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One cannot but be impressed by the amazing hospitality of the English language. Robert Burchfield, 1985, *The English Language*, Ch 3.

GRIDATORIAL

You may have read recently an article in the print media about James Lovatt, the person who is part of the husband-and-wife team behind Lovatt's Publications, Australia's biggest crossword and puzzle compilers. Many of us will be familiar with the BIG crosswords compiled by Christine Lovatt and also the regular magazines published by the company. It was surprising to read in the article that the company employs 48 persons to produce the publications and run the business. This disclosure makes us realise that our esteemed Club is able to produce a professional-looking and excellent monthly magazine with premium crosswords solely with the assistance of a few dedicated and committed volunteers. With only 3 Committee members and two adjudicators to do the vast amount of work involved each month, together with the sterling contributions of our brilliant compilers, we feel that it's an appropriate time to appreciate the achievement and industry of these volunteers. They deserve our heartfelt gratitude. Thanks a lot.

It's time to open up your well-thumbed and much-loved copy of the *Complete Works of Shakespeare*!! Stroz has devised a thematic puzzle which mostly contains names of some of the characters from The Bard's famous plays. We hope you enjoy the wonderword experience of searching for the answers. Noel Jessop, *Southern Cross* and *Praxis* will again delight you with their well-constructed puzzles and *Makeanote* contributes another excellent crossword with this month's ever-popular AJ. Our Slot 6 puzzle is composed by our 'Oz lit expert', *Brother Naga* who will bring back pleasant memories with a sonnet by that most substantial colonial poet Charles Harpur. We sincerely thank our compilers for giving us yet another scintillating selection of outstanding Aussie puzzles.

We wish you Happy Crozworlding. —Patrick

FROM THE ADJUDICATOR

My 9th adjudication and the first time I've had to mark a non standard grid. I'm pleased to say it was nowhere near as hard as I feared. The biggest problem was 7ac and 10dn in Slot 3. I received an Anonymous entry (posted on 22/5/2003 from MID NORTH COAST MSC 2442). If anyone would like to claim it please contact me.

Slot 1. Mixed reception. People either loved it or hated it. I'm glad I don't have to decide what goes into Crozworld, as it's hard to please everyone. The only real problem here was 3d, with 2 M_O and 4 MIO. Entering "Enter the Dragon" "Fist of Fury" "Taiwan" "1950" into Google yields 9 hits. The first of which is the "Biography of Angela Mao". I can find no reference to MIO satisfying these search criteria so I can't allow MIO. The only other errors were 10dn ANN GARDNER (1), 21dn CRUZ, 25ac RUDGER HAUER (1) and 3 grids with missing letters.

Slot 2. Very well received. A great first puzzle. The only errors were all 1 offs. 9ac ALKANET; 11ac RIPE, REPS; 20ac TEASES; 17dn SONTANGE; 21dn SWIGIMI, S_I_I_I and a combination of 4dn KRELOS with 12ac ROSARY.

Slot 3. The biggest problem was that 7ac and 10dn required E/I in the intersecting square. For a full exclamation see members comments. Needless to say no one lost a tick for either of these answers. The problem clue was 20ac. I couldn't allow either DRUM (3) or TRIM (2). The rest were all single entries for down clues being 2dn THE FIGARO; 3dn REEFER; 21dn ACEDIC; 24dn AIDRI ,A_D_I; 26dn T_S_Y.

Slot 4. Well received with a large number of members commenting on Noel's achievement of placing ABCDEFGHI alphabetically in the grid. While the "D" and "H" clues drew the most comment it was the "I" clue (INSCRUTABLY) that devastated the membership. 23 answered INSCRUTABLE. The word "skilfully" clearly implies the adverb ABLY not the adjective ABLE. 13 people (a number of double ups with I) had HENNAED for "H" and 6 have obviously never watched the "Back to the future" movies failing to have heard of DELOREAN. Though to be fair 4 of these had the "Y" clue misspelt as YACKITY YAK so they may have been put off.

Slot 5. Perceived as "challenging" to say the least. However rewarding to most members who completed it with only 4 incorrect entries. Two of these were for incomplete grids (The B from O_EY_IER, and the E from IDL_ R_). One entry, submitted as a word list had IKEY instead of YIKE. Interestingly if submitted as a grid this would have been marked correct as I would have had no way of distinguishing between YIKE and IKEY. Are there any other members who would like to own up to undetectable errors in their solutions?

Happy crosswording. —Ken Davis. PS: My latest prime searching results can be found at: www.geocities.com/kraden/mfprimes.html

LEADING FIGURES

Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	83	99	99	87	83	451
Correct entries	73	81	87	57	79	375
Success rate %	88.0	81.8	87.9	63.2	95.2	83.1
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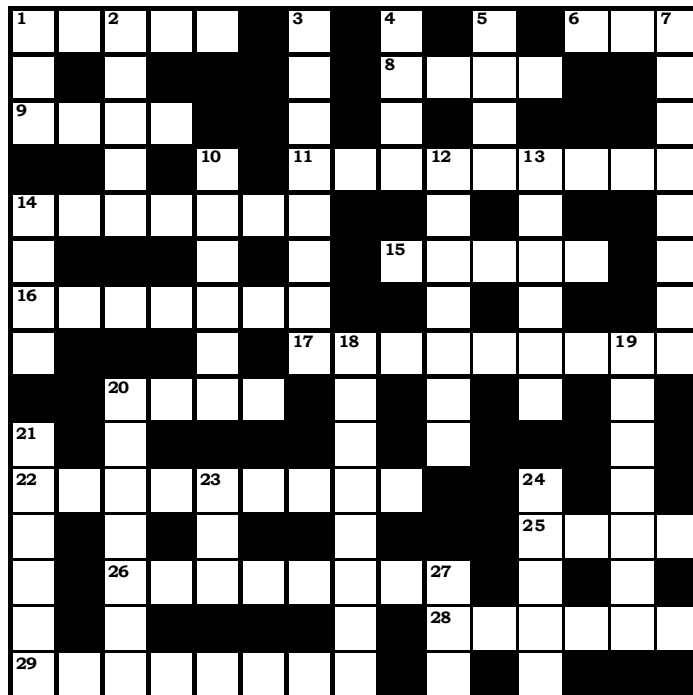
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The Bard
Grid



by
Stroz

JUNE 1 2003



Win!

