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Man invented language to satisfy his deep need to complain.  
Lily Tomlin, quoted in Steven Pinker, 1994, *The Language Instinct*, Ch 2.

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The Club's website — [www.crosswordclub.org](http://www.crosswordclub.org) — has been a real success since its launch. The site has attracted more than 70,000 visitors and last week had nearly 2000 visits and 11,348 hits. Despite this, we have decided to upgrade the site so that it looks more professional and has more features for members. For example, we will have credit card facilities in order to make new subscriptions and renewals so much easier. And we will feature a Message Board whereby members can have their say about some of the past puzzles and quizzes. It's an exciting development and will occur soon. Stay tuned!

We are still celebrating our 15th Birthday! Why not attend Audrey Austin's Anniversary BBQ on Sunday 15 May? See p9 for details. We hope that many members can attend and enjoy the festivities.

We are delighted to welcome another new compiler to our ranks this month. Long-time member — the cheerful William Ryan — has decided to compile a cryptic crossword for us. William (whose cruciverbonym is *Raoul*) is featured in Slot 3 with his Début puzzle. We are sure this offering will delight all solvers. See William's fascinating Profile on page 5.

It's another bumper issue this month. In addition to the puzzle from the new compiler *Raoul*, we have another excellent range of challenges for you. *Virgo* is back with another of her delightful Thematics plus masterful puzzles by Noel Jessop, *Timid Terrier* and *Praxis*. *Stroz* has slipped in a puzzle (which could be called *Corporal Punishment*) and Doug Butler has an outstanding themed AJ in Slot 7. Plus another interesting Quiz from *Waratah*, a Clue writing competition and two more chess game puzzles.

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

Members comments explain the many answers and pitfalls for solvers this month.

**Slot 1:** 15dn 'bailey' caused the most trouble with this one when 10 put BARLEY which relates to 'pearl' but there is no Barley Bridge as far as I know; there was also one MANLEY and one OSPREY. Two members put SPRUSE for 'spruce' and there was a BRAG for 'drag' — slips of the pen I assume and one had CLOCK for 'block'. 5dn caught 4 solvers when they put KERR which fits half of the clue only.

**Slot 2:** Oh dear, oh dear. The second most popular Clue of the Month, 22dn 'monica' tripped up many with various names being entered — LOLITA was popular as well as GODIVA. Two solvers were careless when entering 6dn SQUAB and one solver put ROYAL GALA for 29ac which is not a bad answer really but had to be marked incorrect.

**Slot 3:** A lot of members did not attempt this one and those that did found that the wheels fell off when the answer to 1dn turned out to be CLOG. 18 people put CLOT which unfortunately was not allowed. 4 members misspelled 'Gothenburg' and 15ac ELSE caused many more casualties — 11 had EAST which fits the 'point' in the clue but not the cryptic indications. 14dn was another which eliminated 16 solvers when they put BASKETBALL — again not complying with the whole clue.

**Slot 4:** Things got a bit easier with this one although there were several who put LOCATE for 'locale' — again members not reconciling the whole clue. 'Naphthalene' was misspelled on some occasions and 'ormeli' caused some grief with a few solvers putting ORWEGI.

**Slot 5:** Most members loved this one and most got it right with only a few silly mistakes in transcription. Two members had SPLASHED for 'splashed' which does not fit the letters of the anagram.

**Clue of the Month:** Congratulations to our new setter *Zinzan* for coming first in this competition. Members voted 21dn in Slot 3 KIDNEY as the most popular clue. Second prize went to Slot 2, 22dn MONICA and third prize with a lot of votes also went to Slot 3, 17dn BAS-RELIEF.

Thank you to everyone for their best wishes and appreciation of the work done by the adjudicators. Kind regards to all.  
—Doreen

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	101	104	93	106	104	508
Correct entries	77	76	36	94	98	381
Success rate (%)	76.2	73.0	38.7	88.7	94.2	75.0
Prizewinners	<b>K Harper</b>	J Kitto G Leeds	I McKenzie C Noble	V Reeves M Roddick	<b>A Shield</b>	from 110 members

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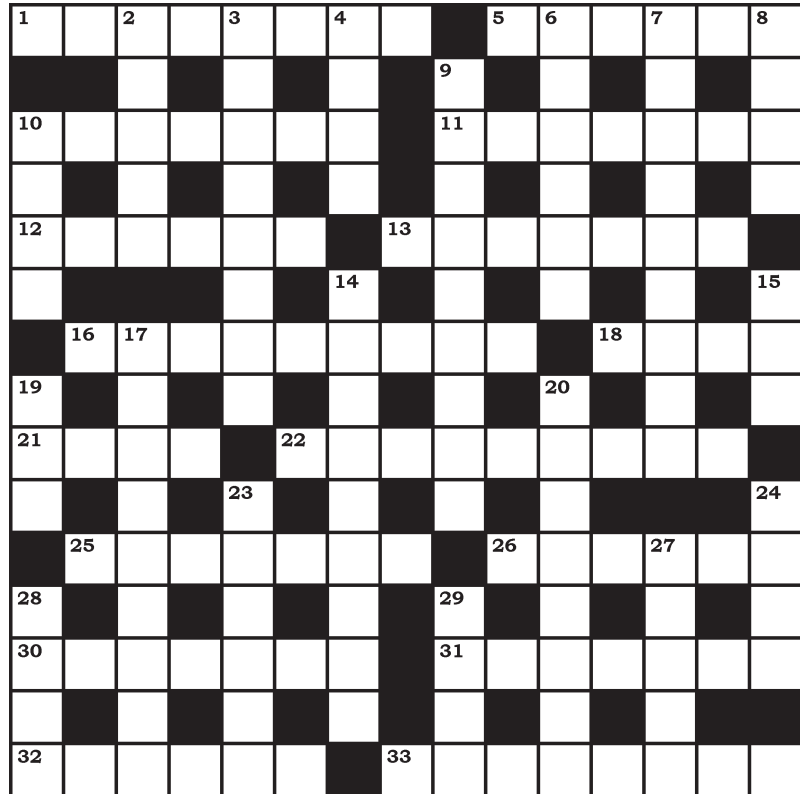


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**Thematic  
by  
Virgo**



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Down words have a common theme.

**Across**

- 1 Messily (8)
- 5 Boundary (6)
- 10 Pernicious (7)
- 11 Cadences (7)
- 12 Extend (6)
- 13 Departments (7)
- 16 Restrainer (9)
- 18 Silent acting (4)
- 21 Melodies (4)
- 22 Emerging (9)
- 25 Swine enclosure (3,4)
- 26 Developing agent (6)
- 30 Decoration (7)
- 31 Summoning (7)
- 32 Window frames (6)
- 33 Mickey \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ 2002 Hugh Grant movie (4,4)

**Down**

- 2 Big yellow (5)
- 3 Day (8)
- 4 Water (4)
- 6 House (6)
- 7 Wine (9)
- 8 Bowl (4)
- 9 HMS (9)
- 10 Darling (4)
- 14 Scarlet (9)
- 15 Hawaiian (3)
- 17 Black (9)
- 19 Queen (3)
- 20 Hill (8)
- 23 Wax (6)
- 24 National (4)
- 27 Chain (5)
- 28 Murdoch (4)
- 29 Tower (4)

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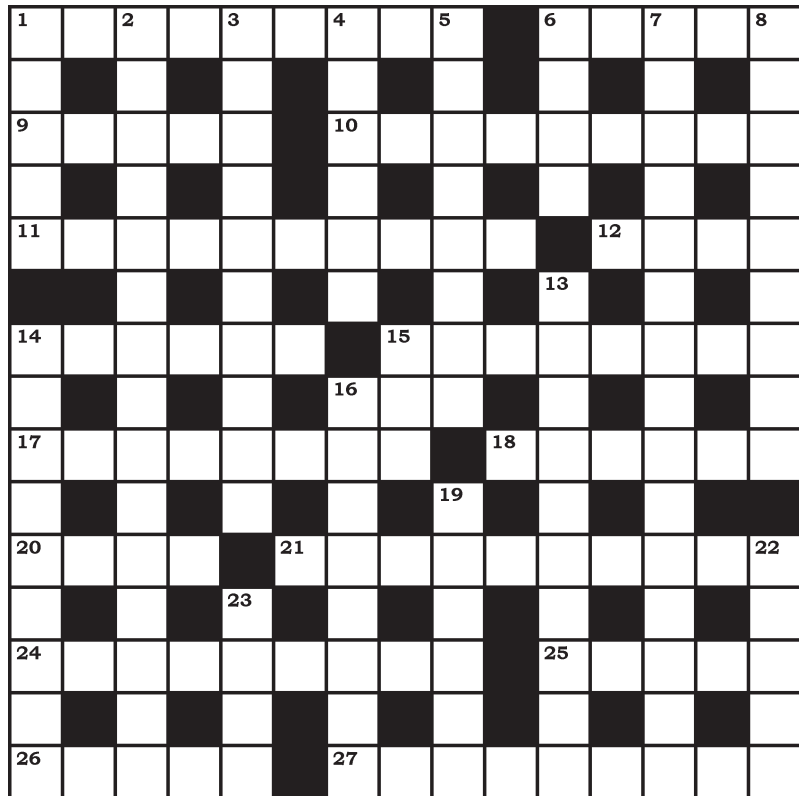
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## Cryptic by Noel Jessop



