



# CrOZworld

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We must use words as they are used or stand aside from life.  
Ivy Compton-Burnett, 1955, *Mother and Son*, Ch. 9.

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The Club's website upgrade is almost complete. The new site will be much more navigable than the present one, it will look more professional and members will be able to make comments online. It's an exciting development and will occur soon. Stay tuned!

We are delighted to welcome two new compilers to our ranks this month. Our hard-working Secretary Bev Cockburn has teamed up with her cluey son Mal to compile a challenging AJ under the cruciverbalym *The Co-op*. We all know what a skilful compiler Bev is, but this is Mal's first composition for the ACC. Together they have crafted a really fine puzzle. Read Mal's interesting profile on page 6.

New member — Michael Kennedy — has compiled an excellent cryptic crossword for us. Michael (whose cruciverbalym is *Manveru*) is featured in Slot 2 with his first puzzle for the ACC. We are sure this offering will delight all solvers. See Michael's fascinating Profile on page 4.

We have another excellent range of challenges for you this month. Noel Jessop has given us another of his popular *Half & Half* puzzles and the devilish duo *Difficult Women* are back with one of their tough cryptics. *InGrid*, whose recent puzzle attracted much favourable comment has tried her hand at a Double Acrostic: these puzzles are firm favourites with all solvers. Finally, 'Mr Difficult', *Cactus* will test all solvers with his clever puzzle *Lost for Words*.

Keen member Merv Collins has put together a novel Quiz which should find favour with those who remember popular songs featuring women's names.

There is plenty to keep you entertained in the next month. Happy Crozworlding!  
—Patrick

My 11th adjudication. Not as many comments for publication as in previous years. Given the number of words available in the English language it is amazing (to me) how many issues of *Crozworld* over the years have contained the same word in more than one puzzle. This month's word was ROSE (also my better half's name) which appeared in both Slot 1 and 3.

**Slot 1:** No problem clues in this puzzle. All errors (except 2 with amydal for 26ac) were unique.

**Slot 2:** A well received puzzle with a twist as shown in this quote received from Noel – "Someone expressed the hope that I would make a mistake, so I've set a little trap for them in 1ac". 10 members fell into this trap submitting MINUSCULE instead of MINISCULE.

**Slot 3:** A much commented on debut puzzle with both praise and criticism. The most commented on clue being 18ac and while I will leave it to *Raoul* for the authoritative explanation I saw this clue as referring to Robert Frost's poem "Gathering Leaves" which contains the line "But a crop is a crop" with the riding coming from the "on" in the clue.

**Slot 4:** Well over half the mistakes in this puzzle were with the Z. ZITHERS(10), ZITHERA(1). (new=N) so I couldn't allow these.

**Slot 5:** Very well received though difficult puzzle with only 82 entries (63.4% correct). The problem clues being 21dn UNSTOP(14)-UNSTOW=(anag SUN+TOW=prepared fibres of flax, hemp or jute); 31ac SETA(8), SETT(1) and SOTH(1) and 28dn EAUS(6). Other errors were unique.

**Clue of the Month:** 53 members voted for a total of 20 clues. Congratulations to *Raoul* in/and for his *Début* who received a total 23 votes spread across 5 of his clues. The winner was 20dn PIRATE with 10 votes closely followed by 3dn LIP SERVICE with 8. Thanks for all the notes thanking me for my adjudication effort. On a personal note I was laid off from my job (after 18.5 years) in February (with no notice). Quite a shock but I am now happily employed at IP Australia as a "Software Archaeologist". This involves carefully digging around in old undocumented computer programs trying to work out what they do so I can replace them. Happy crosswording 'til next year.  
—Ken Davis

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	87	103	85	103	82	460
Correct entries	76	86	75	85	52	374
Success rate (%)	87.4	83.5	88.2	82.5	63.4	81.3
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## May 1-2005

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## MEMBERS RESULTS FOR MAY 2005

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
AINSWORTH Y		.		.	.	
ANDERSON C		.	.	.	.	
ANDERSON JB	.	.	.	.	.	
ARCHIBALD C	.	.	.	.	.	
ATKINSON S						.
AUSTIN A	.	.	.	.	.	
BARBOUR J	.	.	.	.	.	
BATUM C	.	.	.	.	.	
BENNETT B	.	.	.	.	.	.
BRYANT R	.	.	.	.	.	.
BUTLER D	.	.				
CALLAN A & D	.	.	.	.	.	.
CAMPBELL G	.	.	.	.	.	.
COATES D	.	.	.	.	.	.
COCKBURN B	.	.	.	.	.	.
COLE G	.	.	.	.	.	.
COLLES J	.	.	.	.	.	.
COPLAND F	.	.	.	.	.	.
COWAN M	.	.	.	.	.	.
CROMER H	.	.	.	.	.	.
DAVEY J	.	.	.	.	.	.
DAVIDSON D	.	.	.	.	.	.
DAVIS K	.	.	.	.	.	.
DAVIS M	.	.	.	.	.	.
DEARIE P	.	.	.	.	.	.
DENNIS M	.	.	.	.	.	.
DINHAM V	.	.	.	.	.	.
DODD C	.	.	.	.	.	.
DODD M						.
DUCKER R	.	.	.	.	.	.
EDWARD J	.	.	.	.	.	.
EGGLETON B	.	.	.	.	.	.
EISENTRAGER D	.	.	.	.	.	.
FOSTER C	.	.	.	.	.	.
FREELAND J	.	.	.	.	.	.
FULLER D	.	.	.	.	.	.
GALBREATH M	.	.	.	.	.	.

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GARNER P	.	.	.	.	.	
GILLIS J	.	.	.	.	.	
GRAINGER D						.
GREENING D						.
HAGAN R	.	.	.	.	.	.
HAMBLING C	.	.	.	.	.	.
HARPER K						.
HOCKING A	.	.	.	.	.	
HOWARD L	.	.	.	.	.	.
HOWARD V	.	.	.	.	.	.
HOWELLS S	.	.	.	.	.	.
IBBOTT B	.	.	.	.	.	.
IKIN D	.	.	.	.	.	.
JERMY A	.	.	.	.	.	.
JESSOP N	.	.	.	.	.	.
JONES D	.	.	.	.	.	.
KENNEDY D	.	.	.	.	.	.
KENNEDY M	.	.	.	.	.	.
KITTO J	.	.	.	.	.	.
KNIGHT S	.	.	.	.	.	.
LEE C	.	.	.	.	.	.
LEEDS G	.	.	.	.	.	.
LOBSEY V	.	.	.	.	.	.
McCLELLAND C	.	.	.	.	.	.
MACDOUGALL I	.	.	.	.	.	.
McGRATH J	.	.	.	.	.	.
McKENZIE I	.	.	.	.	.	.
McKINDLAY Y	.	.	.	.	.	.
MEEK D	.	.	.	.	.	.
MERCER P	.	.	.	.	.	.
NOBLE C	.	.	.	.	.	.
O'BRIEN E	.	.	.	.	.	.
O'BRIEN S	.	.	.	.	.	.
O'HARA H	.	.	.	.	.	.
O'ROURKE R	.	.	.	.	.	.
PATTERSON A	.	.	.	.	.	.
POTTS M	.	.	.	.	.	.

