

CroZ world

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

GRIDATORIAL



This month we celebrate the Day when many hearts go a-flutter in Australia — the running of the Melbourne Cup! It's a great day — you can bet on it! As part of the festivities, we feature two 'Cupwords' this month — Cupbearers by *Stroz* and My Cup Runneth Over by *Saphmead*. We trust these grids will repay handsome dividends.

Just a quick reminder about our upcoming social Get-Togethers — one at Rydges' Hotel, North Sydney on 16 November and the Victorian one in Mount Waverley on Sunday 14 December. We hope to see you there!

Renewal of subs have been coming in at a great rate! Many thanks to all those members who have taken advantage of the free Compendium 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!

We have another challenging selection of puzzles for you this month. In the AJ Slot, we welcome a new compiler team — *Dord* (Doreen Witt and Doug Butler). We are delighted that Doreen — who has been a long-standing member of our Club — makes a welcome return to compiling. *Makeanote* has devised a fascinating puzzle about a much-quoted cryptic worker and we have two challenging cryptics to keep you puzzled for quite some time. Many thanks to our skilful compilers for their creative contributions to the wonderful world of CroZworlding! Finally, on page 12, read about the busy compiling times ahead for our former gridman, David Stickley. —Patrick

FROM THE ADJUDICATOR

There were fewer blank squares among entries but some obviously careless mistakes. This wasted effort makes me so sad. Please check, check & check again!!

Slot 1: The killer here was JEMIMA. It is a bit unfair to give an uncommon word when only its vowels are checked. There were blanks here and many did not submit an entry. Guesses were MEDINA, MINIMA, TROIKA, JELIBA, DELILA, BOTINA. BARBEQUES although an alternative spelling, did not fit the clue. SIGN = CUE not QUE. BEAR for the animal threw out the top RH corner with EBIBLE & HERTA for some. Another had OLO & DOER. IBIDEM appeared as IBIDEN, IBIDES, IDIDEM. Other errors were ICHAN, ROHAN, EPHAN, OYHAN for ETHAN; PHENYL for PHENOL; ADENTS for ADEPTS. ESSAYING.

Slot 2: Often one letter wrong here threw out two words. STAGING & OBLITERATES, STANDS & PRONTO, CRANBERRY & ALLITERATED, ASTEL & ICANT, IEA & LICHEE. TABLIER caught some with TAILBAR, TALLIER. EWFETES became FWETES, EWETES. Other errors: ASERBIC, ACTEL, SHANTO, GRANT, SAD, DRESSUP.

Slot 3: REPEAT & REPLAY were accepted for 2ac. APPAYS was given as APPAYY, APPAYD, ASPAYS. OSMOSE showed as OSMOSA, OOMOSE. One said "it DOES grow on you" which threw out FLUE & JOWLS. Other errors: BAOBAO, PICRATES, NITRITES, STASUS, MORALS, CURSED.

Slot 4: ROAD turned up for ROAM (17 times). The clue points to the first letters of the following words so only ROAM will fit. ROAN, READ, ROAA also appeared. NAZARITE (6 times) for NAZARETH — anagram of ANZ & EARTH. Other errors: JILLEROO, KNITTED, DENISEN, STAR.

Slot 5: One omitted the title, 2 the title & author. K. Clayton was accepted as well as the correct K.C. Layton. C. Layton was not. Two used WORKING in the title. Other errors showed that not all the clues had been worked out! BURN for TURN (10), CHAP JUST & THAT for THUS, WELL for WILL, DOING for GOING, FATE for FACE, DIES for DYES.

Clue of the Month from 43 members

Tie between 2dn in #1 & 21ac in #3 with 4 points each. Next came H in #5. Perhaps we need some guidelines as to how to pick the COTM. Even 1ac in #1 was suggested!

Thanks for all the greetings & cards & to all who print clearly. I liked Jim C's cartoon of a man thumping the table in frustration. John S sent his entry in twice, having lost the first near the PO. Pity they both had the same errors!
—Audrey Ryan

LEADING FIGURES

Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	87	91	91	100	93	462
Correct entries	60	77	79	72	68	356
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October 1-2003

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October 2-2003

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October 3-2003

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October 4-2003

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October 5-2003

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Title: On Work and Mortality
Author: KC Layton

September 6-2003

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MEMBERS RESULTS FOR OCTOBER 2003

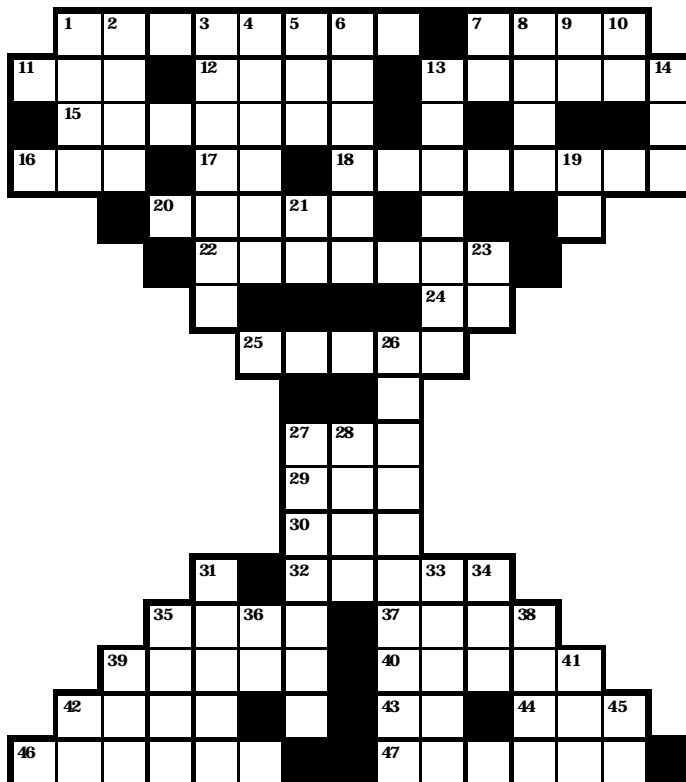
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**Cup Bearers
by
Stroz**

NOVEMBER 1 2003



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The unclued answers all have something in common. They may be clued (but not in order) as:
1868, 1872, 1881, 1884, 1888, 1889, 1897, 1918, 1937, 1941, 1951, 1952, 1955, 1960,
1978, 1983, 1986, 1994,