### Across

- 1 Mistaken initial in his careless clue bungle is insignificant (9)
- 6 Some indication of Asian origin (5)
- 9 General run of number alternative (5)
- 10 Relieves the writer to touch in pairs (9)
- 11 Singer shows ardour but no composure? (10)
- 12 State a greeting in circles (4)
- 14 Left pleas unconsidered where flowers are featured (6)
- 15 Enlarges new officers (8)
- 16 Blockhead taken back a step (3)
- 17 Wideness of Virginia Street on headland (8)
- 18 Sea-duck established in San Francisco terrain (6)
- 20 Emblem put back ship's member (4)
- 21 Initiate and put on gold for bleeder (5-5)
- 24 Out of Latin time in relation to an impromptu (9)
- 25 Italian to pull with one inside and one outside (5)
- 26 Coats off for the opera (5)
- 27 Discolours with age on each body of water (6,3)

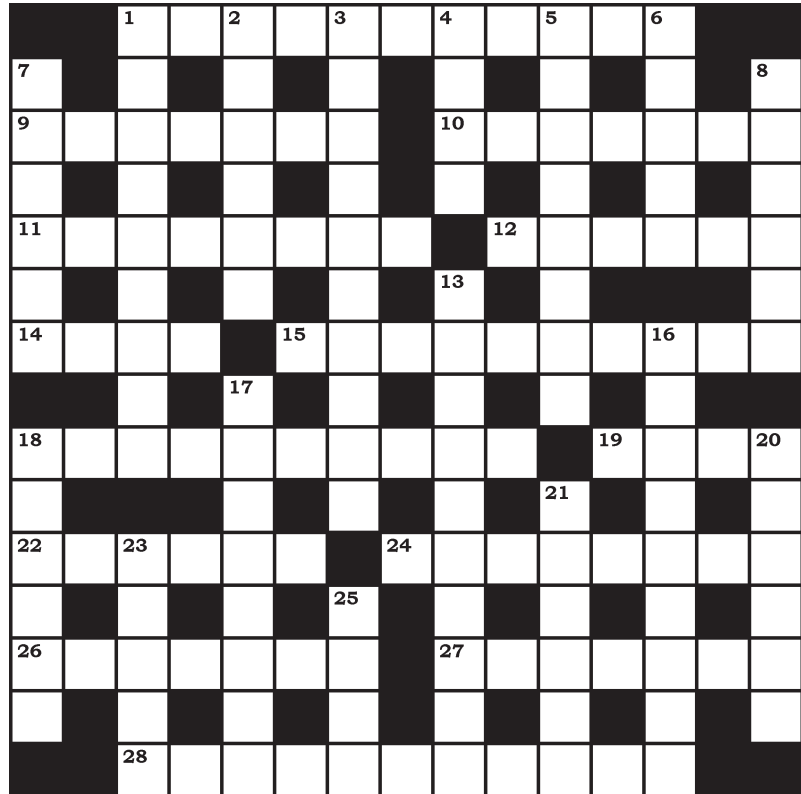
### Down

- 1 Saying about the Maori choral work (8)
- 2 Crazy sergeant has troops in position on island (3,6,6)
- 3 CIB brings learner undone in writing (10)
- 4 Rumples nude worried about mother (6)
- 5 Pushes out former trustee with dues to be settled (8)
- 6 Play character gives the writer a turn (4)
- 7 Wife has a way with autonomous record companies in old Indonesia (5,4,6)
- 8 Corps soon arranged to help promotion (9)
- 13 Police clad in tatters is a minor sin (10)
- 14 Unrecorded fiction, first of the most animated (9)
- 15 Wind state up after midnight (3)
- 16 Half-modern plays revised in hymnwriting (8)
- 19 Springless festive season? (6)
- 22 Artist is a Russian lady (5)
- 23 Book read in dead heart about the middle of summer (4)

### GENERAL COMMENTS:

- Thanks to the Club for my prize in the Feb 6 Slot. It was even dearer to me in that it was a puzzle set by a soul mate, Bob Hagan, a dear friend and college buddy of my dear late husband John. I am going to buy a special gook and put my beautiful certificate in the front of it. Fancy being in a Club that pays you for having a great time! *Del Kennedy*
- So many good puzzles this month. *Betty Siegman*
- Good to see two new compilers, *InGrid* and *Zinzan* submitting puzzles. It's great to have some new blood joining the ranks of setters. Do hope that they will include some Aussie theme puzzles. 'Godwottery'. "A garden is a lovesome thing, God wot, Rose plot, Fringed pool, Ferned grot". In 1876 when TE Brown wrote 'My Garden', "God wot" simply meant "God knows" and at that time the language was NOT affected nor excessively elaborate! Perhaps this jocular word is not a 'godsend', simply a God-Whately!! *Alan Walter*
- It was good to see several new compilers try their hand at the game with creditable results. All in all, along with *Barney Naga's* and *Virgo's*, a very enjoyable month all round. *Roy Wilson*

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<p><b>Début</b> by <b>Raoul</b></p>

**Across**

- 1 Disciple's cool learning (11)
- 9 Win a motza, but still has to do dishes (5,2)
- 10 Reward from Davy Jones's locker? (7)
- 11 Deus! Then up, up! (8)
- 12 She'll be right, Granny! (6)
- 14 Sees out semester, very mixed up and bust (4)
- 15 Too much Hammer Horror, Vincent? (10)
- 18 Need to use this on autumn leaves? (6,4)
- 19 29/2 this year (4)
- 22 Airport? No, Monsieur! Racecourse! (6)
- 24 Row the rough peril sea (8)
- 26 'Romantic bore' in the German language (7)
- 27 Mince pie put on the Bar for 14, for example (4)
- 28 Sage measure? Cheered! (11)

**Down**

- 1 Protected this type of childhood (9)
- 2 AO Jack is one (6)
- 3 X (3,7)
- 4 Showerhead flower (4)
- 5 Eggbeater base? (8)
- 6 Cataract Harbor? (5)
- 7 Acute? Grave, too (6)
- 8 Ended with de-departed (6)
- 13 Galley atop roof, sheets etc (5-5)
- 16 Ma Cheri! Shed no tears! In essence, you are prized (9)
- 17 Vote this way in 3D (8)
- 18 Fix me a hair of the dog! (6)
- 20 3.1%! Rip off! (6)
- 21 Country people (6)
- 23 Causing this is part of the act (5)
- 25 Nobble horse, for example (4)

**Compiler profile: William Ryan (Raoul)**

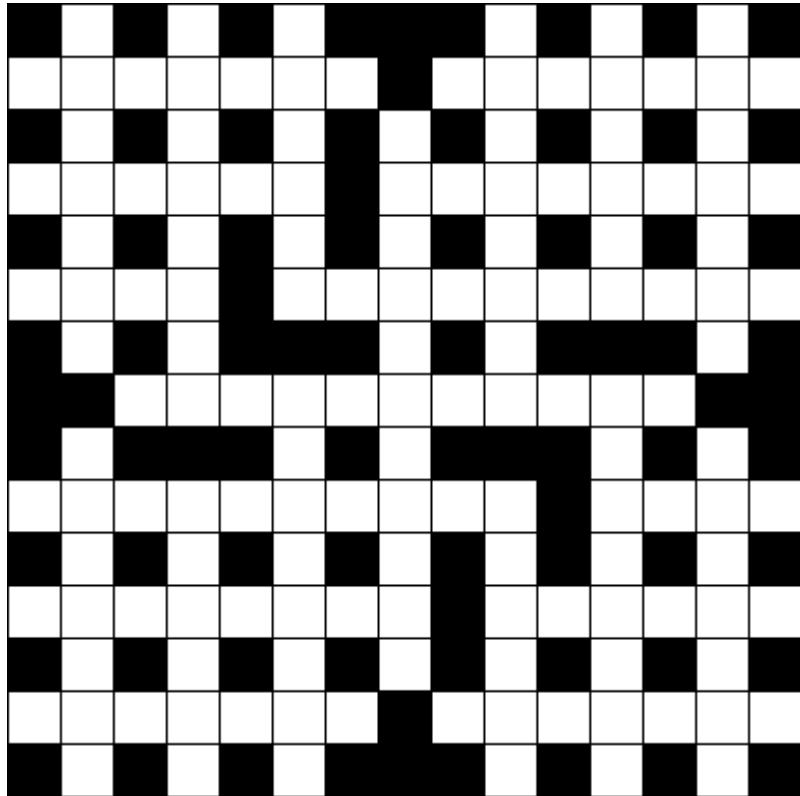
"OK, whilst not actually being told to "Put up, or shut up", I did think I had better put my money where my mouth is. Educated at Waverley, and the universities of NSW (mathematics), Sydney (literature) and Michigan (hotels), I have always enjoyed crosswords from my earliest memories. I lived overseas for several years, and joined the ACC, soon after my return, in '92 - can't remember how? - and have had nothing but fun times with the ol' girl since. Today, I live in Chippendale, and have a business called 'The Hospitality Doctors' - we run, sell and advise pubs, clubs and restaurants - as well as looking after our Hunter-based, family wine company. I am a wine judge, and also speak to and write for various hospitality and wine bodies. I have two sons, Harry (8) and Rafe (6) who love all puzzles and board games - Harry can't wait for Patrick's Chess Game Problems - and are very proud that their Dad was a Monopoly® state finalist in 1996. Raoul was a worldly, French wild boar, who fell in love with a beautiful domesticated pig, named Martine, in a fabulous children's book called *The Truffle Hunters*. My favourite word is *callipygous*. You can deride me direct at [raoul@ryanwines.com.au](mailto:raoul@ryanwines.com.au)."

