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"Words are, of course, the most powerful drug used by mankind."

Rudyard Kipling (1865-1936)

GRIDATORIAL



Welcome to the wonderful world of computers and electronics! In the past 12 months, *The Australian Crossword Club* has been steadily developing its interest in the electronic media. We feel that this is a

natural progression. We are told that there are PCs in more than 60% of Australian households and more than one-third have access to the Internet.

Firstly, member/well-known compiler David Stickley has added the ACC and *Crozworld* page to his friendly and easily-navigable website at: http://www.ar.com.au/~stickley/acc.html

Secondly, we now send *Crozworld* by e-mail to a significant number of members the day after the closing date. This means more time in which to solve the whole range of crosswords each month.

Thirdly, in our latest development — and what we believe is a world-first — we have e-lodgment and ejudication. This program has been developed by 'Mr Axword' — Doug Butler and it enables members to send in their entries by e-mail. Those who have pioneered this exciting facility include Doug Butler, Jenny Wenham, Dallas Window and David Grainger. One of the obvious benefits is that e-lodgment avoids the long delay which can happen with the delivery of some of the postal entries. And there are no envelopes or stamps needed! If you would like to know more about e-lodgment contact Doug Butler at <u>Doug.Butler@flinders.edu.au</u> Stay tuned for further developments. Meanwhile, we have another challenging set of puzzles and a Quiz for your solving pleasure this month. Happy Easter and successful Crozworlding!



—Patrick

FROM THE ADJUDICATOR

WHATTEAUX'S TICKS FLICKED:

Thanks to the enthusiastic adjudicatory audience. Now for some sleep, perchance to dream of kangaroo studs, diesel devotees, erratic Majorca, quiche learning and aging acetones. Only 8 transcription errors, mostly in the down clues, as usual. You didn't take Veniece's advice, did you?

SLOT 1: 16dn [PEARL] caused the most trouble. 8 people had HEART, but I can't see its connection with 'shell'. Other errors: 1ac CLUSTER (x2); 6ac/6dn LAND/LES; 10dn EMPORER; 14ac RESIN; 16dn BERRY; 20dn SOLOMOM (transcription?). Nobody tripped up on 28ac [PLUM], despite the howler in the clue (plumb vs plum). A few other loose connections (sorry) but most folks guessed well.

SLOT 2: Very sound and elegant clues, although a dodgy grid. No major catchers, just some dribs and drabs of mistakes: 1ac/3dn PALES/SIMPLE; 2dn LIMPBRAIN (x2), LAMBBRAIN (x3)(transcription?); 10ac AXINE; 17dn BELOVEDS; 20dn LOBEAS, BOREAS

SLOT 3: 18ac [MINIMA] caused the most problem, maybe 'note' in the clue throwing some people towards MINUMS (x2) and MINIMS (x5)? 24dn [RAITA] was a bit obscure for some (but they still got it), and 20ac [BALMORAL] had a very 'efficient' clue': (Instant: moment: MO) (artist: Royal Academician: RA) is in (good time: BALL) for the (castle: BALMORAL) Others: 7dn UNITE; 11ac ABACTREAL; 24dn ROITA, RHIZA (x2); 27ac LEICHHARDS RIVER, LEICHEARDT RIVER

SLOT 4: Oh dear oh dear. The Timid Terrier is not popular with the punters this month. Plenty of bizarre words made even harder by a typo (C) and a major clanger (Y) in the clues, left many people short of time or patience to finish. Main problems were B: BALAIRE, BAGARRE (x2)[+ HALIBUT]; E: EPISTOLI[S | Z]E (x3), EPISTOLIER; H: HOLIDAY; M: MUFFLING (x2); S: SHOOPSE, SHROVER; V: VICINITY (x3)

SLOT 5: The usual accolades for a typical Praxis masterpiece: cruel, but fair (apart from the typo in 34dn [EDDA]). Most confusing were 2dn [CHIN: *Question* {Chambers 93: chin: 'verb transitive to question or tackle aggressively or impertinently (slang)'} life force (CH'I) and direction (N)] and 7ac [DEFEAT: *Tank* {Chambers: verb transitive ...; to defeat, thrash (slang)...} is (=) able (DEFT) to cross over (surrounding...) river (EA)] Otherwise clear sailing apart from: 6dn HUSWIF (x2), HASTIF (x2);10dn TYMPS; 15ac ASANTE; 30dn ENIAK; 35ac LEAFLICE (x3)

-Rob Watson

LEADING FIGURES

Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	87	92	94	66	74	413
Correct entries	71	81	80	53	62	347
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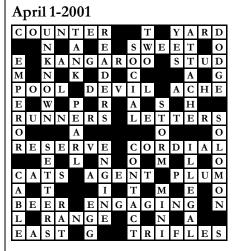
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MEMBERS' RESULTS FOR APRIL 2001



