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“There can be no ‘correctness’ apart from usage.”
CC Fries, 1940, *An American English Grammar*

GRIDATORIAL



This month we celebrate the “Day that Australia stops” — the running of the Melbourne Cup! As Mark Twain wrote: “The Melbourne Cup is the Australasian National Day ... Cup Day is supreme — it has no rival”. It’s also a day, we understand, which is dedicated to the Roman God of Horseracing — Bacchus... As part of the festivities, we feature two ‘Cupwords’ this month – Winners Circle by Stroz and the good bet Barney Naga with another *Hexapentagonal* containing hot tips for the Big Race! We trust these grids will repay handsome dividends.

We are delighted to publish crosswords by two new ‘compilers’. The first is Drew Meek who has chosen the cruciverbonym *St Jude* (see page 12 for further details) and the second is *Saphmead* which an anagram of the first two letters of the names of members, Deirdre Rouch, Marge Pope, Philip Pope and Sandy Dobbin. We thank these compilers for their promising efforts and trust that you enjoy their puzzles. *Virgo* is featured with another popular AJ and we continue the exciting *Treasure Hunt Trilogy* by *Pundit*. It looks like an excellent month of puzzling. Kindly note that the closing date has been brought forward to 22 November to ensure that the December *Crozworld* is distributed in good time before Christmas.

Just a reminder about our upcoming social Get-Togethers – one at Rydges’ Hotel, North Sydney on 3 November and the Victorian one in Mount Waverley on Sunday 8 December. We hope to see you there!

Finally, renewal of subs have been coming in at a great rate! Many thanks to all those members who have taken advantage of the “Earlybird” renewal and also for the generous donations to the ACC Prize Fund. All renewals and donations will be acknowledged in the next *Crozworld*. The valuable support of our thriving Club by the members is greatly appreciated. Happy puzzling!
—Patrick

FROM THE ADJUDICATOR

The extra week for solving the October puzzles didn’t help a lot of members with some of the clues.

Slot 1: 16ac and 27dn were the 2 answers that a lot of members had difficulty in confirming. TCH is an expression of vexation according to the SOED. Other answers T_H were not accepted as they did not appear in any dictionary even though they could represent sounds of annoyance. DAQUIRI is an alternative spelling of DAIQUIRI in the 1993 and later editions of Chambers English Dictionary.

Slot 2: Without a doubt 8dn lost most ticks this month with about 50 entries showing SANS. However the Latin SINE was the required answer even though some latitude had to be allowed for the pronunciation to equate to SIGN. (See Alan Walter’s comments for Slot 1). Of concern was the answer DALMATION at 10ac costing about 20 members their ticks – an incorrect spelling and not an anagram of ALAN and ADMIT. 25dn TAP not accepted. TUP is in get Uplift. 28ac: I don’t know why PORTHOLEs are not appreciated.

Slot 3: 6dn caused problems for about 20 members who opted for PELT CIVET (I could not confirm such an animal) or POLE CIVET. There were a few entries with CILAMUS at 10ac but instead of **the** Italian IL (masc.) the feminine LA was required. Noel could just as easily have had **the** Arabian AL or **the** French LA in the clue. 19ac also gave difficulties with half a dozen SPLAT SHOT answers. At 14dn there were a couple of entries with LAS PALMOS but it needed LASS to be outside PALM A to answer the clue.

Slot 4: The ‘D’ and ‘I’ clues caused most errors in this slot. Female – DAM setter – ME start of demur – D. It is always difficult to know which way to go when a clue indicates the sound of the answer. INK LINE could not be accepted as it is not a 7 letter word. It would have been acceptable if it was (3, 4). Also INKLING not accepted.

Slot 5: A fun puzzle from Kev causing few problems. However there were 3 entries which had RAMMED instead of JAMMED and a couple of transcription errors. I apologise for not being able to attend the Sydney get-together but hope all attending have a very good time.

—David Procter

LEADING FIGURES

Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	90	103	93	109	109	504
Correct entries	58	34	59	87	103	341
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October 3-2002

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October 5-2002

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September 6-2002

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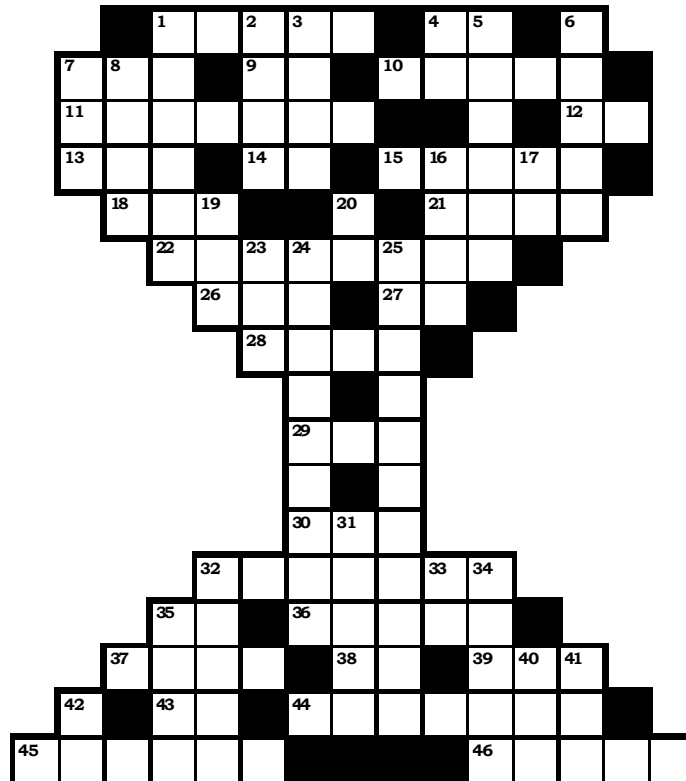
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**Winners
Circle
by
Stroz**

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The unclued answers all have something in common. They may be clued (but not in order) as: 1866, 1873, 1884, 1886, 1887, 1889, 1897, 1915, 1936, 1951, 1960, 1970, 1978, 1983, 1999.