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**AJ**  
by  
**Timid**  
**Terrier**



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



- A** A woman in the field (6)
- B** Solicitor after fox's tail in prickly plant (4,6)
- C** Weeps about her fruit (8)
- D** Transport troops with model behaviour (10)
- E** Some well-balanced revenue (4)
- F** Voluntary, unattached (dimin) man (4-4)
- G** Pleased with oil I modified on plants (8)
- H** Heard why Shane mistreated animals (6)
- I** Threaten mischievous child with ill-gotten lire (7)
- J** United sweetheart at home with boy (6)
- K** Girl assigned to extra large clothes (7)
- L** Tossed tortilla on the shore (8)
- M** Huge Australian plant (8)
- N** New tavern that is for Society simpletons (7)
- O** Arranges gold on canopy over altar about noon (7)
- P** Start to patch strange hole on male plant tissue (6)
- Q** Question Arabian concerning Liberal dispute (7)
- R** Authentic manuscript on royal domains (6)
- S** Unstable Mel ruined tree (8,3)
- T** Reasonable number gifted (7)
- U** Complete agreement relating to one issue (6)
- V** State man's first class return (8)
- W** Hive bees to communicate distance to new food sites flutter and whirl (6,5)
- X** King returns one US dollar bill for a silver coin (7)
- Y** Spenser to proceed in heavenly Eden (4)
- Z** A spot on her new stringed instrument (7)



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<b>Cryptic</b> by <b>Praxis</b>
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Recommend Chambers, Macquarie and Shorter Oxford Dictionaries.

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**Across**

- 1 Aim to bring back sheep after grass returns (6)
- 6 Menial worker in Japan turned to new deity ... (4)
- 11 ... sweet girl embraced Eastern belief (4)
- 12 Concluding by hitting a ball round the course (8)
- 14 Needler loves getting into a scrap (8)
- 15 Sedate site damaged around fused spine (12)
- 16 Plant seen around Siena (5)
- 19 Send off for a course in wine (3-3)
- 20 Group of four starts to trim extemporised jazz (6)
- 21 Vast territory's gripped by loud disturbance (6)
- 23 Aussie cricketers love a paper with principles (6)
- 26 I'll interrupt to take a picture (5)
- 27 Back heavyweight; equal to the best (6-2-4)
- 29 Landowner destroying dual track's caught out (8)
- 30 Lager will give more of a glow? (8)
- 31 Show's opening with an old character; a very old character! (4)
- 32 The woman is shortly to remove top from remains (4)
- 33 Trent re-emerged carrying food (6)

**Down**

- 2 Enriching sounds at daybreak (8)
- 3 Decorates sappers' coats (8)
- 4 6dn wins! Lad detailed part of the course (12)
- 5 Adapt to include running water for brewer (3-3)
- 6 Old master set up pose in the picture? (6)
- 7 Note: Tiger's opening the French championship (5)
- 8 Organise love-in to suit Darwin (12)
- 9 Individuals in the band raised money (4)
- 10 Silver pipe contracted (6)
- 13 It's said you presided over past festivals (4)
- 17 One's determined to secure approval for agitator (8)
- 18 Alien creature lifted cover (8)
- 21 Remove contents; sun's damaged fibres (6)
- 22 Fathers (with kids) put up blue round annex (6)
- 23 Gazing vacantly, listening to the hooper (6)
- 24 Pupil left to doss down in drain (4)
- 25 Toddler bit joint? (5)
- 28 Aged brought up top ten French waters (4)

**GENERAL COMMENTS [cont'd]:**


- Thank you very much for the *Oxford Crossword Dictionary* as the March Slot 5 prize. That, and my first publication, made it a very satisfying month. *Andrew Patterson*
- Thank you to the Club for my prize for Slots 1 – 5. It was a very pleasant surprise. *Claire Batum*
- Thanks so much for the unexpected prize last month. Please note that I won't get my snail mail quickly so the cheque will not be cashed for some time. I've just had 5 beautiful days in Boston followed by four even better days in Philadelphia. So far an opera – a new production of *Faust* at The Met and one musical (a superb new musical treatment of *Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*) with John Lithgow. To come: two more operas and 6 more musicals! Then a week in Chicago – I'm gonna rouge my knees and roll my stockings down and all that jazz – followed by a few weeks R&R on an old friend's riding school in Ann Arbor, Michigan. That cheque is going to come in handy. *Ross Bryant*
- I thought the puzzles this month were excellent and it was great to see two new setters amongst the old favourites. *Bev Cockburn*

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## Capital Punishment by Stroz



**Prize**  
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The capital (or first) letter of every answer is out of place. For example, the answer 'Stroz' would be entered in the diagram as Tsroz, Trsoz, Trosz or Trozs. Three of the diagonals spell out a quotation which solvers should insert in the space below the grid. Not all answers are in Chambers.

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Quotation:.....

**Across**

- 1 "I am the Way and the Light ..." (6)
- 6 Garrison centre punched out at 3036 (4)
- 11 Labour man; he's got money backing in (8)
- 13 Maintains Nigel in London (5)
- 14 Off-key ingenious way to marry? (8)
- 15 Dour Canadians produced *The Silk Scarf Victim* (7,6)
- 17 Vocally derailed and spoke like Lord Haw-Haw? (7)
- 18 Military man listened to top man in Korea (4)
- 19 Floor show broadcasted dancing; take odds (7)
- 20 Comedian sounds like Danny (4)
- 21 Small jumper from Oregon way (not UK) (3)
- 23 Run the red - no blue (4)
- 24 For example, here's the cut (7)
- 27 Fear over 5-0 in agreement (4)
- 30 Pickle-herring roll includes French fries for starters and two eggs (7)
- 33 Paris®, for instance, on the nose (6,7)
- 34 Featherlike antipodean type loses a ring (8)
- 35 Old garnish with bacon poured back into baby Emma (5)
- 36 Carrion-flower brings man back in the church assembly (8)
- 37 Heath backstop; it hastens drying (6)
- 38 "...At last allight, & then themselues \_\_\_" (Patrick Gordon, *The Famous Historie*) (6)

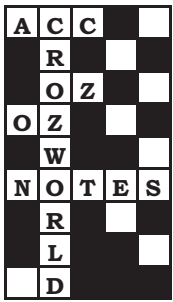
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- 1 Cattle drive (5)
- 2 Rearguard organisation dug out behind (6)
- 3 The Pythagoreans perfect number dated last month and today (5)
- 4 In abstract theory, apprentice creates slavery (7)
- 5 Mr Herbert went to ground. It sucks! (5)
- 6 Elute: Germany brings back Athole (6)
- 7 Caffeine oven cooked this drink? (6,6)
- 8 Sue with Bill gets welcome (5)
- 9 Overhead ornament, yellow instead perhaps (7)
- 10 Not a sailor on Near East sea! (8)
- 12 It shows ID for the Company Club (8,4)
- 13 Very Hawaiian dish drunk suspended from the palate (5)
- 16 Coconut found in this type of biscuit (4)
- 18 Gas explosion supposed to cause irascibility of temper within (8)
- 19 Organised the Navy (3)
- 20 Originally back in, she would have radiated (7)
- 22 Jack's boomerang has no skin disease (4)
- 23 An academic present? (7)
- 25 Like the widow's strength (5)
- 26 Hat worn by the CEO? (6)
- 28 Rumpelstiltskin's eye level? (6)
- 29 Indian lock-up serves delicious food with tea for PM (5)
- 30 An antiseptic powder; not many made-up problems (5)
- 31 Upstart in check-up howls rarely (5)
- 32 In respect of a surgeon (5)

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Solution  
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**NEW CAPTAIN OF THE AUSTRALIAN CROSSWORD TEAM**

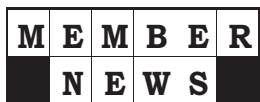
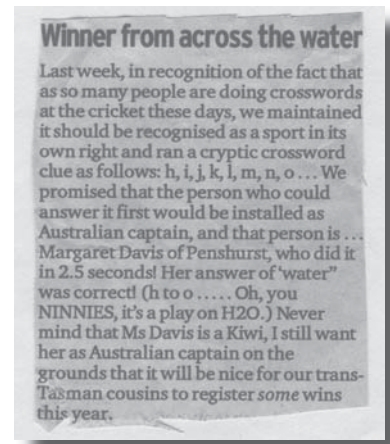
Well-known member, **MARGARET DAVIS**, was recently installed as the Australian captain of the Australian Crossword Team. This 'honour' was bestowed on Margaret by Peter Fitzsimon in the *Sydney Morning Herald* a couple of months ago. Margaret was on holiday at her daughter's place in Auckland when the SMH ran the famous crossword clue for H<sub>2</sub>O = Water. Margaret's son-in-law rang Margaret, ascertained the answer and then emailed Margaret's answer to Fitzsimon. Later the answer was included in his column *The Fitz File* with the assertion that "Ms Davis is a Kiwi ... and it would be nice for our trans-Tasman cousins to register some wins this year". As a result, Margaret was turned from a proud Scottish Australian into a New Zealander! Despite several approaches to Fitzsimon about this error, no retraction was published. Said Margaret somewhat wistfully: "I am a captain without a team and my dreams of international competition with its attendant luxury travel have come to naught!"

**15th ANNIVERSARY BBQ:** Audrey Austin is having a BBQ to celebrate the ACC's 15th Anniversary. The date is Sunday 15 May 2005 commencing at 11:00am at 24 Hempstalk Cres, Kariong NSW 2250. The cost is \$20ph; BYOG. If you would like to be in attendance contact Audrey on 'ph 02 4340 2024 before 8th May. Audrey will give you directions to Kariong. It should be a memorable day. Many thanks to Audrey and Bruce for their generosity in making this wonderful occasion available.