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Across

- 1 Man of the Cloth; *Merry Wives of Windsor*, 1:4, "Tell ___ I will do what I can for your master" (5)
- 6 Little Henry; *First Part of Henry IV*, 1:2, "Now, ___, what time of day is it, lad?" (3)
- 8 Antony's friend; *Antony and Cleopatra*, 3:5, "How now, friend ___?" (4)
- 9 King Richard's uncle; *King Richard II*, 1:2, "Commend me to thy brother, Edmund ___" (4)
- 11 Attendant on Princess of France; *Love's Labour Lost*, 2:1, "The heir of Alençon, ___ her name." (9)
- 14 Attendant on King of Navarre; *Love's Labour Lost*, 2:1, "The young ___, a well-accomplished youth," (7)
- 15 Shakespeare's theatre; *The Tempest*, 4:1, "The solemn temples, the great ___ itself," (5)
- 16 A hard, dry biscuit; *Much Ado About Nothing*, 3:3, "Hugh ___, sir, or George Seacoal," (7)
- 17 Soldier in Brutus' army; *Julius Caesar*, 5:3, "And come, ___. Let us to the field." (5,4)
- 20 A headstrong Kentishman; *Second Part of Henry VI*, 3:1, "In Ireland I have seen this stubborn ___" (4)
- 22 English soldier; *The Life of Henry V*, 4:1, "Good morrow, old Sir Thomas ___." (9)
- 25 Female servant; *The Comedy of Errors*, 3:1, "___, Bridget, Marian, Cicely, Gillian, Ginn!" (4)
- 26 Conspirator; *Julius Caesar*, 2:1, "Caius ___ doth bear Caesar hard," (8)
- 28 Roman triumvir; *Julius Caesar*, 1:2, "He loves no plays, As thou dost, ___;" (6)
- 29 Officer in Cassius' army; *Julius Caesar*, 4:2, "Let Lucius and ___ guard our door." (8)

- 2 Servant to Montague; *Romeo and Juliet*, 1:1, "Do you bite your thumb at us, sir?" (5)
- 3 Attendant on Lady Anne; *King Richard III*, 1:2, "Tressell and ___, go along with me." (8)
- 4 Earl; *King Lear*, 1:1, "My lord of ___. Remember him hereafter as my honourable friend." (4)
- 5 King Louis' sister-in-law; *Third Part of Henry VI*, 3:3, "That virtuous Lady ___, thy fair sister," (4)
- 7 Vincentio's son; *The Taming of the Shrew*, 1:1, "I am content to be ___" (8)
- 10 Earl of Northumberland; *Macbeth*, 3:6, "To wake Northumberland and warlike ___," (6)
- 12 Priam's son; *Troilus and Cressida*, 2:2, "Who marvels then, when ___ beholds A Grecian" (7)
- 13 Musician; *Romeo and Juliet*, 4:5, "Pretty! What say you, Hugh ___?" (6)
- 14 Sicilian lord; *The Winter's Tale*, 2:3, "Cleomenes and ___, Being well arrived from Delphos," (4)
- 18 Roman ruler; *Julius Caesar*, 3:1, "No Rome of safety for ___ yet." (8)
- 19 Last king of Rome; *Coriolanus*, 2:2, "At sixteen years When ___ made a head for Rome," (7)
- 20 Juliet's father; *Romeo and Juliet*, 5:3, "Where be these enemies? ___, Montague," (7)
- 21 Schoolmaster from Mantua; *The Taming of the Shrew*, 4:2, "Master, a marcantant or a ___," (6)
- 23 Worthless horse; *First Part of Henry IV*, 3:1, "'Tis like the forced gait of a shuffling ___." (3)
- 24 The weaver; *Second Part of Henry VI*, 4:2, "And ___ the Weaver,—" (5)
- 27 Lord killed by rebels; *Second Part of Henry VI*, 4:2, "I tell you that that Lord ___ hath gelded the commonwealth," (3)

Down

- 1 Bishop's place; *King Richard III*, 4:3, "Bad news, my lord, ___ is fled to Richmond," (3)

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Closing mail date: Tuesday 24 June 2003.
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CRYPTIC
by
Noel Jessop

JUNE 2 2003



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Across

- 1 A gulf separates, for example, one aircraftsman and one self-obsessed (9)
- 6 Nagging woman sustaining initial chill (5)
- 9 Be suitable for advantage without direction (5)
- 10 Incredulity of underworld complaint about Long Island (9)
- 11 One month Inspector-General, Rear-Admiral and madame gained a bit of weight (10)
- 12 Some destination for a woman (4)
- 14 Had unfinished contact running (6)
- 15 Uncle takes time crossing the university? (8)
- 16 Busy worker or workers (3)
- 17 Forgetful men ruined in continent at the speed of light (8)
- 18 Exalted island in costly reversal (6)
- 20 Play around hospital in a part of Germany (4)
- 21 Banned one without initiative — a disgrace! (5, 5)
- 24 Lib motors off into a volcano (9)
- 25 Gamble about English being clear of precipitate deposit? (2-3)
- 26 Cause to be moved around black part of the piping (1-4)
- 27 Learned writer gets little time to stand by day (9)

Down

- 1 Flowed from Browning plot (5)
- 2 Constable to rush in about department head (7-2-6)
- 3 A new volunteer force left outside is to get back up (10)
- 4 Independent Scottish Johnny's native (6)
- 5 Look over friend's bomb-proof chamber (8)
- 6 Consult feedback to arrange the draw? (4)
- 7 Source of coined money seen initially in book (6,2,7)
- 8 Freud, dead, confused and deceived (9)
- 13 Armada boss sent out an agent (10)
- 14 Chief supports pillows (9)
- 15 Half a second! It's dry in the drink (3)
- 16 Sweeper takes everything in dancing venue (8)
- 19 Southern church is mending initial rift (6)
- 22 Offer excuse for soft metal (5)
- 23 Maid upset in the middle (4)

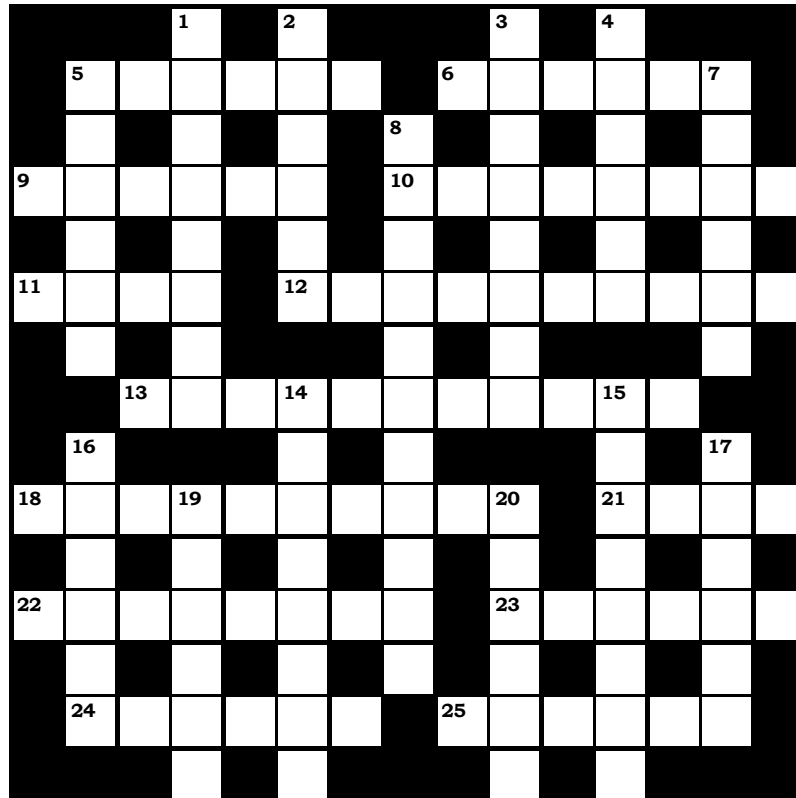
Clue of the Month: A surprising diversity in the votes, with a total of 20 clues and Noel's Slot 4 Title receiving at least one vote. However, drum roll ..., the winner with a total of 19 votes was Camelia's Slot 2, 23ac "could be a puppy, initially, to cry" yielding SOB. Runner-up with 4 votes from the same puzzle being 28ac "Soldier needs medic and a spike" DRAGOON. —Ken Davis

