



CrOZworld

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It is in vain to set up a language police to stem living development. (I have always suspected that correctness is the last refuge of those who have nothing to say.)
Friedrich Waismann, 1952, 'Analytic-Synthetic V', in *Analysis*, no. 13.

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We are looking forward to celebrating the 2012 Get-Together at William Ryan's exciting **Harold Park Hotel** which is situated cnr Wigram Road and Ross Street, Glebe NSW. 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 p9.

We have been delighted with the number of subscription renewals for 2013 and the generous donations made by our loyal and supportive members. In order to maintain the high level of prizes for 2013 we need to take advantage of your generosity once again. Thank you for your kindness. We acknowledge all renewals and donations to date on p9 of *Crozworld*.

The ACC's Puzzle set-up Dynamo **Ian Williams** has furnished us with a challenging array of puzzles this month. We have another wonderful selection of gems from *Buzzer*, *Jesso*, *Manveru*, *Waratah* and *Betelgeuse*. And *Hot and Cold* make a welcome return with a Slot 6 puzzle titled *Wysiwyg*. The perennial favourite *Crowsman* has provided us with another excellent puzzle in Slot 7 and we have two Quizzes – one by the tireless *Crowsman* which is called *The ayes have it again!* and a bonus Quiz by *Both Sides* titled *Payback*.

Plus we have another Clue Writing Competition adjudicated by the accomplished Michael Kennedy. You will marvel at Michael's masterly analyses of each clue submitted in the Competition. All crossword compilers can benefit from reading Michael's comments. See p16. Thank you Michael for continuing with this VIP feature of *Crozworld*. For the next Clue Writing Competition Michael would like you to write a clue for the word TROLL (5). See p15 for further details.

Kindly note the early closing date of Thursday 22 November 2012 so that we can publish our Christmas *Crozworld* in good time. Best of Luck with your Melbourne Cup selection and Happy *Crozworlding!*
—Patrick

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Thanks for all the 'thank-yous' and kind words – it helps to make the job more pleasant. I'm sure the setters appreciate all the feedback, too. Lots of dots sadly lost this month, so here goes . . .

Slot 1: AMMO was accepted for 'fighting gear' but not ARMY. ARTICLE (14) and CARINTHIA (6) lost most dots here. I was happy to accept EBOLA/TAHITA or similar but the two entries with this combination had mistakes elsewhere.

Slot 2: Even more dots lost here, unfortunately. TIMPANIC (39) the main culprit with a few CATCHING and a polite MISTER SINGER.

Slot 3: I thought this quite a difficult puzzle but the majority of solvers handled it well. STANCE (7), STRICT and SNATCH for STARCH. Up here (Rockhampton) CANE TOADS are not a traffic hazard, more a target! Although thankfully they're rarely seen nowadays.

Slot 4: Some may need a coffee about now. The CAFFEINE/PHONING combo cost 25 dots. CAFFEINE is the drug but the addiction CAFFEISM (also spelt caffeinism) was needed. A couple had NAVARIN (lamb stew) for the bush baby.

Slot 5: Few problems here, CABRIOLE (6) and COLLAGIAN/COLLEGIAN (6) the main ones.

COTM: For the benefit of new members, COTM applies only to slots 1 to 5. Congratulations to all compilers: there were 66 votes spread over all slots. Slot 3 wins my award for POTM (that's not an official award!) for the most total votes. Runner-up was slot 5 REFORM (6 votes). The winner with 10 votes was slot 3 SPARE RIB. Well done *Ann Ass*.
—Tony Dobelev

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	112	103	95	99	95	504
Correct entries	84	56	75	59	81	355
Success rate (%)	75.0	54.4	79.0	59.6	85.3	70.4
Prizewinners	V Lobsey L Coulton	R Ducker J Freeland	A Miles V Dinham	B Ibbott	J Stocks	from 114 members

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Half and Half
by
Buzzer

Prizes: \$75



Win!

CROSSWORD DICTIONARY
[2007 edn]

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Across

- 1 Newspaper material (4)
- 4 Many a monster (5)
- 8 Officer training in the US (4)
- 10 Realise through effort (4)
- 11 Take flight (5)
- 12 Social creature (4)
- 13 Covered with lather (5)
- 14 Physical weakness (8)
- 15 Remarkable person (1,3)
- 17 Food colouring (7)
- 19 Collection of families (4)
- 21 Account entry (4)
- 22 Building block (4)
- 24 Russian decree (5)
- 25 Showing agility (5)
- 26 Put down the foot (4)
- 28 UN aviation agency (4)
- 30 Lossless sound reproduction (2-2)
- 31 Soft soap (7)
- 33 Bloody network (4)
- 35 Having a false appearance (8)
- 37 Book connected with a film (3-2)
- 38 Carve with acid (4)
- 39 Austrian emperor (5)
- 40 Preventive asocial measure (4)
- 41 Cheap magazines (4)
- 42 Yorkshire city (5)
- 43 Hillside (4)

Down

- 1 Shrink in fear from bovine herd breaking boundaries (5)
- 2 Money in envelope set aside (6)
- 3 Talk about compensation (3)
- 4 Heroons built by the beachside (7)
- 5 About to d-dive in colour (6)
- 6 Regularly enlisted as an alternative (4)
- 7 Source of oil like this drilled by an emirate initially (3,4)
- 8 Study mirror image (10)
- 9 Blue or cyan wax stick (6)
- 15 Topless Pat gets following (5)
- 16 Agree to take in mother of one travelling constantly (5)
- 17 Munro penned first theory of divine power (5)
- 18 Beginning right away, one restricts stoush (10)
- 20 Request to kill Egyptian leader causes outrage (5)
- 22 Useful, but useless when not fine (5)
- 23 Silly how tie ends (5)
- 27 Passing round old tribal settlement (7)
- 29 Chains a pet? It is normal upbringing (7)
- 30 Neat kid (6)
- 31 Stop releases reportedly (6)
- 32 Oscar tried out a computer program (6)
- 34 Pigment of mineral found round church (5)
- 36 6 bearing a creepy thing (4)
- 38 A gradual decline in note books (3)

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Closing mail date: Friday 7 December 2012.