Across

- 4 For example (*abbrev*) (1.1)
- 7 Atomic mass unit (*abbrev*) (1.1.1)
- 9 A Norse god (2)
- 12 As far as (2)
- 13 The pigeon-pea (3)
- 14 Debtor (*abbrev*) (2)
- 18 A lid or cover (3)
- 21 To consume by fire (4)
- 26 An artificial language launched in 1961 (3)
- 27 Companion of the Order of Australia (*abbrev*) (1.1)
- 28 Eager (4)
- 29 To incline the head (3)
- 30 Antique (3)
- 35 Master of the Rolls (*abbrev*) (1.1)
- 36 A drink used in Zoroastrian ritual (5)
- 38 Street (*abbrev*) (2)
- 39 Expressing surprise (3)
- 43 Not any (2)
- 46 An important person (5)

Down

- 2 To praise (4)
- 3 A great potentate (4)
- 4 Expressing hesitation (2)
- 7 To say further (3)
- 8 Ditch (4)
- 16 A nomogram (4)
- 17 Original (Ger) (2)
- 19 The Greek god of pastures, flocks and woods (3)
- 20 To accomplish (2)
- 23 A beverage made by infusion (3)
- 31 A line for controlling a dog (5)
- 33 Before noon (1.1)
- 34 Wreckage at the bottom of the sea (5)
- 35 Small (4)
- 40 An age (3)
- 41 To flow back (3)
- 42 Hello (2)

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CRYPTIC
by
St Jude

NOVEMBER 2 2002



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Across

- 1 Repair cylinder about well (6)
- 4 Double sighted Huntress hears the sound of water beginning in Arcadia (8)
- 10 Catalytic frenzy microbe has (7)
- 11 Trashy spread changes to ad lib (7)
- 12 Overview of the sounds of Chile (8)
- 13 Do without warning to leave (6)
- 15 Hear this. Australia takes in unknown oriental (4)
- 16 Two sounds made by Sally and Di dancing with Blue but without you (10)
- 19 Sly AC/DCs at the Dance Metropolitan (10)
- 21 Forbidden – thanks to small bureau (4)
- 24 Bands at arts comeback (6)
- 25 Able to take nickel and vitamins, and before lunch starts you'll eat me (8)
- 27 Sheep call riot (7)
- 28 A group of 9 do this and make a French doctor bend (7)
- 29 Fuss made when second-rate friend begins his offensive opera (8)
- 30 Priest hears crash on mountain (6)

Down

- 1 Coral life before Ita agitates (4-5)
- 2 Strange, strange brazier (7)
- 3 Negligent about girl (6)
- 5 Letter found in radio talkback revelation (4)
- 6 Throw sweet to thug (8)
- 7 In favour of action word for adage (7)
- 8 Sound local currency input and output (5)
- 9 Europeans sound like hell with one so tall initially. She gets it off! (9)
- 14 Wandering monk has Gearloose opposing fever (9)
- 17 Disturbed squealer and I score for the draw (9)
- 18 A parting message – no information you hear on a train (8)
- 20 About Sun God's honey flavour (7)
- 22 Both measure time surrounding (7)
- 23 Standing at the cliff face makes you nervous (2-4)
- 24 Clean police officer with difficulty (5)
- 26 Warrior takes her ring (4)

**One for
the Birds
by
Saphmead**

NOVEMBER 3 2002



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Connected clues have no definition.

Across

- 1 A pollie meets HM time for current (8)
- 5 Greek hero (6)
- 10 A lady astray (5)
- 11 Gallico's commuter (4, 5)
- 12 Pine for Myrtle holding back help (7)
- 13 A thousand romans, back in Greek island, burn (7)
- 14 Duck below for cover (9)
- 17 First two behind are still behind (5)
- 18 Devour greedily (5)
- 19 Collecting blackberries? (9)
- 22 Taurus meets a vampire (7)
- 24 Paunch in the French? Doesn't have the stomach for it (7)
- 26 Altar pair, racked with love, lose a type of 21 (9)
- 27 Work time - works (5)
- 28 Plays in the pub? (6)
- 29 Big French on magistrate (8)

- 2 Peeped, sounds like a deadly sin (5)
- 3 Stone ran right off beam to an electronic part (9)
- 4 Fraudulent postage brings police (7)
- 6 Two under par (5)
- 7 Couple got a farewell note and found a room in Kyoto (3-6)
- 8 A dance caught in eastern time is to choose again (2-5)
- 9 Account less a hundred restyled (6)
- 15 Build levee drop agent of progress (9)
- 16 The great one was not the last (3)
- 17 Small country initially aids the return of Steven Spielberg (9)
- 18 Are you heard by revolutionary showing his colour (4-3)
- 19 Cricketer has time with US president out east to make printed fabric (6)
- 20 Article has fish you heard student cornered (7)
- 21 Go south short Bob (7)
- 23 He's one for the birds! (5)
- 25 Within duplex emergency services absolve old Scot (5)

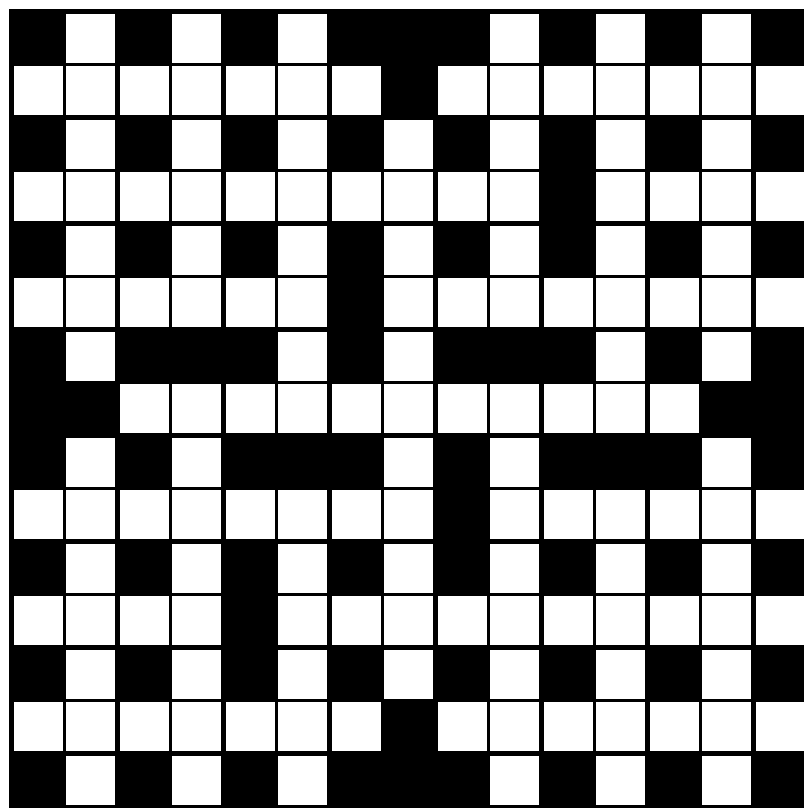
Down

- 1 Could I find one at the bottom of my garden? (1, 6)