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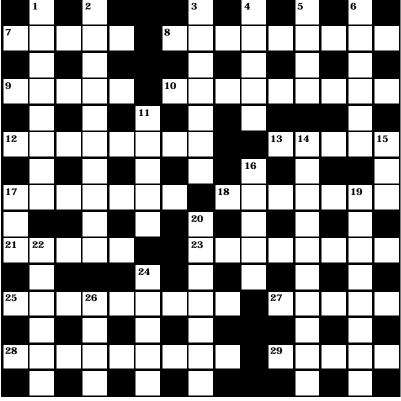
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MAY 1 2 0 0 1





Across

- A child (*Scot.*) (5)
- Anthony Hopkins movie set in a Victorian suburb P.C. 3015 (9)
- Develop from latent or potential existence (5)
- A damaging or disparaging remark (9)
- Distinctive feature or trait (8)
- Building occupied by monks or nuns (5)
- The Japanese art of flower arranging (7)
- British folk singer/guitarist, composer of 'The Universal Soldier' (7)
- 21 Enclosures for livestock (5)
- 23 Sir Joshua _____, painted 'The Strawberry Girl' (8)
- A children's game played on marked squares or oblongs (9)
- A bejewelled headdress (5)
- Deerlike ruminants mainly found in Africa (9)
- A colourless volatile organic liquid (5)

Down

1 A nocturnal mammal that feeds off termites (8)

- A low-wheeled sleeping contraption stored under a bed (7, 3)
- Boris _____, champion Russian chess player b.1937 (7)
- A semi-aquatic fish-eating mammal with dense fur and webbed feet (5)
- Small tools used for piercing holes in leather (4)
- The North American wild dog (6)
- A room heated to a high temperature to cleanse and refresh the body (5)
- They specialise in the study of living organisms (10)
- 15 Japanese monetary unit (3)
- The capital of Japan (5)
- 17 Frozen and slippery (3)
- 19 The northernmost of the Channel Islands (8)
- The passage through which air reaches the bronchial tubes (7)
- The fruit of the oak (6)
- An element extracted from borax and boracic acid (5)
- A hard white fat used mainly for dumplings and winter puddings (4)



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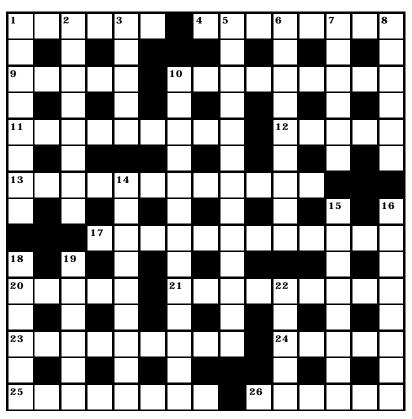




CRYPTIC by Cha-Cha

MAY 2 2 0 0 1





Across

- 1 Old English made incomprehensible causes an accumulation of liquid (6)
- 4 A poet after a crust needs a weapon protector (8)
- **9** Fish are available along the coast route (5)
- **10** Reserve drivers are useful for members who like to read (4, 5)
- **11** When it's past eight, prepare something to eat (9)
- 12 Plant rates badly (5)
- **13** Critical of her dustpan. Go out! (5-7)
- **17** Idiots play replays this umbel is poisonous (5, 7)
- **20** Beyond the ordinary limit in awful traffic (5)
- **21** Dried vegetables are used with salt and Pepsi in the soup (5, 4)
- **23** Ban symbolic diagrams use block representations (3-6)
- **24** Collision quietly sounded the bell (5)
- 25 The southern church included part of the brew with its final jazz get-together — it was sickly sweet (8)
- **26** Put them in their place ahead of time and go softly about the clique (6)

Down

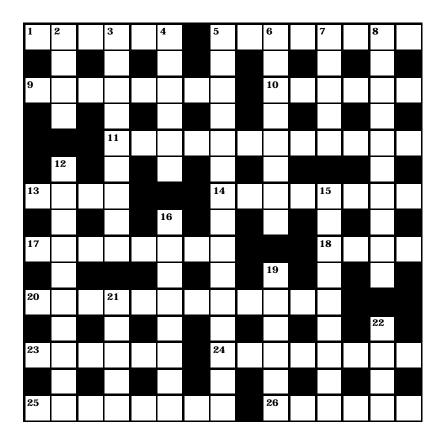
- 1 He will carelessly stub toes he must be the most idiotic (8)
- **2** I am next to nothing in tragedies just miniature representations (8)
- **3** Lighter game (5)
- **5** Poaching fruit that grew on old Mrs Smith's trees (7, 6)
- **6** Pirate sounds rockin' listener (9)
- **7** There is keenness in a city containing a university (6)
- **8** Confiscate weapons from the nether regions of a Royal Marine (6)
- **10** Pi is the fount of unlimited resources (10, 3)
- **14** For the sake of the country, stop briefly at the Royal Irish Academy (3, 6)
- **15** Sad sacks were used in the laundry (4-4)
- 16 Sense is OK in a number (8)
- **18** Robust spinning engines (6)
- **19** Top player award will stiffen recipient (6)
- **22** Dwindle in part a perfect ending (5)