CRYPTIC
by
Southern
Cross

JUNE 3 2003



Across answers are related and clues have no definition.
Down clues are normal.



Across

- 5 That is shown back in F J Holden's second article (6)
- 6 Include me in the game (6)
- 9 He's an interferer, by the sound of it (6)
- 10 Nevertheless, one is following Aries (8)
- 11 Two-of-a-kind, say (4)
- 12 Chuck senior? (10)
- 13 Lad accompanying 12 (11)
- 18 A South African soil sweetener (6, 4)
- 21 A particular time (4)
- 22 Camus is sent out then let back (8)
- 23 High spirits in "The Oval" (6)
- 24 A former principality (6)
- 25 The fool has a broken toe (6)

Down

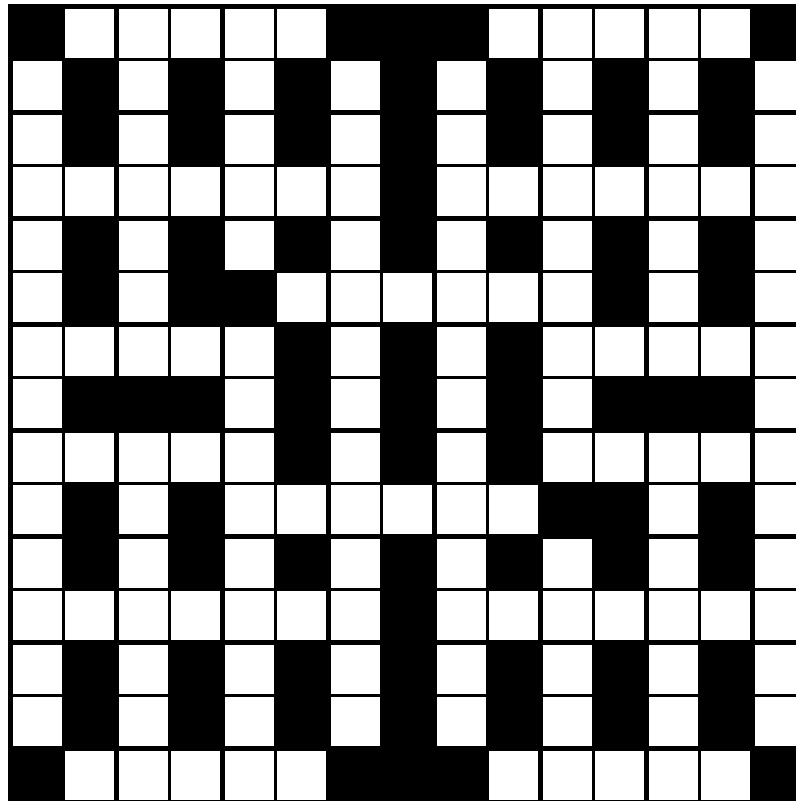
- 1 A newcomer to station life, the girl needs a jumper (8)
- 2 Embittered church informant (6)
- 3 "Bully traps 2000 in traffic" (8)
- 4 Decline the left-overs (6)
- 5 The hand makes a remark to sound out others' opinions (6)
- 7 Evening primrose once found on site of Taj Mahal (6)
- 8 Recommendations for Scarlet outlaying little money on new sail (11)
- 14 Get up and wander around — that's the plan (8)
- 15 Reed possibly has a scheme to reposition the troops (8)
- 16 Old singer's about to take ours in error (6)
- 17 Bearing south, Brown has race half completed (6)
- 19 Fail somehow to include account for beauty treatment (6)
- 20 One lapse, possibly, in observation (6)

GENERAL COMMENTS (Cont'd from p12)

- Because of a typo in May's *Crozworld* (p10) my comment on April's No. 4 is senseless and makes me look a proper dill. The word MUTIER does not exist. My comment read QUIDAM MULIER BERTHA (a certain woman Bertha). It really makes an L of a difference, doesn't it?! *Ted O'Brien*
- Members may be interested in knowing about a new book: THE HIDDEN CODE OF CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS by FRANCOIS GREEFF. Published by Foulsham. ISBN 0-572-02778-8 cost \$19.95 (Aus). A good GREEFF book of hints. *Alan Walter*
- Thank you very much for my cheque for puzzle Number 3 in the *Compendium*. It is much appreciated. I haven't decided how to spend it yet — perhaps on the new *Chambers*. *Margaret Davis*
- Mike Potts asks: Did you know that "has eighteen letters" does?
- **E-LODGMNT** is a fast and efficient way to lodge your entries. No envelope, no stamp, no reliance on Australia Post and no late entries! If you would like to try this innovative way of lodging your solutions, simply contact Doug Butler whose e-mail address is Doug.Butler@flinders.edu.au

AJ
by
Makeanote

JUNE 4 2003



Solve the clues and fit the answers where you can. All answers begin with the leading letter.