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by
Jesso



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Across

- 1 And rise to oppose (9)
- 6 Silly in a way (5)
- 9 New rose-red altar panelling (7)
- 10 One asked and accepted quickly there at the end (7)
- 11 Woman to perform a frivolous act (4)
- 12 Vera Dangar, disturbed actress (3,7)
- 14 Train press runner (4,5)
- 16 Prepares to fire plucky chaps (5)
- 18 Starts to exhort new hands around ring to join up (5)
- 20 Chants may upset a mariner (9)
- 22 Right site walls roughly built. They're stepped around (10)
- 24 Reptile or cold bird? (4)
- 26 Staff taking a strike in the Gulf (7)
- 27 Thanks sailor in command of eastern warriors (7)
- 28 Accumulate a service (5)
- 29 Back to taws with crook magician in struggle (9)

Down

- 1 Ecumenical promise to seize lake with fish (9)
- 2 Betrotheds set out unexpectedly for alpine village (7)
- 3 Froth starts to spread under dishwasher suddenly (4)
- 4 Contrary Aramaic society, too wise, say, to absorb unfinished poetry (4-5)
- 5 Smack around one performing (5)
- 6 Lie in green around a Channel Islands yard (10)
- 7 Be a part of one century of radiant energy (7)
- 8 Some supreme Eritrean chieftain (5)
- 13 Birds reworked paper halos (10)
- 15 It has its ups and downs with English ladder-like structure on a hill (9)
- 17 Male heir on government transport lays one after another (4,5)
- 19 Broken heart brought back sloth in province (7)
- 21 Funny about old town on middle of the road atoll (7)
- 22 Great uncle with degree for the dance (5)
- 23 Some younger nesting birds (5)
- 25 Bad time to make book entry (4)

GENERAL COMMENTS

- Once again thank you to all the compilers and adjudicators and of course, Ian and Patrick. What a great mob! *Robyn Wimbush*
- Just a note to thank you for my cheque for Slot 3 September, and also a special "thank you" to all the hard working team who bring us such a high standard of puzzles each month for our enjoyment. *Claire McClelland*
- Thank you to the Club for my slot 4 prize. The atlas is a beauty and I am finding it very useful. While on holiday in far North Queensland, Ian and I called in to see *Daintree Lady* at her lovely resort in Daintree Valley. It is set in a beautiful rainforest area and would be a great place to spend a few very relaxing days. See <http://www.daintreevalleyhaven.com.au> *Robyn Caine*
- Received the excellent *SMH* crossword collection this afternoon. Was a very pleasant surprise. *Bhavan Kasivajjula*
- Thanks to the Club for my Slot 1 prize last month. It gives me a lift, has me eager for next month's issue, and more than takes care of next year's sub. Again, thank you ACC! *Max Roddick*
- I really enjoyed the selection: I don't know how our clever compilers manage to keep them coming. It's good to know we will continue to receive Shirl O'Brien's puzzles: they are so good. *Betty Siegman*
- A particularly good crop of puzzles this month, I thought. Thanks for the great article on Ninas. *Brian Tickle*
- Another interesting lot of crosswords — thank you. *Marian Procter*
- As usual there were plenty of challenges. Altogether a most enjoyable exercise. *Bob Hagan*
- The puzzles this month were all demanding & brain-taxing, which is good. *Bev Cockburn*
- I am in awe of all the wonderful work done by the setters and also all who volunteer to adjudicate and check all the entries. My thanks to all who help keep my brain cells working. *Yvonne McKindlay*
- Thank you so much for the slot 5, September prize. It gave me a much-needed lift. *Ross Bryant*

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by
Manveru



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Across

- 1 Travel with leading troupe to find amateur actor in fictional city (6)
- 4 Torments a couple of fellows left in charge with empty threats (8)
- 9 Get schoolmaster out of the classroom using a letter bomb, perhaps? (7)
- 11 Forces Navy seal to go incognito alongside monk, avoiding extremists (5,2)
- 12 Scrapes together a bit for a sauce (5)
- 13 A rigid state to pay castle out (9)
- 14 Loud bangs when cosmic boson explodes obliterating the speed of light (5,5)
- 16 Level 20 – minutes away (4)
- 19 Notice something I said was partially rejected (4)
- 20 Band recording 'Time After Time'? (10)
- 22 Hit both taps with mop when sitting in this? (4,5)
- 23 A mark of condemnation for Greek character (5)
- 25 Instrument used in brief attack results in a number of cases (7)

26 Rival businessmen stupidly ignoring snub (7)

- 27 This absorbs CO₂ from soil made artificially (4,4)
- 28 Torture or treat (6)

Down

- 1 Somehow slots gap with ball through these? (9)
- 2 No parking for hoboes with these vehicles (5)
- 3 Shock! Leader deposed with pro-church fliers (3,5)
- 5 Nullifies term when this goes off! (4,4,5)
- 6 Discard top off plastic and become responsible (6)
- 7 Coins at shop regularly changed here! (9)
- 8 Bright boy, so to speak (5)
- 10 A virus, for example, deviously mimics organ with zero resistance (5-8)
- 15 Disproved vegan diet following review (9)
- 17 Shore hears a lovely introspective recital? (9)
- 18 Cheat to find 2 + 20? (3-5)
- 21 Instructions given here for swimming perhaps? (6)
- 22 Reports of a gun vessel found in The Bahamas (5)
- 24 Follow letter to make legal claim (5)

General Comments con't from p4

- Once again, another set of testing puzzles. Thank you to all concerned.
- A very enjoyable 1 to 5 this month — thank you.
- Thank you to everyone involved in *CroZworld* for giving my brain such good exercise every month.
- What a nice surprise. Thank you for the cheque for Slots 1-5.

Anne Simons
Caroline Mackay-Sim
Rosemary Dorrell
Lesly Howard

Explanations to October grids where provided by compilers. Thanks to Jenny, Drew and Len

Slot 3 Ann Ass: Across: 1 OR+CHARD, 5 RD in HOES, 10 FRANC(e), 12 STRAPS around AND, 13 (a)VENUE (ref Park Avenue), 14 HW rev, 15 *EURONET, 18 ALL in STEP<, 22 *TAILOR -r, 24 HER< in AP+PEND, 25 ROOS around FRACK, 26 ddef, 27 BELIE + F, 28 REST LESS. **Down:** 3 CO TRACE inside A SCOURSE, 4 homophone DEEP RAVE, 6 T+HE in ONE OVER EIGHT, 7 DOY+E(ast berli)N, 9 S(ea)S in MOUE, 16 HW, 19 ARCH after ST, 20 POST in IEA, 21 A+DON+IS, 23 TOLL around R.