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

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**New Member:** A warm welcome to **Rick McDonald** from Rye, Vic. and **Desley Annells** from Katoomba, NSW. Welcome to the wonderful world of Crozworlding! Membership renewal from Mary Smith.

**A question** from Harry & Rafe Ryan: Happy Birthday ACC! By the way, did you know 15 in Base 2 is 1111?

**A note from Adjudicator Veniece Lobsey:** Entries received late for the March competition include H O'Hara, C Reardon, M Raw, K Watt, R Ducker, D Hemsley & S Trollope.

**EUROPEAN UNION DECISION [from Mike Potts]**

The European Commission has just announced an agreement whereby English will be the official language of the EU rather than German which was the other possibility. As part of the negotiations, Her Majesty's Government conceded that English spelling had some room for improvement and has accepted a 5 year phase-in plan that would be known as "Euro-English".

In the first year, "s" will replace the soft "c". Certainly, this will make the sivil servants jump with joy. The hard "c" will be dropped in favour of the "k". This should klear up konfusion and keyboards can have 1 less letter. There will be growing publik enthusiasm in the sekond year, when the troublesome "ph" will be replaced with "f". This will make words like "fotograf" 20% shorter.

In the 3rd year, publik akseptanse of the new spelling can be ekspekted to reach the stage where more komplikated changes are possible. Governments will enkorage the removal of double letters, which have always ben a deterrent to akurate speling. Also, al wil agre that the horrible mes of the silent "e"s in the language is disgraseful, and they should go away.

By the fourth year, peopl wil be reseptiv to steps such as replasing "th" with "z" and "w" with "v". During ze fifz year, ze uneserary "o" can be dropd from vords kontaining "ou" and similar changes vud of kors be aplid to ozer kombinations of leters.

After zis fifz yer, ve vil hav a reli sensibl riten styl. Zer vil be no mor trubl or difikultis and evrivun vil find it ezi to understand ech ozer. Ze drem vil finali kum tru! And zen ve vil tak over ze world!

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**WORD OF THE MONTH**

**oyez** *int.* (also **oyes**) uttered, usually three times, by a public crier or court officer to command silence and attention. [ORIGIN: Middle English via Anglo-French, Old French *oiez*, *oyez*, imperative pl. of *oir* 'hear', from Latin *audire* 'hear'.]

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We are giving away a copy of this prestigious book with the **East-West AJ** by *dB* this month. It's a Slot 7 puzzle which Doug Butler claims "must be one of the best 'themed' AJs ever". This is a big claim but we are sure that Doug is correct. Solve it to see and be in the running to win this marvellous prize. Good luck!

**April 1-2005: Connections for Example by The Beast (Kev Layton)**

- I have never heard of DEAD MARINES but there it was large as life in the *Concise Oxford*.
- I love these types of puzzles. They are so much fun to solve and to compile, I suspect.
- An enjoyable group of puzzles this month except for No 1. I've never enjoyed this type of puzzle – find them tedious and boring so haven't bothered to do it.
- I hadn't met 'dead marines' before – where I came from they were simply 'dead men'!
- I like Kev's tricky *Connections for Example*.
- The puzzles were more than usually difficult. I am baffled by 17ac and 15dn which is unhelpful as they cross.
- These puzzles are always fun, if somewhat difficult until there are a couple of solutions to assist.
- Loved your BLOCK/LOCK and MYSTERY/HISTORY rhymes.
- Some intriguing and way out connections here, eg 18dn. Enjoyed the challenge immensely.
- It was so tempting to put KERR at 5dn but decided against it.
- These are always surprisingly difficult.
- Verging on the "much too hard". Very satisfying to finally get out although I worry about 15dn.
- A really challenging puzzle. 22ac caused the greatest trouble. I knew it ended in CK. Was it BRICK house and house BRICK? Was it STOCK house and house STOCK? After solving 15dn I knew BRICK and STOCK were inappropriate. So was the answer house CLOCK and CLOCK house or BLOCK house and house BLOCK? I opted for BLOCK as BLOCKHOUSE is in *Chambers* and neither CLOCK entry was listed.
- A straightforward though time-consuming puzzle. I am not fond of this variety and don't enjoy them very much.
- I must confess I found the No. 1 puzzle the hardest this month.

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**April 2-2005: Cryptic by Barney Naga (Bob Hagan and Jeremy Barnes)**

- Some good puns – MONICA and HEW etc.
- Some nice clues here.
- Some great clues. I liked 19ac and 28ac. Not sure about 22dn – BONITA was the only name I could come up with.
- A good cryptic with some excellent clues – not sure of 23dn.
- 3dn: I'm not sure how this one works at all (See Alan Walter's comments below). 5dn: As above, if 'is beaut for reality' is meant to be an anagram for STATUE OF LIBERTY there is an extra A and R and I don't understand the TV reference.
- This one has me stumped.
- 18dn NEWSGIRL as anchor's assistant: you run the risk of aggravating 2d's and being seen as one of the bigots who live on ships! 5dn: STATUE OF LIBERTY: almost an anagram of 'is beaut for reality TV' (but I,R,A,V left over), so I don't see how this clue works. 11ac: why is transom = crossbeam for stern – I know window above door meaning. 14ac: American big game = elk, but how does this relate to 'not many quarterback legends returned'?
- A couple of new words to add to my vocabulary.
- LOLITA? GODIVA? ROBINA? Then suddenly I got her – MONICA (Monicker and Bill Clinton's denial!) My COTM.
- Loved HAYMAKERS!
- Some very amusing clues – especially HAYMAKERS, AIRSPEED, AMAZON and ELK. Please explain STATUE OF LIBERTY.
- Some really thought-provoking clues. Thanks Barney Naga. 13ac: Was the answer PRONE or PROSE? Eventually I deduced the alternate letters in 'person lies' giving PROLE (an alternative to Proletarian!) In 3d. I learnt 'mortar' = compo. 22d. Was 'that woman' ROBINA, DOSINA, LOUISA, LOLITA, LORINA or MONICA? I eventually settled on MONICA which sounds like MONICKER = name. In 6dn does 'for first course' imply for an entrée or have I missed the proper significance of this? 5dn: If 'bayside' = Y and we also take 'is beaut for reality TV' how do we obtain the anagram of STATUE OF LIBERTY? We seem to have too many letters.
- I found the style of clues difficult to interpret, so some answers involved a good deal of guesswork eg EARLOBE seems the right answer for 28ac, yet I am not sure how the clue allows for this.

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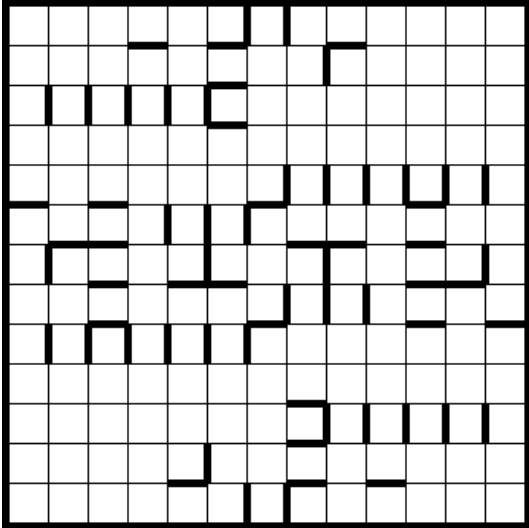
**April 3-2005: Cryptic by Zinzan (Andrew Patterson)**

