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*Car le mot, c'est le Verbe, et le Verbe c'est Dieu.*  
For the word is the Verb, and the Verb is God.  
Victor Hugo, 1856, *Les Contemplations*, I, Ch 8.

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We are looking forward to celebrating the 2006 Get-Together at William Ryan's refurbished **Cauliflower Hotel** which is situated in Waterloo, South Sydney. Many thanks to William for making his 'pride and joy' available for us to meet and discuss important things of a cruciverbal nature. It's not too late to accept the invitation. See further details on p5.

We have been delighted with the number of subscription renewals for 2007 and the generous donations made by the members. In order to maintain the high level of prizes for 2007 we need to take advantage of your generosity once again. We will acknowledge all renewals and donations in the next edition of *Crozworld*.

There is another challenging array of puzzles waiting for you this month. Seeing that November 7 is when everything stops except the running of the Melbourne Cup and solving ACC puzzles, *Stroz* has compiled *Horseplay* to start things off. We have gems from *Virgo*, *St Jude* and *Ann Ass* plus a welcome return by *Child's Play* in Slot 2. Our 'Queen' of the Slot 6 puzzles – *Red One* – is back with another beauty and *midships* has given us another of his skilful innovations titled *Use your loaf!* Plus a fascinating Quiz by *æolian* and we introduce a new puzzle setter – Hazel Freeman – with her *Seeking "me"*. Plus a couple of chess problems and a charming photo on p16 of Singing Sensation Steve Trollope showing off his theatrical image at its best. Our cup runneth over! Best of Luck with your Melbourne Cup selection and Happy *Crozworlding!*

—Patrick

A very interesting set of puzzles with problems and joy across all five. As usual, *zinzan's* puzzle set the cat among the pigeons, with the most errors and the most nominations for COTM.

**Slot 1:**

Not too many problems here. One HULAS for HAKAS, which delighted the imagination. Five people gave GEEKISH or REDFISH for 30dn, making 29ac incorrect. One LANII for 44ac.

**Slot 2:**

Plenty of challenges in this one, the main problem being HUMMER or HUMBER for HUMVEE. According to *Chambers*, HUMVEE is a US military vehicle similar to but larger than a Jeep. It comes from *HMMWV*, an abbreviation of its full name, *High-Mobility Multipurpose Wheeled Vehicle*. The answers HUMMER and HUMBER did not fit the secondary part of the clue. YOUR-YOUR or FOUR-DOOR for FOUR-FOUR, a few ODDIE(s) in 7dn, 3dn AGE for ACE and a few other slips.

**Slot 3:**

Five people had ORATORIOS for 1ac instead of ORATORIES and the other main problem was 20ac with a few REAL answers. Some queries on LINEAL (type of work = line). And 23dn ISBN caught a few people out. There were a couple of TROD for TROT – doesn't fit the clue of TROT(SKY).

**Slot 4:**

Very few problems with this one, only a few typos. JUDEUNE and JUDENNE given in a couple of cases.

**Slot 5:**

No particular problem area; LOTUS & MOTOS for LOTOS, CACAO for MACAO and a couple of others. Only one problem with the quote.

**COTM:** Nominations were spread across all puzzles, with Slot 2 having the most nominations – 16 across nine different clues. The winner came from Slot 4, with the Y clue receiving 8 nominations out of 13 for this Slot and 40 nominations in total. Congratulations to *Southern Cross*.

—Jean Barbour

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	97	54	66	97	75	389
Correct entries	73	20	48	86	57	284
Success rate (%)	75.3	37.0	72.7	88.7	76.0	73.0
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## MEMBERS RESULTS FOR SEPT 6 & 7 & OCT 2006 Slots 1-5

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
AINSWORTH Y	.			.				GRAINGER D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	PARKER J	.						
ANDERSON C	.			.	.	.	.	GREENING D	.		.	.	.	.	.	PARSONS D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
AUDRINS K	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	HAGAN R	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	PATTERSON A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
AUSTIN A			.	.	.			HAMBLING C	.		.	.	.			POTTS M						.	
BALNAVES J			.		.			HAZELL N			.					PROCTER D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BARBOUR J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	HEATH P	.		.					PROCTER M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BARNES J	.			.	.			HEMSLEY D			.					PULLEN K			.				
BENNETT B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	HOCKING A	.							PYC M					.		
BENNETT D				.	.			HOWARD L						.		REEVES V			.	.			
BUTLER D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	HOWARD V	.		.		.			RODDICK M	.		.				
CALLAN A&D						.		HOWELLS S			.	.	.	.	.	RYAN A	.		.	.			
CAMPBELL G	.		.					IBBOTT B						.		SAVANAH T	.						
CHANCE C	.		.					JERMY A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SIEGMAN B			.	.			
CLARKE S	.		.					JESSOP N	.							SMITH J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COCKBURN B	.		.					JONES C								SOLOMON B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COLE G	.		.	.	.	.		JONES D	.	.	.	.	.	.		STANDARD J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COLLES J		.		.	.			KENNEDY D			.	.	.	.	.	STOCKS J		.	.	.	.	.	.
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COOKE L						.	.	KITTO J				.				SYMONS B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COPLAND F	.		.	.	.			KNIGHT S				.				TAYLOR R	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COWAN M	.		.	.	.			KNIGHT V				.				TAYLOR S	.		.	.	.		
CROMER H	.		.	.	.			LEE C				.	.			TICKLE B	.	.	.	.	.		
DAVIDSON D	.		.					LEEDS G	.		.		.	.		TROLLOPE S	.		.	.			
DAVIS M					.	.	.	McCLELLAND C	.		.	.	.	.	.	VERESS M			.				
DEARIE P	.		.	.	.	.	.	MacDOUGALL I	.		.	.	.	.	.	WAITES L	.		.				
DINHAM V	.		.	.	.	.		McGRATH J	.		.	.	.	.		WALLACE B	.	.	.	.	.		
DUCKER R	.	.	.	.	.	.		McKENZIE I	.		.	.	.	.		WALTER A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
EDWARD J	.		.	.	.	.		McPHERSON T	.		.	.	.	.		WATSON R	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
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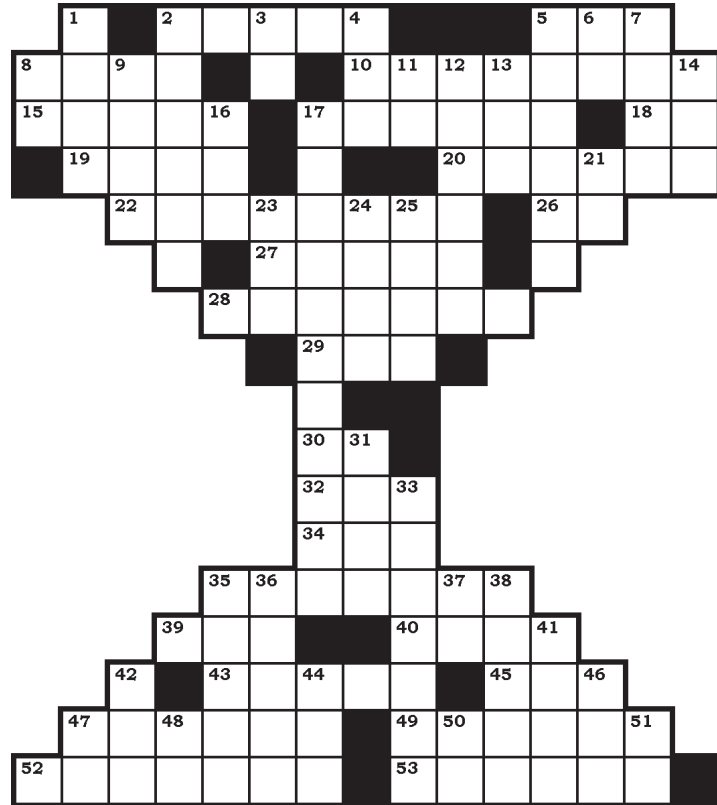
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**Horseplay**  
by  
*stroz*



[rrp: \$49.95]

**Win!**



**Across**

- 2 1884 (5)
- 5 Small 12 (3)
- 8 Irish Gaelic (4)
- 10 Used as an aromatic, pungent spice (8)
- 15 1994 (5)
- 17 Consequences (6)
- 18 A white soft metallic element (2)
- 19 A large horned wingless grasshopper of NZ (4)
- 20 1944 (6)
- 22 1995 (8)
- 26 Indefinite article (2)
- 27 Penfolds saintly wine? (5)
- 28 1986 (2,5)
- 29 Hardy and sure-footed animal (3)
- 30 Small company (2)
- 32 Small time (3)
- 34 South American wood sorrel with edible tubers (3)
- 35 1904 (7)

- 39 In favour of (3)

- 40 The wife of your uncle (4)
- 43 1936 (5)
- 45 Cyberspace (3)
- 47 To arrive (6)
- 49 An American cat (6)
- 52 1886 (7)
- 53 1949 (6)

**Down**

- 1 2000 (4)
- 2 1888 (6)
- 3 Behold! (2)
- 4 Champion (3)
- 5 1952 (6)
- 6 Order of Merit (1.1.)
- 7 1881 (4)
- 8 Ted Whitten (1.1.)
- 9 Litigated (4)
- 11 Small water (2)
- 12 1946 (6)
- 13 \_\_ gratia (3)
- 14 A farm in the south of France (3)
- 16 Attention (3)

- 17 1885 (5,6)
- 21 During (2)
- 23 Inheritance tax (*abbrev.*) (1.1.1.)
- 24 Greek weights (4)
- 25 Web page addresses (1.1.1'1.)
- 31 Killer whale (4)
- 33 1916 (7)
- 35 1978 (5)
- 36 Southern NSW town (5)
- 37 International unit (*abbrev.*) (1.1.)
- 38 Attach to (5)
- 41 Tissue (4)
- 42 Aye (3)
- 44 Ancient mound in Arab lands (3)
- 46 Male turkey (3)
- 47 Bromine (2)
- 48 Cerium (2)
- 50 Carbon monoxide (2)
- 51 Titanium (2)