AJ
by
Virgo

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

- A** Equip the mines – dark, damp, and hollow places (7)
- B** Bee had bumper crop (6)
- C** Money grabs fifty one customers (7)
- D** I sound ill; is fancy disenchantment? (11)
- E** Decked out in them, Bell is hedge clipping (11)
- F** Those being engaged in cafes at sea (7)
- G** Sportive flag has emu entwined (7)
- H** Shedding – and so depriving us of a popular 70s musical? (4, 4)
- I** Members intended to be impressed (8)
- J** Shaken sweetheart scrambled egg with the right hand (6)
- K** Behead kipper, edge, and free tail for breakfast dish (8)
- L** Popular soap you’re heard to say finally – but not every day (6)
- M** Stir main cocktail twice (8)
- N** Windows accessory taped on resorts (7)
- O** Sea-hawk then turns to quarry (6)
- P** Juke box hop on lively chart (10)
- Q** Game journalist covered (7)
- R** Bolted from the vet. Dire straights! (7)
- S** Intricate melody’s holding student captive very occasionally (8)
- T** Hardly tough, but is it legal? (6)
- U** Line ends in ground. Go in carefully when experiencing (10)
- V** Amati’s instrument loses a bit of string and becomes another! (4)
- W** A sad wave fitting to the Emperor’s Isle of exile turned and may be twisted (8)
- X** Naughty Rex having sex off with the old Persian king (6)
- Y** Although I may be a man of myth (4)
- Z** Czech runner the last to peak? Not quite! (7)

In Our
Cups

NOVEMBER 5 2002

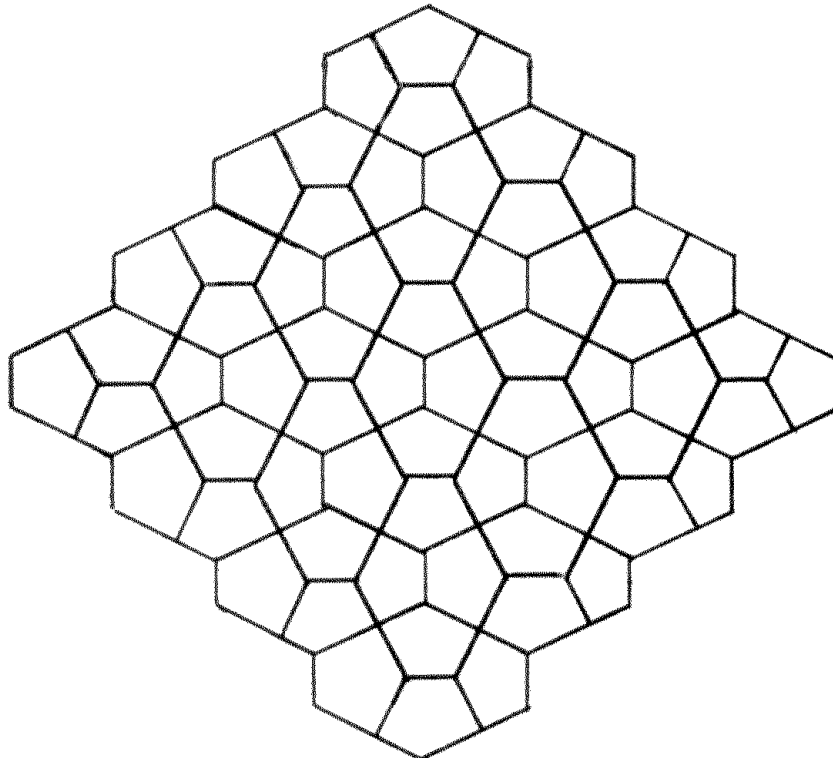


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by
**Barney
Naga**

This puzzle is another combined effort of *Brother Naga* and his upholstery mate Jeremy Barnes — hence *Barney Naga*. The hexapentagonal diagram of 64 pentagons has 16 horizontal hexagons overlapping 9 vertical hexagons. Every hexagon forms a word of FOUR letters when read in one direction or another. The 16 horizontal hexagons are clued in order starting at the top and proceeding left to right in successive rows. The 9 vertical hexagons are clued in a similar manner from top to bottom. All clues are cryptic. The 28 boundary letters reading clockwise form the names of two Cup hopefuls, the first has (8, 7), the second has (6,2,5).



Across

- 1 Be ahead of all the last ones and front and back
- 2 Excite burning passion
- 3 Anthem sung first on grand opening
- 4 Head north then turn back sou' sou' east
- 5 Agreement to perform after opening of play
- 6 Couch grass of American extraction
- 7 Game starts to promote rivalry each year
- 8 Some also make a wonder drug in the Brave New World
- 9 Winnings originally got in a flutter
- 10 Protection initially guaranteed by an insurance company
- 11 Early start at 10 a.m. for H.S.C perhaps
- 12 Less than half are always genuine
- 13 The Bill — a Prime cop hit?
- 14 Parliament is to pass final amendment
- 15 Boast about achievement of gender initiative after outstanding feminine support
- 16 Low down on the first man

Down

- 1 Cliff starts climbing to the tops of ridges and gullies
- 2 Record key remark
- 3 Am I really a snake in the grass?
- 4 A consent that sounds agreeable
- 5 Mate, I'm not one to impose
- 6 Rotate circle constant in opposite directions
- 7 Characters even in storm aim to return to trading post
- 8 Goal is to skip every second step
- 9 For what is owed I'd be a bit over the odds!