- Excellent clues from a new compiler. The clues for STRIKES and HERBICIDAL were very clever.
- Welcome *Zinzan* – I liked your clues for 11ac and 26dn. Looking forward to more of your puzzles and maybe some advice for tackling DA puzzles in SMH!
- Welcome to a new compiler. Some of the clues needed tidying – or tightening! – up but a good first attempt. Keep at it!
- *Zinzan's* clues may appeal to some of our members but not to me. In equating BAS-RELIEF to 'manual work' in 17dn (not to mention tax abolition), he has created a clue with no proper definition of the answer required at all. In 12ac, assuming I am correct, an indirect anagram (CHEF=COOK) plus IS gives CHIEFS as the answer. Curiously enough no reference work in my possession defines CHIEFS as Kansas City footballers. If I submitted the clue 'Northampton Town Footballers? Nonsense!' it would be obvious to me that the answer is COBBLERS, the nickname of the team, based on Northampton's fame as a boot and shoe making town, and also slang for nonsense. However, I would not use it in a crossword for the obvious reason that it is very obscure. For 13dn HERBICIDAL, nothing in the clue relates to the meaning of the answer. DEPRESSION SYMPTOM 30ac is not a good definition of LAY-OFFS. 'Result of depression' maybe, and even then too vague. If CLOTHING is the answer to 6dn, I can't work out what a princess has to do with it. 3dn has no definition.
- I found this most demanding, with many clues quite convoluted – enjoyed the misleading 21dn and 24ac.
- Our new compiler *Zinzan* lays it on thick with his deep clues, but it's the challenge we cryptic nuts thrive on, right? I liked 8dn, 21dn and 24ac particularly. I could not read the clue for 17dn BAS-RELIEF but it fitted the definition and the squares.
- What on earth is 1dn? I've gone through the word lists till my eyes revolve. The other two are 12ac and 6dn.
- My favourite for this month – I had trouble selecting the COTM from 19, 24 and 29ac but finally picked 21dn. Pity about the indirect anagram in 12ac.
- Some clues were hard to reconcile with the answer eg 1ac, but on the whole an enjoyable puzzle.
- If CLOTHING is right, where does "princess" come in?
- 3dn 'Western County'. I've put Wessex. W = west and Essex county. But I don't think that Wessex was ever a county, except maybe in the novels of Thomas Hardy. It was a 'kingdom' in Anglo-Saxon times of which Arthur the Great was the most powerful king.
- Welcome to a new compiler. However, there are some clues I don't follow. 1ac 'has no point' is this to indicate 'hg' rather than HG for Nelson? If needed at all, shouldn't it be 'has no points'. 12ac: Secondary anagram here. Cook = chef + IS (for islands?) anagramised. 28ac: Don't know this word (it is in Axword) but clue is well structured to point to an obscure work. 30ac: Good clue. 4dn: Why is 'firstly bought' = got? 5dn: No indication that 'son' must be re-arranged. 6dn: Why is 'princess, possibly' = CLOTHING? 21dn: Clever and confusing clue.
- Some really good clues, a few not so good. I've given 19ac my clue of the month. We look forward to more from you.
- A fine debut. Thanks, Andrew.
- Enjoyed this puzzle. I think 1ac could have been improved by starting the clue "Hear, see, Nelson..." to indicate the letter C.
- There are so many clever clues in No. 3 it's hard to decide which is the best – I especially liked the GST clue. Not sure if 14dn and 24ac are correct. (All OK)
- Plenty to think about – the mark of a good puzzle. Congratulations Andrew!
- I thoroughly enjoyed this puzzle – many clues were very clever, but I am not sure about 6dn. Cannot see the connection.
- Welcome *Zinzan*. A mixture of dubious clues or is 12ac faulty? And some excellent ones eg JASON, BAS-RELIEF. Also STRIKES and KIDNEY are cleverly deceptive.
- Great debut, *Zinzan!* Better than DA (David Astle?) any day. 21dn very clever.
- 1ac: 'See' = C should be indicated as a homophone, Nelson = HG 'in state' = IN+WA. 'discussion' = definition of CHINWAG, 'has no point' seems an inappropriate anagram which should occur after 'in state'. 12ac: It seems that anagram of CHEF + IS = 'Cook Islands all confused' = CHIEFS. 15ac: Very clever ELS+E. 19ac: BACKSTROKE. Lovely clue. 24ac: In tenpin bowling 'lots of 10 down' = strikes. 17dn: BUSINESS ACTIVITY STATEMENT. For many companies, the abolition of GST creates BAS-Relief. 21dn: K+IDN+EY a clever answer. 29ac: 'Bob' is a clever anagram operating on 'Dylan is' to give LINDSAY, an Australian artist. A difficult puzzle. Thanks *Zinzan*.
- An interesting and difficult cryptic. Clues were rather uneven in quality some very clever (eg 11ac & 27ac) but others not quite adequate. The relationships between clues 1dn and 6dn seems to indicate that 1dn could be either CLOT or CLOG. CLOT seems better as LOT is a building site or block. LOGS are sometimes used as building material for LOG-CABINS etc. I think both should be allowed.

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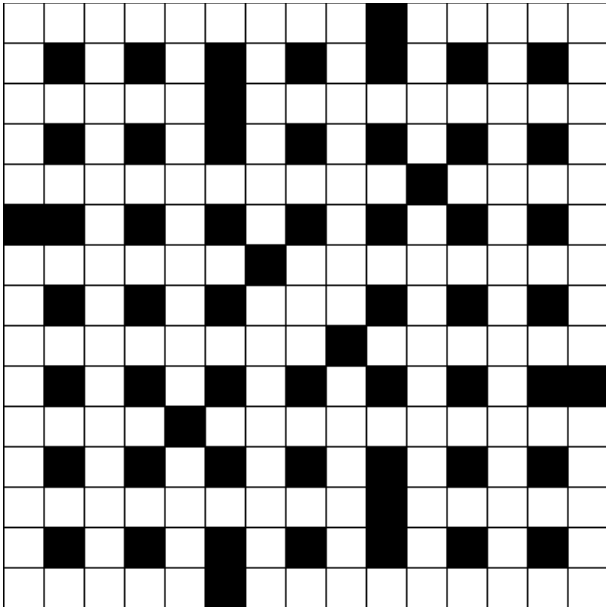
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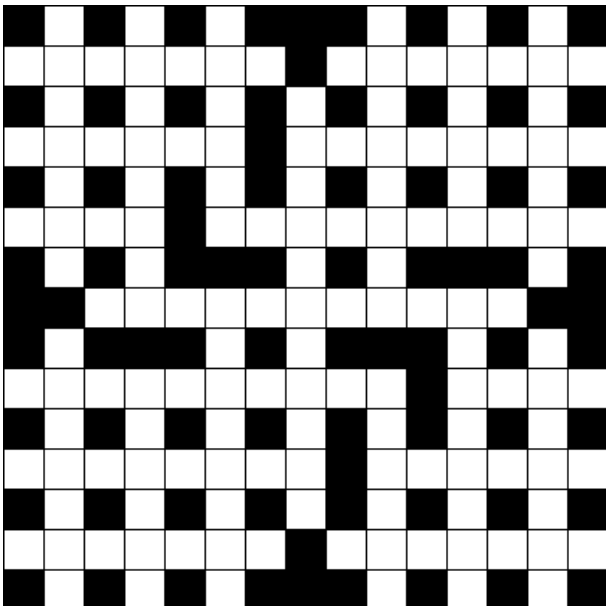
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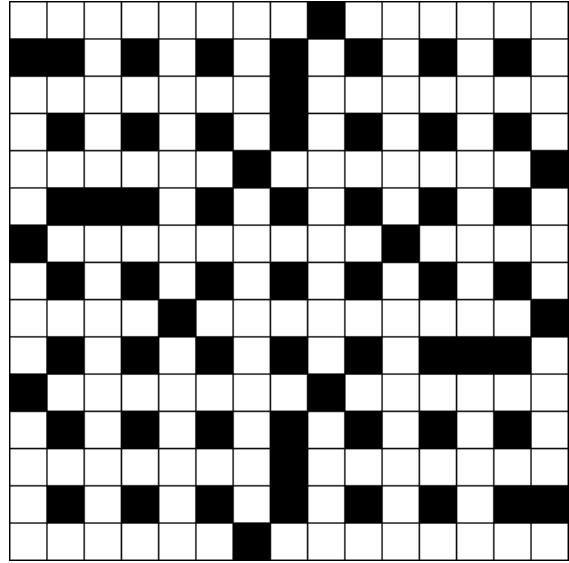
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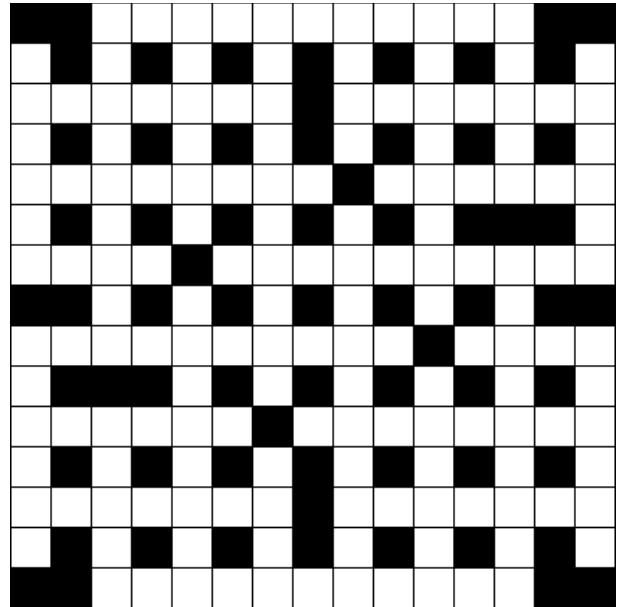
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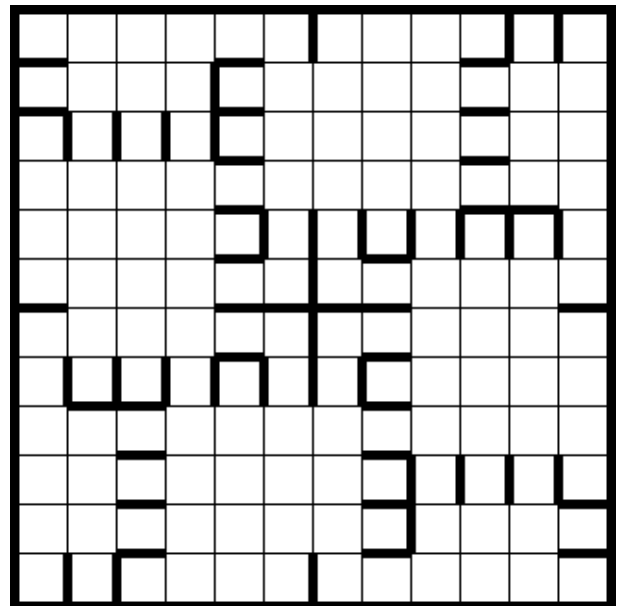
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Clue of the Month .....