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PROCTER D	.	.	.	.	.	.
PROCTER M	.	.	.	.	.	.
PULLEN K				.	.	.
RANDALL J	.	.	.	.	.	.
RAW M	.	.	.	.	.	.
REARDON C	.	.	.	.	.	.
REEVES V	.	.	.	.	.	.
RODDICK M	.	.	.	.	.	.
RYAN A	.	.	.	.	.	.
RYAN W	.	.	.	.	.	.
SEALE E	.	.	.	.	.	.
SIEGMAN B	.	.	.	.	.	.
SKILLICORN A	.	.	.	.	.	.
SMITH J	.	.	.	.	.	.
SOLOMON B	.	.	.	.	.	.
STANDARD J	.	.	.	.	.	.
STOCKS J	.	.	.	.	.	.
STOREY N	.	.	.	.	.	.
SYMONS B	.	.	.	.	.	.
TAYLOR R	.	.	.	.	.	.
TICKLE B	.	.	.	.	.	.
TOFONI B	.	.	.	.	.	.
TROLLOPE S	.	.	.	.	.	.
VERESS M	.	.	.	.	.	.
VILLIERS W	.	.	.	.	.	.
WAITES L	.	.	.	.	.	.
WALTER A	.	.	.	.	.	.
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WATZINGER M	.	.	.	.	.	.
WHITEHEAD R	.	.	.	.	.	.
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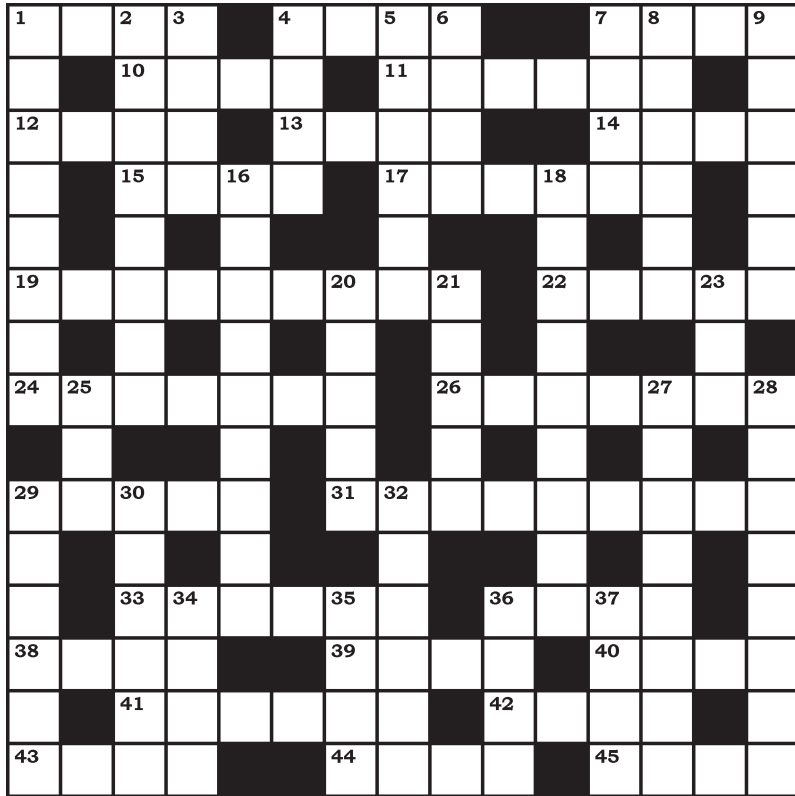
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**Half & Half**  
by  
**Noel Jessop**



**Win!**

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**Across**

- 1 Heredity factor (4)
- 4 Cries (4)
- 7 Visage (4)
- 10 Roguish (4)
- 11 Visigoth king (6)
- 12 Sacks (4)
- 13 Jot (4)
- 14 Decree (4)
- 15 At the peak (4)
- 17 Mule (6)
- 19 Illusory (9)
- 22 Fidgety (5)
- 24 Profiting (7)
- 26 Yodelled (7)
- 29 Taken by air (5)
- 31 Gracefully (9)
- 33 Mammary organs (6)
- 36 White wine (4)
- 38 Soft drink (4)
- 39 Of the ear (4)
- 40 Holed in one (4)
- 41 Wear off (6)
- 42 Small child (*coll.*) (4)
- 43 Gentlemen (4)
- 44 Scandinavian book (4)
- 45 Portable cooler (4)

**Down**

- 1 Cackling like geese to catch up with blackfish? (8)
- 2 Worry a pithecia monkey in the city (8)
- 3 Formerly in Hunter Street (4)
- 4 Vessel begins sailing home in Pacific (4)
- 5 Hit that woman's swimmer (6)
- 6 Make late with second song (4)
- 7 Force one female on one woman (4)
- 8 Sharp note by detectives in charge (6)
- 9 Diner, somewhat broke, ate ryebread (6)
- 16 Stubborn ring held tight (9)
- 18 Tracks birds around the highway (9)
- 20 Silver Scots give for a girl (5)
- 21 Unknown cry of pain that's a monster! (5)
- 23 Hello, English – hurry (3)
- 25 Afflict sloth on left (3)
- 27 Italian castle arranged networks (8)
- 28 Routine time of a revolution now (3-2-3)
- 29 Right in aspects for comedies (6)
- 30 Uranium and coral destructive of vision (6)
- 32 Continued with street deal shemuzzle (6)
- 34 Pecks law officer and graduate (4)
- 35 Took a mount in Borodene (4)
- 36 Official minutes in Pontiac tapes (4)
- 37 Seize receipts (4)

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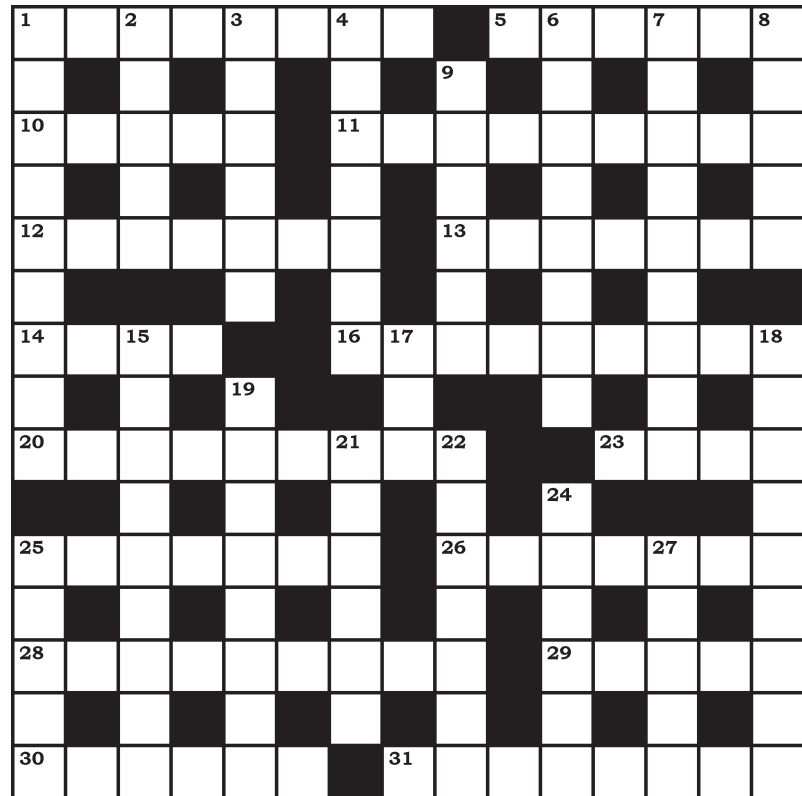
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## Minya by Manveru