- A** Nearly all chain mail can be used for this love affair! (5)
- B** Take public transport during the 2nd, 3rd and 5th tests? It takes a lady to do that job! (13)
- C** The ultimate game has no laughter. Instead, there is nothing with an enduring friendship (13)
- D** Studs pulled apart removes powder (5)
- E** Ended half-way going around a turn. It's all closely linked (9)
- F** Senses there were payments left inside (5)
- G** Start second grade with a bad example of gluttonous eating (5)
- H** Share, or find another way to be more grating! (7)
- I** Special delivery of snails died in isolated sections (7)
- J** Shocked when old jet exploded! (6)
- K** This type of fencing must end in a knock out (5)
- L** Lou's cake, oddly, is frequently (and strangely) heard before women's act of nondesign (4,2,3,4)
- M** A snail made this final column start leaning somehow, the top narrowly missing! (7)
- N** Push naked girl inside (5)
- O** Alien came a month earlier to see this musical group (5)
- P** Establish a professional cooker with no reduction (5)
- Q** Quite strange to see this rodent from Adelaide move so softly (5,2,1,5)
- R** Promised again to remake toast before reaching a deadend (9)
- S** Waste away the hours. Live carelessly without love, all right? (7)
- T** Let care go astray. Have some medicine instead (7)
- U** An important element using, centrally, pure sand? I express my doubts. (7)
- V** Aunt takes a turn back without being a boaster (7)
- W** Who doesn't need love? Shady trees will show when it floods (6)
- X** Foxy landlady found with plant gum (5)
- Y** I took part in the delayed transfer. Without a word they just gave up! (7)
- Z** My child, shares lack in regards to gaining any initial capital in this place (5)

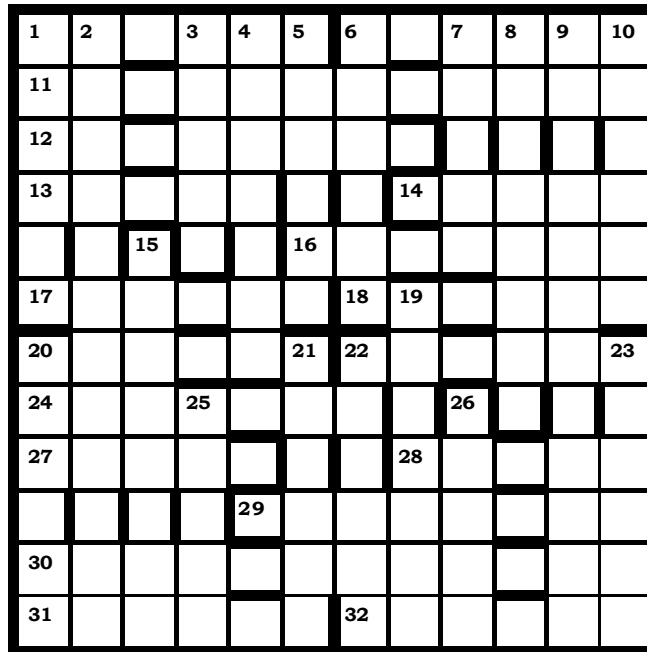
CRYPTIC
by
Praxis

JUNE 5 2003

The geographical reference is from *Encyclopedia Britannica*



[rrp: \$75]



Across

- 1 Ravines subdued pack animals ... (6)
- 6 ... thus cord provides support (6)
- 11 Rider's subsequently granted time (12)
- 12 Guys and girls enthralled the soldier (8)
- 13 Learn about the Hydra's home (5)
- 14 Basket case's beginning to stagger (5)
- 16 Old types like this painter (7)
- 17 Remedies the effect one's brought about (6)
- 18 Secure note's gross return (6)
- 20 Loam around El Salvador is most appalling (6)
- 22 Sofa's dated, short on British Standards (6)
- 24 Discover solicitor's after the bounder (4, 3)
- 27 Fonda's over on the inside (5)
- 28 Annual return's before Spenser's debt's due (5)
- 29 Conduct motor inlet overhaul for example (8)
- 30 Strain grips translator, head editor's firm (6, 6)
- 31 Big girl developed SE site (6)
- 32 Philanderer's brooded for years (6)

Down

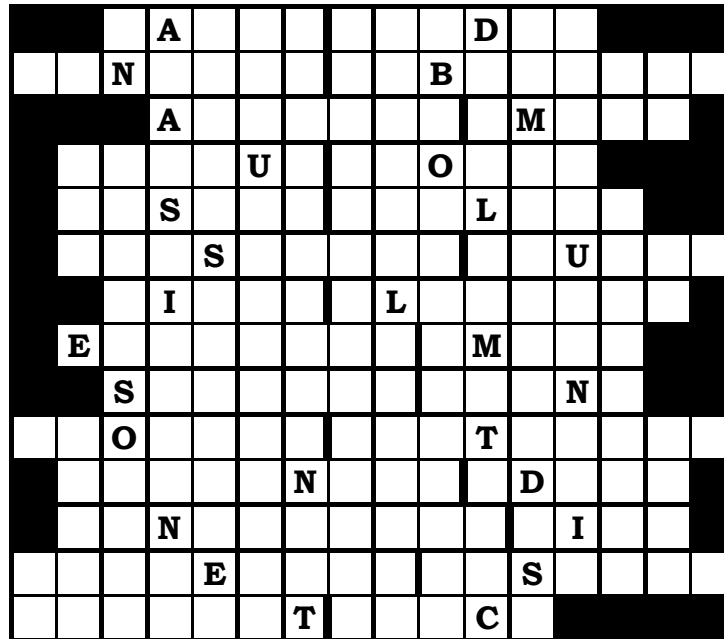
- 1 Dad met singer — quite a dish (6)
- 2 Pretend Hebridean island has thee extremely warm (12)
- 3 River fish (5)
- 4 Worker organised gear crew brought up (7)
- 5 Beat 11 in the race (6)
- 6 Morocco's sultan found the woman up a tree (6)
- 7 Light undergarment for her (5)
- 8 Wild, disorderly gala is about to stop (8)
- 9 Food check — look over course, note food returned (12)
- 10 Greek character's left working the interferometer (6)
- 15 Investigators find nothing in trees (8)
- 19 Lay about under water tanks (7)
- 20 Hardens ahead of time — most tedious (6)
- 21 Save over time for pipe installation (6)
- 22 Mel's lost direction on board in bad weather (6)
- 23 Livestock's a way seed's dispersed (6)
- 25 Singers not right for island of ancient Greece (5)
- 26 Perhaps a reproduction of 16, what an impression! (5)

**AN AUSSIE
SONNET
by
Brother
Naga**

JUNE 6 2003



Two words have been chosen from each line of Harpur's sonnet *She Loves Me*. Synonyms for each word were selected and a cryptic-like clue (no meaning) given to describe them in the order that they appear. For example, if 'she' and 'loves' were chosen from the title the clue could be: Iron man/these days even worry before each series starts. Giving Fe-male/ad-or-es/. Clues are presented in the same order as the lines. Solve the clues to find synonyms and fit the words in the grid. The first two lines are divided to assist solvers to get started.