MAY 3 2 0 0 1





Across

- Company doctor at contest? (6)
- Dad should go back with Mum perhaps that's obvious (8)
- Bush student leaves pretty bird in front of carnival (8)
- Mature woman holds a small book (6)
- Little trimmers! (4, 8)
- 13 Cut in supply of books little used (4)
- One has suspicions about such hips (8)
- They give way, with cars assembling around church sheltering newshound (8)
- End off split to get indicator of pitch (4)
- **20** George is absorbed in zodiacal lore, leading to serious study of heavenly bodies (12)
- Killing instrument put back beside headless female (6)
- Go too far where the steeplechasers fly? (8)
- Where drivers go flat out and sway, in deep trouble (8)
- Wiping up ginger ale and gin mixture (6)

Down

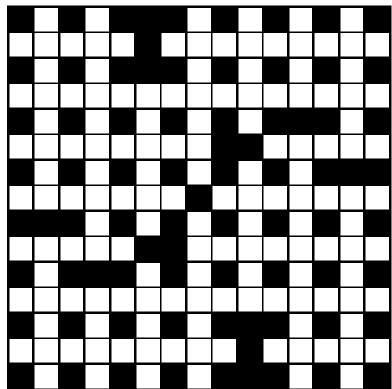
- Instrument in arrangement of "Boo to a Goose" finally (4)
- **3 & 12** Way out past preparation for the Ashes? (6,3,5,5)
- Deadly smoke rises to head of tunnel (6)
- The science of numbers? (15)
- Devout minister entered, as aforementioned (8)
- 7 Fliers able to move in any direction (5)
- Payment made on time in remote areas (5-5)
- See 3 (5, 5)
- The pleasure of 9's bird coming to a sticky finish? (5'1, 3)
- Natural barrier puts Hillary at first on edge argument follows (8)
- 19 To hang, in the Northern Territory (3, 3)
- Reg and I'd move around the spur (5)
- Sign appealing to the fellows? (4)



ALPHABETICAL JIGSAW by Colinebrii

MAY 4 2 0 0 1





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

- **A** A balanced examination pass (1-5)
- **B** Bottle opener say, to bray about tankard shelf! (7-3)
- **C** Lock up crude rubber in small cell (7)
- **D** Referring to an alluvial deposit in a strange dialect (7)
- **E** Would say that this is jet-black! (5)
- **F** Numbered pages via a sheet of paper then edited (7)
- **G** Sabotage large flare (5)
- **H** Wholly combining about Australian massacre (9)
- I Language off-colour at last rally from Romeo the Scot (8)
- **J** To blacken old foe (5)
- **K** Loosely run amok in Keno and win a Japanese wall hanging (8)
- **L** Use force to tip over (4, 2)
- **M** Training area! (11, 4)
- **N** Direction to indicate of the Valley of Argolis (6)
- **O** Ex-serviceman dated Hussar (3, 7)
- **P** Poe period created by crustacean's walking leg (9)
- **Q** Head cold said to be endemic to Arabian Emirate (5)
- **R** Again building about the powers that be (2-13)
- **S** Blackthorn fruit spoken slow (4)
- T Wickedly melt real witches' meat (8)
- **U** Exploit appropriate use! (7)
- **V** Make conversant in poetry (5)
- W Yarn from savage re old unshorn sheep pelt (8)
- **X** Primitive statue will kiss the ring at a later time (6)
- Y Nimble Scot met old Scot after the first year (5)
- **Z** Zulu first with South African uncle to soar (4)





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Note: Clues are Definition and Letter-Mixture (DLM).

Each clue contains a definition (one or more words) and a mixture of letters to provide the answer.

Across

- 1 It was a dark and stormy night. I was having a couple of ales (8)
- **11** When this tree listed clean through a window (9)
- 12 Well done, I thought. I reached to grab Rover (5)
- 13 My stars, the mess! I soon saved what I could (5)
- **14** That was last month and still I'm to uproot it (6)
- **15** Moving one limb out of the way (6)
- **18** I had no qualms cutting grass stems that caught (5)
- **19** Finally, a nasty jumble began to shrink (7)
- **20** I also called Lisa at work (5)
- **23** A gardener with the skill to repair it (5)
- 24 A vivid memory, hard to forget. I decided ... (7)
- **25** ... I lack ability backward in things manual (5)
- 28 Repairers? Games of chance to lots of us! (6)
- **29** Solution? Lisa I can swear by her (6)
- **31** A girl twenty years old! What a twist! (5)
- ${\bf 32}\;$ Being semi-rural, we try to plant natives ... (5)
- ${f 33}\,$... and the garden's graphic, cool, always lush (9)
- **34** Many a night I sit gazing at nothing special (8)