Across

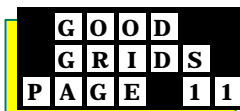
- 7 A great potentate (4)
- 11 A beverage (3)
- 12 Scottish fluff (4)
- 16 A small Australian truck (3)
- 17 A monetary unit of Laos (2)
- 22 Achieving what is required (2, 5)
- 24 A mantric syllable indicating the supreme principle (2)
- 27 Argentum (*abbrev.*) (3)
- 29 An utterance expressing disgust or disdain (3)
- 30 Vietnamese lunar new year festival (3)
- 35 Not to achieve (4)
- 37 In a frenzy (4)
- 40 Arrangement or order (5)
- 42 A fop or dandy (4)
- 43 Credit note (*abbrev.*) (1, 1)
- 44 To unite closely (3)

Down

- 1 A written examination (4)
- 2 A gadoid fish (4)
- 4 A rat (6)
- 5 United Service Organizations (*abbrev.*) (1, 1, 1)
- 7 About (2)
- 9 Mr Jolson (2)
- 10 Rugby Union (*abbrev.*) (1, 1)
- 14 A marketplace in Muslim countries (3)
- 19 To that extent (2)
- 21 Currency of Vanuatu (*abbrev.*) (2)
- 23 Knight of Malta (*abbrev.*) (1, 1)
- 28 One who repents (4)
- 33 A native of Oman (5)
- 34 Nitrogen oxide (3)
- 35 Alarm (4)
- 36 Italian vermouth (2)
- 39 Another name for nabla (3)
- 41 A SE Asian monetary unit (3)
- 42 The divine soul in Egyptian religious belief (2)
- 45 Document Exchange (*abbrev.*) (1, 1)

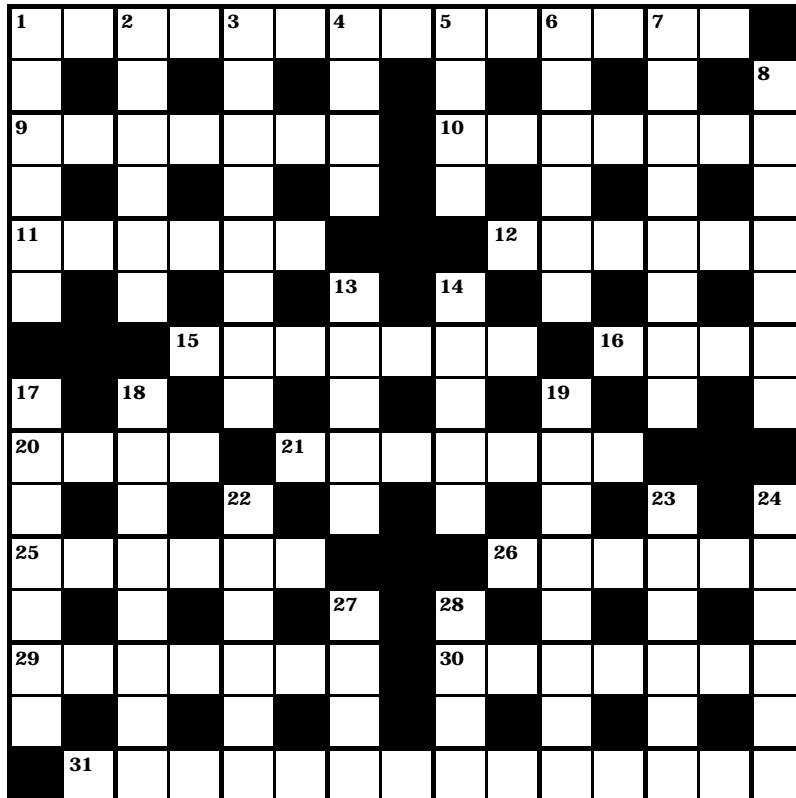
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CRYPTIC
by
The Beast

NOVEMBER 2 2003



[Note: In clue 9ac, solvers are required to find a word that will go either before both, or after both clue words, or after the first and before the second, that will give two other words, names, phrases or common expressions.]

Across

- 1 Phone Bertram up about a pedal pusher (6, 8)
- 9 Light fire for example (7)
- 10 Much gusto in the east brings about tummy upset (7)
- 11 Florid look - it's that rotgut whiskey (3-3)
- 12 Reward paid for finding historic vessel (6)
- 15 Furry little beasts about to steal from a wee being (7)
- 16 In cricket, English infielders always have one on leg (4)
- 20 Come as you are? I can see no problem in that! (4)
- 21 Mark a book for an Asian (7)
- 25 Upset some canned fish (6)
- 26 Soft little grub (6)
- 29 Smear a type of betting board (7)
- 30 Blow cover for acidic crystal (7)
- 31 Chaps dress in an exotic manner. They're entertainers (7, 7)

Down

- 1 Drinking spot in steamy southern city (6)
- 2 Hides when left in dresses (6)
- 3 Primed object often comes before fire! (5, 3)
- 4 Oh my goodness! An S-bend! (4)
- 5 Cover up, you fool (4)
- 6 Drink's return is satisfactory for an antelope (6)
- 7 A sailor's in the queue getting a drink (8)
- 8 Lags about either big gullies (7)
- 13 Magistrate has right to bring about separation (5)
- 14 It could, in Tobago be a hex or magic (5)
- 17 Continue with annoying person with industrial injury (7)
- 18 Sit back, phone in for a tasty bit of seafood (8)
- 19 Clumsily weld piano without a securing peg (5, 3)
- 22 Become embarrassed by a communist lair (6)
- 23 Be carried along after street march (6)
- 24 Sort of ice-cream kept in coolers? (6)
- 27 All roads lead to teeming cities (4)
- 28 Cattle iron connection (4)

WRODALPY: This appeared to be an item suggesting that our sllepniɡ dndit mettar very meuh. What a samhe that we cnat use this avdcie in cmpoltenig our corsswrods. *Alan Walter*