Treasure Hunt Trilogy [Part 2]

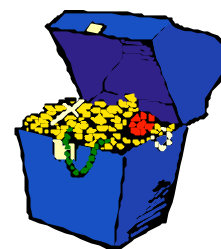


by
Pundit

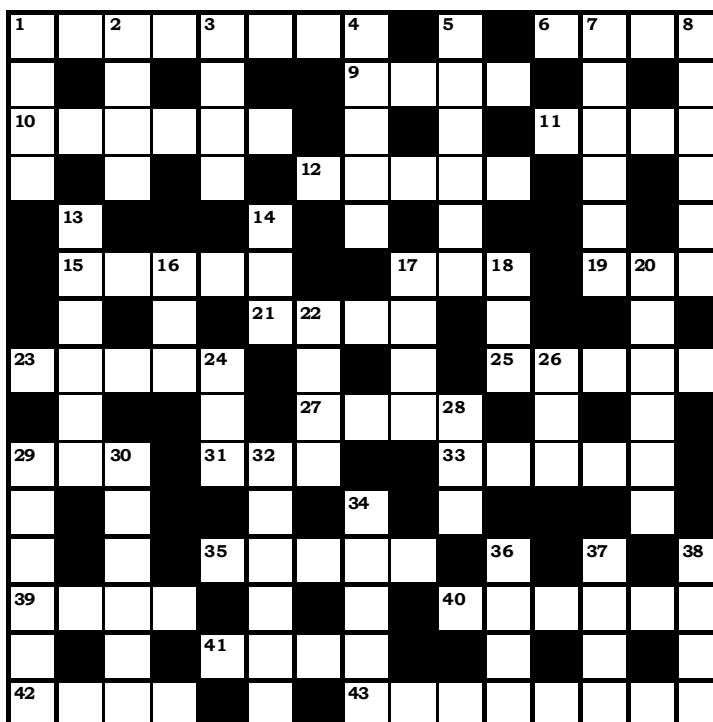
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This is Part 2 of a trilogy of crosswords that together constitutes a treasure map. Part 3 will be published in a later issue of Crozworld. When combined somehow, the three completed grids will pinpoint the actual location of 'buried treasure' (a bonus prize to the value of \$100). More about this will be explained in Part 3. In the meantime, solvers should send in their solution to Part 2 for a chance at the regular prize in the usual way.

Prize



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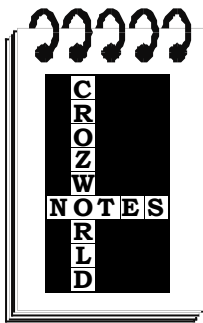
Across

- 1 A dip in the lake, perhaps? (3, 5)
- 6 Wound artificial hair around Nefertiti's head (4)
- 9 Partly open a container (4)
- 10 Insurer drops in over Friday to see one going over seas on board (6)
- 11 View obscured by cliffside apartments (4)
- 12 Bar girl's instrument (5)
- 15 & 23 Sahara's big problem is getting to be lawn! (5,5)
- 17 Goddess keeping partner's every second letter (3)
- 19 Born abnormal, possessing only one of the substances involved in genetic inheritance (1.1.1)
- 21 & 24dn Salt lake's late season: relative departs (4, 3)
- 23 See 15ac
- 25 Feel sorry about losing leader and one winged (5)
- 27 See 37dn
- 29 Simultaneously the possible fuel and waste of combustion (3)
- 31 See 16dn
- 33 Beer soaks third person to be making a way through the crowd (5)
- 35 See 28dn
- 39 & 3dn Give alliances choppers ... (4, 4)
- 40 ...one to be found on a mission (6)
- 41 Find special housing back in Indianapolis after country rest (4)
- 42 See 26dn
- 43 Strips naked for interviews? (8)

Down

- 1 & 2dn Draw lots falsely to attain ultimate authority (4, 4)
- 2 See 1dn
- 3 See 39ac
- 4 Prince seen in 9 ascending by hydrogen (5)
- 5 Buff gemstone's plane (3-3)
- 7 Indiana to work gold within (6)
- 8 Encourage girl to become a monitor (6)
- 13 Stops playing tabors (6)
- 14 & 34 Bitterness of poor relative (3, 5)
- 16 & 31ac & 38dn Male and female champs had shrines (3,3,4)
- 17 "Chopper Conrad" - zealot - locked up (4)
- 18 Second person transitive verb: "concealed" (3)
- 20 Science, having disregarded church, damaged relations (6)
- 22 Examined stain around end of sleeve turned up (4)
- 24 See 21ac
- 26 & 42ac Against wind, hide is protective gear (3, 4)
- 28 & 35ac Submit to an American? (3, 5)
- 29 After articles, mass turns to hymn (6)
- 30 Pursues game over acre of animal's usual feeding-grounds (6)
- 32 That's something unacceptable - I left having no petroleum (3-3)
- 34 See 14dn
- 36 Quiver blissfully (though virtuous) if resistance finally dropped for sweetheart (4)
- 37 & 27ac Eek! Seamy degenerate coming to ogle! (4, 4)
- 38 See 16dn

Post solution to: **Stef Savannah,**
24 Wyvern Avenue, Chatswood NSW 2067.
Closing mail date: **Friday 6 December 2002.**



More Mondegreens



From Paula Mercer:

1. My friend is a receptionist at a large Import/Export Air Freight company and had a call "Will you put me through to Eric Schwartz?" "Sorry", replied the receptionist, "there is no one of that name here." Eventually she realised that the caller wanted "Air Exports".
2. Small children burying their dead pet in the back yard intoned: "In the name of the Father and of the Son, and into the hole he goes."

From Tom Phelan:

1. The song "That old master painter from the faraway hills" was misheard as "That old mashed potatoe from the faraway hills."
2. The first line of *The Star-Spangled Banner* is "Oh, say, can you see by the dawn's early light". Tom says that one can readily hear one or two South American students singing: "Jos , can you see by the dawn's early light".

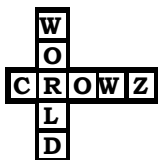
MEMBER NEWS

New Members: We extend a warm welcome to new members Andrew Cox from Mornington, Victoria and Barbara Glissan from Toormina, NSW. Apologies to Sue Joy Guy for misspelling her name in the August edition of Crozworld.

ACC ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER 2002.