Clues:

- 1 Whatever happens is/in part an unwanted gesture (9, 5)
- 2 Disruptive rise of French/put on Le Revolution (6, 7)
- 3 A high pass our faculty head had not so high (6, 6)
- 4 The most likely winner is in recess, its to follow order of merit (7, 5)
- 5 Not on season, just an upset (9, 6)
- 6 As reported a couple of unknowns led a wild night (7, 5)
- 7 With trouble in dairy limits even we are on diets (5, 6)
- 8 Everyday language without note and dull in many small districts (7, 9)
- 9 Inside tips are backed with luck initially then TAB with heat off causes trouble (7, 9)
- 10 Some less laid back characters sure leap about (5, 8)
- 11 A contest with five directions about to find the answer (9, 7)
- 12 Chinese are, we hear, ordered first to speak Mandarin with skill (8, 5)
- 13 Upset conviction ends, ring once to call attention to legal limits (10, 4)
- 14 The French doctor has specialist knowledge of small insects (7, 5)

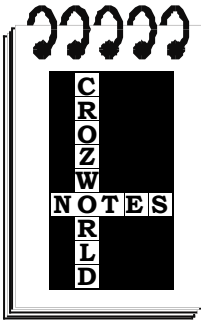
SHE LOVES ME!

SHE loves me! From her own bliss-breathing lips
 The live confession came, like rich perfume
 From crimson petals bursting into bloom!
 And still my heart at the remembrance skips
 Like a young lion, and my tongue too trips
 As drunk with joy; while every object seen
 In life's diurnal round wears in its mien
 A clear assurance that no doubts eclipse.
 And if the common things of nature now
 Are like old faces flushed with new delight,
 Much more the consciousness of that rich vow
 Deepens the beauteous, and refines the bright,
 While throned I seem on love's divinest height
 'Mid all the glories glowing round its brow.

—Charles Harpur (1813-1868)

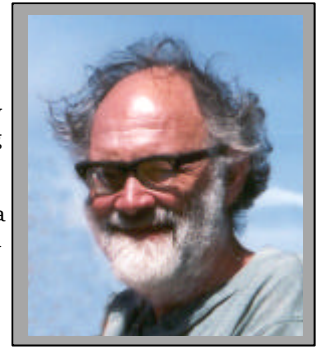
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BRIAN SYMONS

"I have been a puzzle addict since early childhood — maths, logic, words etc — but have never been particularly interested in crosswords until I received a 56th birthday present of one year's ACC membership a few years ago from a friend who works alongside Brian Tickle. Very few if any presents in my life have given such sustained pleasure. It's frightening how I look forward to the end of each month and another edition of *Crozworld*. I have been delighted with the cleverness of our compilers on whom we all depend. My other interests include playing chess at a middling standard, following most sports in a Norm-like fashion, and collecting Australian Literature and Sydney Harbour Bridge memorabilia.



I still enjoy my job as a paediatrician though the shadow of retirement looms. My wife, Sheila, and I share a great love of reading including especially Dickens and the non hard-boiled detective genre and biography."



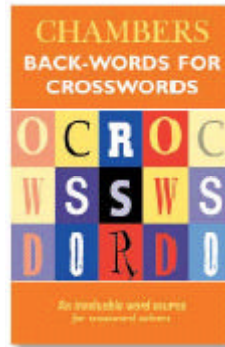
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KING SIZE QUIZ by Virgo

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Name:

- 1 Which legendary king wished that everything he touched would turn to gold? (5) _ _ _ _ _
- 2 Who was the first Roman king? (7) _ _ _ _ _
- 3 Who wrote the novels *Carrie* and *The Shining*? (7, 4) _ _ _ _ _
- 4 A Queensland sportsman shares the above author's name. What is the sportsman's occupation? (6) _ _ _ _ _
- 5 Which US singer starred in the movie *King Creole*? (5, 7) _ _ _ _ _
- 6 What is the name of Nat King Cole's daughter? (7) _ _ _ _ _
- 7 What sort of creature was *King Kong*? (7) _ _ _ _ _
- 8 Name King Arthur's mythical kingdom (7) _ _ _ _ _
- 9 Which English king was nicknamed *The Unready*? Name and number, please (8) _ _ _ _ _
- 10 Who was the first king of Israel? (4) _ _ _ _
- 11 In the Country of the Blind, who is King? (3,3-4,3) _ _ _ _ _
- 12 According to legend, which king was changed into a mountain? (5) _ _ _ _ _
- 13 Jeffrey Hunter played Jesus in which movie? (4,2,5) _ _ _ _ _
- 14 Who wrote the novel *King Solomon's Mines*? (1,5,7) _ _ _ _ _
- 15 Who was King Solomon's mother? (9) _ _ _ _ _
- 16 Who was known as *The King of Swing*? (5, 7) _ _ _ _ _
- 17 The documentary *When we were Kings* told the story of which famous sportsman? (8, 3) _ _ _ _ _
- 18 Which Scottish king was inspired to persist in battle watching a spider spinning its web? (6,3,5) _ _ _ _ _
- 19 King Nebuchadnezzar II was monarch of which ancient civilization? (7) _ _ _ _ _
- 20 Who composed the opera *King Priam*? (3,7,7) _ _ _ _ _

May 1-2003: THEMATIC Movie Makers by Stroz (Patrick Street)

- This was disappointing. For members with access to Halliwells Guide most of the most of the answers could be discovered merely by checking clues under the appropriate alphabetical entries.
- Just the way I like it.
- I think we should go back to Orthodox puzzles for slot 1. How about another vote? Hooray for Jim Colles' note with his May-6 2003 puzzle.
- I love research so this crossword suited me "famously".
- In my opinion this type of puzzle is too specialised to count in the overall score.
- This would have been better as a quiz. Without proper reference books or access to a library it would be impossible.
- Tough for starters - variety sure spices things up! I could not have completed it without my "cinemania'95" CD.
- Maybe Stroz has different reference books from me - I can't find NELWY in Wake Island (he would have been 12 years old) or a girl in every port! Also Joseph Bologna appears to be born in 1934. (My sources confirm 1938 - Ken)
- Took ages - too long I feel for a No 1. 3dn: Found 3 references MIA, MAO and MAIO.
- Couldn't possibly have done this without a resource but, resource at hand, there was no puzzle to do.
- I agree with Mr Dearie's comments on April 1 - puzzles of this type should be a No. 6. Not everyone has access to an up to date Halliwells or the internet.
- This was really rather boring. A quick glance through got me two answers - Greta Garbo and Bruce (Lee), and Lee turned out to be wrong. So, to the reference library. Looking up, looking up wondering why the hell I'm bothering finishing it.
- Well researched clues. More please.
- I am lucky that the local library has a wide reference section which just happened to include Leonard Maltin's "Movie and Video Guide (1997)" which gave me the answers to all but 19dn which I found when I started to wade through Quinlan's Illustrated dictionary of Film Stars. Thank God it was Autry not someone beginning with Z.
- Was impossible. Like Cactus I prefer logic to knowledge.
- I feel no. 1 could have been presented as a straight Quiz. I feel sorry those who don't have a Maltin's available.
- I found myself floundering on a majority of clues which could not be solved by referring to our standard Club Dictionaries. Would prefer this specialty type puzzle as a Slot 6 open-ended challenge. 3 opening clues had very few checked letters. 1ac had 2 checked letters of 10, and clues 4 and 9ac plus 21dn have one checked letter of 4. In 11dn, Halliwell's "who's who ..." gives Joseph BOLGNA as born 1936 not 1938. For an opening puzzle I also missed TYGER TYGER's 'fearful symmetry' in the grid.
- Far too many "initial letter" clues.