CRYPTIC
by
Praxis

NOVEMBER 3 2003



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Across

- 1 Man, rejected over illness, acted like Xantippe (7)
- 6 I have an order for the sailor, a Turk (5)
- 10 Race for room in maternity ward (10)
- 11 Local coal-dust coloured German town (4)
- 12 Frank's expressing hesitation to bat perhaps (6)
- 13 Appreciative former student fibbed about girl (7)
- 16 Old press ship to separate first class — gee trouble? (7)
- 17 Thorn's way in by noon (5)
- 18 Scottish bank provides support for English (4)
- 20 It's true, America's withdrawn engineers (4)
- 23 Site's designed around first of many features (5)
- 24 Top main almost blew — it's in working order (7)
- 28 Voltaire or even Parker perhaps? (3-4)
- 29 'Trees' — a song played well, I admitted (6)
- 30 Soldier's beyond hope? (4)
- 31 Man returned to find daughter's put out (10)
- 32 Picked party to go back and capture soldier (5)
- 33 They measure wavelengths back past zero to poles (7)

Down

- 1 They make up time for subordinates (7)
- 2 Nineteenth may be driver's accommodation (9)
- 3 Drunk — I'm within allowance! (5)
- 4 Dragoon's bold new colouring (7-5)
- 5 Teen's rash for one about a volcano (6)
- 6 A subdued enthusiasm at a work of Beethoven (12)
- 7 Plot included fifty to be fleeced (4)
- 8 Jester spilt beer over worker and theking (8)
- 9 Squirrel nest tumbled to earth in Glasgow (4)
- 12 Gosh, this part's essential for good sound! (4)
- 14 A brave, heartless man, working for the king (9)
- 15 Weather report's announced on behalf of players (8)
- 19 Judges estimated ducks flying north (7)
- 21 Record's being set around mountain peaks ... (4)
- 22 ... continue — Keats almost grabbed the record (4, 2)
- 25 One set to display spirit ... (5)
- 26 ... let loose at a French bash (4)
- 27 Blue or White flower? (4)

YOUNG @ HEART!

• Loved the verse by Irene Watts (October 2003). Here is a lady very proud of her age – 90 next April. I thought I was the oldest granny in the ACC – I will be 87 in December this year. Lots of best wishes to all of you hard working people at ACC you do a grand job!
Catherine Foster

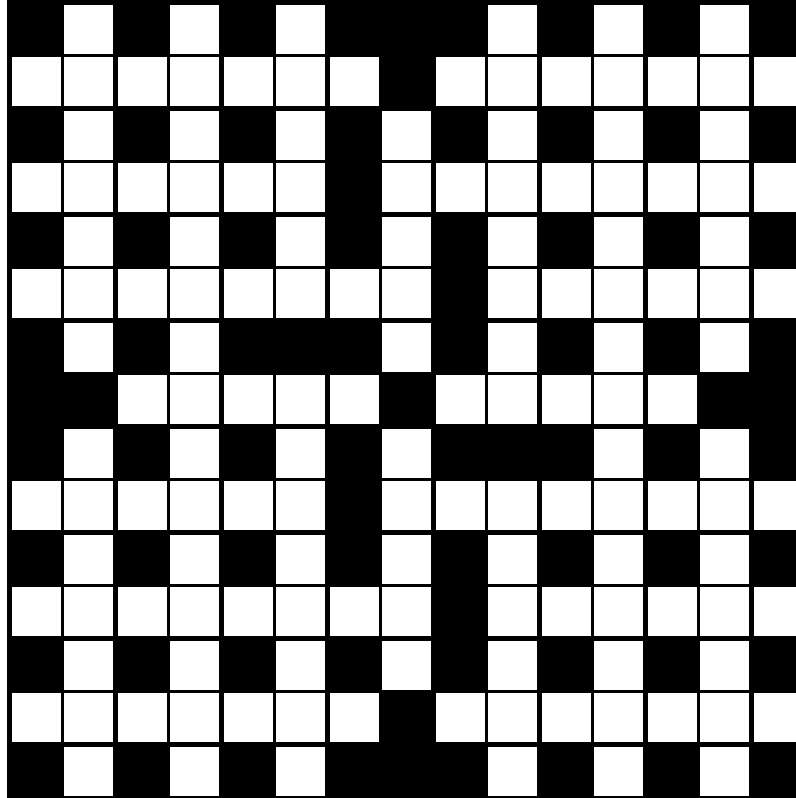
• I did appreciate Irene Watts' poem last month. It fits me to a "T", though I can't lay claim to her score of years.
Dot Robertson

**AJ
by
Dord**

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



- A** Allow advertisement placed by backward boy (5)
- B** Nothing salty surrounds hedgerow plant (6)
- C** Confused aim? Reach for grotesque monster (8)
- D** Degraded and selfish indeed! (8)
- E** A little sheltered garden for Wallace (5)
- F** Fashion worker, more hairy-chested perhaps? (7)
- G** Categories of girl in succeeding families (15)
- H** Greeting composer and I meet for barbecue (7)
- I** Protect in America; turned back then departed (8)
- J** Thong that is made up for a girl (6)
- K** Tonic made from whiskey (not eggs) (7)
- L** Dave lent confusion and bolted (8)
- M** Exploded bomb that's made into a fermented drink (6)
- N** Retributive justice seems in disarray (7)
- O** Alternatively in music one sings softly in arias initially (5)
- P** Fruit all returned for material (8)
- Q** None seen in five young cornerstones (6)
- R** Note: embassy coming about restoration of service (15)
- S** Fake fuel mixture? Disgraceful! (8)
- T** Characteristics of confused artist (6)
- U** Oddly unable to follow States? That's par for the course (5)
- V** I am duty bound to follow girl in state of bereavement (7)
- W** Soft head for water quality (7)
- X** Moors' persecutor points after cricket team members (7)
- Y** Choose central characters after you ignorant brutes (6)
- Z** Nationalist overall is in a spot in America (7)