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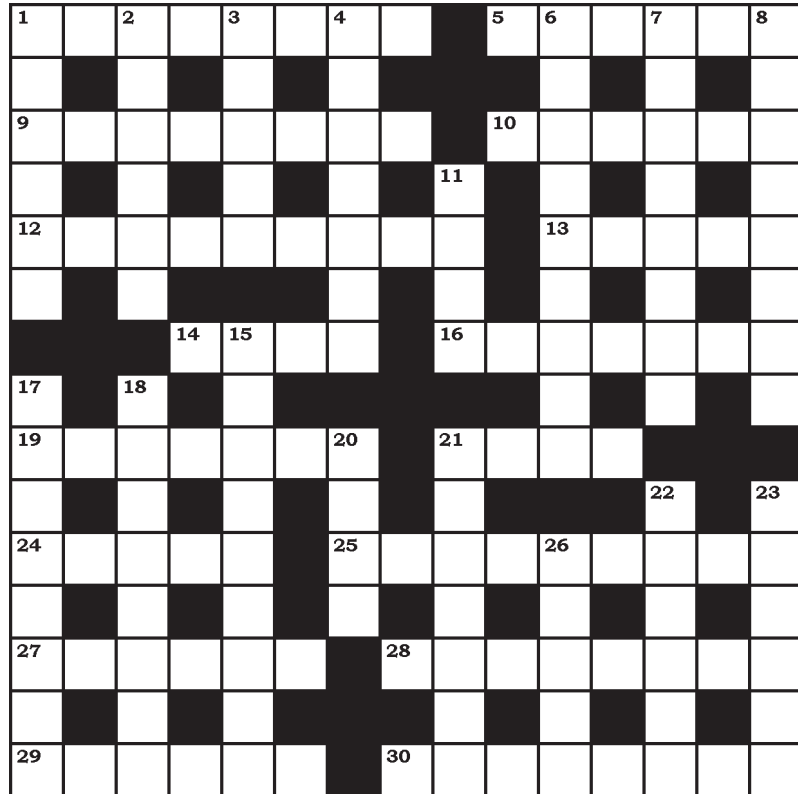
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### Across

- 1 Get oranges with insignificant people (8)
- 5 Hysterical harbouring of atomic arrangement (6)
- 9 Medical symbol has Mussolini involved in endless crusade (8)
- 10 Hostility may retreat from some possum in a tree (6)
- 12 Conductor's company or safe element (9)
- 13 Sequence ascending the bowler's journey (3,2)
- 14 Honour the ear's kismet (4)
- 16 Total mix-up follows letter (Greek hybrid) (7)
- 19 Unlicensed transport is tiny – about 300 (7)
- 21 Blow with hand though found near ankle (4)
- 24 Lay the limits to the solution of disinfectant (5)
- 25 Enter into dispute for custody (9)
- 27 Break into the echo of contented sound in it (6)
- 28 Once the messy purse had a five and a ten in it (8)
- 29 Car flying that is an early yuppie (6)
- 30 A romany male doctor operating for 36 heaped bushels (8)

### Down

- 1 The copper and the cook cooked the bird (6)
- 2 Prominent Florentine family found here in France by the Mediterranean (6)
- 3 A pawnbroker in the family tree (5)
- 4 One relied upon to let corrosion invade the finial (7)
- 6 Drift of a musical character found in air's fourth line (5,4)
- 7 Meditate on innkeeper saying number 8 is free (8)
- 8 Tax imposed on the game is used for sewerage collection (8)
- 11 Lots of bees go south as it's close (4)
- 15 I'll give you a clue: pity it's an anagram of koala abodes! (9)
- 17 Use film on chromosome rearrangement to make coating for photographic plate (8)
- 18 The appropriate unit to measure gypsy anxiety? (8)
- 20 Will outlaw the semicircle! (4)
- 21 Nasal discharge is a noisy state! (7)
- 22 Equip (where in Nice it's right) with severity (6)
- 23 Having only one child makes for harmony?? (6)
- 26 Centre left of abdominal centre (5)

**John Stevens** the creator of *Crossword Express* has kindly donated a Pro version of his software as 2006 prizes for the Slot 2 puzzles. In addition he has offered to all ACC members the pro version of *Crossword Express* at the Lite version price. This is a deal not to be missed. Make sure that you mention the ACC when subscribing. Visit <http://www.crAUSwords.com> or email John at: [support@craswords.com](mailto:support@craswords.com)

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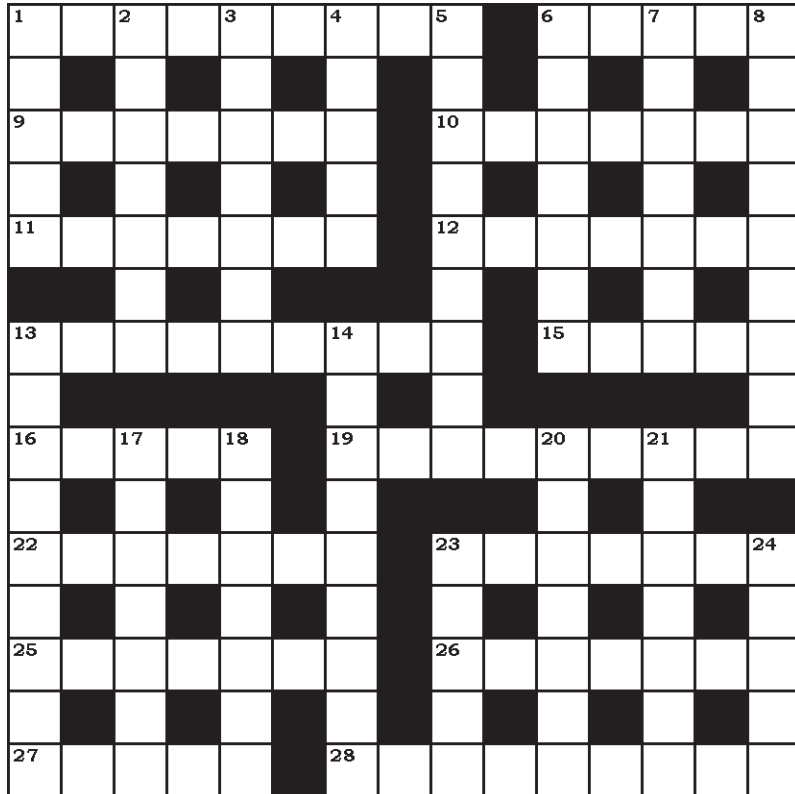
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**Cryptic**  
by  
**Ann Ass**



**Across**

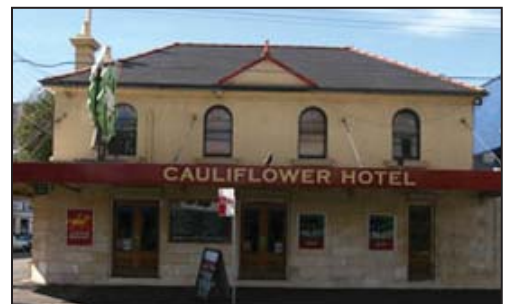
- 1 Revolting Roman slave carps at us horribly (9)
- 6 Car bypass (5)
- 9 I heard a deranged idiot (7)
- 10 Our club's purpose in appeals to Spenser (7)
- 11 The importance of being this theatrically sincere (7)
- 12 Duck from one central Flemish low, flat marshland for Jock (7)
- 13 Instrument to force out orange pip (4,5)
- 15 Subject to fib about, for example (5)
- 16 Survives the French streets (5)
- 19 Certainly heard a wave, perhaps? (4,5)
- 22 Fighter in valley resort on the Mediterranean (7)
- 23 Austere direction to hitman to eliminate Ms Chambers (7)
- 25 Claus gets further education in South American city (5,2)
- 26 Carriage for some frail Carmelite nuns (7)
- 27 ODs not done with prescriptions (5)
- 28 Building up computerised music maker with no drama (9)

**Down**

- 1 Nears tangled loop for removing tumours (5)
- 2 Windfall landing by parachute ... (7)
- 3 ... to that offensive Tet hero (7)
- 4 NZ apprentice in brocade tunic (5)
- 5 Rank queen used to sell books (9)
- 6 I'm involved in transfer of our currency (7)
- 7 Be worthy of French aid (7)
- 8 Seasonal treat from the Orient before Jeffrey finishes it (6,3)
- 13 Split into opposing camps but prepared to embrace leaders of left and right (9)
- 14 Lively people take up a large number of web threads (9)
- 17 Learned they might be battered without social worker (7)
- 18 Wild mares look at gnomes (7)
- 20 Somewhat lofty model replaces Salome's head shawl (7)
- 21 Introduces first in class into where you might find first class (7)
- 23 Asian without eastern Moslem scriptures (5)
- 24 Broken, rusty shelters for Siberian nomads (5)

**2006 GET-TOGETHER AND HAVE FUN: WONDERFUL LOCATION!!**

The ACC's Annual Get-Together will be held at William 'Raoul' Ryan's 'Gastropub' The Cauliflower Hotel, Waterloo, Central Sydney on Sunday 19 November 2006 commencing at 11:30am. William says: "It is South Sydney's most famous pub, five minutes walk from Green Square Station and 10 from Central. Parking is plentiful." See William at the bar at: <http://cauliflower.com.au/> Come along and meet the team! Delicious meals at bargain rates and drinks at pub prices. It will be a lot of fun and we can discuss all manner of things cruciverbal! President Patrick and Lady President will be making an appearance and there will be plenty of the Club's best known personalities in attendance including Shirl O'Brien and Roy Wilson. Why not come along and say 'hello'? Pay on the day. We will have some prizes to give away and Patrick will be conducting a fascinating Quiz. Why not come and join in the fun?



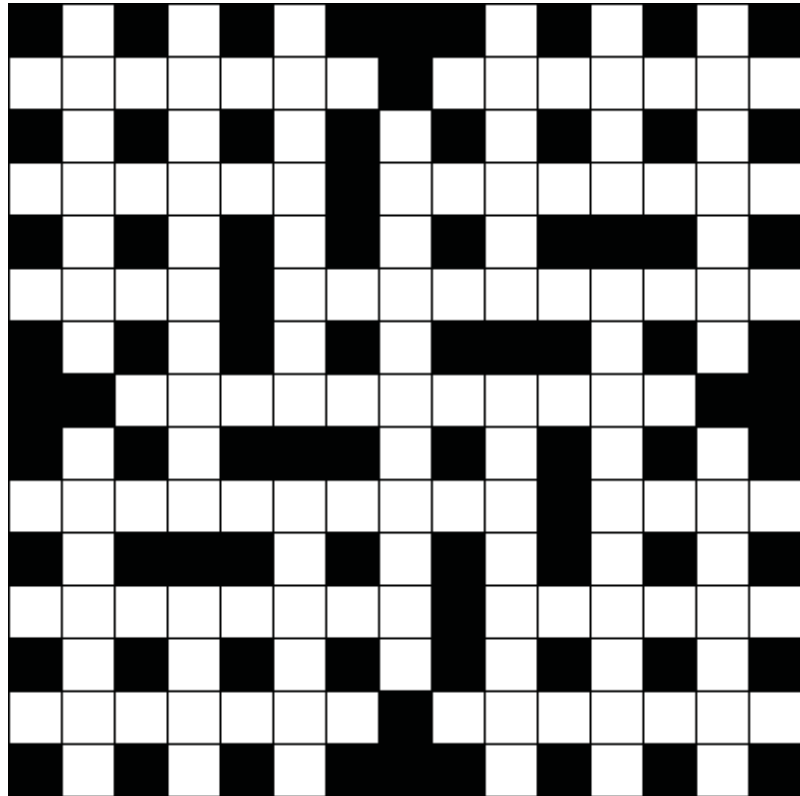


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**AJ**  
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Answers start with the given letter.  
Fit the answers where you can.