### Across

- 1 Browser takes home poncho (8)
- 5 Give the impression of being a very quiet listener (6)
- 10 Surmount, it is said, a region of the world (5)
- 11 Reports southern rice beds gone to pot (9)
- 12 Damsel trailed hostile drug criminal (7)
- 13 The French mix oil in two lots of nitrogen to make soap component (7)
- 14 Funeral song incorporated as well (4)
- 16 Block country's denunciation (9)
- 20 Faulty lie-detector missing most of its conductor (9)
- 23 Amend reform in share fraud (4)
- 25 Restricts wave aboard ship (7)
- 26 Shoddy thesaurus doesn't contain 'saints' – arrogance! (7)
- 28 A stunning newswoman? (9)
- 29 Ancient Greek dialect adopted in Greenland or Iceland (5)
- 30 Ships' signaller departs without girl (6)
- 31 Undivided tin blend preceded substantial return (8)


### Down

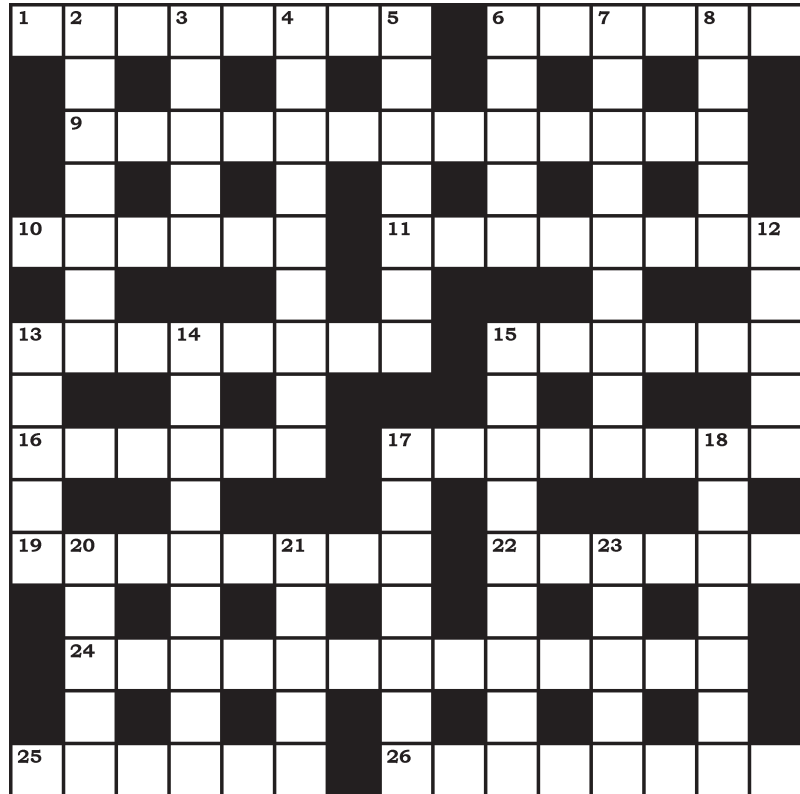
- 1 Flutter without one test-opener to bat (9)
- 2, 17dn & 27dn Experimental road train left royalty right unhappy (5, 3, 5)
- 3 A mixture of glycerin not in the cloth (6)
- 4 Trafficked, reportedly by bike (7)
- 6 A northern parish distributed fish (8)
- 7 Deck signal is initially heard following epicentre of tremor (9)
- 8 Directions after right one had gone up (5)
- 9 Loony bin revamped – amusingly no grog allowed (6)
- 15 He leads the oxen? (9)
- 17 See 2dn (3)
- 18 Indicated by figures, polluted urban climates wipe out nocturnal mammals (9)
- 19 A Cockney prostitute is Queen's perfume dispenser (8)
- 21 Playboy's terrier swallowed an aphrodisiac, perhaps (6)
- 22 Grade fighter formation (7)
- 24 Immersed large diamond back into solution to solidify (6)
- 25 Female fortune-teller heard during classy billing (5)
- 27 See 2dn (5)

### COMPILER PROFILE: Michael Kennedy (*Manveru*)

"I'm a 35 year old medical researcher residing on the salubrious south coast of NSW. I have always had a passion for words (as well as dark chocolate, Tolkien, cricket and my wife...clearly not in that order) but it wasn't until 18 months ago that I finally tackled the cryptic crossword in the *SMH* (I had always been a frequent solver of their 'quick' crossword, but when they became a subscription service I decided I had better get my moneys worth!). I have expanded my cryptic horizon since then and now particularly relish the creations of *Lexis*, Noel and *The Stickler*.

It was after meeting Noel through the *SMH* crossword forum and reading his book that I not only became hooked on solving but became keen to try my hand at compiling. Very much a rank beginner I look forward to improving on this art-form as I know I have a long way to go. Thank you to Patrick for some excellent suggestions, but mostly for giving a newcomer an opportunity to push his wares. *Manveru* is the name I adopted for the *SMH* crossword forum. It is derived from Tolkien's invented language Quenya, and literally means Michael. I have called this puzzle *Manveru's Minya*: it translates as 'Michael's first'.

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<h2 style="margin: 0;">Cryptic by Difficult Women</h2>




**Across**

- 1 Doctor stupidly lied about two zones covered in fine drops (8)
- 6 Capital Eastern country (6)
- 9 Report one man in fellowship (13)
- 10 Overdue he returned in a dilemma (6)
- 11 Singer to ban one accent (8)
- 13 Bank on dragon's mate (2,6)
- 15 Appear with note to amalgamate (6)
- 16 Old landing-place for street money (6)
- 17 Cultivated shy, tacit modesty (8)
- 19 Fruit commercial for English drink (8)
- 22 Go to extremes with extra party (6)
- 24 Blissful nation doesn't begin the first step to sainthood (13)
- 25 Delightful Southern desserts (6)
- 26 Deal with one step oddly for essay (8)

**Down**

- 2 Most productive stand outside one church (7)
- 3 Cattle doctor is one very slow-moving lethargic person (5)
- 4 Cleaned dirty money in LA under Edward? (9)
- 5 Drip starts depriving rest in bunk bed lacking energy (7)
- 6 Initial failure of flashily dressed young man's style (5)
- 7 Atrocious GST matinee (not English) tax (9)
- 8 College article on old large size type (5)
- 12 Irene my friend in opposition (5)
- 13 Young woman returns without one rope fibre (8)
- 14 Girl (quiet) to speak and disappear (9)
- 15 Complex OBE Earl at upheaval (9)
- 17 Note inside box at shop (7)
- 18 News begins with testy involvement of minor accidents (7)
- 20 Del doesn't begin to submit joint (5)
- 21 A girl is out of order (5)
- 23 Remove alien outside State (5)

**Zinzan responds:**

First of all, I discovered too late that indirect anagrams (e.g. CHIEFS) would be unpopular. I'll ensure it doesn't happen again. I couldn't really take 'CLOT' as an answer, as 'CLOT' is to thicken, while 'CLOG' is to block. Besides, 'CLOT' did nothing for 6dn. 'CHINWAG' resolved, in my mind at least, by C(H(I(NW)A)G) i.e. 'no point' = NoWest, within 'state' = Iowa, within 'Nelson' = HG. For 'EONS', 'Kylie's back' = E, 'side' = ON, 'son' = S. No anagram involved, although possibly a question mark may have helped. 'Princess' is a type of dress. 'See' can define 'C' without a homophone. CLOG, CLOT, PRINCESS and SEE are all supported in *Chambers*. Lastly, I concede WESSEX wasn't correct. Oh well. I thank all for the supportive comments (and even the not so supportive ones). Hopefully puzzle no.2 has fewer problems. —Andrew Patterson