**“My Cup
Runneth Over”**



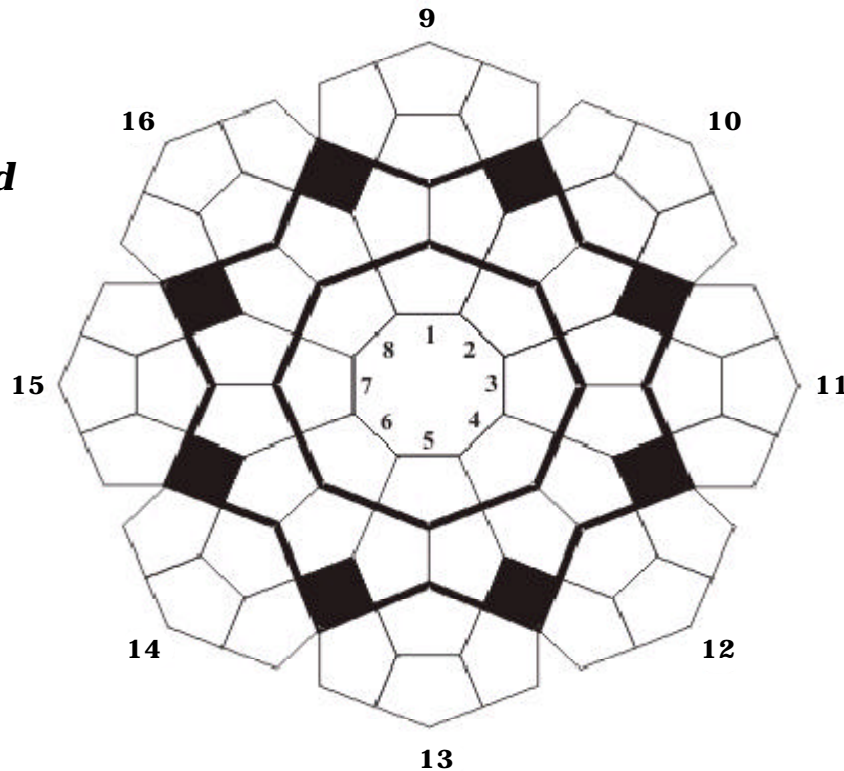
by *Saphmead*

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Every hexagon forms a word of FOUR letters when read in one direction or another. Hexagons numbered 1-8 intersect with hexagons numbered 9-16. There is an appropriate message in the ring of pentagons between the two dark lines (16 letters) and another message in the outermost ring of pentagons (24 letters). Messages start anywhere and are either clockwise or anti-clockwise.



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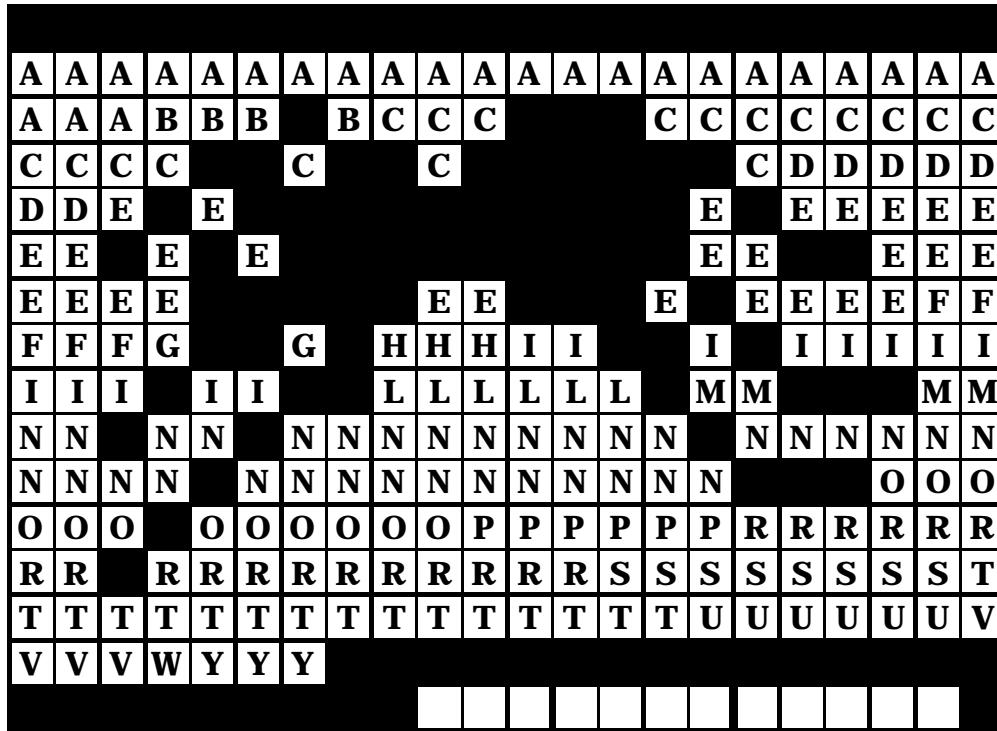
- 1 Trial a shirt on time
- 2 Flattery seen as daytime entertainment
- 3 Engage in time-share enterprise
- 4 Restore 1
- 5 Actors pretend to be otherwise ...
- 6 ... in return I bag an antelope
- 7 Grievous old wound
- 8 Abscond to Florida with the object
- 9 Chop easily with the pulses
- 10 Beats soldiers black and ...
- 11 Matter charged ten points
- 12 Sounds like the High Street. Be quiet!
- 13 Butters up but spoils
- 14 Quote “Pleb is banned from national vote”
- 15 Hides what Englishmen loathe
- 16 Plenty if you appear to leave the flower

Overworked!
by
Makeanote

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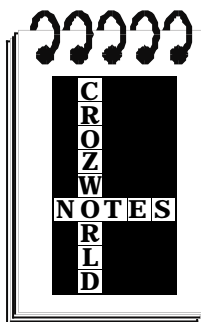
This puzzle is to recognise the word power of the much-quoted cryptic worker, otherwise known to us as... 'ant'. Each statement below is essentially a pun (either literal or homophonic) based on a literal clue also contained within the sentence. For example: "Office worker sings melodiously" = DESCANT. As each answer is ascertained, remove the letters for that answer from the grid below. The remaining letters, when rearranged, will spell out a short phrase (3, 3'1, 5) pertaining to worker wherewithal...so to speak.



- 1 Worker that drives a sultana? (7)
- 2 All workers can be responsible (10)
- 3 This worker is dull and disgusting (9)
- 4 Obedient worker follows the order (9)
- 5 This young male worker could float! (7)
- 6 Healthy worker to be a blabbermouth (9)
- 7 Give the workers some divine guidance! (10)
- 8 Worker with intelligence shows foresight (11)
- 9 Some workers up a chimney have a bit of sway (9)
- 10 Workers use lazy speech while tallying a facial feature (11)
- 11 Despite taking a new approach, Worker 'D' is now no longer required (9)
- 12 What the worker observes from his 'sultana' could be exchanged worldwide (10)
- 13 Yogi, Grizzly, Humphrey and Pooh are workers that show tolerance (11)
- 14 Don't worry about the workers not knowing anything! (9)
- 15 Scarf owned by a slim worker quite a budgeting item (9)
- 16 In direct contrast, this worker wrote a major work (10)
- 17 Resistance is met when holding the workers up (9)
- 18 Title transfer took all the workers for a ride! (10)
- 19 Upset workers have grounds to protest! (9)
- 20 Workers do it best when it's all an act (11)
- 21 Greenery for more than one worker? (6)
- 22 Worker drops in to visit a relative (10)
- 23 A rat of a staff worker! (6)

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ACC ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER 2003.