Down

- **1** It's flat regular at both ends (7)
- 2 Again, I really didn't need a carrier ... (7)
- 3 ... I've taken a truckload away it's tidy (4)
- **4** It seems that most of the smallest pieces ... (5)
- **5** ... made no impression so escaped recovery (12)
- **6** Sweat automatically draws insects, suddenly ... (12)
- 7 ... little bugs love the beads on my brow (8)
- 8 Their mobility, viciousness, demand attention (8)
- **9** I, with a slap, slammed one when I heard him (5)
- **10** There's those who'd agree a messy exercise! (5)
- **16** Enthusiasts like Lisa can't fathom me (8)
- **17** To the particle so recently damaged ... (8)
- **21** ... we nail on a replacement half-gable (7)
- **22** Daunting but having scraped up enough ... (7)
- **25** ... it required sacrifices I'd bear later (5)
- **26** The 'Big Blow' sunk several small vessels (5)
- **27** However, it united people in adversity ... (5)
- **30** ... as it left a wide wash (4)





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The two shaded vertical columns of the diagram (top to bottom) contain an encoded sentence. In order to decipher this sentence, the alphabet, with the exception of Z, must be altered by means of a simple substitution code. The decoded sentence can be found in the *Oxford Dictionary of Quotations*, 1992 ed. Solvers must then place the correct time on the face of the clock.

Across

- 1 Take Hades for a bad turn (9)
- 7 Huge Thor got injured by eastern Teutonic vandal (9)
- **8** A fortnight perhaps in Caledonia (5)
- **9** Tea for Two is dance music (3)
- 10 The old quarter coin (3)
- **13** "Cheers!" Harrelson in return appearance (3)
- 14 She comes back for Tedesco roe (3)
- **15** Displaced person goes after light vitamin (7)
- **17** She retails sheets reportedly (9)
- **20** "The mighty ____ with iron rails". Lawson, *The Roaring Days* (4)
- **21** Reward for part-time journalist (4)
- **23** Chap versified by the romantic Dennis (5)
- 25 Unmoved like an adder (4)
- **27** Greek wine-jug with key, a purple ball (4)
- **28** It's sung at a very fast pace like Ida M Tarbell perhaps (4-5)
- **29** Cast slab loses its top (5)
- 30 Fishy fake patchwork makes Bedouins' headwear (9)
- **33** Bottle at "three-o'-clock in the morning" (7)
- **34** River fish found in a fisherman's basket (4)
- 35 Queensland politician endless prattler (4)

Down

- 1 Jack and Jills one-horse traps (8)
- 2 Sciatic character of this island in the Tyrrhenian Sea! (7)
- 3 Street address, a place where Zeno lectured (4)
- 4 Fluffy Scot this month leaves joyously (4)
- **5** It's articulated but with Street it's mumbled (7)
- **6** Out of order telephone sounds of snoring (8)
- **11** "Be quiet, aristocratic pupil. It's a synagogue" (4)
- **12** Three German soldiers captured by the huntress (4)
- 16 Local counterspy body removes boat from Asimov (4)
- **18** Old coin of gold claimant brought up (6)
- **19** Rex in front of electronic copier comes a cropper (6)
- 20 Embarked hurriedly to become a plotter? (8)
- 22 Dialysis machine-made tool can endure no end (8)
- **23** Matchless Teutonic composer (4)
- **24** First name of West German film star of "Hotel-keeper" (4)
- **26** TV engineer covers right shoots in Scotland (6)
- **31** Opponent comes from back of Bourke finally (3)
- 32 A feature of "I've got Personality" (3)

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THE AUSTRALIAN

ad you noticed that there was anything 'odd' or 'even' in clueing style in the *Sunday Times* crossword of *The Weekend Australian*? If you had it may be due to the fact that there are two compilers. **Jeff Pearce** sets the odd-numbered grids and **Barbara Hall** does the evens. There is an Aussie flavour in some of Jeff's clues. For example, in No 209, 15ac: Dishwater not thrown out here, in south-west Victoria (12) and 4dn: Australian PM starts to argue vociferously (4). Jeff also sets for the *Financial Times* (UK version) and has compiled for the *Listener* series which appear in *The Times* on Saturdays. Jeff is a Londoner but commented with commendable candour that "he would live in Australia if his wife had her say!" His in-laws live in suburban Ringwood, Victoria. In response to Col Archibald's "need" to know the name of Lady Godiva's horse (see April *Crozworld*, p10), Jeff says that the horse was named **Aethenoth**. Thanks for the info', Jeff! And speaking of our popular Queensland member **Col Archibald, Doug Butler** has offered the following: "Has anyone already worked out that THE AUSTRALIAN CROSSWORD CLUB can be anagrammatized as: NUTS! COL ARCHIBALD WORE A TRUSS!"

Results of Homophomic Namesakes Quiz II by Virgo

Scores: 40: Alan Walter 39: Del Kennedy 38: Bev Cockburn & Marian Procter 37: David Procter 36: Carole Noble & Joan Smith 33: Jim Colles 32: Paula Mercer & Bryan Symons 23: Bev Solomon. **Prizewinner:** Alan Walter. Congratulations!

Answers: 1: Carolyn/Caroline Jones 2: Peter Townsend/Pete Townshend 3: Harry/Henry Morgan 4: Stephen/Steve Martin 5: Henry Gibson/Henrik Ibsen 6: Julian Carey/Julian Clary 7: Yogi Berra/Yogi Bear 8: Shane Bourne/Shane Warne 9: Donald/Donnie Sutherland 10: Bill/Billy Murray 11: Billie Holiday/Billy's Holiday 12: Felicity Kendal/Felicity Kennett 13: John/Jack Payne 14: Martin Place/Martin Plaza 15: Mike Munro/Matt Monro 16: Alan/Adam Arkin 17: Gladys/Grace Knight 18: John/Jim Kerr 19: Kenneth More/Kieron Moore 20: Kathy Bates/Kathy Baker.