Slot 4 St Jude: A homophone (AMEN is a verb - see Chambers), BREAD + FRUIT, C anag MACE IS containing FF, D plug = GULP down, E anag, F FACI (A) L -e, G + E + E + SE, HARI (kiri) + COTS, I HW, JUNK + ET (two definitions), KNEE + JERK, L pLENTy (Paraguay IVR), M GAM> + LEV, NAGA + PIE, O Each second letter, P (HAS) ING, Q anag RIFLE + MAN, SALT + AIRS, T + AX + MEN, U abUSE + FOR CE, V anag, W HW (hidden word), X + RATE + ED, Y GAY> + ERS, Z anag.

Slot 5 Crowsman: Across: 1 PUTS > + OR; 5 B(A THROB)E; 9 LA(NEW< + FORCE)MENTS; 10 IS+SUER; 11 anag; 12 REMIT>; 13 COL + LEG(I)AL; 15 KEEP + S + SAFE; 17 A + D(D)ON; 20 CAPRI + OLÉ; 21 L(TACO>)E; 22 DISCUS + S(GIN OR(anag))OUP; 23 UNDER + DOG; 24 S(E)MITE. **Down:** 2 TRANSL(TIRE(anag))ATION; 3 P + RÉSUMÉ; 4 "RE" + FOR + "M"; 5 BE(R)EF + TOFFEE + LING; 6 THE(LASS>)Y; 7 R(EEL)ING; 8 BET + RAY + ALOFT + RUST; 14 E(SPOUSE)D; 16 POR(S)CH + E; 18 DECO + RUM; 19 DD.

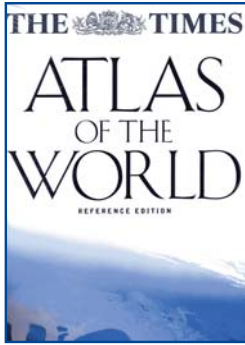
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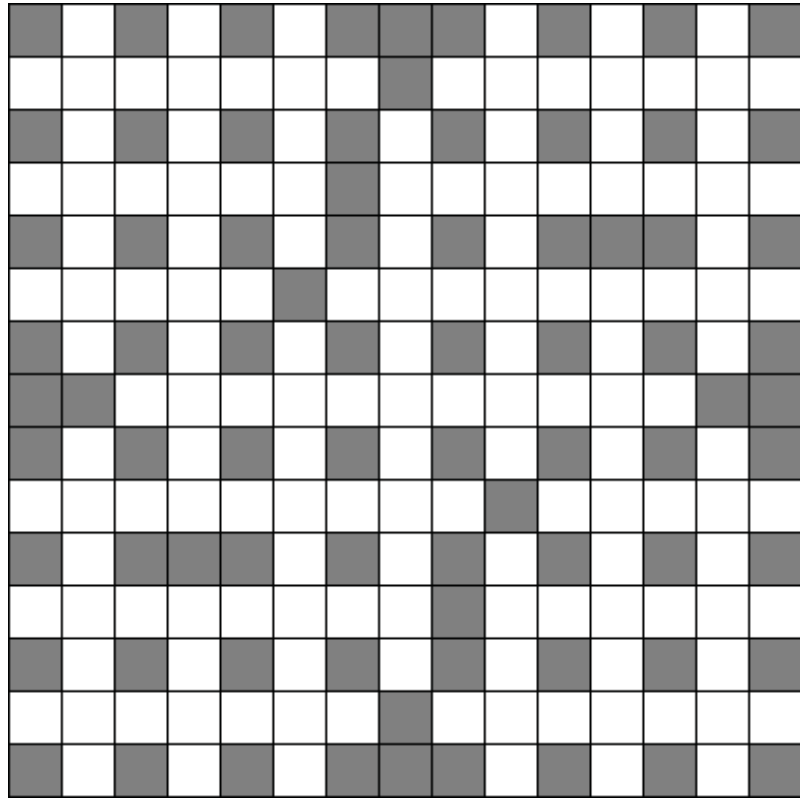
by

Waratah

Prize:



Solutions begin with the given letter. Place them in the grid jigsaw-wise, where they fit



- A** Author dies messily, when sanctioned (10)
- B** America gets behind good French *douceur* (5)
- C** Freed space for cleaner current distribution (9)
- D** Drunken seed man lowers reputation (7)
- E** All saw the first lady take the railway (5)
- F** We heard Shawn was taken to the cleaners (7)
- G** No reefs where Nan tangles lines! (6,5)
- H** Henry's ax gone out of shape (7)
- I** Old Peruvian prince's power is not up to it (9)
- J** Simpleton has jar with spirits (7)
- K** Power unit gear enfolded excited WA lot (8)
- L** Match made by the Devil (7)
- M** Gold digger Virginia, named for wise goddess (7)
- N** Course director organises article with roving TA (9)
- O** Form of field for cricket (4)
- P** Contemptibly the Italian interferes in trifling (7)
- Q** Demands from interrogations (9)
- R** Computer results are surprisingly dear to us (4-4)
- S** Effie reportedly escaped from exploding safety matches on pleasure vessels (5,6)
- T** Suffering IT rage? Select treatment in emergency (6)
- U** Express opinion of decapitated madman? (5)
- V** Order Louvre to provide material (6)
- W** King Solomon's sage (4,3)
- X** Kiss one returning cartons to philosopher (10)
- Y** Significant display over river (5)
- Z** Nothing inside will faze Rose (4)

Results of the Bonus quiz September 2012: A World of Differents by Neir O'Bodet (the late Ted O'Brien). Adjudicated by Kay Williams. Entries: 48. Correct: 20. Prizewinner: Cheryl Wilcox. Congratulations!