Final reminder about our **Get Together 2002** to be held at Rydge's (Sydney) 54 McLaren St, North Sydney on Sunday 3 November 2002. Cost is \$38ph and time of arrival is 11:30am. It promises to be the 'social event' of the cruciverbal year! Please join us for a great day out with some of the nation's 'heroes' of the crossword grid. Lucky door prizes and a Book Auction will be some of the highlights. To secure a 'seat' at this momentous event, kindly send your cheque for \$38 per head to: Alan Walter, 7 Allunga Close, Mona Vale NSW 2103.

CROSSMAS CRUCIVERBAL 2002. The annual Christmas lunch will be held at the Heritage Room, Bruce County Motel, 445 Blackburn Road, Mt Waverley (Vic) which is conveniently situated adjacent to the South Eastern freeway on Sunday 8 December commencing at 12 noon. Cost for the 3-course lunch is \$33.00. Bookings and enquiries to Valerie Howard, 2/22 Gloucester St, Mt Waverley 3149, ph (03) 9808 4392. Cheques payable to the ACC by November 15th please. A special welcome to the many new members of the Club.



"As a new South Australian member of the Australian Crossword Club I was delighted to attend the "murder of crows" luncheon that was held on October 12th. Doug Butler had prominently positioned a pristine copy of the Chambers Dictionary to guide newcomers to the correct tables. Approximately a dozen of us met for a few hours of convivial company, pleasant food and spirited conversation. We were all very pleased that the ACC Secretary Bev Cockburn could "drop in" from Sydney. Bev was pleasantly surprised to receive a book that she intended to buy from the "book bran tub". A most enjoyable afternoon. Many thanks to Margaret Galbreath for organising the event."

— Leigh Marsland

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION:

Just a reminder that the subs for 2003 are now due and payable. If payment is made on or by 1 December 2002, the renewal subscription is only \$45. After that date the cost for a whole year is \$50. Kindly send your 'earlybird' cheque/money order (payable to the ACC) for \$45 to the Treasurer, Alan Walter, 7 Allunga Close, Mona Vale NSW 2103.

COMPENDIUM: *The Crozworld Compendium* Vol 3 is expected to be published by the ACC in December 2002. The *Compendium* will feature previously unpublished puzzles compiled by members of the ACC. There will also be prizes to be won. In addition, the solutions to all of the puzzles published in volume 2 of the *Compendium* and the names of the prizewinners will be included. If you would like to receive a copy of this exciting publication please add \$6 to your renewal subscription.

DONATIONS TO ACC: In 2002, we were thrilled to receive so many generous donations by members to the ACC Prize Fund. As a result, many members won handsome prizes in 2002. If members are once again able to make donations to the Club, it will enable us to give the greatest return to the membership. Many thanks for your kindness.

E-CROZORLD: In 2002, *Crozworld* has been sent to a significant percentage of members electronically. One of the real benefits of this method of distribution is that *Crozworld* can be received a very short time after the closing date for entries. Another is that the electronic version can be printed out either in black and white or glorious colour! Finally, there are savings to be made to the Club in reducing the amount of printing and postage costs.

Upon renewal for 2003, we are offering members a choice as to how they wish to receive *Crozworld*. That is, the fast, electronic version or the printed mailed version. If you would like to opt for the electronic version, simply tick the box on the Subscription Renewal form.

Collective Nouns continued:

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|--------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| A pall of workers | An explosion of drummers |
| A strike of workers | An ego of soloists |
| A chowder of clams | A crew of interest |
| A conversion of sinners | A brood of tea |
| A brace of orthodontists | A s'warm of summer greetings |
| A quibbling of siblings | A s'cool of winter greetings |
| A scoop of reporters | A parley of diplomats |
| A clutch of straws | A fuzz of policemen |
| A fleet of foot | A stack of chorus girls. |
| A litter of picnickers | —from <i>Another Almanac of Words</i> |
| A peel of strippers | at Play by Willard R Espy. |

OCTOBER 1-2002 – Thematic by Virgo (Audrey Austin)

- Thanks *Virgo* for all the ALCOHOLIC DRINKS that went DOWN well! The MADEIRA drink was one where the E comes before I even though it does not follow C. Hadn't heard of a LAGER LOUT till I consulted our trusty *Chambers Dictionary* and there it was! Hope CURACAO SUNSET is correct. It was the only drink I could fit in at 28dn and by that time I couldn't locate the SUNSET! *Alan Walter*
- At 30ac I tossed up between HAND and MAID for assistant but being a woman chose MAID. *Eunice Altman*
- It took me a while to realise that there may be an alternative spelling to 'DAIQUIRI'. *Roy Wilson*
- Is 'assistant' HAND or MAID? I have opted for the former as it is non-sexist but I guess a good case could be made for both answers. Very clever of Audrey to get all the down clues as drinks though the TEA is a bit weak. Pity about those 3 letter words with only the middle letter crossed. *Audrey Ryan*
- Slot 1 was the hardest although it had a theme close to my heart. *Roy Taylor*
- Re 27dn my dictionary says 'DAQUIRI' so I've put in 'DAQUIRI' – the closest I could get. *Heather Zucal*
- I take issue with *Virgo* at 5dn. "Malt" in the context of drink always refers to Scotch whisky without an "e". More coincidences this month – RUMBALLS and TEQUILA each appearing twice. *Margaret Davis*
- Can't find TCH anywhere but it seems to ring a bell. (It is in the New SOED. – *David*) *Doreen Jones*
- Anyone who might suppose that 5dn "MALT WHISKEY" is not quite correct (as Scotch is spelt without an e) has not sampled Bushmills 10 yrs old triple distilled Irish Malt Whiskey – it's a grand drop! I have never come across a DAQUIRI DUCK or a CURACAO SUNSET, but am assuming they are somewhat obscure cocktails. As for 16ac, I have put TCH, but have not been able to find it in any dictionary. *Peter Dearie*
- After all these tipples 'T' seem to be missing in 27dn. *Ted O'Brien*
- With regard to 27dn, I found insufficient space for DAQUIRI so I was moved to insert DAQUIRI. *Tom Phelan*
- What an awful grid! *Doug Butler*
- I couldn't confirm DAQUIRI DUCK or CURACAO SUNSET – but they must be somewhere. *Marian Procter*
- Puzzle No. 1 was clever and Audrey sustained the drinks theme wonderfully well – more power to her elbow. I enjoyed her party so much that it brought on one of my verses. I hope you may be able to print it in *Crozworld*. (Sorry Irene not enough space in *Crozworld* but it's on our website. – *David*) *Irene Watts*