- A** A puzzle to remove tails of an angry arthropod (8)
- B** Tabuli miter-mushroom consumed with churrasco entree resulted in a heaving condition (7)
- C** Bully tossed into barn (7)
- D** Bundled up, tied in esses and numb (11)
- E** Spiritual solvent removed surface of seal (8)
- F** Shuffling ox useful for winding (8)
- G** Congeal shortly with Dracula, a novel example (6)
- H** Animal meat dries invertedly (7)
- I** A politician's twisted sin cause of old weakness (11)
- J** Fabric of torn flag put on foreigner (7)
- K** Incapacitated joint has stopped (10)
- L** Teargas used to make the French felon roll over (10)
- M** Meeting with editor posited (6)
- N** Contradicted and consumed head dean after knowledge given back (7)
- O** Short dictionary includes "oil-separator", "crop operator" and "crop" (7)
- P** Mean to chastise about the subject of my island (10)
- Q** What? French queens became stranger? (7)
- R** Line Barrier St (7)
- S** Moral judge spoke to the detector (6)
- T** Travel metaphorically far from here to this World Heritage site (8)
- U** Habitué's mother leaves her gun (4)
- V** Duplicate notch in front of car (3-3)
- W** Activate and block foreign sea boat (10)
- X** Walk in unknown directions to street (4)
- Y** Ancient birth is what the old article describes (4)
- Z** A letter or three is formed using a model in corn (4)

**GENERAL COMMENTS (cont'd)**

• I'm on a soapbox regarding the FIFI or GIGI answer in Sept Slot 2, and I think the decision not to accept the latter is inappropriate. Even though G may not be specified in any dictionaries as an abbreviation for 'female', G for girl(s) and B for boy(s) has always been common usage in abbreviations for, say, school names. The 'female' in the clue could be interpreted as either noun or adjective, and for a noun I believe G is as valid as F. In cryptic parlance there are plenty of abbreviations acceptable which are not shown specifically in the lexicons. It's not an earth shattering decision costing a grand final, but I think the ruling should be overturned, and I thank you for listening.

*Jim Colles*

• In relation to September's Slot 4, the adjudicator Catherine made the comment that there was an indirect anagram in the 'I' clue but no one complained. I did not complain because I did not get the answer until it was pointed out to me. Maybe no one complained because those that got the answer were not concerned and the people who did not get the answer did not know it was because of an indirect anagram? Compilers should please note that what seems clever to them, e.g. finding a synonym for "wicked", adding an x as the "unknown" removing S as the "direction" and anagramming the result without an indicator to get something defined as a "mass arrival" may take more than the usual crosswording skills. There are good reasons for avoiding the indirect anagram!

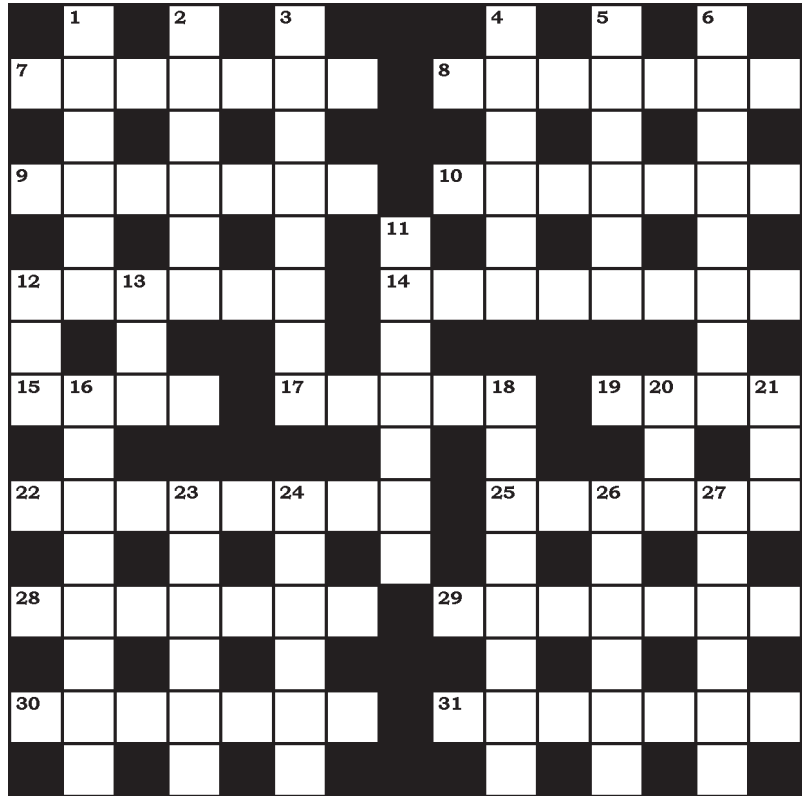
*Ken Pullen*

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**Semi-Thematic**  
by  
**Virgo**



**2006 edn**



Down clues are orthodox. Across answers are clued differently and have a common theme.

**Across**

- 7 New Zealand (7)
- 8 Hill (7)
- 9 Aura (4)
- 10 Chinese (7)
- 12 Jeffrey (6)
- 14 Spirit (8)
- 15 Polish (4)
- 17 Nile (5)
- 19 Home (4)
- 22 Adventure (8)
- 25 Star (6)
- 28 Bean (7)
- 29 Porch (7)
- 30 Military (7)
- 31 Inland (7)

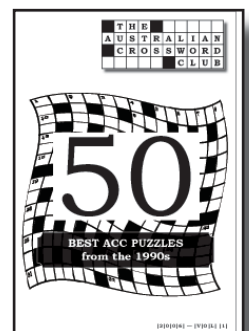
**Down**

- 1 Open air market (6)
- 2 Deep ditch (6)
- 3 Yelled loudly (8)
- 4 Unwaisted dress (6)
- 5 1987 Warren Beatty movie (6)
- 6 Remove oil (8)
- 11 Go downhill (7)
- 12 Flightless bird (3)
- 13 Cringe (3)
- 16 Worship (8)
- 18 Calmed; pacified (8)
- 20 French monarch (3)
- 21 \_\_\_ Craven, movie director (3)
- 23 Banished (6)
- 24 Anton \_\_\_\_\_ composer of *From The New World* symphony (6)
- 26 A Canberra Rugby League player (6)
- 27 Practical (6)

**COMPENDIUM 2006:** *The Crozworld Compendium Vol 7* features a large number of previously unpublished puzzles and 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 6 of the *Compendium* and the names of the prizewinners will be included. If you would like to order copies of this exciting publication please add \$5 per copy (inc p&p) to your renewal subscription.

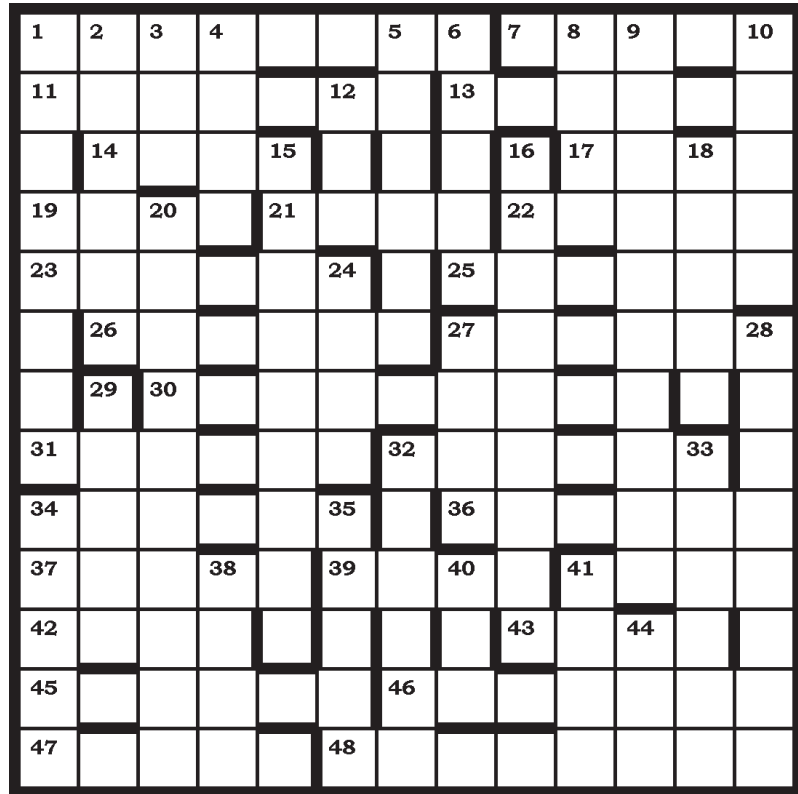
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**DONATIONS TO ACC:** In 2006, we have been thrilled to receive so many generous donations by members to the ACC Prize Fund. As a result, many members have won handsome prizes in 2006. If members are once again able to make donations to the Club, it will enable us to give the greatest return to the membership. Many thanks for your kindness.



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## Famous Last Words by Red One



Four characters who came to a sticky end are featured in this puzzle. Seven asterisked clues have no definitions and are connected. Solvers are asked to highlight the main character's last words (4,2,4) which are hidden in the completed grid. All other answers are in *Chambers* with the exception of one well known book title. Punctuation may mislead.