**March 6-2005 - Mittake after Mistale by Cactus (Jim Colles).**

**Entries: 31. Correct: 8. Success rate: 26%. Prizewinners: Audrey Austin and Ron O'Rourke. Congratulations!**

**Solvers' Comments:**

- My lad, you are one sick puppy. Check your nose; you are obviously off your medication again. PLEASE take the tablets. (The vet says they've tried everything, and it's hopeless, Del) *Del Kennedy*
- What on earth are you trying to do to this poor old brain of mine?! My first thought, of course, was to check the words of Pheidippides, "Greetings, we win". Alas, not enough letters, obviously it must be the original Greek "Pro labsu inter salutandum" – still not enough letters. What could it be??? 'Ready, set, go' – Nah! I don't think I would ever have got it if Patrick had not used a similar code some years back, and even then it took me a while to realise that we had to do the corrections in the heading! (Never look for anything learned in my concoctions, Roy) *Roy Wilson*
- Phew! I feel as if I had run a marathon! What a devious mind you have. One small quibble at 14dn: does 'hears' really mean 'listening'? (Cactus is listening and hears you, Margaret) *Margaret Davis*
- The moment I saw your puzzle I could tell it would be a stinker...I slogged away for hours, days, a week... and after completing I now think you won't get many entries even from seasoned solvers...so let us please have a kinder Jim next time lest you also be sent to Outer Mongolia. (It's already my second home, Audrey) *Audrey Austin*
- What a devilish puzzle! What a feeling when solved. I do appreciate the work involved for the compiler, as it must be much more difficult to compile than solve. (I heartily agree, Catherine) *Catherine Foster*
- I finally deduced that the S & K letters came from MITTAKE & MISTALE which then correctly started the totally alternate sequence. This without a doubt is the trickiest subterfuge I have ever seen used. (Thanks, Alan) *Alan Walter*
- I found it so difficult it has taken days to complete, and finding the message is another puzzle in itself. *Ron O'Rourke*
- Dear Spike, EWRHAAUTOAYS LNIEVAEKDY (Wehmo?) *Cearlb Oolne*

**Cactus Chatter:** I thought it was a fairly easy code to unravel, but there were 12 solvers who got the puzzle right then missed out on a dot with the wrong message. The preamble stated "all misprints in this puzzle", so to get the right message it was necessary to start with the first misprint in the title, read every second misprinted letter forward, then reverse reading back to the second misprint in the title. The Marathon Message then is "SO YOU'VE RUN THIS FAR NOW TURN AND RUN BACK". Of the mittakes made in the puzzle, the main culprits were 26ac ANIMATION and 6dn TURNS. I apologise for the clue to 20dn; it was the real turkey. My thanks to each of those persevering, never give up solvers who gave it a go, and I'm sorry that more dots could not be given. —Jim Colles (Cactus)

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

- Protest! Re March slot 1, the 'BIG' answers and 29dn bash up or bust up. Our office party is always called 'the big bash' and as to the 'big bust' I've never even bought a Dolly Parton record! Both answers must surely be acceptable. Only kidding, keep up the good work! *Merv Collins*
- Many thanks for the cheque for the March 2005 Slot 3 – a delightful surprise. *Alison Shield*
- Further to the 4U words in the March *Crozworl*d (p14), it's worth noting that MUU-MUU is unhyphenated in American (MUUMUU). Closer to home, the Bungle Bungles are in Western Australia's Purnululu National Park. *Michael Vnuk*
- Thank you so much for my prize of the *Macquarie Thesaurus*. I was really delighted, as I had found the puzzle particularly difficult. The arrival of *Crozworl*d each month is a highlight; I drop whatever I am doing and sit down to read the results and comments. I'm passing some of my back copies to other enthusiasts, but one really has to have spare time, as most of the puzzles have some clues which are so difficult to solve. I'll do better now with my new *Macquarie*. *Gabrielle Leeds*
- Many thanks for the prize and certificates. April's *Crozworl*d is a joy – especially *Airs and Graces*. It was good to see a couple of new setters. *Shirl O'Brien*

**March 7-2005: Cryptic by Cha-Cha (Catherine Hambling)**

**Entries: 79. Correct: 70. Success rate: 88.6%. Prizewinner: Michael Kennedy. Congratulations! [Results col 7 p2]**


**Adjudicator's Comments:** Only a couple of clues gave any trouble. 26ac: NUDGE – two had NUDIE and one had NUDAE; 6dn: CAMPED OUT – two had MAPPED OUT (see Bill Bennett's comment) and one entry sent as a list with no grid just had CAMPED. There were spelling errors: STUCCATO & EXORBATANT and OSTRACIZE did not fit the anagram in 9ac. Thank you to everyone for their kind comments – I think you were all too polite to send any adverse criticism! I am publishing a selection of comments below. See solution on p13. —Cha-Cha (Catherine Hambling)

**Members' Comments:**

- The most solver-friendly crossword in the entire magazine. Let's see more of your stuff in the future. *Audrey Austin*
- Enjoyed the clues especially 17dn. *Jean Barbour*
- Really enjoyed this puzzle, especially EGG-BEATER. *Bill Bennett*
- I loved "snapping bones" and the anagram "computing a" = CAMPED OUT. *Doug Butler*
- Lovely clues, I picked 1dn as clue of the month. *Geoff Campbell*
- My favourite clues among the many were 19ac & 17dn (the NO2 factor was very cannily confusing). I was going to query the "snapping bones" connection but have just realised what it means and it's a beauty. *Jim Colles*
- Thanks for a good, straightforward, fair puzzle. *Margaret Davis*
- I enjoyed this puzzle – no obscure surnames, obsolete words etc., but still a challenge. *Peter Dearie*
- Thanks for a do-able crossword after the brainstorming we underwent this month. *Barb Ibbott*
- After trying to battle my way through No 6, it was such a relief to find your No 7. I lost the battle. *Aileen Skillicorn*
- A straightforward puzzle after Jim Colles' slot 6. *Bev Solomon*
- Thanks for this delightful puzzle – quite a respite after Jim's!!! *Roy Wilson*
- What a delightful crossword: such a pleasant relief from that awful No6!!! *Ann Jermy* (I thought No 6 was brilliant. CH) *Michael Kennedy*
- Enjoyed the puzzle immensely. 13ac – very clever, 3dn the most difficult. *Iain MacDougall*
- I liked 1dn especially, although, as I recall, it was difficult to be alone, let alone lonely in a youth hostel. *Carole Noble*
- More please, lovely puzzle. *Shirl O'Brien*
- Not difficult, but good sound clues. My favourites: 25, 26ac, 8, 17, 21dn. *Ron O'Rourke*
- I thought you had some prize winning clues. My pick: 12, 25ac, 3, 15dn. *Mike Potts*
- This puzzle was fun. As an old Chemistry teacher, I especially liked 17dn – very clever. *Max Roddick*
- 7dn MONOXIDE – Oh, oh, now I see it! *John Standard*
- A very pleasant cryptic – all answers are everyday words. 17dn caused a bit of a hold up, NO2 being a dioxide, until I found the NO2 buried in the anagram. *Brian Symons*
- My favourite clues were EGG-BEATER, XRAYING and YOUTH HOSTELLING. *Alan Walter*
- Thoroughly enjoyable & set at the right level. Particularly liked 15dn & 17dn (a clever anagram of MIXED + NOO). We need more cryptics like this one. *Irene Watts*
- A lovely 'fresh' sort of puzzle with plenty of clever clues.

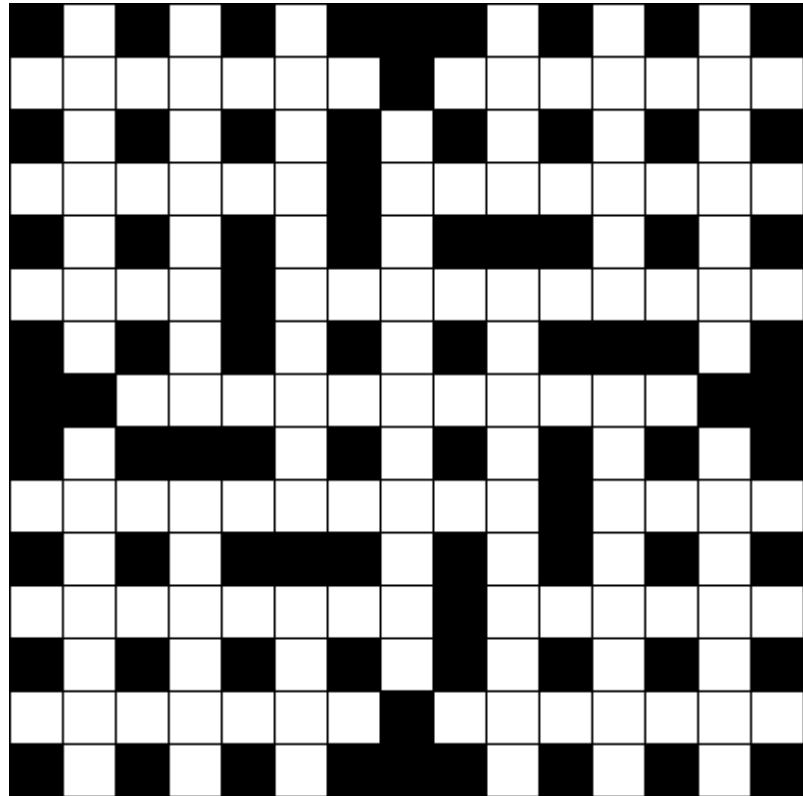
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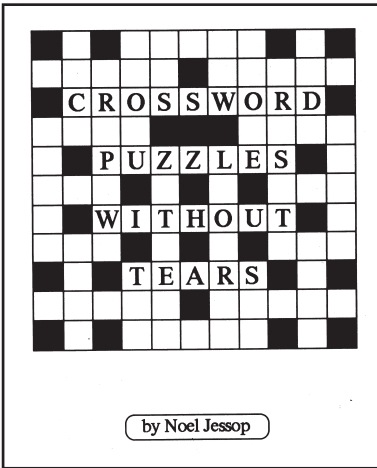
- A** Under fire, its almost a swearword in US (3-4)
- B** Up-country flora (4)
- C** Refit yacht, another Alderman perhaps (10)
- D** Turned to iron dust etc (11)
- E** Subject to fag in conclusion (8)
- F** Ventilated award in US, admit variations to board game (5,5)
- G** He occasionally takes charge of Jumbo (6)
- H** He can be tough about showing pain (6)
- I** Terrorists said to form a line here (4)
- J** Jakes in the US or her client (4)
- K** Saddles up George B, with this puzzle and a thousand more! (8)
- L** Ride with truckies – hear Annie dance! (5-3)
- M** It's a Service matter (4)
- N** One of seven without a way back to the old town (7)
- O** Frequenter of right water treatment plant (7)
- P** Teacher exercised, ending in heavy breathing (6)
- Q** Fruit, in essence a coin lost the rest (10)
- R** Note stage tax! (7)
- S** Outrageously, Old Nick sups on LSD (11)
- T** Imitate the action of the Tiger Moth? (4-3)
- U** Release international composer (6)
- V** Made lively turn in a hostile way (10)
- W** Extrusion – die right inside tiny part the French follow (7)
- X** An amphibian called Claude (7)
- Y** Does he use safe work practices? (7)
- Z** Final facial feature in short environmental coin (8)