Results: 25 Correct: Allen W, Caine R, Cockburn B, Fowler J, Howard L, Howells S, Jermy CA, Jones C, Jones D, McAdoo G, Noble C, O'Brien Eileen, Pearce J, Potts M, Procter M, Smith J, Stocks J, Walter A, Wilcox C and Wimbush R. **24:** Cowan M, Dinham VF, Dorrell R, Evans Jean, Fuller G, Garner P, Harper K, Ibbott B, Leeds G, McClelland C, McGrath J, Miles A, Siegman B, Storey N, Symons B and Woodford J. **23:** Abbott Patricia, De Grys A, Dyer A, Glissan B, Hull B, Mackay-Sim C, Pinder S, Simons A, Tofoni B and Waites L. **22** Cole G and Lloyd G.

Answers: 1 African safari, 2 American Beauty, 3 Argentine ant, 4 Australian crawl, 5 Brazil nut, 6 Chinese chequers (checkers), 7 Dutch courage, 8 French dressing, 9 German Shepherd, 10 Hungarian goulash, 11 Indian Mutiny, 12 Irish setter, 13 Italian vermouth, 14 Jamaica rum, 15 Maltese Cross, 16 Mexican wave, 17 Norwegian wood, 18 Persian carpet, 19 Portuguese man-of-war, 20 Russian Roulette, 21 Scotch mist, 22 Spanish fly, 23 Swiss Guard, 24 Turkish delight, 25 Welsh rarebit.

Adjudicator's comment: Thank you for all the nice comments and your thanks to me for taking on the pleasant task of adjudicating Ted's quiz. A few non-standard responses were accepted, especially on #2 where there are a number of 6-lettered American apple names including Mother and Pippin and #6, where other Chinese games were deemed valid. Unfortunately for some, Argentinian ant is not in the dictionaries and a number of carpets were offered in #18 that had no connection with the Peacock Throne or Persia. A frequent error was Jamaican rum, which neither appears in the dictionary nor fits the letter number indication, an error similar to those in #12 offering a number of non-6-letter Irish canines. May I suggest to two hopeful submitters of incorrect answers that in most cases it will be more profitable to seek a solution matching the letter indication than to query the count!? —Kay Williams

Solvers' Comments:

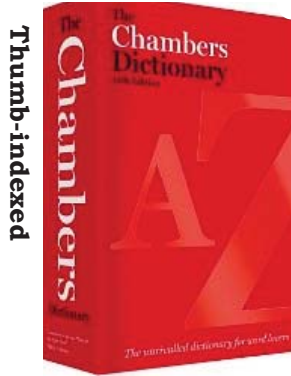
- A very interesting set of questions and answers from around the world. *Susan Howells*
- Thanks for the trip around the world – without leaving my chair. *Jack Stocks*
- I do enjoy these quizzes particularly when the internet is not a help (or much of one) and you have to actually use your brain. *Cheryl Wilcox*

[Comments continued on p14]

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Cryptic
by
Betelgeuse

Prize:



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A playwright's thoughts on censorship will be found in the grid, which phrase solvers should highlight for snail mail entries or identify appropriately if submitting by e-mail.

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Across

- 8 National Park newspaper returns bearing greeting on the front (8)
- 9 A square root troubled tree (6)
- 10 Rolls twice into production of "Italia" demonstrating old larkly refrain (10)
- 11 Crazy, caught in endless circuit (4)
- 12 Confusion of street life, per se (6)
- 14 Child's accepted peccadillo (5,3)
- 15 Massage creams containing Eastern ingredient and flower heads (7)
- 17 Great thrill is start to everything (3,4)
- 20 Encountered in old agent a measurer of distance (8)
- 22 Grand start to afternoon turn – sandwiches, a cuppa and cake (6)
- 24 Have to think! (4)
- 25 Purgative heard to remove feeling kindly (6,4)
- 27 Work around extremes of body tissue (6)
- 28 Sailor is after drug compound (4,4)

Down

- 1 Lover, male, left Greek tense (6)
- 2 Rescue dog runs off (8)
- 3 Work in field gives runs right away (4)
- 4 Master "Grimes", performed with old headaches (7)
- 5 Getting time inside and removing rights (10)
- 6 Party leaves, arrives with currency (6)
- 7 Notice rubbish under very centre of building (8)
- 13 Escape thrilling, though of a very temporary nature (10)
- 16 Fellow admitted to Open University returns toast (3,2,3)
- 18 Fly to plant and make a collection (8)
- 19 Foil and thrash rising player (4,3)
- 21 America under-sea monster? (6)
- 23 Rings woman and starts to utter libellous insinuations (6)
- 26 First two leave the nest for woman (4)

EXPANDED DEFINITION OF "MISOGYNY"

Prime Minister Julia Gillard's recent fiery speech about sexism and misogyny has forced the word watchers to take note. The *Macquarie Dictionary* has announced it is broadening the definition of the word "misogyny". As it stands, the reference book says misogyny is a hatred of women, the kind that's pathological. The word **miso-** is a word element referring to hate. [Greek, combining form of *misein* to hate, *misos* hatred] But editor of the *Macquarie Dictionary* Sue Butler says it's time to change the definition to reflect what Ms Gillard really meant when she accused Opposition Leader Tony Abbott of sexism and misogyny during a speech to Parliament. "We decided that we had the basic definition, hatred of women, but that's not how misogyny has been used for about the last 20-30 years, particularly in feminist language," Ms Butler told ABC radio on Wednesday. "Sexist does seem to be moving towards this description of surface features and misogynist applies to the underlying attitude." It was the underlying prejudice that gave rise to these instances of sexism," Ms Butler said. "Misogyny was like sexism, with a stronger edge to it." —*The Age* 17 October 2012

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Wysiwyg
by
Hot and Cold

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13 solutions have something in common and are not defined.

Across

- 1 My red Macintosh crashed! (14)
- 9 After a month, Sean mixed isomeric hydrocarbons (7)
- 10 Cheaper potato recipe ... (7)
- 11 ...for single tariff (5)
- 12 Cook flans with owls (9)
- 13 Charlie is in short British lorry (6)
- 14 Back pains (5)
- 19 Shoemakers to those with pretensions (5)
- 20 Fifty stone lunatic (6)
- 24 Criminal ran up tree to transport (9)
- 26 Found in interim edition (5)
- 27 Give responsibility to hospital department with injurious consequence (7)
- 28 Byword for word (7)
- 29 Not to be grown in hothouse! (7,7)

Down

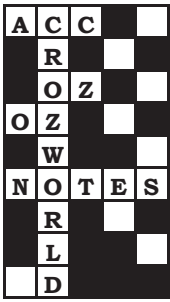
- 1 Current runs in (8)
- 2 Topless man bolted to the church door (8)
- 3 Blokes describing Greek island associated with biologist (9)

Note:
Allow at least 3 days prior to closing date to ensure posted solutions arrive in time.