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May 2-2003: CRYPTIC by Camelia (Claire McClelland)

- Good to have a new compiling member. Keep up the good work Claire.
- Congratulations to Claire for a very clever crossword.
- Welcome to our new compiler. I have given 23ac as my clue of the month.
- So very many good clues - I loved 23ac for its humour ("son of a bitch" - SOB) really!
- No hassles with this one. I liked the clues especially 23ac.
- Congratulations on your first published puzzle, which is always such a thrill. 27dn I hope PATH is correct - the clue with two cryptic indicators and no definition is poor. Also, I do not like 20ac MESSES as "tampers with" does not quite equate, although close. I have voted for 23ac SOB as the clue of the month - excellent!
- Great first try. Keep them coming Camelia.
- Claire had some very clever clues here - 27ac, 8ac & 14dn. 21dn took me ages before I twigged.
- Enjoyed Camelia's first puzzle in Crozworld and it took some time to fully understand 23ac but I thought it was a great clue. Look forward to more puzzles from Camelia.
- Congratulations to Camelia for her first published crossword. It was a delight to solve. Was my face 'red' when I finally solved 31ac ERYTHISM! 23ac 'Could be a puppy...' giving SOB deserves to be clue of the month.

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May 3-2003: CRYPTIC by Sue Donim (Bruce Austin)

- Re 10ac and 7dn.** Note: Through no fault on the part of Sue Donim, an error crept into this puzzle during the editing process of Crozworld. Our apologies for any inconvenience. For 7dn the clue should have read: Reversed double negative split asunder by me provides a tasty bulb (5) The Adjudicator has marked the puzzle as if 10ac and 7dn did not exist. Ed.
- Some unusual clues. I loved the references to our club.
 - A good one, Bruce. Loved 1dn: NASAL.
 - 3dn REELER (if this is correct) is poorly clued.
 - Well 'confirm' fits of course. But then I have to capsiz a "canoi".
 - I can't confirm CONFERM or OCIAN anywhere. Does Mensa have its own spelling?
 - 10ac & 7dn. CONFIRM and OCEAN seem to fit, except where they intersect. Ah well the canoe's capsized, I'll take a plunge. Maybe there's a submerged answer.
 - 15ac BURRAMUNDI is obsolete according to Chambers and should be replaced with the proper spelling BARRAMUNDI. 13dn would then require an _A_O answer (rather than EURO) and there are plenty of suitable words to chose from. As far as possible obsolete words should be avoided in crossword grids and only limitedly used when no other combination of answer words fits the grid. The sound of "MUNDI" for MONDAY really requires a 'colloquial' indicator. In 30ac, even in the full OED I cannot find evidence of the word HARMONISTICALLY... it's too long and too awkward. [The word is in Macquarie, Collins and the OED. Ed.] One would normally use HARMONIOUSLY. I doubt that any one would normally use HARMONISTICALLY in proper English.
 - Words associated with "harmonist" concern a person skilled in harmony, and not "the way it is sung".

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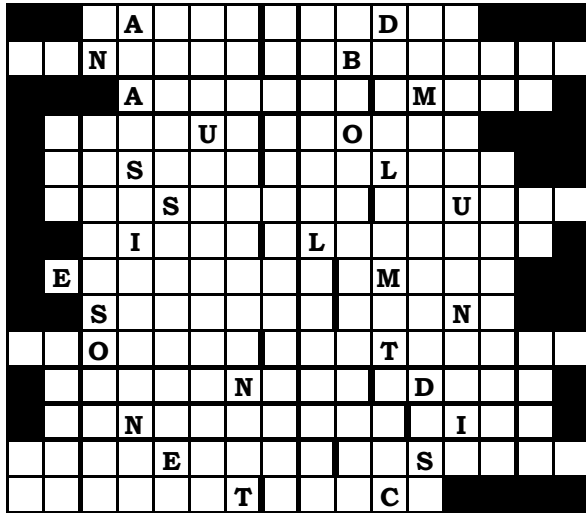
May 4-2003: AJ by Noel Jessop

- I nominated the 'C' clue as the clue of the month. The 'D' and 'H' intersecting clues made a tortuous corner. I worked out 'Delorean' from the clue but couldn't confirm it in any dictionary.
- Thank you, Noel. It wasn't easy but clever and fair.
- A nice fair AJ from Noel: had completely forgotten the Delorean car.
- I wonder how you would track down DELOREAN if you didn't know of it? (O.K., it features in the "Back to the Future" movies, but otherwise is relatively obscure). Musing on the obscurity of some makes of car, I have always rather liked an early 20th century English model called, believe it or not, an ALLDAY AND ONIONS! (Presumably the surname of the makers - it doesn't quite have the resonance of Rolls-Royce does it?)
- A challenge with a few new words for me, but the clues being so spot on helped a lot. Thank you!
- Enjoyable but could not work out the H word. I have put in HENNAED as it has something to do with Colour.
- Now I did think that the "master" Noel could have perfected the A-Z pattern in his grid, but he only managed A-I.
- I notice that the first 9 clues are in letter order. Is this what Noel means when he says "as far as I could go"?
- "As far as I could go" - ABCDEFGHI clues all logged in consecutively. That's all I could see.
- As far as Noel could go was as far as I (followed by Qomyz, the classical Chagatai word for "shaggy dog").
- Brilliant concept, Noel. You did well to get that far.
- The D clue nearly "Karated" me until I realized that Dan is one of the degrees of expertise in Karate and So:-D+E+LORE+AN. My clue of the month. Noel's ABCDEFG were further than I could go!

