascinating puzzle. It took me a while to get my head around it but since I did, it was really great fun!*Jean Evans*
- Another engrossing challenge from Gillian. I managed it in one long sitting; but subsequently suffered sleep deprivation. *Len Colgan*
- We really enjoyed the challenge of this one. *Julie Leigh*
- Fabulous! Really enjoyed the challenge. Used heaps of paper to sort the various definitions and clues. *Ulla Axelsen*
- 11 out of 10 for difficulty but wonderful. *Brian Symons*
- Great fun – I'm officially displaced! *Michael Kennedy*
- Brilliant in my humble opinion. Was cross-eyed and cross-patched right to the end. "Cup of tea and a Bex and a good lie down". Well done. Not going to say "more please" just yet. *Eileen O'Brien*
- I was a tad intimidated by this puzzle until I started on it and discovered what fun it was to do. *Maureen Blake*
- Wow! That was very convoluted but extremely satisfying. Thank you Gillian. *Robyn Wimbush*
- I really enjoyed this puzzle despite the fact that it took me ages to get going. Loved the variety of clues and matching the clues was great fun. Thank you!! *Ann Millard*
- Almost gave up on this one! However, I have filled it all in (although cannot link up all clues/definitions). *Anne Simons*
- This took hours and I had some difficulty matching the definitions to some of the clues. Another amazing puzzle from Gillian! *Bev Cockburn*
- Another *tour de force* from Gillian! *Nea Storey*
- Another fascinater by Beatle Juice. They are the most fun. Have to be neat and disciplined doing these puzzles; but my page ended up a mess of ticks and cross references. Thought tide table two words. *Roy Taylor*
- This surely was mental gymnastics! But I enjoyed the challenge. Whether my answers are right is another story. *Robyn McKenzie*
- About as tough as they come but persistence, *Google*, *Chambers* and other sources saw it finished (correctly?) A few really obscure words and the usual fiendish construction that is Gillian's trademark resulted in a most enjoyable diversion. *Jim Fowler*
- A cracking *Betelgeuse* puzzler! It's quite amazing how "simply" swapping wordplays imposes a real discipline on solving and adds considerably to difficulty. Fingers crossed. By the way, I can't find 4dn Tide Table as one word in any of my references. *Richard Skinner*

- The usual fiendish but fair puzzle; clued so you can guess all the unknowns. Even so, hesitated writing in CTENOID.*RobMoline*
- Very tough with very few easy definitions. Some of the wordplay indications were a bit too loose for my liking. *Ian Thompson*
- A wonderfully difficult puzzle. The displaced wordplay certainly had the brain cells on high alert! I loved it. Well done; and many thanks. *Julie Crowe*
- Hats off to *Betelgeuse* for creating a puzzle that has lots of unknown words (for me, at least) but is still solvable – albeit with a good deal of head-scratching and angst. *Kath Harper*
- Loved the description of Holst as one who made note of planets. Otherwise, lots of guesses finding words that were new to me. *Ron Carpenter*
- This was a very hard puzzle! *Caroline Mackay-Sim*
- Another brilliant mindbender! There is a case to be made for printing these puzzle clues double spaced so the solver can fit in all the notes and working. The bottom left corner was the last to fall. *Michael Potts*

Fun Puns

- A vulture boards a plane, carrying two dead possums. The attendant looks at him and says, "I'm sorry, sir, only one carry on allowed per passenger."
- Santa's helpers are known as subordinate Clauses.
- She had a photographic memory but never developed it.
- The two pianists had a good marriage. They always were in a chord.
- I was struggling to figure out how lightning works then it struck me.
- I really wanted a camouflage shirt, but I couldn't find one.
- The grammarian was very logical. He had a lot of comma sense.
- A chicken farmer's favorite car is a coupe.
- What do you call a person rabid with wordplay? An energizer punny.
- I've been to the dentist many times so I know the drill.
- What did one plant say to another? What's stomata?
- The other day I held the door open for a clown. I thought it was a nice jester.
- A chicken crossing the road is truly poultry in motion.
- The politician is not one for Indian food. But he's good at currying favors.
- How do construction workers party? They raise the roof.
- A boiled egg every morning is hard to beat.
- When a woman returns new clothing, that's post traumatic dress syndrome.
- After hours of waiting for the bowling alley to open, we finally got the ball rolling.
- Two antennas met on a roof, fell in love and got married. The ceremony wasn't much, but the reception was brilliant!
- Always trust a glue salesman. They tend to stick to their word.
- Where do you find giant snails? On the ends of giants' fingers.
- Guerrilla warfare is more than just throwing a banana.
- The cartoon animator felt imprisoned by his job. He could not free himself from his cel.
- I thought Santa was going to be late, but he arrived in the Nick of time.
- With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- Every calendar's days are numbered.
- A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two-tired.
- No matter how much you push the envelope, it will still be stationary.
- A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.
- If you don't pay your exorcist, you will get repossessed.
- Being struck by lightning is really a shocking experience!
- A pessimist's blood type is always B-negative.
- Dockyard: A physician's garden.
- I went to a seafood disco last week... and pulled a mussel.
- Two peanuts walk into a bar, and one was a-salted.
- Reading while sunbathing makes you well red.
- The lights were too bright at the Chinese restaurant so the manager decided to dim sum.

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