**Post
Solution
to:**

- 4 Stop the believer embracing Shiite leader (6)
- 5 A little explosive knowledge is a gas (8)
- 6 Leaders of motoring organisation to investigate French design (5)
- 7 Pound lichi vigorously (6)
- 8 New for Street (5)
- 15 Right at the back? Jog faster, Tom (9)
- 16 Broad cut mutilated muscle (8)
- 17 Female left male lover holding a torch (8)
- 18 Foul tasting fish in minced eel coating (8)
- 21 Following, always following (5)
- 22 Indian bread consumed in Ecuador (6)
- 23 Plane crash involving quiet correspondent (3,3)
- 25 Heard best sound (5)

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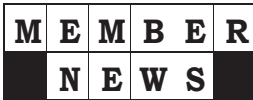
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The ACC's Annual Get-Together will be held at William 'Raoul' Ryan's smart new pub *The Harold Park Hotel*, cnr Wigram Road and Ross Street, Glebe NSW on Sunday 25 November 2012 commencing at 11:30am. William has allocated a comfortable and spacious room upstairs and he serves 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! There will be plenty of the Club's best known personalities in attendance. Why not come along and say 'hello'? Pay on the day. We will have prizes to give away and there will be a Special crossword and a fascinating Quiz from *The Eager Beaver*. Looking forward to meeting up again. Be there!

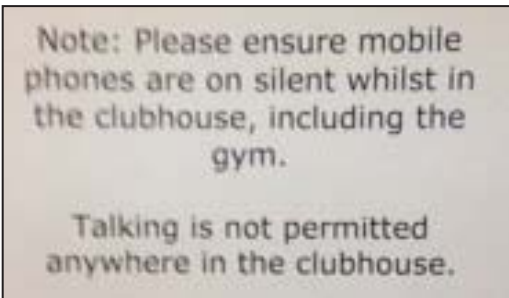


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Puzzle adjustment: Mike Potts gained 50 marks for his entry into Quiz No. 8/2012.

From Roy Taylor:

"The sign below is on the wall of a prestigious tennis club. I think I understand, but.....?"



From *Mrs Byrne's Dictionary of Unusual, Obscure & Preposterous Words*, Granada, 1979.

- ZZxjoanw:** n. a Maori drum.
- Xiuhtecutili:** n. the Aztec fire god.
- Whangdoodle:** n. a mythical bird that grieves continuously.
- Vraisemblance:** n. appearing to be true; likely, verisimilitude.
- Twiddlepoop:** n. An effeminate-looking man.
- Tsutsugamushi:** n. A disease like Rocky Mountain spotted fever; also called Japanese river fever.
- Susurration:** n. A whispering or murmuring.
- Sockdolager:** n. 1. A telling blow. 2. Something unusually large or imposing.
- Shaganappy:** n. A rawhide cord or thread. (Algonquian).

BONUS QUIZ

Payback by Both Sides

Answers all have something in common and are in alphabetical order by last letter. Send your solutions to Nea Storey, 10 Whiteman Street, Wanniasa, ACT 2903. Fax: 02 6231 0820. Email: neachy2@netspeed.com.au. Closing date 7 December 2012. Book prize

- 1 Settle with headless Montez (6)
- 2 Reverse public transport (3)
- 3 Endless country (5)
- 4 Extra payment in post (7)
- 5 Forged coin by myself (6)
- 6 Quiet dwarf (4)
- 7 Output of a broody hen (4,3)
- 8 Use the other hand to fashion wreath (6)
- 9 No exercise when pushbike is broken down (6)
- 10 Bar King (4)
- 11 Scottish town included in vote-taking (7)
- 12 Navy's award (6)
- 13 Writer is back working (7)
- 14 Business representative gets nothing (5)
- 15 Special constable's epitaph (5)
- 16 Crashed glider (6)
- 17 Good foreign country (5)
- 18 Robbed in the mine (8)
- 19 Off-white not right (3)
- 20 Jeans with bottoms out (3)
- 21 Southern work-gang (5)
- 22 Somebody in my coffin (8)
- 23 An ex's pay-back? (7)
- 24 Guzzle, however legless (3)

October 1-2012: Half 'n Half by Virgo (Audrey Austin).

[A number of members have queried EBOLI, a town in Italy, which was incorrectly clued. Our apologies, but no one was disadvantaged by the error. CORINTHIA is one of the regional units of Greece. It is part of the region of Peloponnese and is situated around the city of Corinth: Adj].

- A pleasant Slot 1. Loved ATTACHE. *Robyn Wimbush*
- Nice start to the puzzles. *Joan Smith*
- Started with AMMO, toyed with ARMY, but went with ARMS. *Michael Kennedy*
- Not easy this month! Nearly mistyped ARMS for ARMY (1ac). *Alan Dyer*
- If 9dn is MOPS then 'turns' must do double duty to get it. *Andrew Patterson*
- I liked Virgo's clue for NAZI. *Nea Storey*
- All simple elegant cryptic clues. *Roy Taylor*
- 30dn liked the humour in calling ducks 'ponders'. *Alan Walter*
- 17ac CORINTHIA: could not confirm a 'region'. *Verna Dinham*
- Liked GLIB. *Max Roddick*

October 2-2012: Cryptic by Southern Cross (the late Shirl O'Brien)

[In answer to a query, 23dn is an initial letter clue: TD]