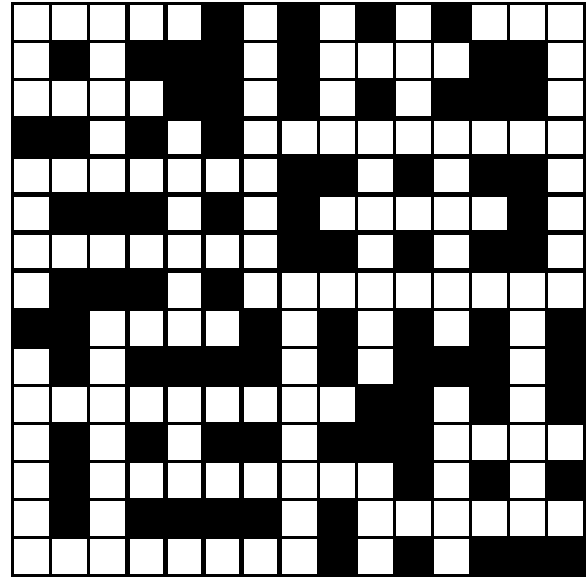
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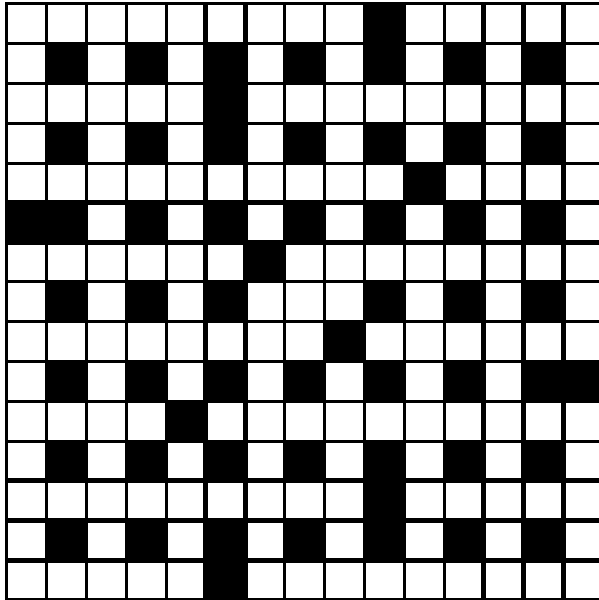


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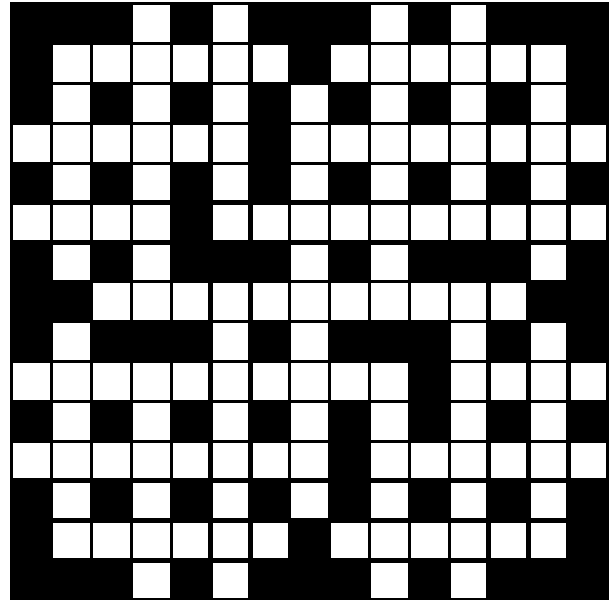


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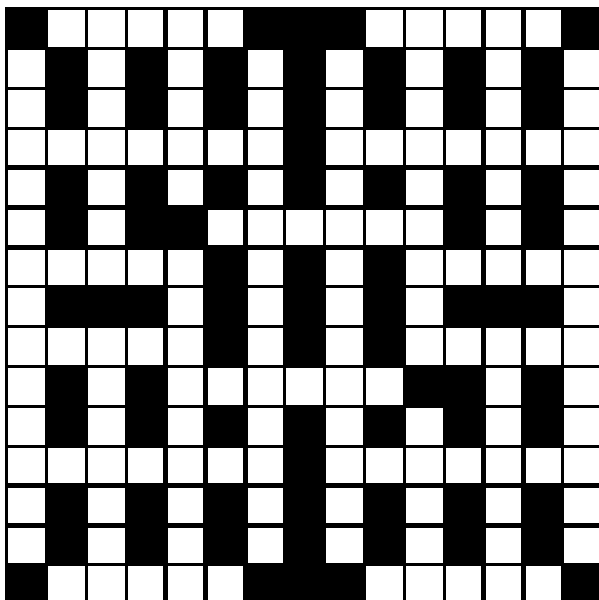
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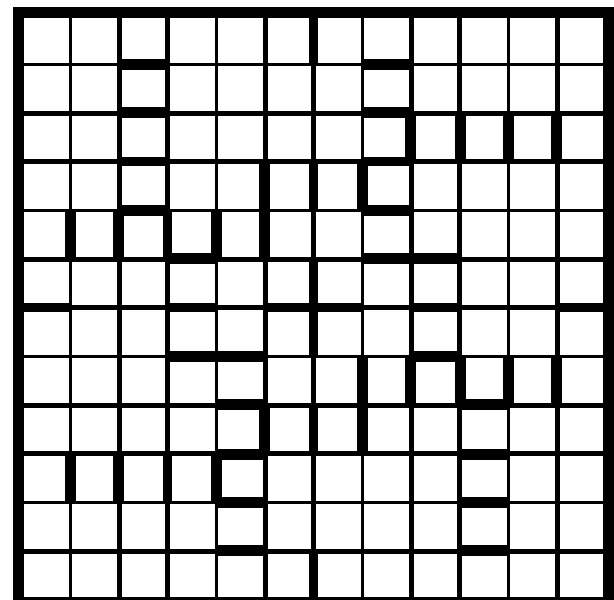
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April 6-2003 - Author Doc's by Makeanote (Ian Brown)

Entries: 88. Correct: 76. Success rate = 86.4%. **Prizewinner: Gwenda Prewett. Congratulations!**

St Nemmoc:

My goodness! So much mail! The box has never had such a workout. My thanks must first go to the members who submitted completed grids, along with comments both constructive and encouraging. Also, as this was the first puzzle that required me to check more than just a single word answer, the clarity of your gridwork was appreciated. In marking this grid, I had set apart 2 particular clues that would be easiest to fall foul of in a reversed grid. These were **Horizontal: 5** [SURFEITS] (which caught out 2 members reversing the EI), and **17** [TONES] (which caught out 5 members with SONET (sorry, this word has a double N)). Other errors made included a blank space, **Vertical 7** FORECASTS instead of [FORETASTE] (golfer cry 'FORE' + 'TASTE' being 'yummm!') as well as general (and, sadly, flawed) guess work. Now to a clue which was questioned by some members as to its accuracy: **Horizontal 15** 'Aussie insurer became mixed up with explosive straw matting' – the correct answer being [TATAMI] coming from the insurance group AAMI and explosive 'TnT'. However, as I was informed by quite a few members, the explosive reference wasn't accurate and, to be fair, must be treated in its entirety (ie. TNT) not, as I had, as a play on words. Another member had found reference to [TATANI] on the internet referring to a matted room, and I also allowed this. Perhaps it is better to be a 'teetotaller' when writing a clue like this! Special thanks to David Procter for his large A4 sized entry – it made subsequent marking much easier! Also to all who showed impeccable skill in presentation and for the very friendly comments, cards and letters (IbraB sknahT) – it all made adjudicating this puzzle a pleasure.