**Solution to March 2005 Slot 7**

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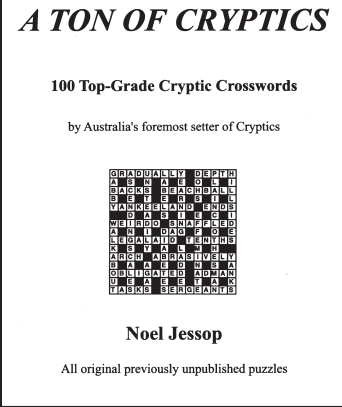


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These are the rules which the adjudicator will use to determine the winner each month:

- 1 Clue complies with Ximenean principles – see December 2004 issue of *Crozworld*
- 2 Clue makes sense as a sentence – a good clue should “tell a story”
- 3 Clue misleads the solver, but still meets 1 and 2. “You need not mean what you say, but you must say what you mean”
- 4 Clue is “clever”; 5 Clue is short.

This month's word for the clue writing competition is **COMRADE (7)**. Note: only one clue per person. Good Luck! Send your clue and the explanation to the adjudicator Steve Trollope at 28 Pannosa Court, Capalaba, Qld 4157 or by e-mail to [stevejt@dodo.com.au](mailto:stevejt@dodo.com.au) (preferred). Closing mail date: Friday 10 June 2005. Book prize.

**Results of Clue Writing Competition – No 2 [March 2005]: Aura (4). Adjudicator: Steve Trollope.**

**Prizewinning Clue:** The heads of alcoholics usually radiate a luminous glow (4) – submitted by **Bob Hagan**.

A wonderful clue, evoking thoughts of WC Fields and such well known imbibers of the amber fluid, who could outshine Rudolph on a dark winter's night. It also is a perfect clue for AURA which is indicated by the initial letters of Alcoholics Usually Radiate A and is defined as luminous glow. 14 entries were received this month and all were good examples of fairplay clues. The word was fairly difficult to clue, with indications relying heavily on Laura, gold and an old city, and a range of slightly different definitions, but it was fascinating to adjudicate on them. Thank you for all the supportive messages regarding the competition which we will continue for the time being. Hopefully those of you who have not been submitting entries are still benefitting from considering your compatriots' clues, and maybe you will be motivated to have a try this month – it will certainly give you an appreciation of how difficult it must be to write clues for a whole crossword. —Steve Trollope

### MEMBERS COMMENTS [cont'd from p10]

#### April 4-2005: AJ by InGrid (Jean Barbour)

- Another new compiler. No problems here. The clues were fair (I loved Ascetic bear for YOGI). Keep up the good work. *Audrey Austin*
- Welcome *InGrid*. I thought your clue for J was great. There are other fine clues too. *Graeme Cole*
- Welcome *InGrid*! Some very good clues. I had trouble with ORMELI until I worked out that it had to be a hidden word. *Margaret Davis*
- *InGrid's* AJ was well clued but the “O” clue if ORMELI is a Norwegian waterfall. This answer is too obscure. *Peter Dearie*
- My favourite puzzle but I did not like the ‘S’ word – the cryptic part of the clue and the definition were straightforward but I could not find the word SINUITIS in any dictionary but a little bird told me that is was a variation of the word SINUSITIS so I slotted it in. *Catherine Foster*
- B Clue: Swearing does not equal ‘blasphemous’ but blaspheming. U Clue: Not really cryptic clue – both definitions have the same meaning. I think double definition clues should reflect different meaning of the same word. X Clue: XANTHIC – how is the H clued? *Drew Meek*
- I always like AJs and this one also had some good clues. *Catherine Hambling*
- A well clued puzzle set at just the right level. Good one, *InGrid*. *Carole Noble*
- The “S” clue seems to be “sinuitis” but sinusitis is an inflammation of which I am most familiar! *Yvonne McKindlay*
- Some clever cluing in Jean's debut puzzle. I haven't been able to verify ORMELI but it's either that or ORWEGI – both run-ins. *Ted O'Brien*
- A good initial AJ from Jean. One small criticism, the H clue does not appear to have been incorporated in the clue for XANTHIC. “Coloured after kissing worker before this” would have solved the problem. *David Procter*
- Loved MIRRORS! A fine first AJ, Jean! *Max Roddick*
- Well done starting off with an AJ! Your parents must have had a premonition when they included INGRID in your name. *Betty Siegmans*
- Welcome *InGrid*. A good AJ. After 45 years of medicine I have finally learnt SINUITIS as an alternative to SINUSITIS. *Brian Symons*
- Congratulations! An enjoyable AJ. Keep going! If X+ANT+H+IC answers the X clue, what does H refer to in the clue? *Alan Walter*
- A good alphabetical from a new compiler. Congratulations! Most enjoyable. *Irene Watts*

#### April 5-2005: Crossing Swords by Virgo (Audrey Austin)

- I must say I enjoyed every minute of this month's offerings, especially *Virgo's*, which I finished on the plane. *Doug Butler*
- Crossing ‘S’-words! – the penny didn't drop till I'd copied in the good grids – a super puzzle from *Virgo*. *Geoff Campbell*
- Scintillating setting from super setter! *Margaret Davis*
- Another great puzzle from *Virgo* – she's a champ! *Catherine Foster*
- What a triumph for Audrey – all those S words! *Catherine Hambling*
- Audrey's puzzle – brilliant! *Ann Jermy*
- E: salt is a condiment (singular). What does the other part of the clue mean? *Drew Meek*
- So subtly set; surely such Stealth Solicits Singularly Successful Solving. *Ted O'Brien*
- A marvellous effort by Audrey to have every answer begin with S. *David Procter*
- Wasn't No 5 delightful and such fun to do? *Margaret Raw*
- *Virgo* provides lots of fun! SCISSION is new to me. Would a scission-session be a visit to the barber? *Max Roddick*
- I finally got Slot 5 out (well, I think I did!) but do not get the significance of “Crossing Swords” and all answers beginning with ‘S’. Can someone please enlighten me? *Nea Storey*
- A wonderfully different puzzle. Loved SEASICKNESS and SOUSE. Thanks *Virgo*, one of your best. *Brian Symons*
- A clever title *Virgo* implying Crossing S – words!...as all answers started with an S, ie plenty of ‘esses’ and definitely no hisses! This was another enjoyable variation on an AJ puzzle. Many thanks Audrey. *Alan Walter*
- Almost another alphabetical. Audrey at her super skilful summit. Splendiferous! Spiffing! *Irene Watts*



Quiz No 4/2005

ANIMAL ADJECTIVES



by Waratah

The Answers are **not** in alphabetical order.  
The first one is given to start your list.

Send your answers on this or a separate sheet to: Bev Cockburn, 12 Norman St, Merrylands NSW 2160 or by email to: bevco4@bigpond.com  
Closing mail date: Friday 10 June 2005. Prize: \$50.

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| 1 Bears (6) <u>U R S I N E</u> | 11 Goats (7) -----      |
| 2 Bulls (7) -----              | 12 Hares (8) -----      |
| 3 Cattle (6) -----             | 13 Horses (6) -----     |
| 4 Cats (6) -----               | 14 Mice (6) -----       |
| 5 Dogs (6) -----               | 15 Peacocks (8) -----   |
| 6 Ducks (7) -----              | 16 Pigs (7) -----       |
| 7 Fish (7) -----               | 17 Red Deer (8) -----   |
| 8 Foxes (7) -----              | 18 Sheep (5) -----      |
| 9 Frogs (6) -----              | 19 Song Birds (6) ----- |
| 10 Geese (8) -----             | 20 Wolves (6) -----     |

Results of Quiz No 2/2005: Rainbow Collection by Virgo

**Solutions:** 1. Black Beauty. 2. Cream Cracker. 3. Dan Brown. 4. Deep Purple. 5. Ian Lavender. 6. Joel Grey. 7. Lemon drop. 8. McHale's Navy. 9. Olive Branch. 10. Orange stick. 11. Pink Floyd. 12. Ruby Wax. 13. Simply Red. 14. The Blue Boy. 15. The Cherry Orchard. 16. The Chocolate Soldier. 17. The Green Mile. 18. The Scarlet Pimpernel. 19. White elephant. 20. Yellow River.