Members' Comments:

• The scope of this Quiz certainly went beyond our 3 standard reference dictionaries.

Alan Walter

• A brain teasing Quiz — quite hard in fact. I have put answers to them all but some are educated guesses. Bev Cockburn
• I had Julian Clary down as the TV host but Jeremy Child was the only actor of those initials I could find in Halliwell's and they aren't a very good match. Then I found Jeremy Clyde in Axword Wordfinder and it's a better match even though I haven't a clue what he or she does.

Jim Colles

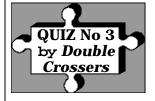
Adjudicator's Comments: You should have stuck to Julian Clary, Jim (not literally!). Unnecessary mistakes occurred by way of unchecked spellings. For example, Matt MONRO (not Munro) and Julian CLARY (not Clery). Blank spaces or wild guesses accounted for the rest. Some claimed to have guessed and were proved correct. I have not heard of the following: Joe Kerr (UK singer), Martin Price (Australian singer) and as pairs John King (US actor) and Jon King (US singer). I know that singers are the most difficult to research but if you have references for any of these please contact me for extra points. Some of the answers concerned persons in the media recently: Martin Plaza threw a drink over Pauline Hanson, Steve Martin hosted the recent Academy Awards, Shane Warne bowled in Test matches in India, Billy Murray featured in two recent episodes of *The Bill*, Donald Sutherland appeared both in a recent movie and a TV movie and *Billy's Holiday* was shown on TV recently. Thank you to Bev Cockburn and Joan Smith for their nice cards. You must be psychic Joan or how did you know thou my new pussycat's a tabby?

—Audrey Austin (Virgo)

Results of Quiz 'Legs Eleven and All That!' by Neir B'odet

Scores: 11: Joan Smith & Alan Walter 10.5: David Procter 10: Del Kennedy, Carole Noble and Bobby Roberts 9: Claire Dove 8: Bev Cockburn and Paula Mercer. **Prizewinner:** Joan Smith. Congratulations!

Answers: 1: The very last moment 2: The end of WWI/Armistice Day 3: 11 ladies dancing 4: Thou shalt not get caught 5: An examination taken by 11yo British students to decide the type of secondary education they should take 6: Morning tea or snack at 11am 7: A chord mainly used in Jazz 8:Your Attorney 9: Simon the Canaanite; or the Zealot 10: Lambda 11: 11th November. **Adjudicator's Comments:** As nearly all answers could be found in dictionaries and the New Testament, and as some were general knowledge, the Quiz was no more difficult than others. The answer to Q 8 could be found in the *Concise Oxford Dictionary of Quotations* under the word 'eleven'. — **Ted O'Brien**



A to Z of FOOD by *Double Crossers*

Each letter of the alphabet starts the name of a dish or food associated with the country indicated by the international code to its left. In a couple of cases, the dish may be associated with more than one country, but only one is indicated.

Entries to: Steve Workman, 21 Centenary Road, Merrylands NSW 2160. Closing mail date: Friday 25 May 2001.



Name:

(US)	$A_{}$ (5,3)	(IND)	$N_{}$ (4,6)
(FR)	B (13)	(IT)	$O_{}$ (4,5)
(FR)	$C_{}$ (5,7)	(SP)	P (6)
(GR)	D (8)	(FR)	$Q_{}(6)$
(MX)	$E_{}$ (9)	(FR)	R (11)
(LEB)	F (7)	(JP)	S (7)
(US)	$G_{}$ (5)	(MX)	T (8)
(TUR)	H (5)	(AUS)	$U_{}$ (6,4,4)
(IR)	$I_{}$ (5,4)	(FR)	$V_{} = (3,2,4)$
(US)	J (9)	(AUT)	$W_{}$ (6,9)
(TUR)	K (5)	(AUS)	$X_{}$ (4,7)
(MAL)	L (5)	(UK)	Y_{-} (9,7)
(GR)	M_{-} (8)	(IT)	$Z_{}$ (10)



APRIL 1-2001 - CONNECTIONS FOR EXAMPLE by Kev Layton

Clue 28ac [Line PLUM jam] might be better worded as 'Jam cake', since there's a 'B' in plumb-line.

Alan Walter

These connection pairings usually appear as word teasers, but Kev has made them into interesting crossword clues, and produced a puzzle that required plenty of work.

 Really had me thinking for a while — Kev's very good at this sort of thing.
 Roy Wilson

Col Archibald

Took me a while to find any 'connections' til I pounced on KANGAROO [11ac]. After that, plain sailing.
Have we filled this troublesome slot at last? I found this puzzle a refreshing alternative even if a trifle Layton the scene. • At 28ac if PLUM is the answer then an alternative to line should have been offered such as sugar or duff or pudding.