### Across

- 1 \*By Jove, Ernie is drunk after I've left (3,5)
- 7 Convent head – a bishop on the bottle! (5)
- 11 Fantastic French surround a castle and beat the opposition (7)
- 13 Henry hurts badly with fungal infection (6)
- 14 The place where the speaker is. It is in Hungary (4)
- 17 Sounds like I'll be girt by sea (4)
- 19 A Scots chimney compound (4)
- 21 Put shirt over the first old French headdress (4)
- 22 Who won? Not the Welsh convert, not at all (5)
- 23 Annoyed with no clothes covering rector (6)
- 25 Macgregor would deprive a fashion-conscious Aussie male (3,3)
- 26 Reverend (not tall) turns to hunter of wild animals (6)
- 27 Curse d\_\_\_! Spenser's weapon (6)
- 30 \*Gwen and Lorna go on a spree (9)
- 31 Look at the boil! (6)
- 32 Gasps about piece of nephrite set in glittering ornaments (6)
- 34 Showy subtropical plants for Siam teacher in the Civil Service (6)
- 36 Strong exclamation of fright when Scots lay out for burial (6)
- 37 Bard's cobbler loses head willow (5)
- 39 Large plant in the street (4)
- 41 Fear upheaval from Scots (4)
- 42 Stalk of a moss capsule in latest return (4)
- 43 Refuse, if vodka's offered initially, drinkers cry (4)
- 45 Room in tree plant bodies not differentiated into leaf, stem and root (6)
- 46 Nightjar fowl eats tailless eagle (4-3)
- 47 Loses out on floors of furnaces (5)
- 48 \*Indeed, even a thousand yell out (3,5)

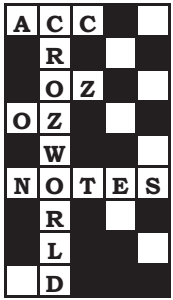
### Down

- 1 Ex-Queensland Premier precedes old Queen speaking initially for European gold coin (7)
- 2 \*Awl (6)
- 3 Change the letter used in Old English (3)
- 4 Inhabitant of Barbados without right edge (4)
- 5 Court divides almost pleasant drink (6)
- 6 Queen's around the upper air (5)
- 8 Robin dances with no end of vivacity (4)
- 9 \*Home rule separates vehicle from rage (10)
- 10 The wary are gutless but muscular (5)
- 12 Twist of hair starts to curl up eventually (3)
- 15 \*Begin to cover first lady in hospital (5,4)
- 16 War on west – bomb run after the thaw (4-5)
- 18 Spenser's lout turned to drivel (5)
- 20 Tract found off air lounge with central heating (10)
- 24 Need a change? Go to small valley (4)
- 27 Possibly half jump puddles (4)
- 28 \*According to Rev. Spooner can deli supply the goods? (3,5)
- 29 In the eye of a male, a sex for rent (5)
- 32 First centre piece changed conflict (6)
- 33 Lumpsucker main mammal smothers cry of pain (3,3)
- 34 Rates coloured big rat's tails (5)
- 35 Sully Japanese sea-bream in Senegal (5)
- 38 Shakespeare's evil supposedly found in tea leaves (4)
- 40 Ferried no odds before (3)
- 41 Five dollar bill (English?) for ordinary French brandy (4)
- 44 Two heraldic wings halve large quantity (3)

**Post  
Solution  
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**WORDPLAY:** This latest big-screen documentary features Will Shortz, editor of the crossword puzzles in *The New York Times*. Shortz is the star of Patrick Creadon's film, which examines crosswords and the people whose day is not complete until they have filled in every letter. The action culminates in the 28th annual American Crossword Puzzle Tournament. Along the way we hear from ordinary crossword obsessives and more famous ones including Bill Clinton, Bob Dole, Jon Stewart, Ken Burns and the Indigo Girls. The film opened on October 26.

**Results of Odd Man Out by Karl Audrins. Entries 15. Prizewinner: Jim Colles. Congratulations!**

Firstly, thank you to all participants, and for your kind comments and observations. Lack of space precludes their publishing, but all are gratefully acknowledged and appreciated. Secondly, little did I realise the potentially invidious position I would inherit by adjudicating this little exercise. As one wise member wrote – "sometimes answers to puzzles like these can be justified in many ways. Some are quite obvious (!) and/or more correct". How very true, much to my chagrin. To list all the alternatives would be impractical, so I have considered all the permutations and

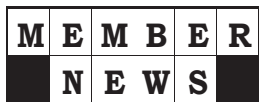
combinations to the best of my ability, and judged accordingly. Thank you for your forbearance and understanding, and to anyone feeling aggrieved – my empathy. Just for the record, only one entry had No 10 "correct", and ALGORITHM is NOT quadrisyllabic. (*Vide OED* definition) —**Karl Audrins**

**Solutions:** 1. SPIED. Others contain a drink internally. 2. ANNOY. Others are names reversed. 3. BRETHERN. Others contain "the" internally. 4. ELOPE. Others are heteronyms. 5. TAPER. Others are anagram pairs. 6. END. Others are made from alternate letters of longer words. 7. DEFAMATION. Others contain AEIOU. 8. AMEN. Others are anagrams of the last four letters of the longer words. 9. ADMONISHED. Others do not repeat a letter. 10. ROB. Others "add up" to 42, when A=1, B=2, etc.

**Results:** 9. Jim Colles 8. Michael Kennedy, William Ryan and Brian Symons 7. Jean Barbour, Peter Dearie, Barb Ibbott 6. Doug Butler and Ted O'Brien 5. Joan McGrath 4. Audrey Austin, Gabrielle Leeds and Lorna Waites 3. Verna Dinham 2. Norman Wilson.

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**October Slots 1-5 Prizewinner: Bill Bennett. Congratulations,**



**New Members:** We extend a warm welcome to **Harry Ohlsen** from Belmore, NSW, **Rosie Warren** from Concordia, SA, **Peter Johnson** from Hunters Hill, NSW, **Anthea Hastie** from Fitzroy North, Vic (a

Gift Membership from David Grainger) and **Suzanne Burdon** from St Ives, NSW (a Gift Membership from Brian Symons). Welcome to the wonderful world of *Crozworl*d!

**Puzzle Adjustment:** Joan Smith gained a dot for September Slot 5.

**Many thanks** to **Trish McPherson** for her generous donation to the ACC Prize Fund. Much appreciated, Trish. We hope those Cellar Door Sales are booming! Visit: <http://www.indigowines.com.au/> to check out Trish's range of brilliant wines. Quote: "Cool climate. Clean Environment. At Indigo Ridge the altitude is serious – almost 1km. Ours is a small environmentally sensitive vineyard. Our philosophy is to be as sustainable as practicable. We use no insecticides and our grapes are handpicked. Trish McPherson and Paul Bridge invite you to enjoy their splendid views whilst visiting their cellar door."

**The Australian Oxford Dictionary**

**WORD OF THE MONTH**

**namaskar** *n.* a traditional Indian greeting or gesture of respect, made by bringing the palms together before the face or chest and bowing. [ORIGIN: via Hindi from Sanskrit *namaskāra* from *namas* 'bowing' + *kāra* 'action'.]

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

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**Seeking "me" by Hazel Freeman**

Send your answers to:

**Hazel Freeman, 6 Albert Hill Road, Lilydale Vic 3140.**

Closing mail date: Friday 8 December 2006.

Book prize.

All answers end with "me", and begin with the letter preceding the definition. All but one answer verified in *The Chambers Dictionary* (2003 edn). Words are comprised as follows:

4, 10 & 12 letters: 2 words. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11: 3 words.

- A** Adventurous
- B** To speak impiously or profanely
- C** Religious season centred upon 25th December
- D** Pantomine figure, comic, usually vulgar and old, usually played by a male actor
- E** The greatest degree
- F** Merry; Sportive
- G** Ingrained dirt
- H** Good-looking
- I** Revenue; profit
- J** In a joking manner
- K** 2.205 pounds
- L** The time during which one is alive
- M** A play without dialogue
- N** Traditional rhyme for children
- O** Consequence
- P** Edging for a picture
- Q** Unslaked lime; calcium oxide
- R** System of government
- S** "Open ....." from *Ali Baba*
- T** Cooking herb
- U** Tainted
- V** Willing to take risks
- W** Charming; pleasant
- X** Chromosome, paired in female mammal's zygote and cell, but alone in male mammal's zygote and cell. Sex determinant
- Y** (Spenser.) Together (adverb.)
- Z** "Wheel of Life" instrument providing an illusion of animated motion. (Cinematography.)

## October 1-2006: Half & Half by Noel Jessop

- Thanks Noel for an excellent puzzle. I loved the 'down producers' and WEE.
- The master compiler's puzzle very appropriate for a prize dedication to Iris, a lover of words.
- An expert at work on this one!
- A nice starter from Noel. I still find the cryptic clues easier to solve than the straight ones.
- Took some time to obtain COLDITZ where DIT = named (Fr) & oz. little weight. An enjoyable puzzle thanks Noel.
- Thanks Noel for yet another lesson in getting it right every time, and for having a vocabulary the size of Alaska. 'LANAI', 'TUI', 'EPERGNE'... of course!

Michael Kennedy  
Jim Colles  
Catherine Foster  
Catherine Hambling  
Alan Walter  
Stephen Clarke

## October 2-2006: Cryptic by zinzan (Andrew Patterson)

- My COTM has to go to Slot 2, 14dn, BROOKE (I hope). One of those annoying clues where you are sure there must be a misprint, lots of cursing and swearing at such a simple clue, then the penny drops and you shout hurrah, what a clever clue! Betty Siegman
- If this slot was a beverage it would be a rich dark hot chocolate with a hint of spice. Some cracking clues, especially the ones for MIDDLING and MACBETH. Looking forward to the next cup! Michael Kennedy
- A hard puzzle for this slot, methinks, but top notch clues all over, such as 13ac, 1dn, etc. Jim Colles
- I have to give COTM to zinzan for Slot 2, 16ac. It took forever to pick up the beat. Jack Stocks
- The toughest and most enjoyable puzzle ever in this slot. But even harder is picking COTM. 4ac, 16ac, 25 ac, 31ac ...? Eeeny Meeny Miney Mo ... Slot 2/14dn (for no particular reason except I guessed it and only found out why it was right after consulting Dr Google. I'm sure Andrew also mentioned Mr Brooke in his bio early this year. Doug Butler
- 'Lacoste' is not only my COTM but surely my Clue of the Year. Is it not a perfect clue, where the whole clue is both definition and cryptic clue? Congratulations to zinzan for something really special! Shirl O'Brien
- 'Macintosh' was an explosion of light - when I learned how to doctor it. Well done, zinzan! Max Roddick
- Phew! It's filled in (correctly) I hope, as the clues were rather deep and I couldn't have done it without Google. For 14dn, 21dn clues are there but where's the definition? I liked 19dn, but I chose 22dn for my COTM. Catherine Foster
- 16ac: Could not find "four-four" anywhere but an old memory of childhood music lessons seems to tell me that it is right. 14dn: I think zinzan is coming the raw prawn with this clue. Doreen Jones
- I trust that there is a motor car called a Signature with four doors. Maurice Cowan
- Is it just me, or were there a few no-ball deliveries here? But I think I have all except 16ac. There are lots of ways to sign off a letter. Roy Taylor
- The hallmark of a cryptic clue is that once solved you can be almost certain you are right. While most of the clues fulfilled this condition, there were several that didn't (at least for me!). Here's hoping. Catherine Hambling
- Some great clues - especially MISSING. Brian Symons
- Two difficult intersecting clues with 16ac and 14dn. I first took 'penniiless' to mean ruined, but taking the 'i' into account is to subtly imply the 'oo' in BROOKE. Brain-testing! Alan Walter
- Enjoyable puzzle, Brookie. Where would you put yourself on the Ximenes-Araucaric spectrum, do you think? I thought 'NOTE' was great, loved 'LITRE', lots of others. Don't think you quite got away with 'BROOKE' though! Stephen Clarke