**Scores:** 20: Sonia Atkinson, Jean Barbour, Bill Bennett, Bev Cockburn, Jim Colles, Merv Collins, Peter Dearie, Verna Dinham, Catherine Foster, Pat Garner, Barbara Glissan, Daphne Greening, Catherine Hambling, Susan Howells, Barbara Ibbott, Ann Jermy, Michael Kennedy, Gabrielle Leeds, Claire McClelland, Joan McGrath, Carole Noble, Ron O'Rourke, Mike Potts, David Procter, Marian Procter, William Ryan, Joan Smith, Nea Storey, Brian Symons, Michael Veress, Lorna Waites, Alan Walter, Irene Watts, Jenny Wenham and Cheryl Wilcox. 19: Mary Dodd, Paula Mercer and Audrey Ryan. 18: Judy Randall and Bev Solomon. 17: Catherine Jones. There was also one anonymous entry, all correct; the postmark was unclear, but posted on 7th March. If you contact me and your handwriting matches this entry, you will be awarded full marks.

**Prizewinner: Jean Barbour. Congratulations!**

Members' comments:

- I loved this colourful quiz. Carole Noble
- Quite a delightful spectrum of colours! Alan Walter
- Most of these didn't trouble me much. No. 2 was the biggest challenge. I googled for crisp, unsweetened biscuit and came up with the March *Crozworl*d. Not much help. Jenny Wenham
- Your Rainbow quiz was most enjoyable. I am always glad when puzzles do not involve outside research as at my advanced age I can no longer go out to public libraries but have to rely on my own private resources. Irene Watts
- Many thanks for a quiz that I could do without having to get much help from my friends on the front of this card (a dog and a duck. A.) Daphne Greening
- Thank you for this bit of light relief. I surprised myself how few I had to look up. Pat Garner
- Thanks for the fun of doing this. It took the extended family to help me with the pop artists and I still don't know about the US talk show host, but here goes ... Audrey Ryan
- It was an eclectic group of questions. Had the most trouble with Ruby Wax! Mary Dodd
- I loved the Rainbow quiz. You may remember I did a colour quiz called *Colour Blind* some years ago. Barbara Ibbott
- I really enjoy these quizzes. Keep them coming! Cheryl Wilcox
- Amazing to think we have so much colour in our lives where we least expect it. Catherine Hambling
- An enjoyable and challenging quiz. Brian Symons
- I thought it was a strange coincidence that *The Green Mile* was on television last night and the other day, the headlines in the *Telegraph* concerned *The Da Vinci Code*. Joan Smith
- Thanks for a 'Sunday arvo' quiz! Never heard of a Cream cracker!? And Lavender & Grey needed a look up too. William Ryan
- The quiz is always enjoyable and a very pleasant way to finish off the work for the month. Ron O'Rourke

**Adjudicator's comment:** A surprisingly high number of entries — 40 for a quiz — must be a record. And such high scores! (Perhaps I made it too easy? Just wait till you see the next one...) Thank you all for the nice comments — not a grumble in sight! Thanks also to Pat Gartner, Daphne Greening and Irene Watts for nice cards to grace my bookshelf. —Audrey Austin (*Virgo*)

Results of Raoul's Brain Teaser Numero Due

1. INDIVISIBILITY
2. BILLOWY was the only one I was aware of; but Doug Butler dug out ADDEEMS.
3. The word ONE (has 3 letters), two (3), three...ten, so 3 is the answer.
4. A wins again. 5.26m (5 & 5/19), technically, should produce a dead-heat.
5. Wow! I knew 8 and asking for 4 usually won me a drink at the pub: Lawrence of Arabia; Midnight Cowboy; One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest; Kramer Versus Kramer; The Deer Hunter; Dances with Wolves; The Silence of the Lambs; Titanic. But, you will go broke underestimating the powers of the ACC; another 8 were unearthed! All Quiet on the Western Front; Cimarron (sheep); It Happened One Night (swan); From Here To Eternity; Gentleman's Agreement (falcon or maggot!!); Schindler's List (deer); Shakespeare In Love; Million Dollar Baby; (I really couldn't include humans, and The Last Emperor (penguin) was also a bit of a stretch!)
6. Schultz was a Toymaker; 7. Paraguay. (*Virgo* couldn't justify Norway?); 8. Bill Woodful, Vic Richardson, Bobby Simpson & Barry Jarman; 9. Letter box numbers (sorry about the maths!)
10. Henry Ford & Abraham Maslow were the two I had always attributed the quotes to, but I gave all correct, as the origins were very numerous. I had eight entries, many with comments not fit to reproduce in a family publication. I resemble those remarks. Bottle of 1999 O'Keefe Pinot Noir from Tamar River in Tassie, goes to **David Procter**. Raoul's Brain is having a rest for a while, but do contemplate the following: Given a choice, would you prefer to pay the fare on the cabbie's meter or on his digital clock?

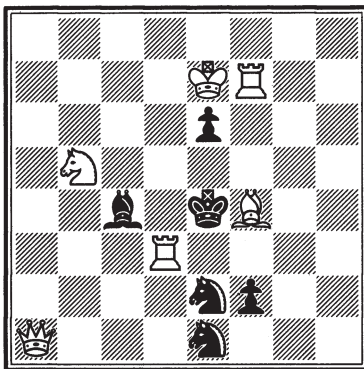
## A WONDERFUL RIDDLE...

I spring to the defence of Nelson RIDDLE. Dead only twenty years and he's being put in the same bin as Oscar STRAUS! But it was only 25 years ago he won a Grammy with Linda Ronstadt for 'What's New' (he won her too). And that forgotten singer Frank Sinatra – who arranged and conducted on 12 of his best albums? And the others that the Radioheads of today know nothing about – Ella Fitzgerald, Nat 'King' Cole, Peggy Lee, Rosemary Clooney, Johnny Mathis, Judy Garland, Glen Campbell? He made wonderful music with them all. What about the movies – *Pal Joey*, *The Pajama Game*, *The Great Gatsby* (he got an Oscar on that score). And those TV shows – *Route 66*, *The Untouchables* – they're still showing on Cable, and the music's still great.

Doug Butler

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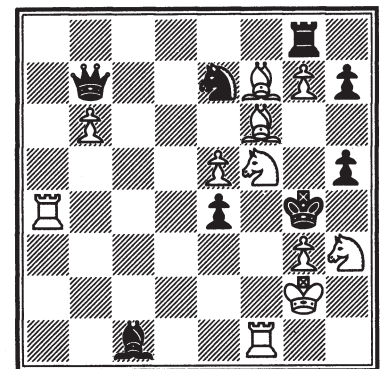


## UNCHECKED ... Chess Game Problems Nos 5 and 6/2005

White to play and mate in two moves.

Name White's first move in each problem.

Send solution(s) to:  
pstreet@bigpond.net.au



No 18: Namesnail by *Virgo*

Prizewinner: Catherine Foster

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No 19: Cross words about a jigsaw puzzle!  
by *Makeanote*. Prizewinner: Ken Davis

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## The Crozworld Compendium, vol 5 results

Quiz No 1: Invisible Men by *Cactus*

Prizewinner: Marian Procter

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| 1. Near <b>engine</b> a <b>bold man set</b> time to take off              | Reginald Ansett |
| 2. Some <b>tarts hurried</b> from <b>bar, not</b> taking to customers     | Arthur Arnott   |
| 3. Type the <b>right</b> words to <b>scare</b> your children              | Peter Carey     |
| 4. Gadfly a <b>clear menace</b> during <b>Holden Nissan</b> driver race   | Clarence Dennis |
| 5. Outback voice <b>is</b> acclaimed in the red <b>dust</b> yearly        | Slim Dusty      |
| 6. Big <b>gallery tonight</b> , so need <b>the wit</b> to improve service | Lleyton Hewitt  |
| 7. Put <b>down a land</b> of fortunate sort - <b>author neology</b>       | Donald Horne    |
| 8. Performer much <b>sought</b> by every man- <b>jack manager</b>         | Hugh Jackman    |
| 9. Weep <b>awfully</b> paying this <b>bloke, a tin</b> god, tax           | Paul Keating    |
| 10. In theatre I <b>go to deliver, moreover</b> , entertainingly          | Reg Livermore   |
| 11. Can be <b>ugly when on M.C.G.</b> rather testily beating bats         | Glenn McGrath   |
| 12. Madly shooting <b>hero, raged</b> when De <b>Mille</b> ran films      | George Miller   |
| 13. Held up often by <b>damnable bum or gangs</b> on road                 | Dan Morgan      |
| 14. From cool <b>group near to McMurdo chill</b> have news                | Rupert Murdoch  |
| 15. Glad <b>army friends</b> on camp <b>are</b> relaxed by filmmaker      | Damien Parer    |
| 16. Makes jokes <b>around piquant, ocker</b> , local humour               | Rod Quantock    |
| 17. <b>Get coffee ready</b> for <b>gurus he's</b> taking on stage         | Geoffrey Rush   |
| 18. Took <b>orbital path</b> into news, a <b>richly</b> moving experience | Ralph Sarich    |
| 19. Plugger's on <b>job when cursing let</b> only adults watch            | John Singleton  |
| 20. Staged <b>poker game</b> and <b>drew all aces</b> , she joked         | George Wallace  |