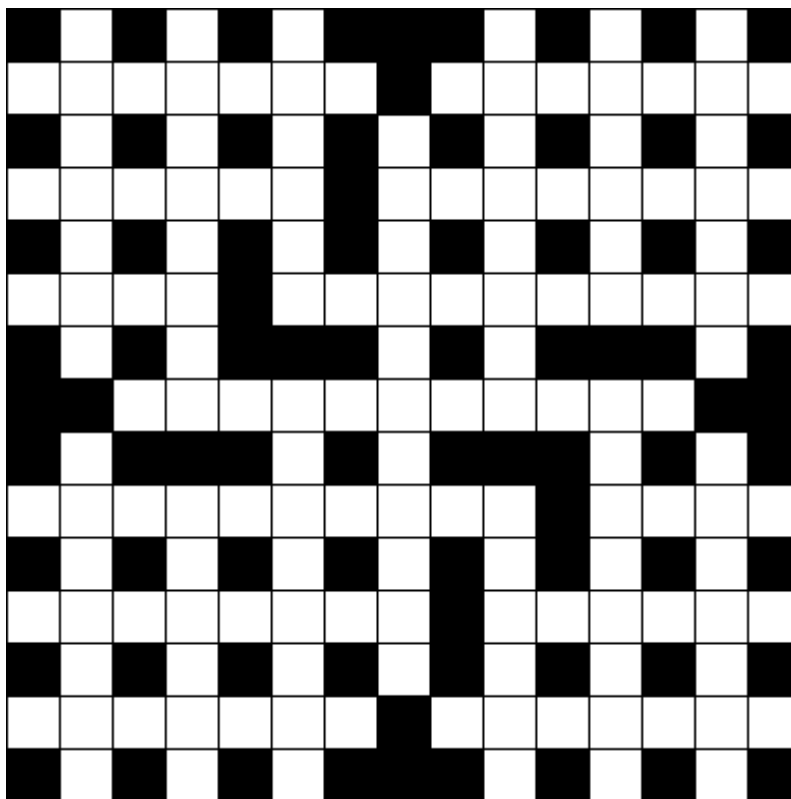
**A note of explanation from Bob Hagan:** In relation to Cryptic by *Barney Naga* (April 2/2005): 11ac: Transom: See definition in *Chambers*. 14ac: Elk is simply a hidden reversal. 28ac: Earlobe: Peer = Earl + round = 0 + to live = be. 5dn: Statue of Liberty: Bay-side (y) is beaut for - reality TV (take even letters = ELTT) in ruins (anagind).

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**AJ**  
by  
*The Co-op*



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



- A** Cram Sony products with lasers and radars, for example (8)
- B** Excuse my garb! Alternatively, return to embroidery town (6)
- C** Usually Lee is said to follow the leader (7)
- D** Obscurities from crazy potheads who have lost the Order of Australia (6)
- E** Chemist ties compound for cult of the beautiful (11)
- F** Refract alien to conceal geometric entity (7)
- G** Use Google and integrated circuit to find stuff relative to crust (8)
- H** Hugh's young pup needs only sausages. It sometimes leads to a trance (8)
- I** Sing in style (6)
- J** The traitor is about satisfied with these artists (7)
- K** Cheats in cards (6)
- L** Beat the lake to find silversmith (7)
- M** Put old gold on mushroom to fertilize (10)
- N** Nano coin prepared for acid (8)
- O** Strain beyond reach (11)
- P** Docile herb has an insert... (6)
- Q** ... and dock sounds basic (4)
- R** Agent gets snooty? They'll fix the problem (7)
- S** Hit high to loon - he hangs about (8)
- T** Shine! This gets you half a star (7)
- U** U2 and Mirna play heavy metal (7)
- V** In this state lives old beginner - able but likely to erupt (8)
- W** Spirits raised by sun-god with southern surroundings (7)
- X** Reproductive process found in gopher X-ray (10)
- Y** Howl for a boat (4)
- Z** Gorilla heard of in Mexico? (6)

**COMPILER PROFILE: Mal Cockburn**

"Turning 49 this year, I'm an engineer living in Adelaide, married with one daughter aged 9½. I grew up in Sydney but moved to Adelaide in 1987 for work, found a great girl to marry and decided to settled down there. As it seems with most puzzlers, I picked up the love of cryptic crosswords in my teens from one of my parents, in this case, my mother - leading light and club secretary, Bev Cockburn. I was also encouraged by another member and good friend, Steve Workman with whom I went to school at Pennant Hills, Sydney. Those two badgered me for quite a while to join the club, but I foolishly resisted until they surreptitiously paid my membership and I began to receive the magazine. What fun it's been ever since! The partnership of "The Co-op" was formed one morning when an email with a list of answers arrived from my mum. All I had to do was write the clues!! A lot harder than I thought. The name "The Co-op" works on our shorthand names of Mal-Co and Bev-Co. Among my favourite words are wayzgoose (a printer's annual picnic), misericord (a bracket on a turn-up seat in a choir-stall) and sesquipedalian (tending to use long or cumbersome words). My favourite crossword is the double acrostic."

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**Double Acrostic**  
by  
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**Clues**

- A Pain has a meaner centre? It's all Greek to me! (7)
- B Renter keeps document below decks with some hesitation (11)
- C Branch around the first user to hold letters (7)
- D Chide efforts to verify again (7)
- E Computer chosen when I accepted its contents (5)
- F Odour confused with praise and full of pain (8)
- G Possession will fool alien after physical (8,5)
- H Rare new heat strange in China (11)
- I Grandmothers look after the kids? (7)
- J Glen in hot soup for this sign (4,5)
- K Today, tomorrow! (9)
- L Sport points to crushes (8)
- M Finished lead is an expense (8)
- N Worms at one mad party! (8)
- O Cases of the cases, without directions (6)
- P Drug stew is hot! (7)
- Q Herein, elsewhere is heavenly (8)
- R Sounds like fed up family material (7)
- S Stresses measurements around shape shifter (8)
- T Voraciously, stringed instrument is initially lovely but empty (8)
- U Impish girl in inside game (6)
- V Back the French writer to add tooter to instrument (9)
- W Animal with strange corona (6)
- X Sounds like turns follow confused miner with love of these breeders (6,4)
- Y Hands on hips when girl eaten by native (6)
- Z Inertia loses way with disease (7)
- AA Centrepiece for game in endless duel (8)

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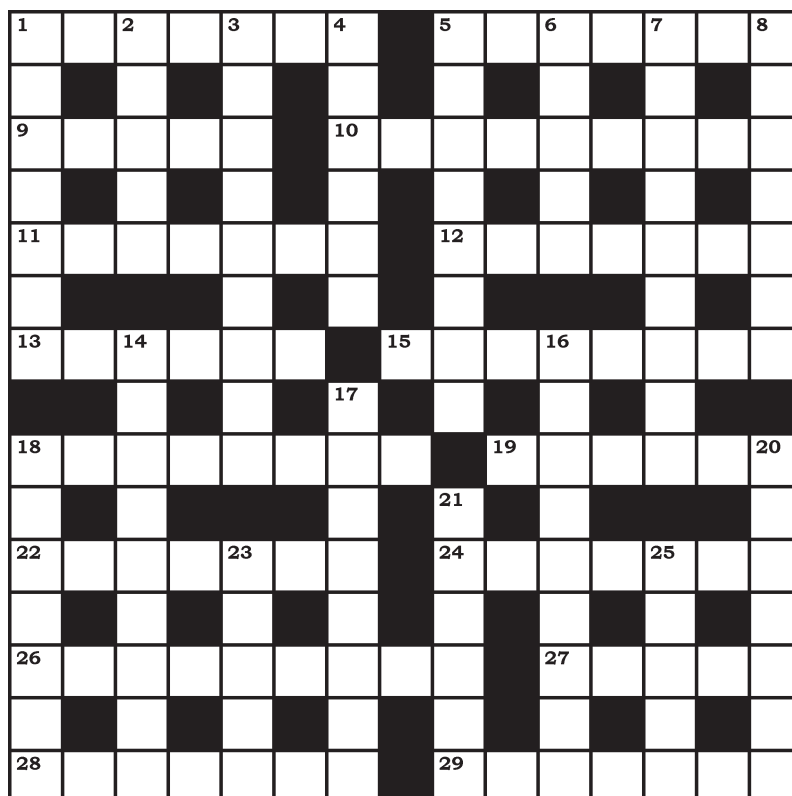
## Lost for Words by Cactus



Each clue is a sentence from which the solution has been removed and the remaining letters joined up in the same order, with case and punctuation altered appropriately. Example – *Clue:* Football fever yearly causing problems (6) *Solution:* ANSWER, viz, Football fans were very early, causing problems. Where thought necessary, a synonym or term for the solution appears in the clue.