- 7dn has me worried. Can't seem to marry Tiny Tim and tympanic. ["sounds" gives the homophone indicator to change tim to tym: Adj] There are many rights but maybe not this one! *Robyn Wimbush*
- Delighted we will get more of Southern Cross's compilations. My favourites here are 10dn NORMAL and 16dn CONFUSED. *Nea Storey*
- I had a strange feeling that I had done this puzzle before!!!! [It came from one of my Guardian collections, itself published in 1993, but on checking (after publication, naturally) I found that Shirl had recycled it herself in 2009 and submitted it to the Club: it may also have appeared earlier in the Courier Mail. Whoops, sorry! IMW] *Joan Smith*
- Not sure about MATCHING (25ac). 20dn (WRIGHT) almost tripped me up too! *Alan Dyer*
- I assume 27ac is HEADREST but can't quite figure out why. [A HEAD is a round of curling (or "curling round" (Chambers): Adj] *Jenny Wenham*
- I noticed that 20 of the 28 clues contained the word 'right'. Of these, 15 had 'right' signifying the letter R, one (20dn) was a beautiful homophone, 18ac had a clever use of the word, two others used 'all right' and only 23ac, perhaps, could have been written without using the word. I hope you don't think, *nil nisi bonum de mortuis*, that there should be no criticism. But I don't see anything *non bonum*. In fact I'm inclined to think that Shirl did it purposely, either for her own amusement or to share with her Guardian followers. I liked ANNOUNCED — a well constructed clue *Max Roddick*
- Good puzzle thanks to Shirl. 7dn: How tiny (Tim) fellow sounds = TYM + PANIC (alarm). 27ac: please explain wordplay – how does 'curling round' = HEAD? (Alan, a Head is the term for a round in the ice game of Curling: Adj). In 26ac skinhead ≠ skin head so exclamation mark needed! *Alan Walter*
- Wonderful value. UTTER, HEADREST and WRIGHT especially clever. *Brian Symons*
- Great to see another puzzle from Shirl. *Brian Tickle*
- Another great puzzle from Southern Cross. How we shall miss her when her legacy is gone. *Margaret Davis*
- A dexterous slot! 25ac has me at a loss, I've decided on MATCHING, but MARCHING also seems a possibility (good decision Peter. 'Getting correspondence right' is the def, then CHURCH in/ inside MATING (uniting): Adj). *Peter Dearie*

October 3-2012: Cryptic by Ann Ass (Jenny Wenham)

- 1ac was very simple but it took me ages. Loved it but found it challenging. Looking forward to the answer to 19dn. *Robyn Wimbush*
- Liked clues for 28ac, 7 and 17dn. Looking forward to explanations for a couple of the clues. *Joan Smith*
- Some great clues here, although I'm none the wiser for DEPRAVE. *Michael Kennedy*
- Took me a while to do, very challenging! 18ac (PALLETS) gets my vote for COTM. *Alan Dyer*
- Some very good clues and some that may be dubious. eg 13ac: Venue is probably not solvable without intersecting letters. 1ac: Orchards was so simple that I struggled for ages and elicited a couple of naughty words when I finally twigged. 25ac: ROOFRACKS presented a different slant to the word Frack that I normally associate these days with coal seam gas extraction. *Jim Fowler*
- Can't quite see PALLETS for 18ac. Paddy's = pets? [See explanations: Adj] *Mike Potts*
- I found Ann Ass's contribution very difficult but most satisfying to solve (hopefully). *Catherine Hambling*
- I can't remember a puzzle from Ann Ass for a long time. Nice to see her back. I liked 1dn, 25 and 27ac. I wrestled with 19dn; have guessed at STANCE. *Nea Storey*
- I really liked the 'sounds like' clue 4dn: Corrupt party in submarine say = DEEP RAVE = DEPRAVE. *Brian Tickle*
- I was highly amused at 15ac where I first came up with EN UTERO

for some reason – then I thought 'on the way', well I guess you could say that. But it wouldn't fit and of course it was EN ROUTE. But I still think my first thought was good. *Betty Siegman*

- 4dn DEP + RAVE = party does not seem to be 'in submarine say' (ie in DEEP). 19dn: ST + ARCH = bow. If Harley & Baker et al are streets, why is a plural needed? *Alan Walter*
- Difficult – but good. *Brian Symons*
- Several splendid clues from Ann. I eventually decided to give my COTM to 19dn. *Margaret Davis*
- 18ac: ALL in PETS gives PALLETS (beds). But a homophone indicator is needed as Paddy's does not mean pets. 'Paddies' is the plural form. *Peter Dearie*
- Good surface readings throughout – plenty to make you think. ORCHARDS, ROOF RACK, OAFISH, DEPRAVE & STARCH. *Max Roddick*

October 4-2012: AJ by St Jude (Drew Meek)

- I always enjoy Slots 4. Thanks St Jude. *Robyn Wimbush*
- Quite a few guesses with this AJ. *Joan Smith*
- The most challenging AJ of the year I reckon. Not sure if LENT will hold fast, and I may be facing a penance if it doesn't. *Michael Kennedy*
- Not sure of the link between Paraguay and LENT. Didn't even know "AMENED" was a word (but it fits!). *Alan Dyer*
- Considerably more difficult than the usual AJ. Very good and most enjoyable. *Jim Fowler*
- Can't see MAGLEV and LENT. [See explanations: Adj] *Mike Potts*
- Always enjoy AJs – and liked this one, too. There were some rather weird words and I am still wondering about MAGLEV. Here's hoping! *Catherine Hambling*
- I found this Slot 4 harder than usual! But then, I always have problems with St. Jude *Nea Storey*
- AJs with different grids are always more of a challenge than usual, especially getting started. Not being a religious person, LENT didn't occur to me until very late in the day. It felt like a very circuitous route to get there but was perfectly fine once I did. *Jenny Wenham*
- I went up a few wrong streets before finishing this! Thought long about LENT until I saw connection with PLENTY. I like TAXMEN (don't really like them). *Roy Taylor*
- CAFFEISM, NAGAPIA & MAGLEV were new words for me. In the Z clue, initially took 'hair styles amaze' as the anagram to no avail. 'Styles' is the anagind of 'amaze a stout chap'. A clever devious clue. *Alan Walter*
- One of the hardest A-J's ever. LENT took me ages. *Brian Symons*
- Loved this one. An AJ with 15-letter answers for Q and Z. Now that's courageous. *Brian Tickle*
- I think it was Brother Naga who told us a long time ago that NAGA is a snake but I had forgotten. Retrieval is everything! *Margaret Davis*
- Interesting to discover that JUNKET is cream cheese (amongst other things). *Peter Dearie*
- What is the Paraguay reference in LENT? (I think it's PLENTY minus PY, International Vehicle Registration code for Paraguay: Adj) *Max Roddick*

October 5-2012: Cryptic by Crowsman (Len Colgan)