Tom Phelan David Procter

This was fun, but I found it tough going. I've put PLUM in 28ac, shouldn't it be a 'plumb line'? [RW: yep]
Good fun. Not sure about 18ac, RUNNERS? Drug runners, OK, but strawberry runners?
Klever Konnections by Kev; always compiles with wit & wisdom & very enjoyable.

Brian Tickle Michael Veress

Catherine Foster

APRIL 2-2001 - CRYPTIC by Test by Enigma (Betty Siegman) • Especially liked 9ac [REMEMBERS] & 24dn [DODO].

Joan Smith

• The Enigma variations were certainly a test. Among a lot of canny clues I thought 10ac [ASIDE], 11ac [BALLET-MASTER], 22ac [ENTOMOLOGIST] & 5dn [POSTMARK] particularly mentionable, as is 'the old girl' for EVE at 8dn [EVEN].

• It was good to see Betty Siegman try her hand at setting and a very commendable first effort it was. Jim Colles Roy Wilson

· Always takes a while to 'dock' with a new compiler's perception of things. This was no different, but well clued and fair. Col Archibald • The grid was not exemplary (1dn, 15dn have only 4/10 checked) but the puzzle was fun.

Tom Phelan Brian Tickle

Nice one, Betty. I enjoyed 17dn [DEVOTEES].
I liked 22ac [ENTOMOLOGIST].

Ted O'Brien

Audrey Austin

Some clever clues. No problem! I loved 20dn [BOWELS].
A great cryptic — 22ac [ENTOMOLOGIST] was tricky — loved 26ac [EYESTRAIN] & 20dn [BOWELS].

Catherine Foster

APRIL 3-2001 - CRYPTIC by Noel Jessop

• 4dn [TEENAGER] rationale took a while to deduce: Thailand [T] even [E'EN] get old [AGE] king [R] = a youngster.
• Spot-on clues from Noel, as usual, though I couldn't find the answer for 24dn [RAITA] in Chambers or Collins, so I have to assume the word exists from secondary indicators. [RW: in both '93 Chambers and '95 (electric) Collins]

Jim Colles

**Jim

* Took me ages to justify my answer to 17dn [DAFFODIL], only then did I realise what a great clue it was.
 * You've still got it, Noel. [RW: Noel, whatever it is, please give it back to Brian.]
 * I found myself having to guess at answers and work back to clues, several of which were abstruse: e.g. In 20ac, how does BALMORAL answer the clue? [RW: see Ticks Flicked]

Irene Watts

 Unsure of 24dn [RAITA] & 26dn [SCRAN], otherwise a challenge.
 20ac [BALMORAL] fitted in but I couldn't understand the clue — can you help? [RW: see Ticks Flicked]. Clue 8dn [APRIL FOOL] was a beauty. Catherine Foster

APRIL 4-2001 - ALPHABETICAL JIGSAW by *Timid Terrier* (Joan Smith)

• M clue [MAFFLING] certainly needed '!!': Simpleton = Mother [MA] forfends ['forf' ends = FF] Heather [LING].

• These clues were about as tough as they get and we'll be in strife if the Timid Terrier ever goes feral. The clue for Y [YAFFLE] is rather baffling for this maffling. I thought 'ff' meant 'very loud' not 'very quiet'? [RW: ff = fortissimo = superlative of forte (loud).] And I can't find my U [URTI] answer in the books. [RW: Macquarie has Upper Respiratory Tract Infection: a cold (def. 26)]. The S [SHMOOSE] clue was a special. Jim Colles

• It's time Joan stopped the charade masquerading as the 'Timid Terrier' and used the 'Ravenous Rottweiler' Col suggested years ago! It was a terrific puzzle. I hope [CYCLOSERINE] clue should have read 'Country sides unite...' instead of '...units...' [RW: yep] Roy Wilson Only a bloody great rottie would call a halibut a 'holibut'. It had 2 places in which to fit just to make things more difficult! Col Archibald
Bit worried about the 'Y' word [YAFFLE]. Yaffle has me quietly baffled. Can't find a word YAPPLE, so I hope the clue has an error? [RW: yep]. Also can't find MUFF = simpleton and LING = heather, bu't what am I looking for and what does it have to do with mother? [RW: see Betty Siegman

• The 'B' word [BONAIRE] is just that! My effort a guess, 'but hali' I couldn't find. I guess all will be 'White meat in grass (8)'. Maurice Cowan
• Toughest AJ I've encountered for some time. Please assure me that the 'Y' clue is YAFFLE. If it's YAPPLE I'll spit the dummy. [RW: Yes, Tom Phelan keep your dummy in, Tom]

• The Y word clue should have been "...very loud" — I hope so! Can't find FALISCAN anywhere so have my fingers crossed. [RW: It's in Collins] Valerie Howard

• It seems to me that the 'C' clue [CYCLOSERINE] makes more sense with 'unite' than with 'units', and the 'Y' clue [YAFFLE] makes more sense with 'very loud' than with 'very quiet'. If I'm right about these (and 'diving' to 'divine' in 34dn in slot 5), they're all the kind of gremlins that spellchecks don't detect. Brian Tickle