Our **Get Together 2003** will be held in the Boardroom, 12th floor, Rydge's (Sydney) 54 McLaren St. North Sydney on Sunday 16 November 2003. Cost is \$35ph 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. To secure a 'seat' at this momentous event, kindly send your cheque for \$35 per head to: Steve Workman, PO Box 660, Wentworthville NSW 2145.

CROSSMAS CRUCIVERBAL 2003. The annual Christmas lunch will again be held at noon on Sunday 14 December 2003 at the Heritage Room, Bruce County Motel, 445 Blackburn Road, Mt Waverley (Vic) which is conveniently situated adjacent to the South Eastern freeway. 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 21st please. Special guest: Shirl O'Brien.

COMPENDIUM: *The Crozworld Compendium* Vol 4 features 35 previously unpublished puzzles and 2

Quizzes 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 3 of the *Compendium* and the names of the prizewinners will be included. If you would like to order extra copies of this exciting publication please add \$5 per copy (inc p&p) to your renewal subscription.

DONATIONS TO ACC: In 2003, we have been thrilled to receive so many generous donations by members to the ACC Prize Fund. As a result, many members have won handsome prizes in 2003. 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-CROZWORD: In 2003, *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 2004, 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.

MEMBER NEWS

New Members: A warm welcome to Gabrielle Leeds from Kingston, Victoria and Yvonne Ainsworth of Willetton, Perth. Welcome to the wonderful world of Crozworlding!

Puzzle Adjustments: Margaret Davis gained a tick for August Slot 6 and Drew Meek gained a tick for September Slot 5. Omitted from the answers to the Body Part quiz were PATEn and COLONel. These were just as good as BROWn and SCALPel and no ticks were lost.



BRIAN TICKLE, who has been a keen member of the ACC since 1991, retired in September 2003 after a distinguished career of more than 40 years in the NSW Department of Education. Brian worked in schools in the Manning area and for the past 8 years was a mathematics consultant for the Taree District. This allowed him to work with teachers, students and parents in 64 schools from Taree to Raymond Terrace NSW. But Brian has not severed his ties with schools completely. He has become 'mathematickle' and continues to work as a mathematics education consultant in a private capacity. In 1994, Brian became the senior education officer at Manning Educational Resource Centre where he was responsible for the training and development of all teachers from kinder to year 12 in all key learning areas in 36 schools in the Manning area. Last year Brian received the Quality Teaching Award for primary education and has regularly written for a number of educational publications including 'Fundamentals' - a series of books on the use of games to develop efficient mental computation strategies. These books have been published in Australia, New Zealand, the USA, Canada and South Africa. We congratulate Brian for his wonderful contribution to the wider community and wish him and his wife Joy, a long and contented retirement. We also hope that Brian will again challenge us soon with some of his famous 'ticklish' puzzles!



LETTERS

Re September 5-2003: That EKKA clue was awful. How on earth are people in more remote states supposed to know such a word, or should I say non-word? Setters should avoid local references such as this; they are most unfair. *Irene Watts* (EKKA is in *Macquarie Dictionary* so is no more unusual than say a Scottish word in *Chambers-Audrey Ryan*)

September 2-2003: 16ac CHASE was not allowed though 19 members (myself included) chose this answer. It seems legitimate to me. CH is the end of CHURCH, ASE is the change from SEA-CHANGE and if you chase something away, you end it. *Irene Watts*

- Thanks for my slot 3 prize last month. *Col Archibald*
- What a great selection of puzzles again this month. The talent that we have in the club never ceases to amaze me. *Ron O'Rourke*
- On the whole I found them a fairly easy selection, for once. *Margaret Davis*
- Holy Moses! It was great to see Col Archibald back in the swing of completing last month's puzzles. Perhaps his Broken Tablets were a panacea! Queensland's sun must be shining brightly again. Hope we hear some more mango-munching comments from the Fourx mirthmaster! *Alan Walter*
- Every month I have plenty of trouble finishing most of them. The first answer in the first puzzle was a new one on me and there were plenty more all through the lot. However with the assistance of AxWord I've managed to fill up all the space. (Not always correctly though Jim. How sad! AR) *Jim Colles*

ON FROGS

- There's plenty of terms one might use to another's face, but we can't ban them all on those grounds. And would I want someone to embargo any of the derogatory or hurtful terms that would apply to people like me? Emphatically NO! *Doug Butler*
- I have never thought of "frog" as derogatory, it being merely a diminutive of "frog-eater", and the French do eat frogs' legs. I would have defined it as a non-Frenchman's nickname for a Frenchman. We accept archaic, Spenserian and Scottish words without complaint. Why not accept words that are in everyday use in our language and clearly defined in our standard references? *Steve Workman*
- All my dictionaries give FROG as a derogative term for a French person. I felt that the ACC would not use politically incorrect words in its excellent and widely distributed publication. I recall finding POM in an earlier puzzle and feeling the same way at that time. Where to next? Do we accept the use of degrading meanings of words such as COON, WOG, NIGGER etc. just because they appear in a dictionary? Obviously I am in a minority here as it was awarded clue of the month. Must be the "wowser" coming to the surface. *Jack Stocks*
- Frogs are delightful little creatures. When an Aussie uses the term FROG as *Aeolian* did, I am sure it is in its humorous sense rather than being deprecating, just as we could refer to little lads from Poland as TADPOLES! *Alan Walter*