—Ian Brown (Makeanote)

Results of Quiz No 2 - 13th Anniversary Quiz by Neir B'Odet. Winner: Joan Smith. Congratulations!

Answers: 1. Triskaidekaphobe/ic 2. Sir Winston Dugan 3. Gladys Moncrieff 4. .---- ..-- 5. Baker 6. Lace 7. Pop 8. Mem 9. Maine 10. Cardinal Richelieu 11. James Scullin 12. Al 13. Leo XIII.

Results: 13 correct: B Bennett, D Greening, J McGrath, R O'Rourke, D Procter and J Smith. 12: B Cockburn, C Foster, L Howard, B Ibbott, C Noble, S O'Brien, M Procter, A Ryan, B Solomon, L Waites and S Workman. 11: A Austin, P Dearie, V Dinham, C Hambling, N Howard, C McClelland, R Taylor, A Walter, I Watts, M Watzinger and C Wilcox 10.5: B Glissan 10. V Lobsey, B Symons and S Trollope. 9.5: P Mercer. 9. C Anderson, P Garner, D Kennedy, B Siegman and N Wilson.

Quizmaster's Comments: To find 13 questions which have to do with No 13 is not an easy task, I assure you. I have limited personal resources but the local library is pretty good for a small community like Kiama. I start with thirteen/th in my Collins Dictionary and the Concise Oxford Dictionary of Quotations. (The Collins supplied the answer to No 7 which caused most problems.) From there on it's a matter of inspiration and hunting. When I submitted the Quiz I gave the answer to No 1 as Triskaidekaphobic (17). This was changed in the magazine to 16 (I presume Triskaidekaphobe). I have therefore allowed both answers. (Collins has the 'ic' ending as a noun; Collins, Chambers and the 2-vol Oxford do not show triskaidekaphobe as the noun. Only Collins has the 'ic' ending indicating the noun.) [Ted, according to my Collins, 3rd ed, 1991 at p. 1647, the word triskaidekaphobe is both an adjective and a noun. Chambers 1998 ed at p1777 defines a triskaidekaphobe (noun) as a person who suffers from triskaidekaphobia. Patrick] One respondent pointed out that she should have read the instructions first. A number missed out on No 4 by using dot/dash. My original authority for the answer was the local Station Master, then Girl Guide Emerita — Barbara Ibbott confirmed it. There was quite a lot of discussion re Nos 2 & 9 — I stick by my sources for 2 which the great majority had correct. In explanation of No 9, the thirteenth name listed as a PM of Australia is not the same as the person who was 13th in line. Alfred Deakin, for example, was 2nd, 5th & 7th and Sir Robert Menzies had two bites of the witchetty grub — '39-'41 & '49-'66. As Easter has just passed & the Wollongong Choral Society Messiah, I realised that I missed a really good question: What great choral work had its first performance in Dublin on 13th April 1742? (I actually knew the date as 13/04/27 is my d.o.b.) So I suggest that if there are future Neir B'Odet quizzes & you don't have Collins or ODQ, go browsing in your nearest bookstore!

—Ted O'Brien (Neir B'Odet)

MEMBERS COMMENTS (cont'd from p10)

- Alphabetically speaking A to I was as far as he could go, but the jig-saw was, as usual, Jessop to a T. *Tom Phelan*
- Apart from being a great AJ, a brave attempt at putting the A-I answers in alphabetical order. *David Procter*
- The D & H clues made this quite hard. *Brian Symons*
- Noel certainly started out bravely with A-F across the top +GHI next. I always enjoy his very fair puzzles. *Aileen Skillicorn*
- Except for DELOREAN and HEINKEL which I could not locate in Chambers nor the Macquarie I much liked Noel's AJ. I eventually found evidence of HEINKEL in Collins. *Alan Walter*

May 5-2003: "It's Time" by Saphmead (Sandy Dobbin, Marge Pope, Philip Pope and Deirdre Rouch)

- The clues were fair but fitting the answers was tiring and so time consuming and I vow never to set one. *Audrey Austin*
- A very well thought out puzzle with clever clues – also very topical! *Bev Cockburn*
- I found this very difficult, and who on earth is T Morley? (A 16th century English composer – Ken) *Margaret Davis*
- What can I say about this little beauty? I nearly gave it away but with a little extra determination – Wow! Gotcha! *Catherine Foster*
- Thought this No. 5 was very hard! (You should try marking it – Ken) *David Granger*
- This is my favourite for this month and I have no gripes at all. An excellent puzzle. *Catherine Hambling*
- This had me going every which way. Good work, people. *Carole Noble*
- Just as well Saphmead didn't try to put Thomas Morley's test book on music in the hexagonal puzzle. "A Plaine and Easie Introduction to Practicall Musicke". (My bible – Collins English Dictionary, 3rd ed, 1995). *Ted O'Brien*
- Was a real tester. Once the rules sunk in I enjoyed it. *Robina Otrupcek*
- Liked 'Flambeau' less "Beau" to reveal 'Flam". (10ac – Ken) *Tom Phelan*
- There must be a four letter word for every occasion. A fine puzzle. *Max Roddick*
- Surprised myself when I got this one out – after a lot of time and energy. *Nea Storey*
- A wonderful puzzle. Don't fully understand LIAR. (See Alan Walter's comment for explanation – Ken) *Brian Symons*
- A lovely puzzle SAPHMEAD. Felt as if I was travelling down a time tunnel to the Middle Ages in solving your song title, which was so appropriate. Had difficulty with 2ac THAN(E), 10ac FLAM(BEAU), 13ac Didn't know that YIKE was Australian for fight! (Ref. Chambers), 1dn PAC(K)E(T) and 8dn SKIN(K). 14ac was brilliant LIAR, LIAR your pants are on fire, implying HOTPANTS! *Alan Walter*

GENERAL COMMENTS:

- Thanks for pulling me out of the hat last month – it's a fantastic bonus for doing something so enjoyable. *Catherine Hambling*
- I must protest at the publishing of very unpleasant remarks about Audrey's No 1 April puzzle. Some of the comments bordered on personal insult and should not be tolerated. Crozworld has always been a happy, friendly group, but I will be rethinking my membership if such comments continue to be printed. *Barb Ibbott*
- Thank you for the April-5 prize. I had thought I didn't want the Oxford Crossword Dictionary since I already had Chambers "words". But, wow, the OCD has some humungous trivia lists. Fascinating. Whether it will ever help me solve a crossword puzzle is entirely another matter. *Iain MacDougall*