• It was not that the clues were especially tricky, but lots of the words were completely unknown to me, so it was quite a job finding them. I am not at all sure of A [ANGIOSPERMS] and C [CYCLOSERINE] even now. [RW: you got 'em] Catherine Hambling
• The heading should be April 1, not April 4! No idea what the B [BONAIRE] and K [KLINKER] clues represent. Unsure of J too — JESSANT

or JELOUSE? [RW: you picked the right one]. This AJ may as well have had orthodox clues for all the use most of the cryptic ones were! Audrey Austin

ullet I couldn't get started with slot 4 — even my pharmacist friends with their tomes couldn't help me with the C [CYCLOSERINE] clue. [RW: maybe they need new tomes. It's in *Chambers* and in *Stedman's Medical Dictionary*. Also called 'D-4-amino-3-isoxazolidinone' or 'cyclic anhydride of serine amide' or 'orientomycin'. But not available in Australia

• A real stinker. So many words are obscure and I've guessed several. The Ý word [YAFFLE] is bound to cause a stir (FF for very loud, not PP for very quiet). Michael Veress

APRIL 5-2001 - MOONLIGHTING by Praxis (Roy Wilson)

• I spent a lot of time mooning about over the answer for 2dn [CHIN], even with 3 of the 4 letters. Only found that 'chi' is a word for 'life force' by accident in the 15th dictionary that I picked up. [RW: It's in all 3 of my dictionaries]. Which makes the answer CHIN, but none of the 15 suggest that 'question' can be a synonym for CHIN. It's too much of a giant leap for me. [RW: see Ticks Flicked. Maybe swap your 15 dictionaries for 2 or 3 good ones?] dictionaries for 2 or 3 good ones?]
• There's a typo: 34dn [EDDA] should read '... divine writings

Roy Wilson

• Took me ages to realise that the definition for 7ac [DEFEAT] was not a river but 'tank'. After staring blankly at 'defeat' for a week, suddenly 'ea' leapt off the page at me. Col Archibald PRAXIŠ MAKEŠ PERFECT. Betty Siegman

• If I have 7ac [DEFEAT] and 2dn [CHIN] correct, I would love an explanation of the clues. [RW: see Ticks Flicked]. Catherine Hambling Can't solve 7ac. [RW: see Ticks Flicked]. Axword gives DEFIAL as doubtful, though. [RW: and rightly so]. Audrey Austin • Another hard one. 6dn [HUSSIF] I've guessed to be HASTIF. I've found a reference to this, but not as 'Bohemian'. [RW: Close, but no

cigar. HUSSIF is in Chambers Michael Veress • How satisfying when the penny dropped. But as usual I found all the rest of the puzzle really difficult and couldn't access the Macquarie

Atlas so finally had to admit defeat. Betty Cumming

• What a great puzzle! The range of clues was phenomenal, from the simple 37ac [NANDI] to the ingenious 25dn [NOSTRIL] to the somewhat macabre 26ac [DESIRES], but I was forced to enter DEFEAT to 7ac as that is what it did to me. Long may *Praxis* continue! John Dawson

• 7ac [DEFEAT] I had to guess at; [DEFEAT was...] the only word I could find to fit but it doesn't make sense to me. [RW: see Ticks Flicked] Catherine Foster

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Post entries for puzzles 1 to 5 to Ken Davis, 14 Bingley Cres, Fraser ACT 2615.



Results of the Puzzles and Quiz in The Crozworld Compendium, vol 1 are:

• A Festive Tree of Composers (No 1): 18 entries, 14 correct. 2dn was REE. Winner: Del Kennedy.

• Ford Contract (No 17): 43 entries, 28 correct. A very common error was 24ac LADDIE instead of LALDIE (which is an anagram of allied) and 51ac where many went astray — this is quite a straightforward clue I think. I was a bit disappointed that no one saw the message across the middle of the crossword 'look at the slants' ('slants' being defined in Chambers as diagonals) and thence discovering and highlighting the message. However, this was not a prerequisite to solving the puzzle but it would have helped many who had "laddie" and Roy Wilson who commented about the number of unchecked letters. I would like to thank the large number of entrants who took the trouble to write with constructive criticisms and for the very kind and encouraging words — I was, to say the least, overwhelmed. However, a couple of solvers complained about the use of indirect anagrams and I agree that this is not an ideal way to clue and I will not use this method in future. Shirl O'Brien said "Doreen, were I to send you flowers they'd be Stinking Rogers" — aw, Shirl don't be like that! The winner of the President's Prize was **Ron O'Rourke**. -Doreen Jones (Red One)

• S2000PID Sport Squiz (Quiz 3): A record high 100% success rate from a record low entry of two. Remarkably, the coin flipped to decide the winner landed on its edge, so **Carole Noble** and **David Procter** split the prize. Carole had no trouble with the questions, only with the answers. David wants another one to coincide with the next Sydney Olympics. Answers: Edwin Flack, Colin Mathieson, Elisabeth Hayes, Tamworth Treloars, Sphairee, Bruce Parry, Tom Quilty, Bill Frazer, Pluto Kangaroo, Rolly Tasker, Kevin Bacon, Mick Bartley, Tex Tyrell, Eric Cumming, Malua, Dot Morrell, Thomas Austin, Tom Morris, Fred Lane, Lois Meeuwissen and James Stewart. Refs: Ampol Book of Sporting Records/Collins Milestones in Australian History. –Jim C.