October 1-2003: Half & Half by Noel Jessop

- Thanks for your semi-cryptic puzzle Noel. But oh! Aunt Jemima. I didn't know you were an elastic sided boot! *Alan Walter*
- Noel's 2dn clue is a bit naughty. *Margaret Davis*
- What's with the JEMIMA? Is it used for walkin', dancin', ridin', huntin', or somethin' else? Please ask Noel to send photo of Jemima. *Margaret Watzinger*
- I had 4dn as my COTM until I solved 2dn. I enjoy Noel's puzzles. *Ted O'Brien*
- Could not verify ANI. (ANI is in *Macquarie Dictionary* as a black bird in America. AR) *Tom Phelan*
- I've spent hours on the internet & searching through dictionaries, encyclopaedias & contacting people I thought might know about elastic-sided boots. I even rang R.M. Williams. I've used MEDINA on the grounds that it is a brand of boot. (Bad guess, AR) *Catherine Hambling*
- I do not like Half & Half puzzles. I feel one orthodox should remain for those who struggle with cryptics. *Barbara Ibbott*
- This variety is good for a slot 1 provided that it doesn't develop into an all cryptic. There is enough of these. *Irene Watts*
- How embarrassing not to be able to do 1ac. It doesn't augur well for the rest of the month. *Merv Collins*
- 4dn: ALL SET. If Noel means ALLS ATE, shouldn't there be "sounds like" there's nothing left for the diner? (Noel did put an exclamation mark at the end of the clue. AR) *Marian Procter*

October 2-2003: Cryptic by Timid Terrier (Joan Smith)

- Assuming ARTEL is correct, could you please explain 11ac? (*Chambers* gives ART as "address" EL "the" in Spanish and ARTEL as Russian workers' guild. AR) *Doug Butler*
- 25ac: If the correct answer is TAB+LIE+R I can't properly equate "to Press" with LIE. 2dn: Is CHROMOSONE a degenerate CHROMOSOME? 4dn: If TREE-CREEPER is correct then the indicator should be (4-7) according to *Chambers* rather than (11) 29dn: ALI+BI How does British equate to BI? It's usually B or BR. *Alan Walter*
- That *Timid Terrier* just gets more and more feral. *Noel Jessop*
- Our *Timid Terrier* has been tamed! *Margaret Davis*
- Lots of good clues but unhappy with clues 32ac & 24dn. Could you please explain? (24dn 'threadbare' would be NAPLESS - without any nap - 'downy covering' = NAP, 'inferior' = LESS. 32ac: 'boundary stones' are termini in *Chambers*. I guess 'in Italy' is INI at the end but where does TERM come into the clue? AR) *Brian Symons*
- TABLIER took a while but I eventually found it in the *Shorter Oxford English Dictionary*. *Ted O'Brien*
- I hope Alan Walter explains ART = address & TABLIER & TERMINI (see above - AR) *Unice Altman*
- *Timid Terrier* always manages to introduce me to words that are not in my vocabulary. A clever puzzle. *Barbara Ibbott*
- Joan was much kinder than usual. It is fairly free of unusual words, although I found the Spenserian clue difficult. I loved the humour in 5ac & 17ac. *Irene Watts*
- 21dn, 26dn (& in Slot 6, 31ac) refer to Spenser's something. Please explain. (Spenser used his own spelling. They are in *Chambers* with (Spens.) given before the meaning. It is unfair to use them often. AR) *Merv Collins*

October 3-2003: Cryptic by Makeanote (Ian Brown)

- REPEAT fits 9ac but I don't understand the clue. (I don't either - perhaps *Makeanote* can explain - or see Alan Walter's & Noel Jessop's comments. AR) *Doug Butler*
- 9ac: "Can I have the clue again?" The answer to this question is yes, no or maybe. None of these answers is appropriate as the "Can I" is superfluous. If we put simply "have the clue again" this only gives the definition, so a proper secondary indicator is still needed. 28ac: "a helpful hint" is a clue but does clue EQUATE to "assist by giving"? This indicator needs modifying. 33ac: Does STANDARD equate to SYMBOL? I can't find this equivalence in any standard thesaurus. 30dn: Presumably SMART ALEC = KNOWALL. How does "doesn't wait on a" indicate the removal of WA from this to obtain KNOLL = SMALL HILL? *Alan Walter*
- There is so much wrong with this puzzle, in the grid, in the choice of answers and definitions, in the clueing, that I don't know where to start. Instead I'll express my opinion for what it's worth. In a mark: 3 out of 10. *Noel Jessop*
- I found a number of these clues unsatisfactory: 4dn, 9ac, 28dn. *Margaret Davis*
- Especially like APATHY. I think REPEAT is better than REPLAY but perhaps both are acceptable. *Brian Symons*
- Do a puzzle from *Makeanote* and "it will grow on you". *Barbara Ibbott*
- This was tricky but with many clever & amusing clues (e.g. 8ac, 11ac, 30 dn). *Irene Watts*

October 4-2003: AJ by Virgo (Audrey Austin)

- A jolly good AJ. Thanks *Virgo*. *Alan Walter*
- N clue. Poor old Bethlehem! *Noel Jessop*
- An AJ with no really obscure words - most unusual. *Margaret Davis*
- This is a really good AJ - it is a delight to see such skilful use of anagrams as in clues F, N, O & W. *Brian Symons*
- Another Austin special! *Ted O'Brien*
- Top of the morning to you *Virgo* for a lovely traditional AJ. I did enjoy it. *Barbara Ibbott*
- Doing alphabeticals, particularly by Audrey, puts me in a "top of the morning" mood. *Irene Watts*
- I'm not a biblical scholar but the N clue sounds amiss to me. *Peter Dearie*

October 5-2003: Double Acrostic by The Beast (Kev Layton)

- Kev impresses with his clever poems. And give him COTM for clue X, the best hidden word I've seen in years. *Doug Butler*
- Sincere thanks for a fabulous puzzle from *The Beast* accompanied by a brilliantly humorous verse. This puzzle deserves accolades. May all the workers R.I.P. *Alan Walter*
- I enjoy these Double Acrostics, especially when they lead to one of Ken's nonsense rhymes. *Margaret Davis*
- My favourite puzzle this month was the Double Acrostic. Kev is very clever with the verse that he produces and then to create an acrostic puzzle makes it twice as clever. *David Procter*
- Loved the poem and the clues, especially TWO BOBS & OLD TIMERS. *Brian Symons*
- I've read Kev's poem to so many friends & family and they all loved it too. You're a gem, K C Layton. *Shirl O'Brien*
- Wasn't slot 5 a hoot? I liked the fact you got a laugh out of the finished puzzle. *Joan McGrath*
- What a delightful double acrostic. They are one of my favourites, along with Roy Wilson's barred grids. *Joan Smith*
- It was good to see our 'Poet Laureate in-residence' back in the doggerel stakes. As I work in pencil doing my first drafts I found this bi-colour grid very difficult to handle. *Ted O'Brien*
- Thanks Kev for getting the numbering right at last! *Audrey Ryan*
- I agree with the sentiments of the poem and as a mathematician expect to go when my number is up. *Jill Freeiland*
- I particularly liked Slot 5. Kev's clues are delightful & his poem is funny & clever. *Bev Cockburn*
- *The Beast* must have been tamed by his keeper as this was not nearly as frightening as expected. What is KICKAPOO? It sounds like something you would encounter playing footie on the farm. *Barbara Ibbott*
- I like the chuckles along the way and a good laugh at the end. *Irene Watts*