### Across

- 1 Show doing as expected (7)
- 5 Rare Afghan is pet fit for playing (7)
- 9 Having bad liver, answer back (5)
- 10 Reacted and had coronary – e-mailing address (9)
- 11 When I get on The Bench I'll 'out' (7)
- 12 Messy arrangers, Bedouin Crossword Club adjudicators (7)
- 13 The squire's old mane, where many visitors collect (6)
- 15 On her birthday our Carol ate all the time (8)
- 18 Opening up aft, er, cools her patient (8)
- 19 Going to the Botanic was a disaster (6)
- 22 Seeing tiger sure did improve my surfing (7)
- 24 It's an essential to beauty for royalties (7)
- 26 Hurrying Crow date for Adelaide game (9)
- 27 Becoming weak, keel over, only once (5)
- 28 Ad hoc King moves muffs chess game (7)
- 29 Government scents election support (7)



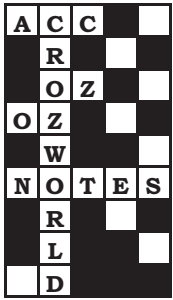
### Down

- 1 Dirk chops lowly force down (7)
- 2 After being dubbed a sow, I feel ridiculous (5)
- 3 So, at Military Academy, I do test sentry (9)
- 4 Will fox attacks purify victims? (6)
- 5 I'll report Al, er, chases cap (Ed.) (8)
- 6 Highlights Aussie doing strip reading news (5)
- 7 Barry in gold star space flight (3,6)
- 8 In jockeys' room, Art with female riders (7)
- 14 Indoors in the cold, ween, sweep or read (9)
- 16 I'm engaged, so what matters I park less now, like? (4,5)
- 17 Boat builder to repay fliers (8)
- 18 Disbelief when I bell so sweet (7)
- 20 Is bad tooth a cheerily serious problem? (7)
- 21 Hippy performers boo school plays (6)
- 23 Whistleblower has bed by employer (5)
- 25 Cot in ground producing new drama (5)

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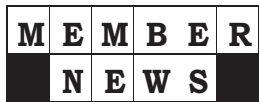
Our Annual Victorian Get-together this year will be "Xmas in July" and will be held at noon on Sunday 31st July at the Heritage Room, Bruce County Hotel, 445 Blackburn Road, Mt. Waverley, which is conveniently situated adjacent to the South Eastern Freeway. We have organised an excellent lunch: tasty savouries on arrival, a choice of three delectable main courses and a selection of three desserts followed by coffee/tea. Cost for this grand "Crossmassy" lunch is only \$33per head. Bookings and enquiries to Patrick Street, ph (03) 9347 1216 or email: pstreet@bigpond.net.au by 25th July please. Cheques payable to "Patrick Street". There will be a selection of *Chambers* reference books at sale prices! Come along and join in the merriment! We look forward to renewing acquaintances!

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**NUMBER-CRUNCHING:** Have you tried the latest craze in puzzles yet? It's called **SUDOKU** and has been featured in many newspapers throughout the world. The rule to completing a sudoku is to ensure that each box of nine squares contains the numbers from 1 to 9. Also, all of the rows and columns must contain numbers 1 to 9. If you liked grappling with Rubik's cube then this puzzle may be for you. You can find out more about this new puzzle from [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk)

**DAVID PROCTER**, one of the ACC's top solvers, has not been enjoying 100% good health recently. David was admitted to hospital for a triple bypass and valve replacement. It's sounds like serious surgery, but David's spouse Joy said that the operation was successful and David will be 'back in business' soon. We send David our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to **Dell Eisentrager** for winning the Slots 1-5 all correct prize. Well done!



**New Members:** A warm welcome to **Shelia Taylor** from Clifton Beach, Qld (a membership gift from Fay Copland) and **John Gillis** from Carlton, NSW. Welcome to the wonderful world of Crozworlding!

**Two notes from Adjudicator Doreen Jones:** There is a BARLEY BRIDGE in England. This makes the answer 100% correct as well as BAILEY. Those who should be awarded a dot for Slot 1 April 2005 are: Catherine Foster, Catherine Hambling, Susan Howells, Gabrielle Leeds, Andrew Patterson, Judy Randall, Roy Taylor and Norm Wilson.



"To-day (10 May 2005) I received an entry from Lesly Howard postmarked 13 April! Also, I did not receive the entries from Margaret Dennis who posted her entries on 22 April. This is poor service from Australia Post. I have written a letter of complaint to them. The solvers must be very disappointed after all their hard work." Doreen Jones

**March 6-2005: Mittake after Mistale by Cactus (Jim Colles).** In the last *Crozworld*, dots were wrongly allocated to some members for this puzzle. The 8 who correctly solved the whole puzzle were: Audrey Austin, Margaret Davis, Catherine Hambling, Ann Jermy, Carole Noble, Ron O'Rourke, Alan Walter and Roy Wilson.

**The Australian Oxford Dictionary**

**WORD OF THE MONTH**

**exophthalmos** *n.* abnormal protrusion of the eyeball. [ORIGIN: modern Latin from Greek *exophthalmos* 'having prominent eyes']

*The Australian Oxford Dictionary*, Second Edition, 2004  
Edited by Dr Bruce Moore. \$99.95 ISBN 0195517962

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**Quiz No 5/2005 by Merv Collins**

The answers are all women's names used in popular songs from pop to opera. Send your answers to: Merv Collins, 2/72 Best St, North Fitzroy Vic 3068 or by email: [mervcollins@optusnet.com.au](mailto:mervcollins@optusnet.com.au)  
Closing mail date: Friday 8 July 2005. Prize: \$50.

- 1 The sound of a slack slitherer (7)
- 2 Yup, scrambled eggs, 'e ordered (5,3)
- 3 Mum - leading the horse that is a month behind (6,3)
- 4 You heard the sun god's a whinger? (6)
- 5 A letter from Greece at the start of the day (5,4)
- 6 The flower takes the biscuit (4,5)
- 7 #12 changed key at the coda and added a sharp (5)
- 8 An unusual, ignoble year (7,5)
- 9 Little Katherine an American racist? (1,1,1,5)
- 10 King of the court (6,4)
- 11 Said the devil, "I am taking her in" (5)
- 12 The District Attorney uses a Scottish john (5)
- 13 Bowlin' with The Stones, I heard (7)
- 14 Raped by Tarquinius before a live M.C., thoroughly disturbed (8,7)
- 15 Sounds like Ms Oakley with a truck (5,6)
- 16 Madame takes your tiny hand (5)
- 17 Change the border limit from north to east (6)
- 18 Include a bit of confusion (8)
- 19 A section to amass (6)
- 20 She wanted to get ahead with one of the Platters (7)

**A quickie from Merv:**

**Gandhi:** As you know, he travelled mainly by foot over vast distances, consequently incurring horrendous calluses on his feet. He also suffered from delicate health and as result he had quite a strange diet, including drinking his own urine. Unfortunately, this gave him bad breath. So, what can we say about this great man? Perhaps, he was a supercallusedfragilemystichexedwithhalitosis!