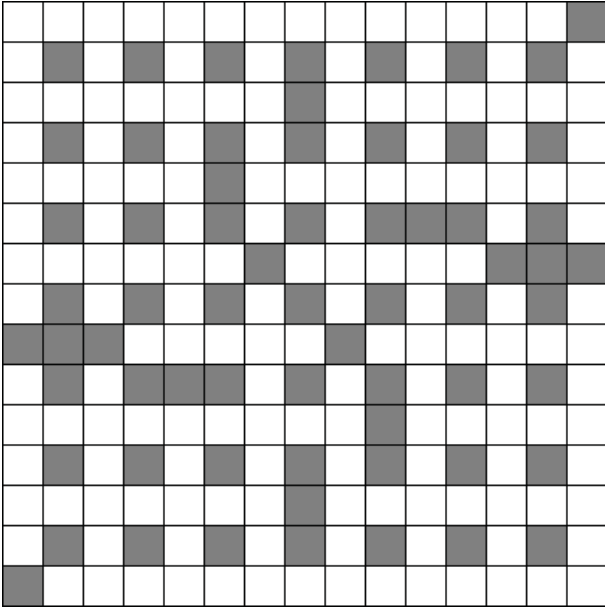
- Thanks Len. Very classy. Sorry about the coffee stain. *Robyn Wimbush*
- Challenging puzzle with great clues. Esp liked 22ac, 3, 5, 14, 16, 18 and 19dn. *Joan Smith*
- High quality stuff! REFORM gets my CotM vote. *Michael Kennedy*
- A difficult grid, I had many false starts. Not comfortable with 9ac (LAW ENFORCEMENTS) as a definition for "jurisdictions", and certainly not sure about 4dn (REFUSE?) – can't link the answer with the clue [Sorry, it's REFORM: Adj]. *Alan Dyer*
- What can one say? Another masterpiece from the Prof. *Jim Fowler*
- Some excellent clues in this puzzle and my pick for COTM is 22ac: DISCUSSION GROUP – a most ingenious clue. *Catherine Hambling*
- Crowsman always provides a challenge! I liked 1ac STUPOR. *Nea Storey*
- I never fail to learn something from at least one crossword each month. I had never heard of DISCUS as a fish. Knowing that, 22ac is my COTM. *Jenny Wenham*
- 6dn – BEREFT OF FEELING – very clever clue. Brilliant puzzle, *Crowsman.* *Alan Walter*
- So many good clues. *Brian Symons*
- I enjoyed many of the clues but I can't see how to get the letters CUSS in 22ac (DISCUSSION GROUP). (Brian, DISCUS is a fish + SOUP [chowder] around IONGR – anag of GIN OR: Adj). *Brian Tickle*
- Another great puzzle from Crowsman with his trademark 15 letter answers. *Margaret Davis*
- The last puzzle completed – a tough slot. 4dn: RE for M gets my COTM. *Peter Dearie*
- All very well worked out clues – REFORM and PORSCHE stand out, and I like TIMER (my COTM) for its brevity. *Max Roddick*
- 1ac: STUPOR is a very good clue. *Doreen Jones*

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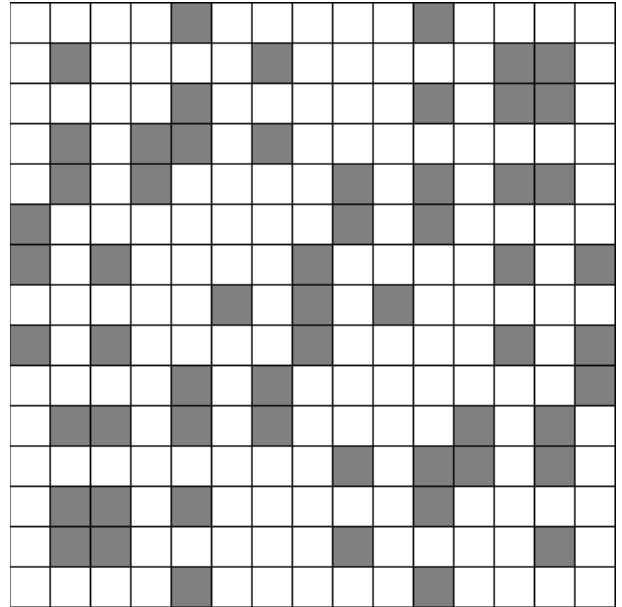
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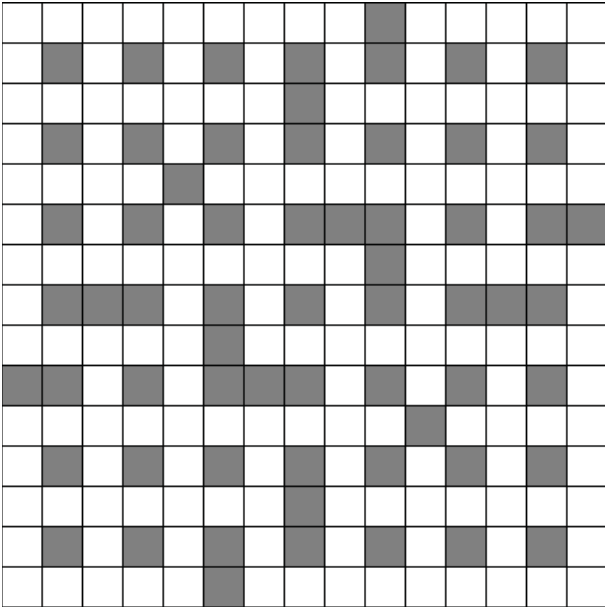


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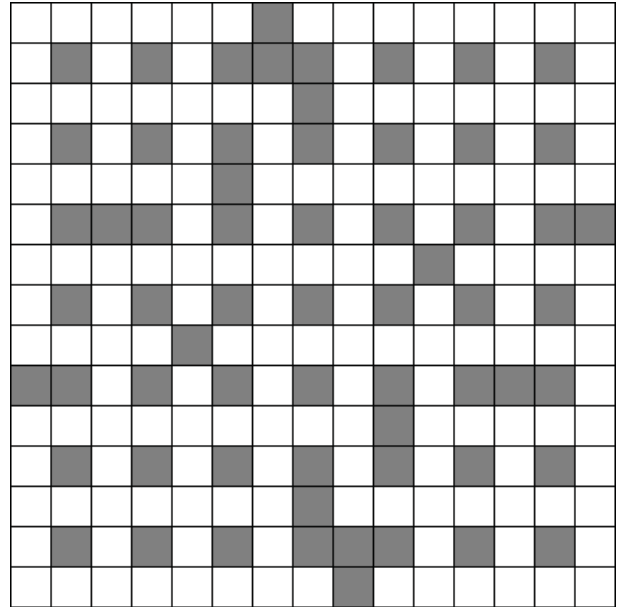