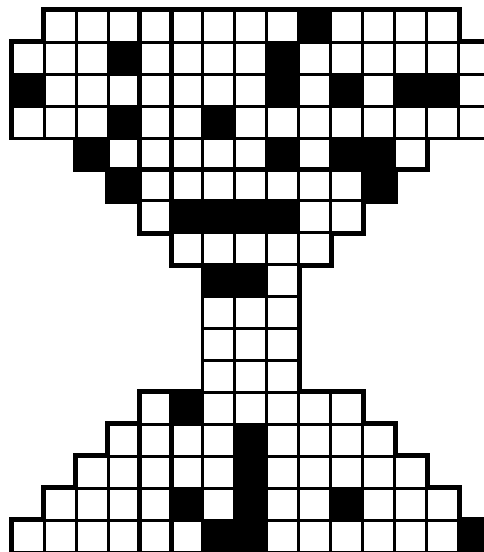
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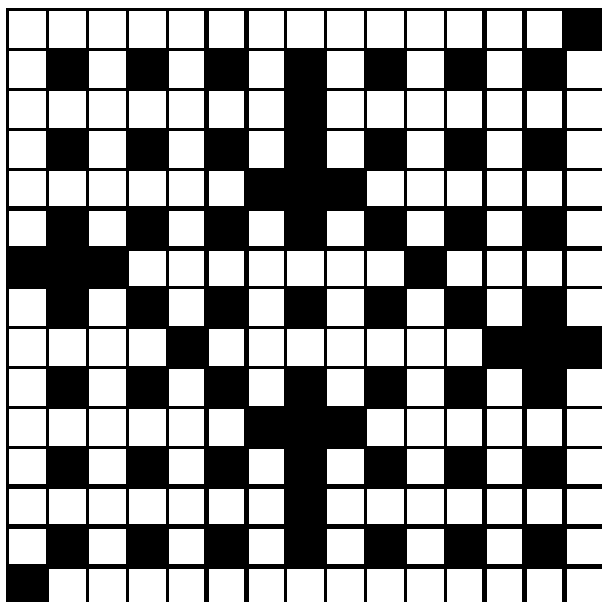
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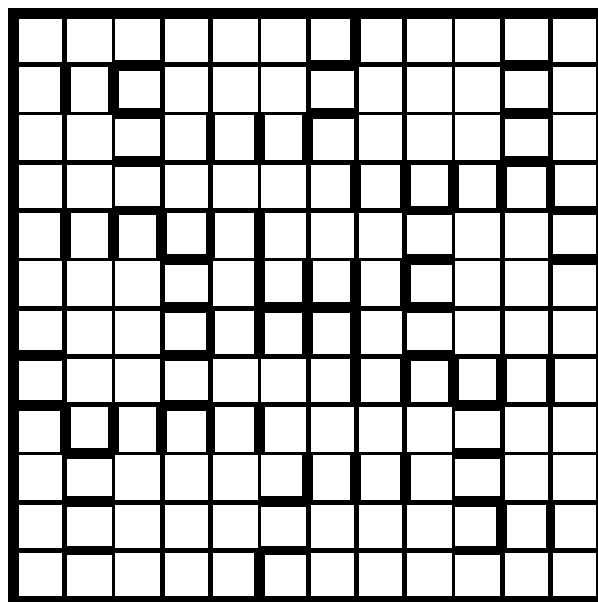


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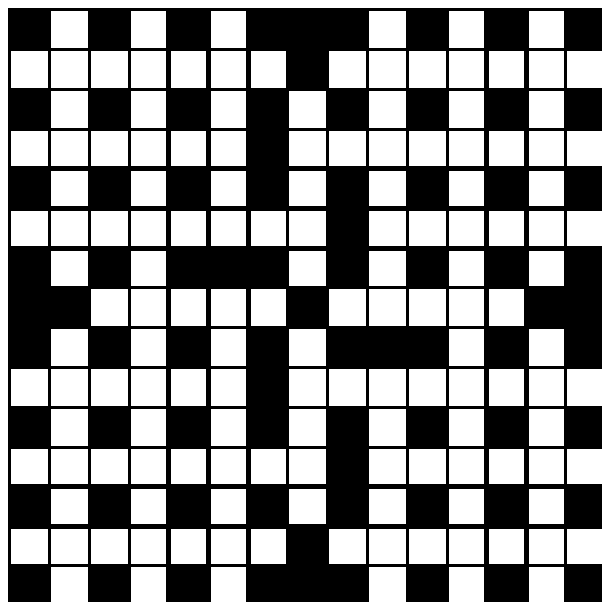
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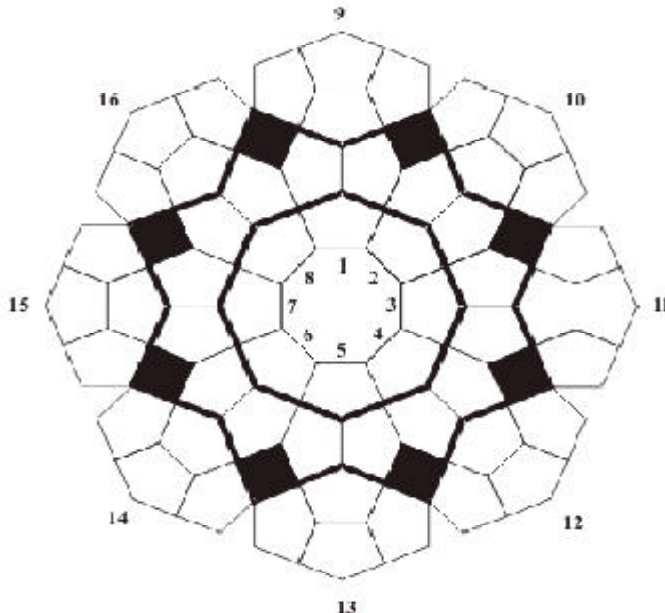
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Sept 6 2003 - LETTER DROP by Cactus (Jim Colles)