## October 3-2006: Cryptic by gizmojones (Stephen Clarke)

- Had me in a spin - great clues, but tough. Loved 7 & 8dn also 21 & 27ac. Catherine Foster
- 6dn: Hard to work out that I had to remove sky from Trotsky. 20ac: Hard to work out that I had to remove A from Ariel - a character in Shakespeare's play *The Tempest*. I usually use *Chambers* for my crosswords. I decided to look in *Macquarie* for Ariel because it has a lot of proper nouns which aren't in *Chambers*. Bev Solomon
- I couldn't quite come to terms with 20ac. I've put in RIAL for money but RYAL is also optional, as is REAL. Bob Hagan
- A really challenging cryptic. Brian Symons
- 20ac: 'typeface' is Arial without the capital 'A'. 4dn: In this clue 'i.e.' appears superfluous. 7dn: this is a gem clue for MEDICINE DROPPER. I found the bottom half of the grid difficult to complete. A challenging puzzle, thanks gizmojones. Alan Walter
- Clearly a compiler who is dedicated to the task. Excellent work gizmo! Loved MOLASSES, SHIPSHAPE and SUBTITLE. Michael Kennedy
- Really enjoyable puzzle, particularly with clues like 15ac, 21ac, 5dn, 19dn. Jim Colles

## October 4-2006: AJ by Southern Cross (Shirl O'Brien)

- Great AJ. Best clue - YODELLED! Michael Kennedy
- Immaculate clues, of course. Thought Y was a special! Jim Colles
- A welcome relief from the rigours of Slots 2 and 3. I particularly enjoyed the E and W clues. Doug Butler
- I think IRONED is an exemplary clue. Two clueing elements, and an anagram, and a simple, elegant and cognate surface reading. DH, RM, EP, take note. [Editor's note: The initials DH, RM, EP are those of 3 of the crossword compilers for *The Age/Sydney Morning Herald*] Stephen Clarke
- Yodelled for COTM! Max Roddick
- My all time favorite - excellent clues by Southern Cross. Catherine Foster
- No problems with our master cluer, Southern Cross. As always, neat and accurate. Catherine Hambling
- YODELLED is a wonderful clue. Brian Symons

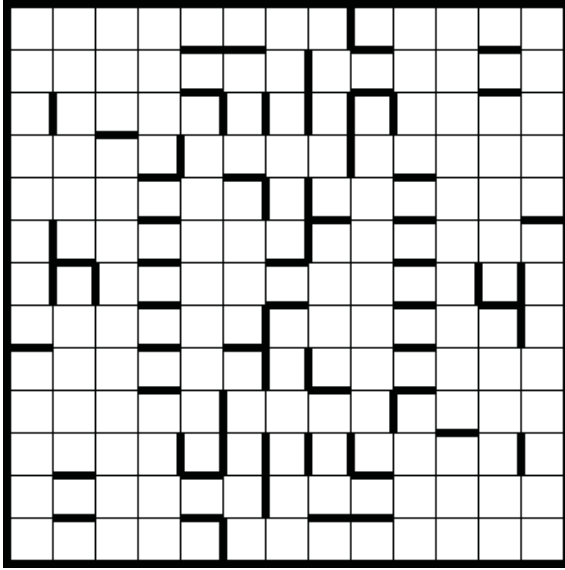
## October 5-2006: Out There! by Praxis (Roy Wilson)

- Roy's puzzle 'Out There' had me stumped for ages & I am still unable to grasp the significance of the title. SUAVER = more civil but why? (Up American state VA US + more = er: adj) Graeme Cole
- Roy's offering, enjoyable as always. 15dn must be in *The Shorter Oxford*, which I don't have. But with only one unchecked letter, it's a good risk. Max Roddick
- Good one Praxis! You threw some tough ones in here, but I hung in there and got it done - hurray! Catherine Foster
- Thanks Praxis - a real challenge but most enjoyable. Catherine Hambling
- Another Praxian masterpiece. Brian Symons
- 1ac: Could not locate BEADSAW in four standard dictionaries. Finally located BEAD SAW as two separate words in *Webster's*. The spelling of LOTOS, SEANED, SNEBS, DOMINEE & LATREUTIC were unexpected. In 21dn, assume that 'trimmer' = 'adjuster' = VERNIER. Good one Roy. Alan Walter
- Challenging Slot 5. I always know I'm off to the library with this one! I like libraries. Just need an explanation for 8dn (ATONE?! (Payback = ATONE, time = AT ONE. Adjudicator) Michael Kennedy
- Very difficult with much lexical learning and great clues. Haven't heard the utterance before. Jim Colles
- I always have a friendly arm wrestle with Praxis, but for a while I was ABATTU in Queensland. Then the sou dropped. Jack Stocks

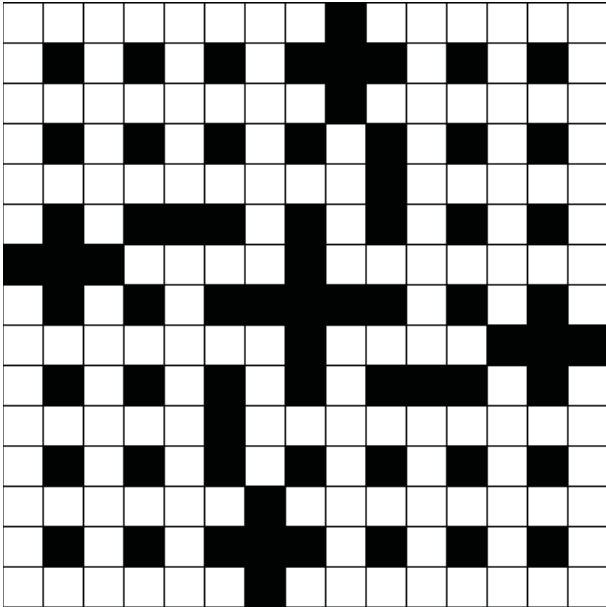
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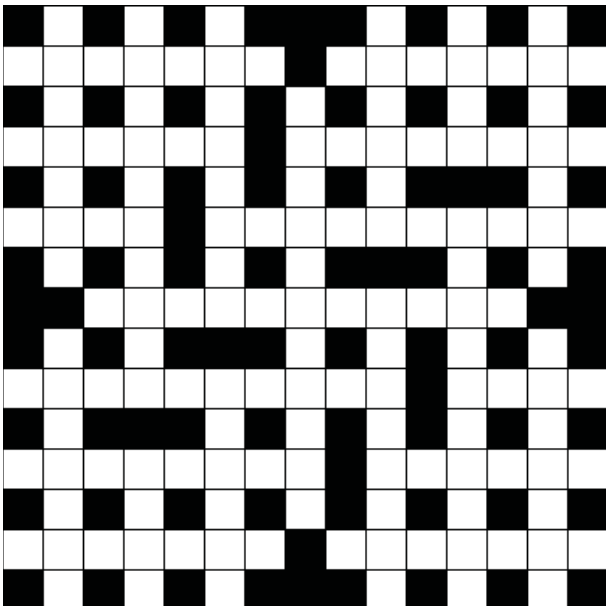
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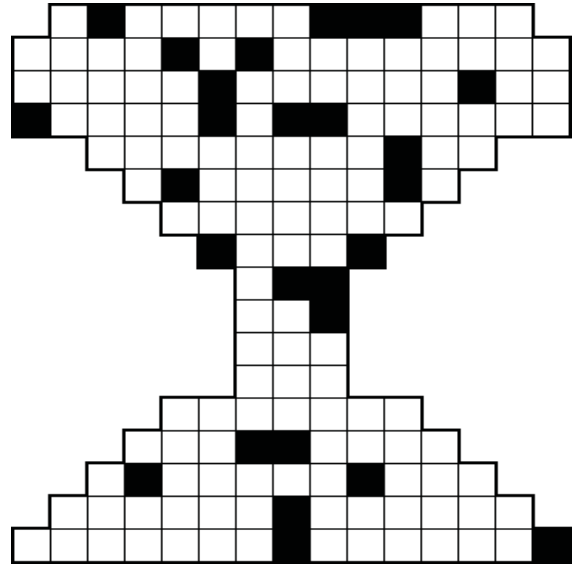
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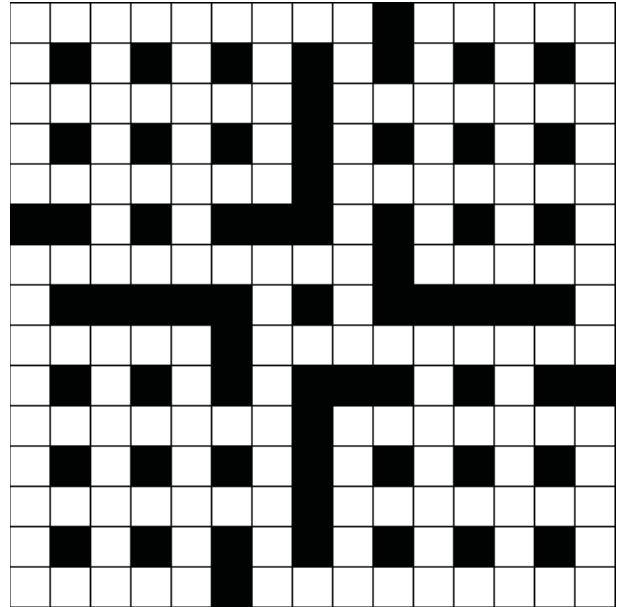
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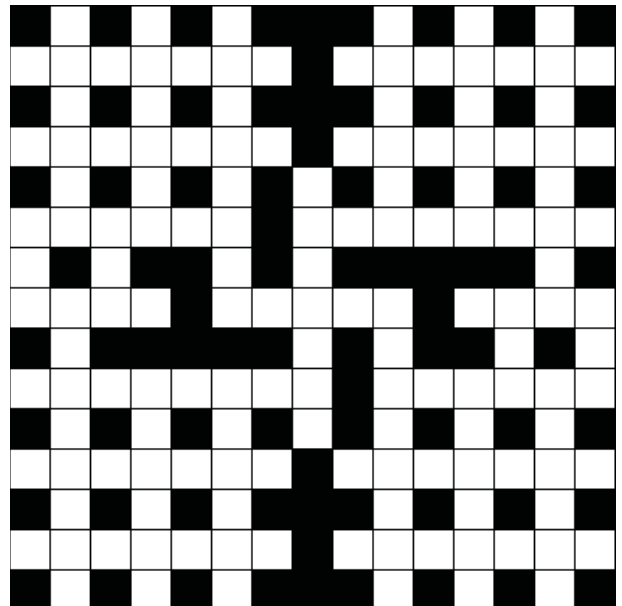
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Clue of the Month .....