OCTOBER 2-2002 – Cryptic by Daintree Lady (Daphne Titus-Rees)

- An enjoyable puzzle. In 16ac I put LARD+ER+S for storerooms. To LARD means to garnish, embellish or ornament confirmed in *Chambers* and *Collins* dictionaries, so I hope 'Blow up' in 16ac implies 'blow up out of proportion' or 'garnish' or 'embellish' as indicated above. In 28ac PORTHOLES are certainly 'points of view' but why would they not be appreciated by passengers? Is it because these HOLES were originally used for guns? 2dn NON-SLIP. The indicator should be (3-4) and not (7). 8dn Without = SINE (Latin) pronounced sigh nay or see nay (ref *Chambers*). Neither pronunciation is the same as that of 'sign' so the 'audience' of a 'hint' or 'sign' does not equate. (Perhaps my answer is incorrect). *Alan Walter*
- Wish I'd never heard of Sir George Thalben-Ball the organist. No help at all when I researched him. *Max Roddick*
- Good clues, economical of words. I've asterisked 9 favourites – just about a record. Thanks Daphne. *Shirl O'Brien*
- My pronunciation of SANS is obviously incorrect and can't understand LARDERS. *Doreen Jones*
- I like cryptic punning definitions such as 'girl guides' for USHERETTES and 'designed to prevent skating' for NONSLIP, but think that a question or exclamation mark would be appropriate at the end of the clue. I thought 22dn was a beauty of a clue. *Peter Dearie*
- 26ac: It took a while to realise that the spot in my eye was the biblical mote. *Ted O'Brien*
- 8dn: I plumped for SINE on the assumption that some people might pronounce it like that. I'd say see-nay myself. *Margaret Galbreath*
- 8dn was a problem – SANS did not fit the rest of the clue, SENT (homophone for SCENT), or SINE/SIGN as SINE means 'without' in Latin and SIGN is a hint. Hope I opted for the correct answer. *Bev Cockburn*
- Hope SANS for No. 8dn is correct. I know it is French for 'without'. Does LARD mean blow up? *Marian Procter*

OCTOBER 3-2002 – Cryptic by Noel Jessop

- Thanks Noel for another challenging Cryptic. In 19ac the definition of SPLIT SHOT as 'stroke' caused problems as I could not find SPLIT SHOT listed in any club reference dictionary. Eventually I located this term in 'Webster's Third New International Dictionary' as a 'stroke in the game of croquet in which a player drives in different directions his own ball and another ball placed in contact'. I have only previously used this term in describing small pieces of lead shot used in shooting game or lead sinkers used on a fishing line. *Alan Walter*
- A challenging set of puzzles this month – but fewer obscure words than usual (except for Slot 3). *Audrey Austin*
- Loved OCCIPUT, Noel. *Shirl O'Brien*
- I've never heard of ALAN LIGHT so I am showing my cultural ignorance I guess. *Doreen Jones*
- Pure guesswork for 13ac as ALAN LIGHT does not appear in any of my reference books. 10ac is also a guess as CILAMUS is not in any of my dictionaries (admittedly they are not the most recent editions.) *Peter Dearie*
- CHICKEN SOUP? Sensational!! *Ted O'Brien*
- 10ac bothered me a bit. Isn't 'the' in Italian IL not AL? A quill is definitely CALAMUS. *Margaret Galbreath*
- 13ac demonstrates the power of a good cryptic clue. ALAN LIGHT had to be the answer. *Doug Butler*

OCTOBER 4-2002 – AJ by Southern Cross (Shirl O'Brien)

- Appreciated another 5 star puzzle from Southern Cross. However there were several minor flaws. The V clue indicator should have been (6) not (7) for VENEER and 3 clues needed essential exclamation marks. (G) UGLY turnout: 'turnout' here is meant to imply take the U (turn) out of UGLY. 'Turnout' can only imply this with an exclamation! (O) 'Roads indifferently' can only imply 'ROADS+IN' differently (anagind) with an exclamation! (W) Love-heart can only imply OV with an !. *Alan Walter*
- Lucky the V clue was straightforward, or I would have been all at sixes and sevens. *Roy Taylor*
- Shirl's 'R' clue solved Audrey's 21dn for me. *Ted O'Brien*
- Found the 'O' clue for ORDAINS to be quietly brilliant. Lovely stuff! *Tom Phelan*

OCTOBER 5-2002 – Acrostic by The Beast (Kev Layton)