Entries: 30. Correct: 20. Success rate = 66 %. **Prizewinner: Dell Eisentrager - Congratulations!**

Members Comments:

- If it took me a long time to solve your puzzle, I reckon it took a long time to set it. Thank you.
- Thank heavens for 'phone a friend'. (Doesn't help with transcription blues, Aileen)
- NT BLDY WRNG MY LD PP. (Nothing gets wasted in your comments, Bill)
- Aggregation of wonderful clues, especially 1dn. Thanks for an intriguing, challenging puzzle.
- Yes I do, and if you mark me wrong, I'll call the police. (Phew!)
- Chambers third definition of 'con' - "study carefully, scan, pore over"- I did all these for weeks.
- A brilliant con, Jim, a masterpiece. (I've always admired your judgment, Roy)
- If con means consuming of time I concur. Congratulations on a finely confected conundrum.
- Yea! Did! Gosh I'll crash at it! But daunt? No, son. (Absobloominlutely)
- This was a marvelous construction. It took a while to get the hang of it.
- Perhaps the toughest puzzle of the year but most enjoyable, and not a con - all totally fair.
- Mind-boggling. Many thanks for a great puzzle. (A pleasure to do business with you, Joan)
- Yeso what have youp your sleeve for nextime? (Only a bony old arMargaret)

- Bev Solomon
- Aileen Skillicorn
- Bill Bennett
- Brian Symons
- Catherine Hambling
- Jill Freeland
- Roy Wilson
- Kay Williams
- Maurice Cowan
- Roy Taylor
- Iain MacDougall
- Joan Smith
- Margaret Davis

Cactus sez: A surprisingly small entry for such a straightforward puzzle. Although the preamble (transcribed exactly from like puzzles seen elsewhere) apparently confused a few, who solved the puzzle correctly but did not complete the question exactly. Three answers required the removal and use of a letter appearing twice, to fully make up the question. In the interest of those who got everything right I've had to deny a tick to the few concerned. Other errors were minor, e.g. Sunsets (8dn) Ashs (15ac) Cost (17ac). Thanks to all those who gave it a go, and particularly for the entertaining answers to the question, too numerous to show above. Finally, as JF Kennedy once said, "We do not do these things because they are easy, but because they are hard." Unfortunately he was shot soon afterwards. But that's history, I hope.

Chambers Archaisms by dB

Chambers Dictionary, essential to the serious crossworder, is sprinkled with words ascribed variously to Spenser, Milton, Shakespeare and the like. But how have they made their selection? Let's take a verse from *Faerie Queene* (Book 1, Canto IX, 40):

He here does now enjoy eternall rest
 And happy ease, which does not want and crave,
 And further from it daily wanderest:
 What if some little paine the passage have,
 That makes fraile flesh to fear the bitter wave?
 Is not short paine well borne, that brings long ease,
 And lays the soule to sleep in quiet grave?
 Sleepe after toyle, port after stormie seas,
 Ease after warre, death after life does greatly please

Perfectly clear English, beautifully expressed, with nine words that irritate the spellchecker: *eternall, wanderest, paine, fraile, soule, sleepe, toyle, stormie, warre*. All rate a mention (as you'd expect) in the great *Oxford English Dictionary*, but in *my Chambers* (1998ed reprinted 2002) only **warre** gets a guernsey. Fair go, you say, there's more than 5000 such in the six books of *Faerie Queene* alone; you wouldn't want to stuff the dictionary with every one. But if this most quoted verse is not fully covered, why have any?

Let's take a few that **did** make the grade (more-or-less at random from the same edition):

comart (Shakesp) *n* An agreement. Perhaps a misspelling for ... covenant.

It's in a speech by Horatio (*Hamlet* Act 1 Sc1-100) and only in the 1605 and 1607 editions. In my copy, it's *covenant*, in *covenant and carriage* which the editor (AL Rowse) defines as *condition and terms*; no mention of *comart*. It may be a hot issue for Shakespeare scholars but does not belong in a home reference work.

escot (Shakesp) *vt* to pay for or maintain

Hamlet again (Act II Sc2-362), and only in form *escote*. The thousands of contributors to OED never found another instance of the word. Yes, it's said by Hamlet at a crucial juncture, so rates a mention but does one lone *ppl a vt* make?

mummock (included under the perfectly respectable *mammock*)

Used once and once only 'for the purpose of ludicrous rhyme' by Thomas Hood and never again by anyone else. So why not *animalculous* coined similarly (*Pirates of Penzance*) by W S Gilbert?

sepad *vt* to suppose, to warrant [A ghost word, from JM Barrie's mishearing I shall uphold]

Chambers' *Official Scrabble Words* has taken a further leap, legitimizing **sepads, sepadded** and **sepadding**

seruwe... correctly identified as identical to **servewe** from when **u** and **v** were interchangeable.

sparke (Spenser) *n* a weapon of some kind, perhaps an error for **sparthe**

What business does nonsense like this, no matter how fascinating, have in a dictionary? There's no doubt *Chambers* has improved enormously over the years (remember when every headword was Capitalized?) and in publishing, if you can't make previous editions obsolete, you're out of business. But where next? Not reporting misspellings (**barbeque, laevigate, miniscule**). Not non-words (**ichthic, sheepo**). How about a complete overhaul of plurals? Include comparatives. And consign those archaisms to the foot of the page, much as Merriam-Webster did in its great and lamented 2nd edition.

DAVID STICKLEY DEVELOPMENTS:

"Two major projects have happened. The first project relates to multi-platform crossword software that runs on Windows, PDAs and mobile phones. I was asked to create 4 "books" of 20 crosswords (3 "quick" and 1 cryptic) for sale around the world. I get a small percentage of the sale price, but I'm hoping enough will buy to make it worthwhile.

The second project is a crossword board game. I can't say too much for legal reasons but I had to create 100 specially-designed crosswords (not cryptic at this stage) in about a month, and half of them were for the 7-10 and 11-15 age groups. It was hard work, and so impressed have been the developers of the game they have offered me a small % of the action. I expect this game to be a big seller and that means much more work for me down the track. So I've been doing these extra things as well as my usual stuff. My stockpile of cryptics took a hammering but I've just started forging ahead again. I've also got fingers in a few other pies including an American doco on crosswords that may end up with some input from me."

ADJUDICATING: Would you like to take on the pleasant task of Adjudicating the puzzles in Slots 1-5? If so, kindly contact Patrick by e-mail: pstreet@bigpond.net.au