**September 6 – 2006: Eightsome Reels by Praxis (Roy Wilson)**

**Entries: 49. Correct: 45. Success Rate: 92%. Prizewinners: Susan Howells and Bev Solomon. Congratulations!**

**Solvers' Comments:**

- Thanks for this – it's the closest I've come to admitting defeat for a while. I gave up a few times and wouldn't have got it without the 12 unchecked letters given. Thanks for a delightful challenge. *Jean Barbour*
- Non Amabilis, Praxis, sed laudabilis. *Maurice Cowan*
- I loved this one – very clever – I couldn't put it down. (See remarks re galivant.) *Jill Freeland*
- Loved your crossword; should get over the head ache sometime soon!! *Ann Jermy*
- Bad enough my hair has gone grey, but after this puzzle, there is very little of it left! Was tearing it out in handfuls! GREAT PUZZLE – now that I've finished it and so long as it's correct. *Del Kennedy*
- What a puzzle! For pure engineering it was a masterpiece. I needed four copies to reach the finishing line but enjoyed every step. *Michael Kennedy.*
- Thanks for this challenge. My eyes are still out on sticks rotating like mad. *Carole Noble*
- How do you ever make words to connect – except for 3 in each unchecked corner. It's amazing but hard to work out which direction with so many same letters. I always enjoy your crosswords – always fair but not too easy. *Marian Procter*
- I love these, though not easy!!! CARDIGAN and DIRECTOR gave me most trouble, so I hope I'm correct. *Shirl O'Brien*
- I had this finished before I knew it. I couldn't make sense of 5 for a long time. Now I'm persuaded that 'suasible' is legitimate. (It sure is, Ted) Thanks for the challenge of another great puzzle. *Ted O'Brien*
- Thank you for another of your amazing puzzles – a difficult piece of work. I spent a lot of time building the first corner and from then on going round in circles. A testing challenge and a great feeling to complete. *Ron O'Rourke*
- Another great puzzle. It came out gradually over two weeks. Half of the words were new to me. (See below re 17) *Andrew Patterson*
- Had me going in *squares* for quite a while until I had enough solved to *reel* in the right direction. *Jack Stocks*
- What a wonderful puzzle – thank you. I'm really proud to have solved it (I think) and understand it. (young Paul took a while to decipher). So many new words – but even the familiar ones took ages to unravel. *Brian Symons.*
- A great fun puzzle, thanks Roy, but hell to transcribe (and to check, I'll bet! / You develop a pattern, Roy) *Roy Taylor*
- Your EIGHTSOME REELS puzzle 'reely' sent me 'reeling'. Thanks for this wonderful whirlpool. There were so many words I was unaware of. This is one of the most challenging puzzles you have set to date. With 16 possible positions for any single 8 letter word, this certainly kept my head spinning as well as all the answer words. Thanks for including the 12 unchecked letters at the corner of the grid. This certainly assisted in completing your dazzling mind-bending puzzle. Overall this puzzle was a 'REEL' learning experience. In clue No.18 GOLDWIN should be spelt GOLDWYN (Yes Alan, It's a worry!). His original name was Samuel GOLDFISH. *Alan Walter*
- What a pleasure it was to solve (hopefully) your brilliant Eightsome. Most ingenious – how you managed to develop it is beyond me. *Kay and Ian Williams*

**Adjudicator's Comments: English has more different words of eight letters than any other word length.**

2: AXE-STONE (Jade): axe/(Rolling) Stone; 16: BALANCES: Sailor ... having 'created stability' – (it) 'balances'; 17: 'Perhaps queen (card) (ha)'s one (I) to worry about (nag – rev) corgi' = Cardigan (variety of Welsh corgi.) 30: GALIVANT obtained from 'Franklin Wordmaster' which nominates 'Collins Publishers' as its source; 32: SNIPPING: snip/pin/g(row); 33: LIVENING: liv(en)ing; 35: APERIENT: 'direction' anagram indicator for 'neat'.  
—Praxis (Roy Wilson)

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

- I didn't know there would be a Certificate for COTM. A pleasant surprise and a pleasure to look at. Thank you! *Max Roddick*
- Great issue as usual, but are we graduating to more difficult puzzles, or am I losing it? *Catherine Foster*
- Thanks to the ACC for prize cheque received for Sept 06 Slot 2. Noel's puzzles are always a pleasure to solve. *Geoff Campbell*
- If you get this with blanks it's not because I left the letters out in transcription, I COULDN'T DO THEM!!! Is it just me or were 2 & 3 real stinkers? *Del Kennedy*
- Many thanks to the ACC for my prize for August 6 – 2006. *Bev Solomon*
- I would like to thank the Club and Patrick for my cheque for Slot 4 September – a great surprise. *Ron O'Rourke*
- Noel Jessop's bonus puzzle is one of his best – a pity it wasn't a 1-5 puzzle. *Brian Symons*
- Thoroughly enjoyed this month's challenges. Both Noel and Shirl up to their usual high standards and *zinzan* and *gizmojones* set wonderful puzzles, in spite of the fact *gizmojones* used several indirect anagrams, not Ximenean, but enjoyable none the less. *Roy Wilson*
- Many thanks for the prize for August Slot 6 – prize money went on Panadol® to counter headaches caused by Slots 2 and 3 this month. *Dave Parsons*
- I would like to thank the ACC for my lovely prize. Most welcome at renewal time. *Margaret Watzinger*

**Clue Writing Competition No 7/2006:**

Write a clue for the word **CATHEDRAL (9)**.

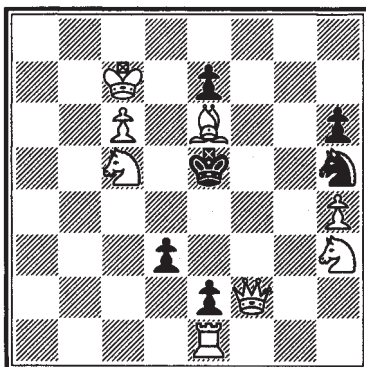
Note: only one clue per person.

Send your clue and explanation to the adjudicator Steve Trollope, 28 Pannosa Ct, Capalaba Qld 4157 or by email to:

steve.jt@bigpond.net.au Closing mail date: Friday 8 December 2006. Book prize.

See page 16 for the full results of the Clue Writing Competition No 6/2006.

**No. 11**



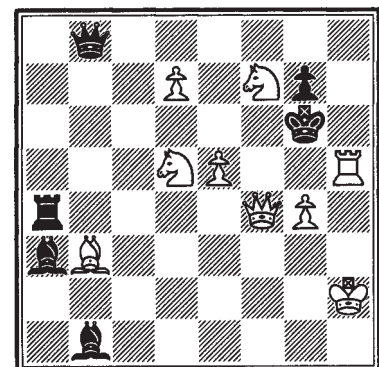
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**Chess Game Problems  
Nos 11 and 12/2006**

White to play  
and mate in two moves.  
Name White's first move  
in each problem.

Send solution(s) to:  
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**No. 12**





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Use your loaf!  
by  
*midships*



rrp: \$59.95

Solutions to asterisked clues are associated in a consistent way with the word to be entered into the grid. All associations are authentic, to the best of the setter's personal knowledge and research. Two take the singular form where the plural may be the more common and one is shown in a (still authentic) shortened version. Non-asterisked clues are normal. Two word length indicators follow each asterisked clue. The first represents the solution to the clue and the second the word to be inserted in the grid.

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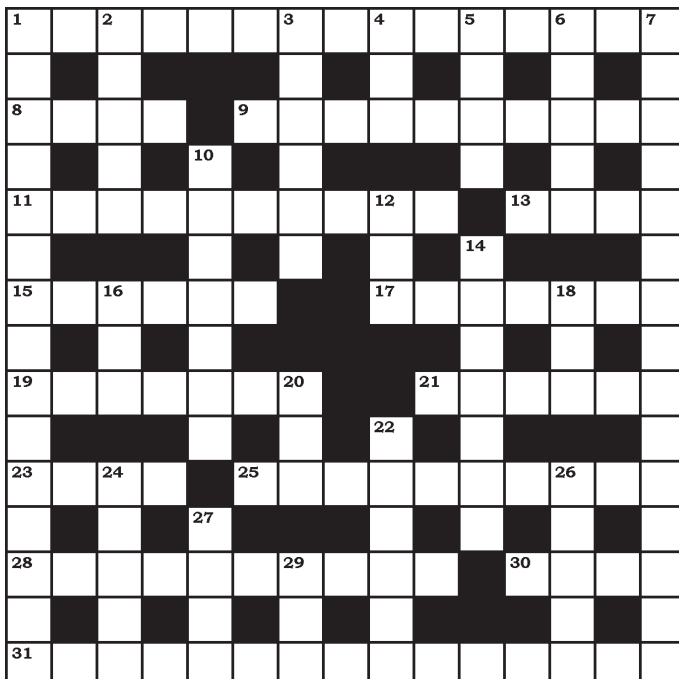
- 1 \*Heaps of tangled plies (5) (8,2,5)
- 8 Close to part of the Aisne arrondissement (4)
- 9 \*Put article in a puddle for TV entertainment (4) (4,2,4)
- 11 \*Deposit gusher in pot? Not right! Could be a choker (9) (10)
- 13 Would-be dry people adopt measurement system for the continent (4)
- 15 \*With middle age, enjoy the challenge (5) (6)
- 17 \*Scottish sister starts to inject to treat yaws (5) (7)
- 19 \*Criminal fears lathi effectively used inside (5) (3,4)
- 21 \*Looks and sounds as though they have it (4) (6)
- 23 Monster occupies "Spirit of Progress" (4)
- 25 \*Child reported star (3) (7,3)
- 28 \*Conceal bit of hair cut in a temper (6) (4,6)
- 30 Smooth, but retiring, academics (4)
- 31 \*Fit hearts, for example (4) (7,3,5)

**Down**

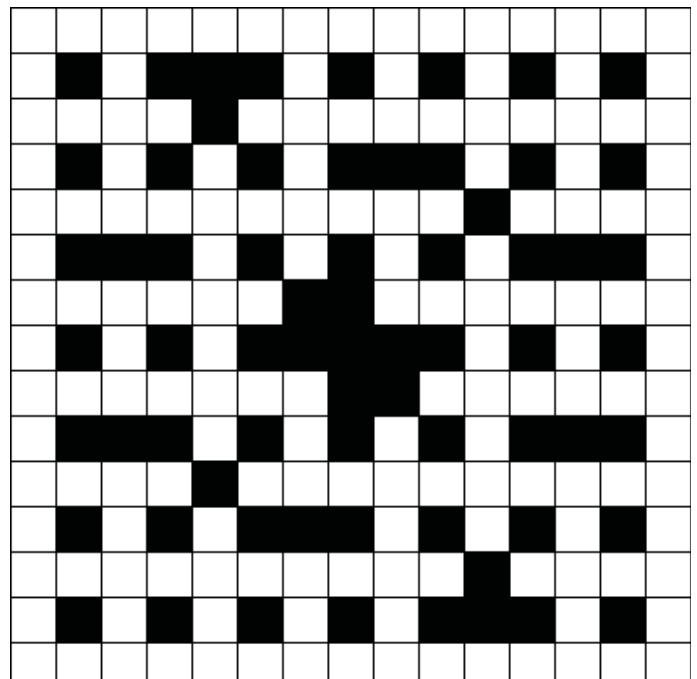
- 1 At the end of healthy walk upset two characters with codified rules (12,3)
- 2 Warning of a wing master (5)
- 3 Efficiently connect bull to half an old leash (6)
- 4 Blue half-seat (3)
- 5 Present model with fruit upside down (4)
- 6 Describing famous people in a service organization (5)
- 7 Wandering Eden's esplanade I extols Italian city (3,6,3,3)
- 10 Big rock, reportedly a heavier type (7)
- 12 Difficulty with inverted seed case (3)
- 14 Imagines Roman force beheading fierce beasts (7)
- 16 Air moves downwards in drowned valley (3)
- 18 Interrupted beat led to spasm (3)
- 20 Infection disappeared fast, we hear (3)
- 22 Encourage fish to leave the street, or rather, vice-versa (4,2)
- 24 I follow sound of ruined muscles (5)
- 26 Stop! You French African! (5)
- 27 Move house stealthily with carved side of cured pork (4)
- 29 Tip of sporting equipment (3)

Post solution to: Ian Williams, 12 Lindrum Cres, Holt ACT 2615.  
email: ianw@webone.com.au Closing mail date: Friday 8 December 2006.