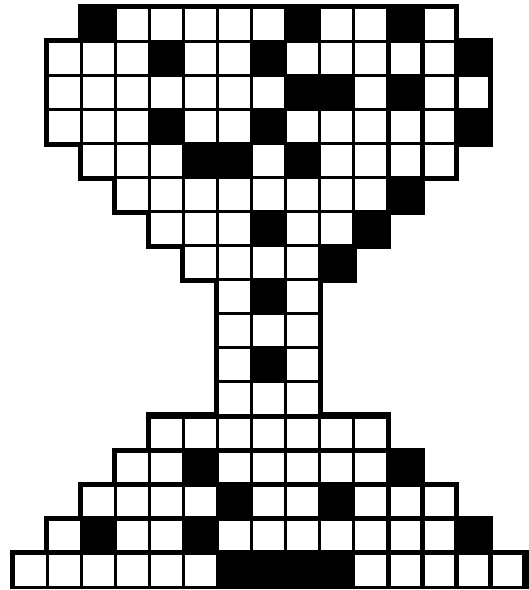
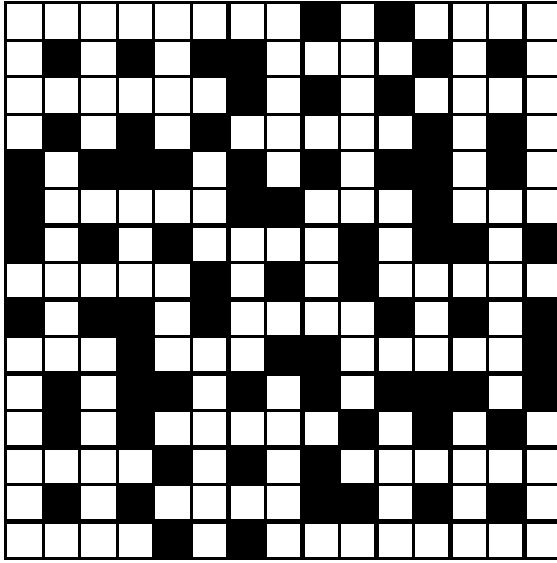
- Many thanks for another humorous gem verse from Kev Layton. This appeared to be a case of 'Up your nose with a rubber hose'. *Alan Walter*
- Double acrostics are my favourite and Kev Layton's limericks are always good for a laugh, but, if the lad really was from Nantucket who stuck his head in a bucket then Kev should know very well that the American spelling would be 'galvanized' bucket. *Audrey Austin*
- A challenging Beast of a puzzle! *Max Roddick*
- A fun one! I was so thrilled to solve one of these acrostics. Hats off (or buckets off) to the setter. *Phyl Heath*
- Isn't it great to get a laugh! Thanks Kev. "That was a cute little rhyme – give us another one do". *Shirl O'Brien*
- This little story makes the eyes water. *Doreen Jones*
- Nice one Kev! I enjoy making up limericks myself, and admire your ability to make acrostics from them. I remember reading in my mother's autograph book (years ago) – "There was an old man from Nantucket who kept all his cash in a bucket. His daughter named Nan ran away with a man, and as for the bucket, Nantucket. *Peter Dearie*
- My first 3 initials EVO got 2 forward mentions (8,9,10) and No 19 OVERTURNED in DOVER. Thanks, Kev. *Ted O'Brien*
- A pleasant romp. Kev's limericks are amusing and very clever. *Doug Butler*



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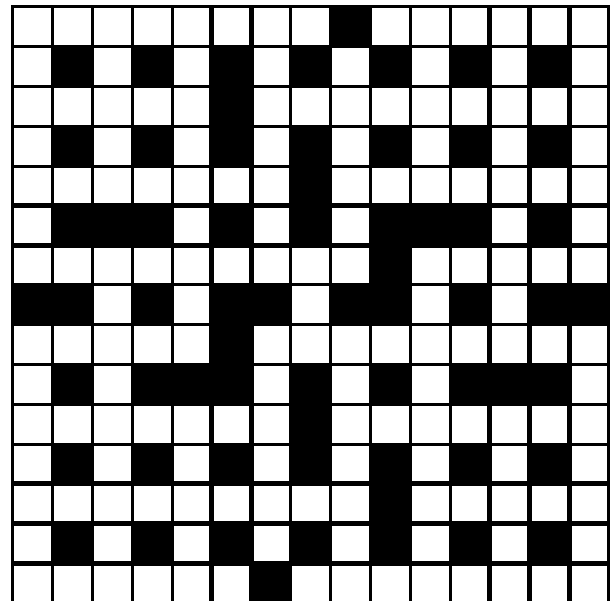
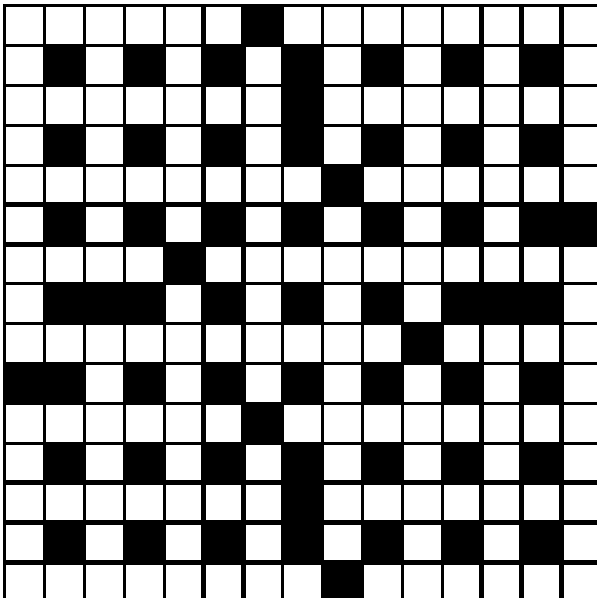
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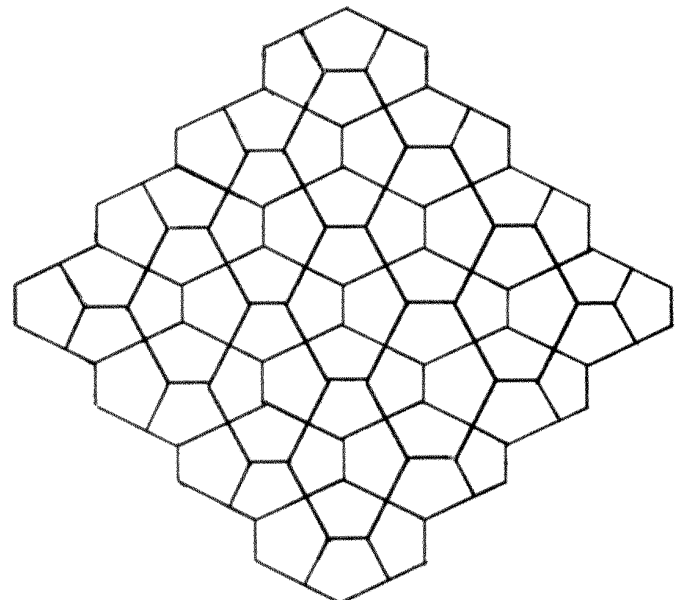
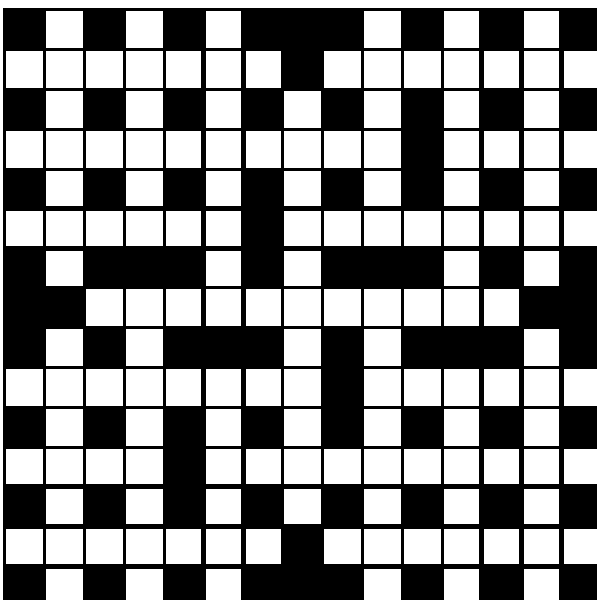
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September 6-2002 - Treasure Hunt Trilogy (pt 1) by Pundit (Stef Savanah)

Entries: 77. Correct: 72. Success rate: 93.5%. Prize winner: Daryl Ikin. Congratulations!