## May 1-2005: Thematic by *Virgo* (Audrey Austin)

- “When you wore a tulip, a big yellow tulip, and I wore a big red rose”. How can I remember an inferior pop song of the fifties and forget Paulina’s birthday? Thanks Audrey for another great puzzle. *Doug Butler*
- Another gem from the *Virgo* puzzle factory. Took a while to cotton on to the theme, and after that it was just difficult. *Jim Colles*
- Not one of Audrey’s best efforts in my view. *Margaret Davis*
- Once I saw Chain and Murdoch in the same group I knew what I was looking for flowers etc. *Ted O’Brien*
- The flowers were pleasant to contemplate, thanks *Virgo*. *Alan Walter*
- I like thematic and Audrey didn’t disappoint with this one. How lovely to be reminded of *The darling buds of May* – such an enjoyable show, unlike so much of the rubbish on TV now. I did query TULIP as BIG YELLOW; that epithet seems to fit better with daisies etc. *Irene Watts*

## May 2-2005: Cryptic by Noel Jessop

- Noel at his best. I loved the way he fitted the word NOWELL in! *Audrey Austin*
- Immaculately conceived, of course. Among many I had 14dn as likely COTM. *Jim Colles*
- What can one say to Noel except “thank you yet again”! *Margaret Davis*
- 1ac: The latest *Australian Oxford Dictionary & Collins Australian Dictionary* do not give credence to the spelling MINISCULE. *Chambers* says this is a non-standard spelling of MINUSCULE & *Macquarie* on p1218 says MINISCULE is etymologically incorrect but influenced by the prefix mini- and now very frequent. It was quite a surprise to find this non-standard spelling used in this crossword rather than the undoubtable spelling of MINUSCULE. 10ac: Could the second of MITIGATES be explained? (the writer=I to touch=tig in pairs=mates => mitigates=relieves – Ken). Liked 16dn Springless festive season = NO + WELL. A good puzzle thanks, Noel. *Alan Walter*
- In comments on my March-2 puzzle Max Roddick expressed a desire that I would make a mistake. I thought I should oblige him, but in keeping with the general perception of me as a devious old gaffer, I would make a mistake that only looked like one. Welcome to my parlor, Alan. *Noel Jessop*
- Noel’s puzzles are always of a high standard, tricky but do-able and not gimmicky. *Irene Watts*

## May 3-2005: Début by *Raoul* (William Ryan)

- There were some good clues in this Début puzzle by *Raoul* – but not many! *Audrey Austin*
- Did *Raoul* contrive some of the clues while in the thrall of his product? Many originals such as 22ac, 26ac, 3dn, 5dn, 20dn, etc in a very impressive début puzzle from the winemaker man. Though I am bemused by the clue for 18ac. *Jim Colles*
- Welcome to our new compiler but I found some of the clues incomprehensible, eg 18ac. Is 3dn just a bit too clever? *Margaret Davis*
- Some very good clues in this but many fell into the trap of forsaking correctness for cuteness. I think the X clue falls into this category. It is not a proper cryptic clue as it cannot stand alone. Without the intersecting letters all sorts of answers are possible using a similar logic. For example, X>kiss>lip service; X>ten (top scoring, top marking ...); X>multiply>birth>new arrival!; X>letter before y>why preface!; X>cross (annoyed)>not pleased but unhappy; X>marks the spot>map placing; X>Times>English newspaper>Age rivalry!! No doubt others could think of many more. *Bob Hagan*
- Newly-elected members of parliament are entitled to have their maiden speech heard in silence. Perhaps we should extend this convention to cover maiden puzzles in *Crozworl*. *Noel Jessop*
- Congratulations *Raoul*. Some clues eluded me a little; PIRATE gets my COTM. Keep up the good work. *Shirl O’Brien*
- 23dn tickled my fancy as did 2dn. *Ted O’Brien*
- 18ac: couldn’t fit my answer (riding crop) to the clue. 20dn – my vote for clue of the month. I also liked 8dn. *Michael Potts*
- Welcome *Raoul*! Think I might have a couple of wrong ‘uns, but it was an exhilarating chase. *Max Roddick*
- 20dn had me baffled for some time. 3.1 meant nothing to me, but 3.142 would have been a gift. Still COTM. *John Standard*
- 15ac Vincent = PRICE. How does Hammer Horror = OVER + D? 18ac: Referring to RIDING CROP as ‘autumn leaves’ seems a little far fetched. 19ac: 29/2 this year (2005) is certainly not a leap year! 26ac: ‘Bore in the German language’ doesn’t seem to properly equate to D+REAMER. If D=German then wouldn’t D+REAMER=German bore? (bore=REAM in ‘the’ German=DER D-REAM-ER – Ken). 2dn: If AO=HONOUR how is jack an HONOUR? 13dn: There appears to be no indicator that P+ROOF+SHEET is hidden in this clue. 18dn: If Fix=REMEDY how does ME relate if ‘a hair of the dog’=REMEDY? 20dn: 3.1 is certainly not PI. 3.14 may have been closer to PI and more recognisable! 25dn: If the answer to this is DRUG the clue does not appear to be cryptic. (*Macquarie* “Horse” *colloq*. Heroin – Ken). This puzzle was too difficult to be enjoyable especially with so many loose clues. *Alan Walter*
- Ooh-la-la! And sacré bleu! I found many of the clues rather ‘over the top’, ‘beyond the pale’, somewhat ‘under the counter’. The puzzle almost sent me ‘around the bend’ and collusion with my daughter was essential. *Irene Watts*
- I particularly liked *Raoul*’s Début: he made wonderful use of the cryptic definition clue that was a breath of fresh air. I particularly loved 3dn (my COTM), 20dn and 25dn. Look forward to more. *Roy Wilson*

## May 4-2005: AJ by *Timid Terrier* (Joan Smith)

- A good AJ from Joan, but I’ve never heard of a waggle dance! *Audrey Austin*
- The usual way with AJs is to do the long words first and then work on fitting the others around them, but TT was in such slippery form with the long ones that this jigsaw had to be done the other way around. Hadn’t heard of ‘waggle dance’, which sounds like the bees’ form of e-mail. *Jim Colles*
- Another splendid AJ from our favourite canine. I loved “waggle dance”! *Margaret Davis*
- A fin (Xerafin) is a five dollar bill. Waggle-dance took a bit of finding, especially since *AxWord* had only Warble-Files that was anything like it. *Noel Jessop*
- I’d never heard of either of the 11 letter words so it took a while to get through TT’s AJ. *Ted O’Brien*
- Loved DEPARTMENT and BUSH LAWYER – isn’t a fox’s tail brush not bush? *Max Roddick*
- An enjoyable AJ; thanks *Timid Terrier*. *Chambers* gives MONSTERA as a tropical AMERICAN evergreen plant. It may grow in Australia but it is not Australian. *Alan Walter*
- Nice to have Joan back with one of her alphabeticals. It was a good one, though I didn’t care for the W clue. The ‘gifted’ clue at T was far from being a gift. *Irene Watts*