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## Quiz No 11/2006

## The Bridge of Asses by æolian

Send your answers to: Max Roddick, 5/36 The Avenue, Malvern East Vic 3145  
or by email to: mro90544@bigpond.net.au

Closing mail date: Friday 8 December 2006. Prize: \$50.



by æolian

There are three groups of questions, mixed, and in no particular order. **Questions with an Asterisk** are ordinary cryptic clues, with no definitions, and some indicators omitted. Some word-lengths are given, and all answers are in *Chambers* 2003 edition. **Quotations** are followed by a question which may relate to their content or some detail. Where the question is 'Source?' – if Shakespearean, state which Play, if Biblical, which Book. For others the required answer is the Author's name, not the work. **General Knowledge Questions** (which may overlap the previous group). Where the word 'Whose' appears, the niceties of grammar are suspended – the answer need not be in the possessive case. For example: Q. Whose donkey brought in the Gallipoli wounded? A. Simpson (not Simpson's).

- 1 *More than a score of donkey's years  
He had seen since he was foaled.*  
Name the donkey?
- 2 Who wrote *Travels with a Donkey*?
- 3 ... – *the Wild Ass*  
*Stamps o'er his Head, and he lies fast  
asleep.* Whose head?
- 4 \*A flightless burrowing mammal? (5)
- 5 What was the name of Sancho Panza's donkey?
- 6 *Wild ass or trotting jackal comes  
And couches in the mouldering gates.*  
Source?
- 7 Who wrote the music of *The Donkey Serenade*?
- 8 \*Re-stump this one – it has a load to bear (7)
- 9 *Love a woman? You're an ass!*  
Source?
- 10 \*Him no use? Well, order him, and he'll help with 15 & 18 (8)
- 11 *The tattered outlaw of the Earth*  
Source?
- 12 \*The Orange Free State? (6)
- 13 The saying "An illiterate king is a crowned ass." is said to have been often used (though not originated) by which Royal person?
- 14 What is the name of this creature:- With the head, arms, and torso of a man, and the body and legs of an ass? (10)
- 15 \*A king overthrown (5)
- 16 "An ass, placed between two equally accessible bales of hay, couldn't decide between them, and so starved". Whose hypothesis is this?
- 17 *The ass learned metaphors and tropes  
But still on music fixed his hopes.*  
Source?
- 18 \*The git I gazed at strangely (9)
- 19 The title of this Quiz (or its Latin equivalent) is often used to denote a particular point in the writings of which ancient master?
- 20 Front of zebra, donkey's rear, what strange animal have we here? (6)
- 21 *Who hath sent out the wild ass free? ....  
The range of the mountains is his  
pasture, and he searcheth after every  
green thing.* Source?
- 22 *The ass more captain than the lion.*  
Source?
- 23 My father was a horse, my mother a she-ass. What am I? (5)
- 24 "What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten me three times?"  
Whose ass said that to her master?
- 25 *Bony and ownerless, widowed and  
worn  
Knobble-kneed, lonely and grey.*  
Source?

### Results of Quiz No. 9/2006: ACCused in vain by Max (Doug Butler and Margaret Galbreath)

**Solutions:** 1. Ann Jermy 2. Bob Hagan 3. Pat Garner 4. Ted O'Brien 5. Galbreath 6. Jim Colles 7. Rob Watson 8. Irene Watts 9. Jack Stocks 10. Doug Butler 11. Max Roddick 12. Alan Walter 13. Noel Jessop 14. Doreen Jones 15. Carole Noble 16. Bev Cockburn 17. Bill Bennett 18. Jean Barbour 19. Brian Tickle 20. Peter Dearie 21. Shirl O'Brien 22. Audrey Austin 23. Shelia Taylor 24. Col Archibald 25. Veniece Lobsey 26. Steve Trollope 27. Patrick Street 28. Andrew Patterson 29. Dell Eisentrager.

**Results:** **29:** Susan Howells, Doreen Jones, David Procter and Brian Symons **28:** Audrey Austin, Bev Cockburn, Jim Colles, Catherine Foster, Pat Garner, Ann Jermy, Gabrielle Leeds, Trish McPherson, Carole Noble, William 'Raoul' Ryan, Joan Smith and Alan Walter **27:** Karl Audrins, Barbara Glissan, Barb Ibbott, Claire McClelland, Irene Watts **26:** Yvonne Ainsworth, Peter Dearie and Marian Procter **20:** Jean Barbour and Bev Solomon.

### Prizewinner: David Procter. Congratulations!

**Adjudicators' Comments:** Apart from the expected mistakes in the spelling of Shelia (our original inspiration), we thought this puzzle, with a 'lexicon' of less than 100 words and no really esoteric clues, would be a breeze. How wrong we were! —Max (Margaret and Doug)

### Solvers' Comments:

- Thanks for an intriguing, enjoyable and EXTREMELY DIFFICULT quiz.
- Thanks for an interesting quiz involving club members.
- Thanks for including me in this illustrious line-up. No 27 'Patrick Street' was the last one I got – it nearly drove me mad! It's a good clue though.
- This was a real toughie and I'm not sure why. I enjoyed your clues, especially 1, 15, 17 (lovely) and 26.
- Thanks for the most entertaining Quiz.
- Very clever and thanks for the mention.
- This wasn't easy but it got me in (nice one – Max).
- I especially liked the clue for you and Bill Bennett. I'm not sure if Roy Wilson is correct, but I'm sure you wouldn't leave one of my favourite compilers out. (Ours too Marian, but couldn't come up with a good enough clue – Max).
- A great idea for a quiz. I hope I have identified the culprits.
- Thank you for the terrific fun I had with this one ... (25? I'm not sure) ... Maybe next time I will qualify, as CATHERINE FOSTER needs a good clue to work her out.
- Thank you for a very clever and challenging puzzle, not sure if No 27 is correct (no, alas – Max).
- Great quiz! It was a challenge especially when you are not familiar with other members.
- Funnily enough I had the most problems with my own name!
- I have just finished (at least I hope so) your devilish quiz which I have been nibbling away at for a week. At first I thought I wasn't going to solve any and then I got 17 "Clear after Flower-Pot Men?" and I was on my way. Some of the clues are brilliant. I especially liked 9, 11, 24 and 27 but they were all good.
- Who is MAX? Is he the person who smokes in lifts? I often see the sign NO SMOKING - MAX PENALTY \$50. He seems to be ACCused in vain!!! Next quiz could you please include word length indicators? In clue 29 DELLER as the counter-tenor was not easy to deduce. ... Thanks for a devilishly devious bevy of club members. I never knew it was so difficult to get to know them!!!
- This one left me clueless for a long time but after much puzzling and looking through old *Crozworlds* I gradually mined away at your clues. When I started this task I only knew the names of half a dozen members, now I know a multitude. The challenge was rewarding.
- Clue 23 has me completely flummoxed. You win. I concede defeat. The royal has sailed into the sunset. It was a most enjoyable exercise anyway, with good clues to unravel.
- I was surprised to find my own name among the clues, though you made me sound like a little tetchy, which I am not. I am quite a peaceful old lady – who wouldn't be with a name like Irene? I was glad to have a quiz that didn't involve library research, as I can no longer travel there.
- Thank you for including me in your Quiz! When my parents named me (Peter Craig) they unwittingly set me the challenge of making my entire name during a Scrabble game – I haven't succeeded yet though!
- What an original and fascinating Quiz. Many of your clues are worthy of 'Clue of the Month'.
- Quite a teaser this one. I'm glad time's up!

Brian Symons

David Procter

Doreen Jones

Jean Barbour

William 'Raoul' Ryan

Ann Jermy

Carole Noble

Marian Procter

Barb Ibbott

Catherine Foster

Claire McClelland

Barbara Glissan

Pat Garner

Bev Cockburn

Alan Walter

Trish McPherson

Jim Colles

Irene Watts

Peter C Dearie

Gabrielle Leeds

Yvonne Ainsworth

**September 7-2006 – Hyde & Sikh by Hot and Cold (Ian Williams and Jenny Wenham)**

**Entries: 60. Correct: 39. Success Rate 65%. Prizewinner: Claire McClelland. Congratulations!**

**Explanatory notes:** In 5ac both CALYCES and CALICES were accepted. In 21ac CARAT and CARET were accepted. In 27ac both EMDIN and EMDEN were accepted. EMDIN is probably the better homophone, but we had intended EMDEN, and have only just learnt that the former is a city in Kenya as well as an illustrator living in Sydney. 26ac: LITERAL is defined in Chambers as “a wrong letter in printed or typed material; a misprint of a letter in a word”. 8dn: SLAVE ANTS – ‘biases’=SLANTS with ‘have no origin’=AVE inside (intrinsically). 15dn: VIVA is “an oral examination”, therefore ‘a short test’ is VIVA minus the A inside ‘southern (S) + ‘range’ (URALS). 25dn was DANDY – ‘lair’ can be “a flashily dressed man”.

Thanks everyone for your entries, comments, cards and notes. Once again we’ve enjoyed compiling a joint puzzle and hearing what everyone thinks.