Members Comments:

- A comment on 25dn. Isn't this just a rough definition with a question mark? Would you allow "Sometimes porridge?" for brochan for example? *Bob Hagan*
- Aha me hearties, a cryptic puzzle with a hidden treasure to boot! I'm still digging, but still haven't located a single DUCAT, PESETO or GULDEN! Looks like you'll be working hard to earn the prize. Is there a secret treasure map or a hidden code? Is the treasure located at Spyglass Hill, near the stockade, or on Skeleton Island? Somehow I think Long John Silver's parrot (7, 5) has flown away with the map after shrieking "pieces of 8!" I look forward to your ensuing 2 Treasure Hunt Puzzles. Had difficulty with 9dn. At first thought the answer was EPILOBY as *Chambers* didn't contain EPIBOLY but confirmed the correct answer via *Macquarie & Collins*. Thanks for a cleverly constructed puzzle. *Alan Walter*
- Enjoyed your puzzle. I rather liked "yell-ow" for 2dn but on reference to *Chambers* settled for "bellow". It's going to be fun to see how you are going to bring it all into one puzzle. *Bill Bennett*
- Found slot 6 pleasantly challenging and am looking forward to further instalments of the trilogy. When I struck SCLAFF I suspected that Col Archibald had adopted another pseudonym. *Tom Phelan*
- Good puzzle and not too hard for a slot 6 - maybe the following two of the trilogy will get tougher! *Catherine Foster*
- I enjoyed your puzzle though "epiboly" had me stuck for a while. The idea of a trilogy is new! Intriguing! *Margaret Davis*
- I had trouble deciding between 'YELLOW' and 'BELLOW'. *Daphne Greening*
- I look forward to the next steps in the treasure hunt. *Shirl O'Brien*
- I loved your puzzle - it was the first one I did. I look forward to solving the next two in the series and discovering the location of the hidden treasure. *Audrey Austin*
- I really enjoyed this - seems to be about my standard - liked 3lac - many others as well. *Eva Seale*
- I'm looking forward to seeing how this develops, but in the meantime this was a fine puzzle in itself. *Iain MacDougall*
- Loved the puzzle and the concept of a Treasure Hunt. Just hope I got step 1 of the trilogy correct. *Del Kennedy*
- Oh goodie! A treasure hunt!! I look forward to the remaining grids. Thanks for an enjoyable puzzle with some tough but very clever clues. *Mal Cockburn*
- Some interesting words in your puzzle! EPIBOLY took me some time to work out, along with SCLAFF. I'm looking forward to the treasure hunt - thanks for providing us all with your challenging puzzles. *Peter Dearie*
- Thank you for this excellent puzzle with lots of elegant and challenging clues. *Catherine Hambling*
- Thanks for a good puzzle - looking forward to the next one. *Margaret Galbreath*
- Thanks for a very enjoyable puzzle - especially liked YELLOW and SPONDEE. *Brian Symons*
- This is a very alluring idea you've got going. I haven't been able to pick up a scent of the treasure trail from this first offering and am looking forward to what is to follow in the coming months. *Jim Colles*
- This sounds like a wonderful concept you've come up with; I can hardly wait to see what comes next! If they all measure up to this one the journey will be a delight. *Roy Wilson*
- Very enjoyable and some quite unusual clues that when you worked out the answer were very clever and spot on for definition. *Ron O'Rourke*
- What an intriguing idea - 3 puzzles leading to a treasure! I enjoyed the first of the 3 learning several new words namely, SCLAFF, EPIBOLY & EXTRORSE. *Bev Cockburn*
- You've got me intrigued. As I set out into the deep there's no map, as yet, to lead me. *Ted O'Brien*

Compiler's comments:

Many thanks to members for the many letters, cards and especially feedback on clues. I'm kicking myself for not seeing the alternative solution for 2dn. The intended answer was YELLOW (yell 'ow!') but I had to accept BELLOW (13 entries) as the clue also works as a double definition. Errors included 25dn (SPLIFF, SOLIFY, SALIFY) and a misspelling/typo for 21dn (TASTELED). Some had difficulties with 24ac: defn = vulgar, stone pillar = STELE, covered by foreign newsagency = TASS; 30ac: defn = appears, spots = SEES; male = M. Please refer to the website for a full explanation of all clues. Good luck with part 2 - it's an ugly grid but part 3 will get back to normal!
—Pundit (Stef Savanah)

ACC TREASURER'S REPORT
from 21/09/01 to 20/09/02
by Alan Walter, Treasurer

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Interest	28.78	Debit tax	16.60
TOTAL	13985.18	TOTAL	13950.99

COMPILER PROFILE: Drew Meek (St Jude (the Obscure)): "I picked my crozname from St Jude the Obscure so I want at least a few obscure words in my grids". Born and raised in Sydney but a resident of Canberra for the last 27 years, Drew is a government scientist involved in the regulation of vaccines. He said he has enjoyed doing word puzzles and other thinking games, for as long as he can remember. Cryptic crosswords, however, remained a mystery to him until a friend walked him through some about 20 years ago. Subsequently, he passed this information onto his father, who, like Drew, enjoyed crosswords but did not understand cryptics. Another friend told Drew about the Club and a gift subscription seemed an ideal present for his father. Following his father's death, Drew has maintained the club membership for himself. His favourites are the slot 4 alphabetical jigsaws and the double acrostics. He also works with older adolescents in Venturer Scouts and enjoys a range of associated outdoors activities. He is also a student of the bagpipes with the Canberra Celtic Pipe Band.