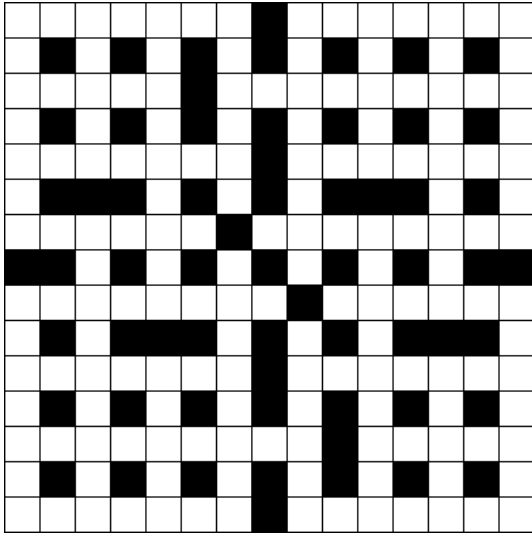
## May 5-2005 – Cryptic by *Praxis* (Roy Wilson)

- Another *Praxis*’ Ximenes masterpiece made slightly unusual by having all the clues on offer. All the more to appreciate and to enjoy the solving. *Jim Colles*
- This took me a bit longer than Roy’s puzzles usually do but as always, entirely fair. *Margaret Davis*
- If Roy Wilson has a fan club can I be President? How does he do what he does? *Del Kennedy*
- TALUKDAR? Where does Roy get these words! 27ac describes him perfectly. *Ted O’Brien*
- 30ac was clever. *Michael Potts*
- 1ac: If it’s TARGET I can’t see the sheep or the grass. (teg – a sheep (rev) after rat – to grass (rev) – Ken) *Max Roddick*
- A challenging cryptic thanks Roy. In 18dn if LAMINATE=cover & we subtract ALIEN leaving the letters MAT or TAM how do either of these relate to creature? (Alien=ET, creature=ANIMAL lifted=>LAMINATE – Ken). *Alan Walter*

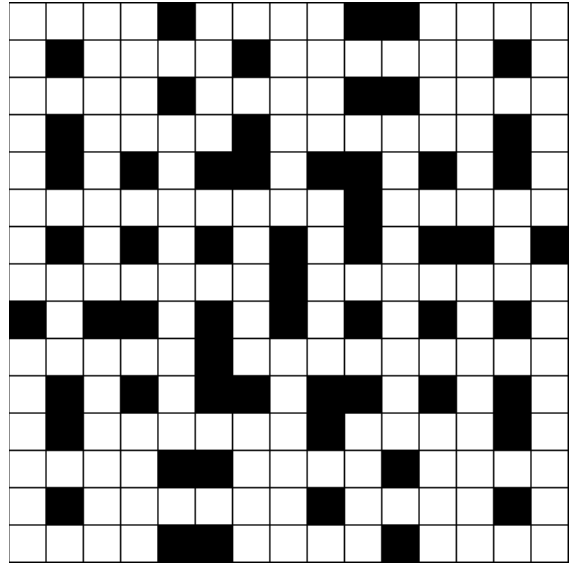
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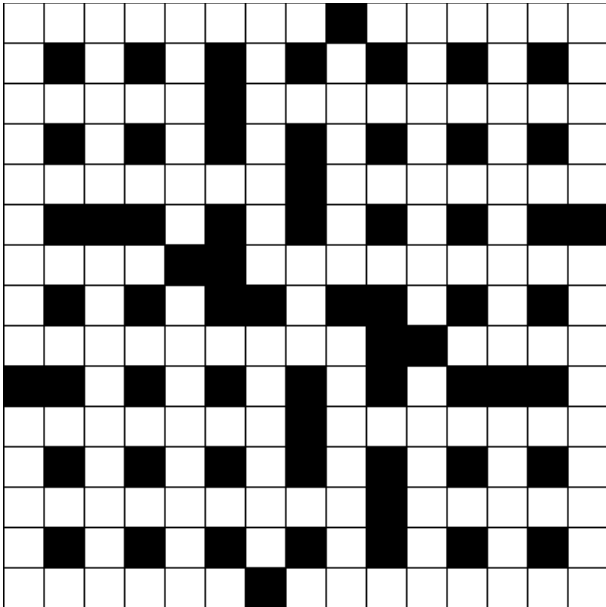
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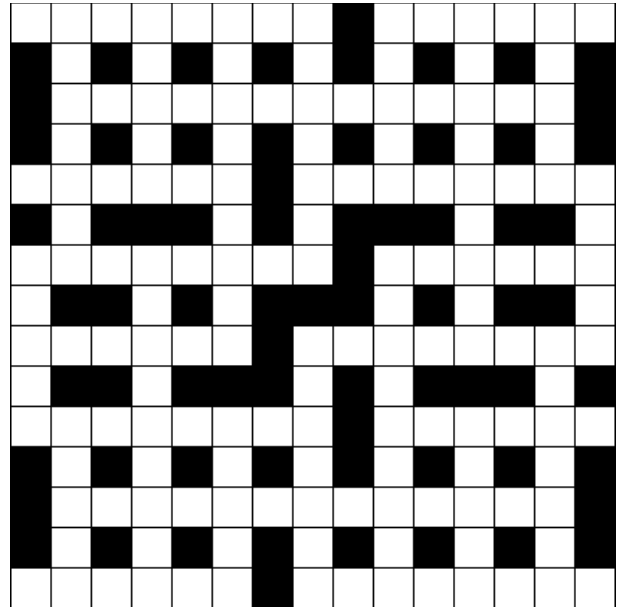
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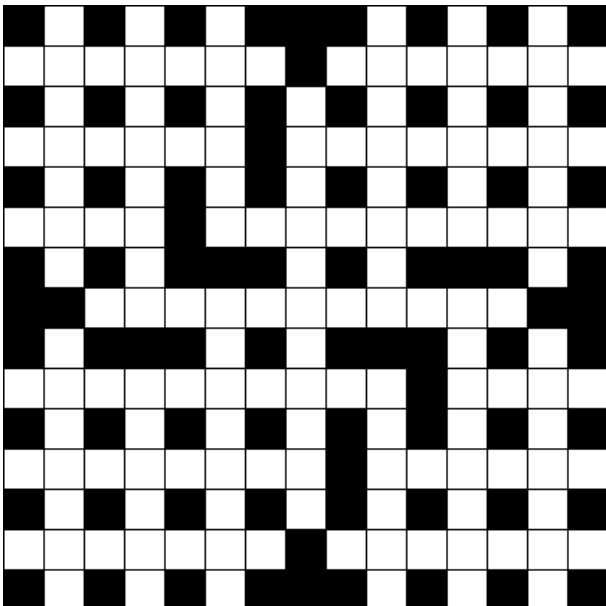
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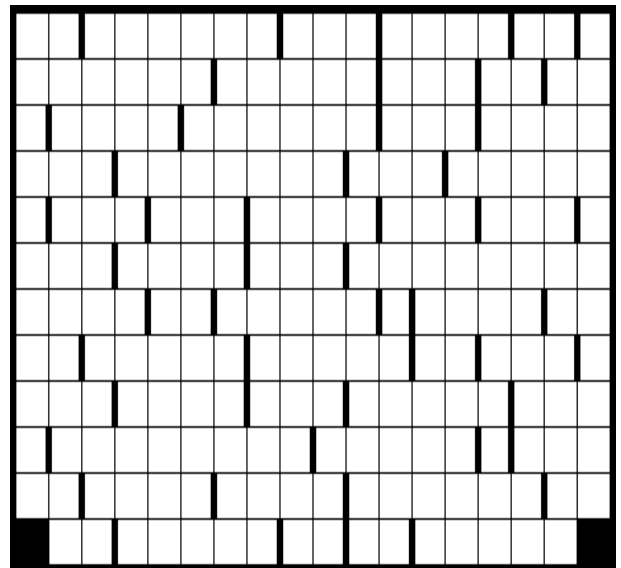
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Clue of the Month .....