MARCH 6-2001 — POETRY IN MOTION by Brother Naga (Bob Hagan)

[Note: Brother Naga is holidaying in WA. Results and prizewinner have been held over. Ed.]

- It's remarkable how famous Keats is for a bloke who only lived to be 26. I confess to being considerably ignorant of the classic poets, being more of a doggerel and jabberwocky man myself. A couple of my favourite poems are 'When Monkeys Rode the Greyhounds Round the Track at Harold Park' and 'Billy Carpenter and Smith's Elastic Brace'. Humorous stuff, but not very Keats. Enjoyed unravelling this lot very much, and it wasn't too easy. At first reading I assumed the answers were to go into the grid in the order presented, and it took some time to twig to the facts. Your clues were superb, and having to find the synonyms made it a real mind-bender. Top puzzle, Bob. Hope there's more in the future. Jim Colles Alan Walter
- What a challenging puzzle. Quite a moving theme, cleverly woven.

The absence of any cross-referencing made this quite difficult — but in the end, quite satisfying. Mal Cockburn

- · Really loved this, Bob! Learnt it at school as a 14yr old. Didn't really appreciate it then but, like many of our era went on to love poetry and feel sorry for young kids who miss out today. Shirl O'Brien
- Seems to me that Brother Naga is about to unleash another of his "Hexapentagonal Hounds" upon us. I mean why else would he supply us with the piece of poetry in question? Except to lull us into a false sense of security! Col Archibald
- · Here is my solution to your excellent No 6 for this month. Hopefully correct tho' I am not sure of GLANCED for the beginning of No. 13. To my mind it fits, but that's my mind. Ann Jermy
- Thank you for another innovative, challenging, poetically based puzzle. Thought your clues were very good. Look David Procter forward to seeing more of your puzzles.
- Thank you for a very enjoyable puzzle. It was not particularly easy to solve, but there was a sense of satisfaction towards the end when a clue I had stared at in mystification for some time, finally made sense to me. A bit of verse remembered from years ago sprung to mind while solving this puzzle. Possible title — CHINESE DOGGEREL?

Were the RSPCA Present on that fateful day When stout Cortez and all his men Trod on a Peke in Darien?

Peter Dearie

- This was a ripper of a puzzle! Thoroughly enjoyed it. I looked at clue 10 and thought it couldn't possibly be a clue for two words — makes a difference when you're not including a definition! It's a beautiful verse. I couldn't help but be struck by the profound effect the reading of 'Chapman's Homer" had upon Keats. I was also interested to see the analogies he used - the discovery of a new planet (Uranus, in fact, was discovered only 34 years earlier and Herschel was still living) and the discovery of the 'New World'. Interesting too, he nominates the exploits of the Spaniard 'Cortez' rather than those of Englishmen and by inference, the scant regard in which Australia was held at the time! Doesn't 'Darien' sound marvellously exotic, almost mystical; does 'Panama' carry such power?
- · A delightful distraction! I found it refreshingly novel and hope I've solved it to your satisfaction. Chapman's Homer took me back to 1944 in the ATC and a lecturer we referred to as "Nat Gould" (CP Gould actually). Nostalgia reigned supreme for a few hours may I tell you. Tom Phelan

Adjudicator's Comments: My puzzle was very well received as is evident from the many members who took the trouble to pen complimentary remarks. There were some interesting variations for the synonyms but I could only justify two: 1. diverse' for several but not 'repeats' (no anagram indicator). 2. 'Retrenched' for 'determined' as 'retrenched' referred to 'deep' not ''rul'd' which is the word I chose. My test was to write the clue and a word from that line e.g., 'Sauterne' was a choice for the 2nd clue in line 1. 'Pale sort of French wine is gold' - I could not see that this was an allowable synonym for ʻgold'. —Brother Naga (Bob Hagan)

MEMBER NEWS

A warm welcome to **John Dawson** from Berwick, Victoria. We hope you enjoy the wonders of *Crozworld*ing!

Amendments to March Adjudication:

Slot 2: PIT = stone of fruit (*Chambers*) — heart of fruit and PIT along with 'disfigure' are synonyms for 'distortion'. Ticks awarded to S Atkinson, D Coates, C Hambling, D Margerison, H O'Hara, M Potts, D Procter, E Seale and K Watt.

Slot 3: MEW = 'gull' & 'to confine as in a cage' (both in *Chambers*). Ticks awarded to C Archibald, V Howard, A McKerral, D Mortensen, H Murray-White and L Waites. —Veniece Lobsey

March 6-2001. Ann Jermy gained a tick for March 6-2001.

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