**Solvers Comments:**

- Thanks for the puzzle. I enjoyed the challenge. *Andrew Patterson*
- An excellent puzzle that had me talking to myself more than usual. My favourite clue was 4dn. As far as the homophones clues go, I really enjoyed 22ac. *Michael Kennedy*
- My thanks to both of you for this stimulating and challenging puzzle. I do hope I’ve ‘conkered’ it. (Sorry Roy. 1 small mistake that was probably a transcription error. H&C) Quite a clever concept, but you must be rapidly running out of homonyms, but then, maybe not; it’s an amazing language. *Roy Wilson*
- Have had a delightful tussle with your puzzle and think that I have at last conquered it. *Pat Garner*
- This was a real toughie, or should I say a reel tuffy? I loved the title, even if I didn’t get it until I’d finished the puzzle. 9ac is a pure guess. (An incorrect one, sorry Jean, which also threw out 2dn. H&C) The clues were fine and I enjoyed the challenge. Thanks for your efforts. *Jean Barbour*
- Great puzzle. My vocabulary’s GRUESOME! *Jack Stocks*
- Thank you for a great puzzle; only hope it will pass. *Valerie Howard*
- Thanks for your JIM DANDY puzzle. Many of the answers played Hyde and Sikh. Am sure that Dr Jekyll would have loved this challenge. *Alan Walter*
- Congratulations for a wonderful puzzle – especially liked LORD ELGIN, CULPRIT & SLAVE ANTS, and especially VESTS. 21ac: CARAT & CARET both seem acceptable homophones of CARROT. 27ac: EMDIN (Kenyan city & other things) seems marginally better than EMDEN (the ship, city etc) as a homophone of ‘EMMED IN. 6ac: I’m unhappy with this – CALICES (or CALYCES) is not quite a homophone of CALLUSES. (All these variations were accepted. H&C) *Brian Symons*
- Great puzzle. Some unusual words, especially LUSKISH. Can’t wait to use it. *Betty Siegman*
- Thanks to you for another innovative puzzle; an extra treat this month. *Ron O’Rourke*
- One or two I’ve had second thoughts about, but I’ll leave it to your wisdom (and kindness) to sort me out. What a month of puzzles we had! No housework this month AGAIN! Soon they’ll have the house condemned and me committed. (No problems with the grid, Del, but I might see you on the streets when we’re both homeless, or in one of those little rooms with the lovely cushioned walls: Jenny.) *Del Kennedy*

- CARAT could equally be CARET (see explanatory notes. H&C) *Norman Wilson*
- Thank you for this challenge (I think). I’ve made a few guesses so I won’t be surprised if I miss a dot. (Awl swell, Carole. H&C) *Carole Noble*
- The puzzle was very cleverly put together. Congratulations. Couldn’t understand the NY in DENNY but I’m sure it must be okay (if I’m correct). (Sorry, Shirl. Everything would have been DANDY if you’d read the clue differently. H&C) *Shirl O’Brien*
- I’ve had to solve all the crosswords & quizzes very quickly for me as I’m going on hols for a couple of weeks. The only answer I’m not sure of is EMDIN – cannot confirm it. Keep up the good work. (EMDIN was OK, but you lost the dot elsewhere. H&C) *Marian Procter*
- A most enjoyable puzzle! Thanx. Great clues and innovative use of language. Most of all I enjoyed the humour. *Bill Bennett*
- Thank you for your Hyde & Sikh. I found it a real challenge and mentally stimulating. I hope we shall see more of these. 9ac reminded me of that great poem “Fleas”: Adam had ‘em. *Ted O’Brien*
- Most enjoyable. *Ann Jermy*
- Congratulations on some really awful puns. *Iain MacDougall*
- Interesting but I thought some clues worked much better than others – CALYCES and EMDEN were a bit of a stretch of the imagination. I hope 25dn is DANDY – I thought a lair was a den. (see explanatory notes above. H&C) *Jill Freeland*
- Thank you for an interesting puzzle. I caught on to the way the words were associated quite quickly, which was a great help. I was not sure about LACUNAR as it seemed too close to LACUNA but couldn’t think what else it might be. The title was a help too, of course. Keep them coming, please! I love crosswords but I can’t compile so have a great respect for all you clever ones who can. *Margaret Davis*
- I enjoyed this one. *David Grainger*
- A great concept for Slot 7 and very clever, so thanks for the hard work you do for our ACC and its solvers – best wishes! *Catherine Foster*
- Thanks for a great puzzle. *Hilary Cromer*
- Thank you for providing the Club with another great puzzle. I think my only problem was whether it should be CARAT or CARET at 21ac. (See explanations above. H&C) *David Procter*
- Hope I have been homophonically successful! Must have taken some doing to compose a crossword of this type. (Yes indeed – on both counts. H&C) *Peter Dearie*
- Nice one – thanks. *Jim Fowler*
- Congrats on a great puzzle – I know I have some wrong but enjoyed it lots. *Catherine Jones*

**Solution to Sept 2006 Slot 7  
Hyde & Sikh by Hot & Cold**

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**Results of the Clue Writing Competition: Sept No 6/2006. Write a clue for GARGOYLE (8)**

**Adjudicated by Michael Kennedy:** Thank you for all your entries, especially those who have submitted clues for the very first time. Please keep them coming for Steve's welcome return. This was my first time as adjudicator and it was both fun and enlightening to see the clues from the other side. However, I don't have the expertise of Steve so please forgive any errors I may have let slip. 'Gargoyle', with its historical derivation (Old French *gargouille* throat, in a spec. sense from the water passing through the mouth of the figure, rel. to Latin *gargarizare* gargle, from Greek *gargarizein*, of imit. origin. SOED) and onomatopoeic nature is a fascinating word. Not only does it encapsulate the gurgling sound of water but it serves aptly in describing something that is traditionally grotesque. It also lends itself to some interesting anagrams, many of which were used in the clues listed below.

I received thirteen clues all up, most of which met the basic requirements of 'Fairplay' as intended by *Ximenes* and his followers. As the clues were of a high standard choosing a winner was by far the greatest challenge I faced but I've tried to follow Steve's tenet in looking for a clue that is fair, clever and tells a story. The clue I chose from a winning selection is:

**Rev. O G Argyle is an ornament to the church (8)** by Doug Butler....again! Congratulations Doug (see comments about the clue below).

I have written each clue to identify the **definition (in bold)** and the *indication (in italics)* followed by some comments.

\* *Would disgusting Gary ogle an ugly figure?*  
An anagram of GARY OGLE. This is a clever and concise clue with a crafty definition that is enhanced by phrasing the clue as a question.

\* *The Royal egg shattered producing a freakish spout*  
An anagram of ROYAL EGG with a theme-related anagind. The clue has a fantastic surface with an inventive yet accurate definition. It wouldn't be out of place in a Rowling novel!

\* *Rev. O G Argyle is an ornament to the church*  
An anagram of O G ARGYLE with (Rev. for revised - *Chambers*). An excellent anagram with a cleverly hidden and original anagind (well I haven't seen it used!). The calculated ambiguity of the definition along with the overall surface reading also adds to the quality of this clue, giving the impression of a well-established respectable Anglican reverend serving the church with distinction. Wins by a nose!

\* *Grotesque misfit has aggro style; he's no saint!*  
Anagram of AGGRO STYLE minus ST (he's no saint). A clever clue that uses 'grotesque' the noun as the definition.

\* *Fierce wind captures river gentile in grotesque spout*  
Fierce wind = GALE; captures river (R) gentile (GOY). 'Goy' does

raise the level of difficulty here but is still a valid Hebrew word found in most dictionaries, including *Chambers*. Overall, this clue has excellent construction with a prose that is reminiscent of Wilbur Smith.

\* *Middle-aged, grey headed royal is up the spout*  
An anagram of GE + G + ROYAL, with 'is up' serving as the anagind. This clue has outstanding surface with a cleverly hidden definition. I couldn't help but wonder if the compiler here had someone particular in mind.

\* *Wash around duckyard water spout*  
Wash = GARGLE around duck (O) yard (Y). Concise straightforward clue. I think The Ugly Duckling has 'duck yard' but the jury is still out on 'duckyard', 'duck yard' or even 'duck-yard'. 'Water spout' could be combined as one word here. Perhaps 'Wash around duck yard's waterspout' could improve the surface slightly. Wins the prize for the shortest clue!

\* *A disagreeable high figure for watering-down*  
This is a well-crafted clue with a skilful play on words that indirectly defines a gargoyle.

\* *"You shouldn't swallow this stuff about a Scottish grandson from the gutter - it's grotesque!"*  
An amusing novel definition of GARGLE (noun) with OY = Grandchild (Scottish) in another clue with seamless surface. A subtle definition caps off this classy conversational clue.

\* *Gyro breaks down in storm - a waterspout!*  
Anagram of GYRO inside GALE = storm. Gyro (short for gyroscope), storm, and waterspout all create the image of a ship caught in a storm. Excellent little clue.

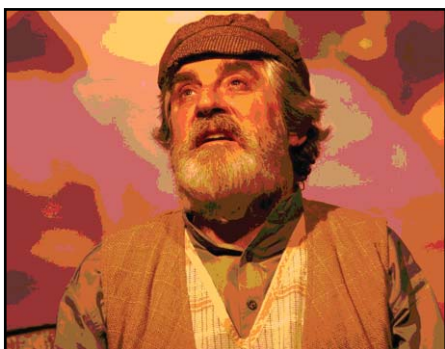
\* *Locating a turn in Argyle can be horrendous(fig)*  
Locating a turn (placing **GO**) in Argyle (i.e. **GargOyle**) with **horrendous(fig)** serving as the definition. 'IN' here must be defined as 'concerned or involved with' (*Chambers*), as the 'G' of 'GO' doesn't actually go *inside* Argyle, but rather at the front of. A clever definition with **(fig)** representing 'figure' but implied as representing 'figuratively' by the clue's splendid surface.

\* *Grey gaol a stir? What an eyesore*  
Anagram of GREYGAOL. A clever anagind as 'stir' can also mean a gaol. The definition is non-specific, but made easier by the simple secondary indicator.

\* *Scandal in the court! Royal egg splattered on scarecrow!*  
Another anagram using the enticing ROYAL EGG with 'splattered' serving as a fitting anagind. Scarecrow is a slightly loose definition. 'Scandal in the court' is an interesting addition as its *only* purpose is to embellish the story, which it undoubtedly does. Unfortunately, this does not meet the rules of fair play as laid down by *Ximenes* as it doesn't help the solver. This is easily fixed however, as it can be completely removed without affecting the clue's indicator or definition.

**Successful Singing Sensation Steve Trollope**

**Steve** (ACC Clue Writing Competition Adjudicator) **Trollope** (pictured below left) singing "If I were a rich man". Steve recently played the role of Anatevka in *Fiddler on the Roof* to packed houses for eight nights. Here is a tribute from one of his many admirers in the audience:



Steve Trollope as Anatevka

"Steve's performance was brilliant. What came across was how much he was enjoying what he was doing; he was so enthusiastic about it. We (hubby and I) were so impressed by how talented he is - a real legend. What was most apparent (and funny) was just how much of Steve's own personality was carried through into his role - we just loved all the grumpy facial expressions - we knew that this was the real Steve - and he wasn't acting; it was hilarious. The rest of the cast were great as well. We especially enjoyed the dancing, but for us Steve made it. We feel very lucky to know someone so talented - you wouldn't think it to look at him everyday at work!"

—Denise Quaile



The 'real' Steve Trollope