**April 6-2005 - Airs and Graces by Praxis (Roy Wilson).**

**Entries: 71. Correct: 56. Success rate: 78.9%. Prizewinners: Ann Jermy and Joan McGrath. Congratulations!**

**Solvers' Comments:**

- A brilliantly executed and brain teasing puzzle; one of the best I have seen in the magazine. Standard *par excellence*. Thank you, Roy, and keep up the good work!  
*Col Archibald*
- I really enjoy this sort of puzzle (and sometimes get them right!)  
*Denis Coates*
- Phew! They don't come much tougher than this one! I almost filed it away unfinished, but it kept bugging me – so here goes – please reward me with a little dot! (No problems.)  
*Catherine Foster*
- Thank you for yet another intriguing and challenging puzzle.  
*Catherine Hambling*
- A very ticklish little puzzle, this one — hopefully negotiated correctly!!!  
*Ann Jermy*
- Thanks. Excellent puzzle.  
*Iain MacDougall*
- Thank you for a puzzle I could do — sometimes yours are beyond this LOL's capabilities.  
*Joan McGrath*
- Where did you dig up the word SLAIRG? Loved the clue for ABACHA.  
*Carole Noble*
- Another magic puzzle! Five themes all relevant to the title.  
*Shirl O'Brien*
- Thanks for the puzzle, Roy. Very enjoyable and quite an unusual theme.  
*Ron O'Rourke*
- *Airs and Graces* is another of your excellent puzzles and I quite enjoyed solving it.  
*David Procter*
- 28ac. Who'd have thought a TEAPOT had such a complex structure?  
*Max Roddick*
- Thanks Roy. A lot of fun. Loved the clue for Kerr!  
*Audrey Ryan*
- PRAXIS! This is definitely a love/hate relationship! Great puzzle; thanks as always.  
*William Ryan*
- As always, Roy, a great puzzle. Challenging but very satisfying.  
*Betty Siegman*
- Another beaut puzzle from Roy. 13ac: I wonder if he stirred his OLEO into his "olio" (18ac). I'm glad I looked up PARA. 6dn: I'm glad I looked up PUN. 35dn: Liked the clue for KERR.  
*Bev Solomon*
- Thanks for an hour of challenge and pleasure once again.  
*Brian Symons*
- Your *Airs and Graces* puzzle was a superb challenge and what a sage it was to complete! Plenty of unusual words — enough to daunt even the experienced solvers!  
*Alan Walter*

**Explanatory notes:**

**Group 1: Airs and Graces: 4ac:** Pomposity; 42ac: Arrogance; 2dn: Hauteur. **Group 2: Airs (musical):** 15ac: Tune; 43ac: Song; 14dn: Shanty. **Group 3: Airs (gaseous):** 16ac: Wind; 24ac: Breath. **Group 4: Graces (women):** 35ac: Kelly (Actress/Princess); 23dn: Darling (Shipwreck rescue fame); 24dn: Moore (Soprano). **Group 5: Graces (Greek Mythology):** 1dn: Aglaia; 12dn: Euphrosyne; 21dn: Thalia.

**Troublesome clues:** 1ac: aha = expressing exultation, pleasure, surprise or contempt (*Chambers* 2003ed); 11ac: See 'star'<sup>2</sup> *Chambers*; 13ac: pam = nap(oleo)n card game; 18ac: para<sup>2</sup> informal short form of paratrooper; 28ac: T(ea/Po)T; 37ac: R(hode) I(sland) in anagram of coal; 3dn: Strette is actually the plural of stretta; 4dn: Since the clue was homonymous, both PAINÉ (as in THOMAS) and PAYNE (as in John Howard) were counted correct. 6dn: pun<sup>2</sup> (*Chambers*) = to ram/a(cclimatise); 10dn: yo/d(L)er; 37dn: L/CIA (rev); Sorry to say that, once again, memebers lost points through transcription errors.

—Praxis (Roy Wilson)

• Solutions to chess game problems nos 5 and 6: **No 5:** 1. Qh8 threat 2. Qh7. **No 6:** 1. Ktf4 threat 2. Kth6. **Prizewinners: Bev Solomon and Catherine Hambling. Congratulations!**

**RESULTS OF ACC 15th ANNIVERSARY QUIZ by Neir B'Odet Prizewinner: David Procter. Congratulations!**

**15 Correct:** B Bennett, B Cockburn, V Dinham, B Foott, C Foster, D Greening, C Hambling, K Harper, B Ibbott, A Jermy, G Leeds, J McGrath, P Mercer, C Noble, R O'Rourke, D Procter, W Ryan, J Smith, B Solomon, J Stockes, N Storey, B Symons, M Veress, A Walter, I Watts, J Wenham and C Wilcox. **14.5:** J Barbour (Cardinal not Thomas) Wolsey; **14:** V Howard (9), S Howells (4), C McClelland (15), D Meek (9) (see my general comments), M Potts, M Procter, B Siegman and N Wilson. **12:** P Garner (2,7,& 9), D Kennedy (9,12,14).

**Adjudicator's Comments:** Many thanks for the enquiries concerning my health. I'm well on the road to a full recovery as can be expected at my age. As I have done for at least the past three years I have once more to point out that a list of those who have been Prime Minister and their place on that list does not in most cases correspond with their periods as Prime Minister. For example, Alfred Deakin was Prime Minister three times and so is the 2nd, 5th and 7th PM of Australia. Nearer our own time, and the last dual holder of the position – Robert Menzies was PM (16th) from 26 April 1939 - 29 August 1941 and again (21st) from 19 December 1949 - 26 January 1966. Ref: *The Prime Ministers of Australia* by Michael Page. Robertsbridge Pty Ltd, first published in 1988. Some respondents forgot that answers were in alphabetical order, eg, Meghan instead of Sigrid. Finding questions for these quizzes is limited by the number of the Anniversary being celebrated. That is why the same topics come up regularly. Australian Prime Ministers, American Presidents, the atomic nos of the elements, etc. If I find something such as Fifteen Mile in the 2002 Post Code book I use it. I have no way of knowing that it may not be in others' PC books. I cannot limit the scope of the questions because of the lack of Library facilities etc. that some members experience.

—Neir B'Odet (Ted O'Brien)

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

- Our puzzles continue to be of a very high standard with many candidates for clue of the month.  
*Bev Cockburn*
- Another superb issue of *Crozworld*, packed with outstanding puzzles and other material for our entertainment. I thought the item 'European Union Decision' from Mike Potts was the funniest and cleverest read I've had for ages. An absolute gem.  
*Jim Colles*
- Puzzles 5, 6 & 7 are beyond my abilities. One expects No.6 to be difficult but the others should give more chance to more members. I doubt whether the participation rate will be very high in these. Mostly I don't enjoy them and find them to be a waste of valuable time and effort. Conversely Cath Hambling's March No.7 was such a delight to everyone, so right.  
*Irene Watts*
- Thank you so much for my prize of \$50 for April's Slot 2. This is certainly a lucky time for me having just won a *Macquarie Thesaurus*. Many thanks, too, to the hard-working setters and adjudicators; I am sure that all Crozworlders appreciate their efforts.  
*Gabrielle Leeds*
- Thanks for my 1-5 slot prize for April.  
*Valerie Howard*
- Thanks for my \$50 dollar prize last month.  
*Carole Noble*
- There were plenty of challenges, from *Raoul's* new approach to *Stroz's* beheaded words, the ever present *Praximenes* and *dB's* whimsically clued *East West A.J.* What a feast!  
*Max Roddick*

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