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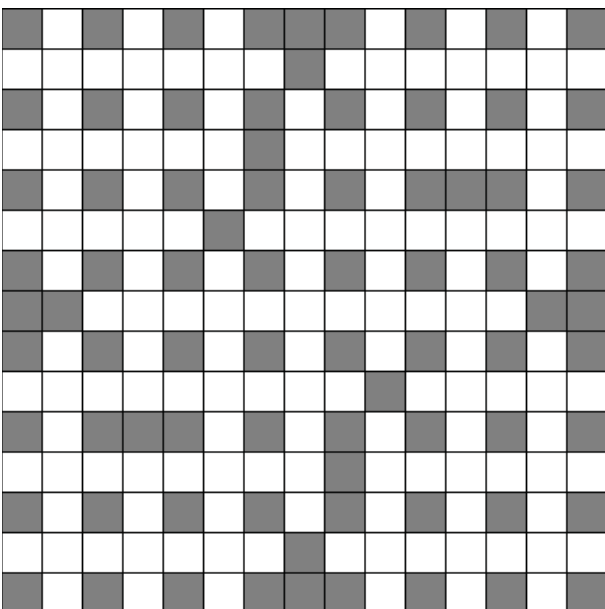
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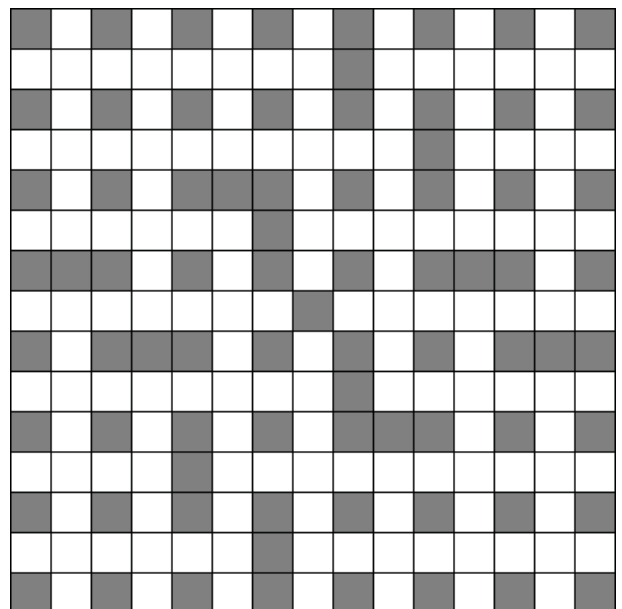
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September 6-2012: Cryptic by *Betelgeuse* (Gillian Champion)

Entries Received: 50. Correct: 34. Success Rate: 68%.

Winner: **Bob Hagan. Congratulations!**

Adjudicator's Comments

Thank you all for your letters, cards, comments and verses, for this very fishy puzzle. (And of course the puns.) The concealed fish in the down clues were: COD, TENCH, SKATE, KIPPER, HAKE, CARP, AI, BASS, BRILL, ROACH, SHAD, FUGU, LING and ID. The combination of the two 'ID's in 7dn SAID and 25dn ARID was unfortunate, however there aren't many two letter fish around. There were few errors here – most of them concerned 10ac LLANOS, 16ac COVELET, or 5d HAKEA. —*Betelgeuse* (Gillian Champion)

Solutions:

Across: 8. FOOTWORK=foot+work 9. AVATAR=-VAT- +A- AR 10. LLANOS(plains)=rev of SON-(g)+amateur(-A-)+lines -LL 11. PLEOPODS=-EOP-(Poe rev)+PL-ODS 12. INCHTAPES=-TAP-+INCH-ES 13. DOUBT=DOUB(le)T 16. COVELET= -LET+COVE- 18. DR SEUSS (anag of R+sussed) 20. SHUCK=shuck(s) 21. WHOLEFOOD=anag of HOOD+FELLOW minus L 24. CAROLLED=anag of Lorca+led 26. INGENU=anag of genius minus S and +N 27. WICCAN=W(h)IC(h)+CAN 28. NONSENSE=NO+NSE+NSE

Down: 1. (COD) LINMOTH=anag of monthly + I and minus Y. 2. S(TENCH)=start to smell(S) 3. BOB(SKATE)S= bob-s 4. S(KIPPER)=special S 5. (HAKE)A=acceptedA 6. (CARP) HONE=get sharper(hone) 7. S(AI)D=Social DemocratSD 14. (BASS)OONIST= -nothingO+ON+IS+tenseT 15. (BRILL)IANT=independentI+workerANT 17. ENC(ROACH)= anag of nec(k) 19. (SHAD)ING=IN+generalG 22.(FUGU)ES=starts to EEscape 23. FLING=followingF 25. AR(ID)=arriveAR.

Solvers' Comments:

- Great entertainment! Last in was COVELET – "obstruction to service", indeed! *Len Colgan*
- It took me as long to complete as the rest of the month's puzzles. However it was very satisfying to finally finish. It must have been quite challenging fitting in all those fish! *Pat Garner*
- Can't say it did not give me a headache. *Barbara Glissan*
- Thanks for your super-challenging cryptic puzzle. In 20ac 'embarrassment' could be SHOCK, but on further considerations, to 'remove the outer cover' (of an oyster, say) is to SHUCK and 'with more than one' implies "SHUCKS" which is an expression of embarrassment, so SHOCK doesn't correctly fulfil your clue. *Alan Walter*
- Challenging puzzle I liked clues for 11 and 28ac and 2 and 4dn. *Joan Smith*
- It was a very clever and complete crossword. I thought it would have been more of a struggle without a clue in the title as to the puzzle's 'fishiness', but it wasn't difficult to work out. 'Obstruction to service' for LET is lovely. *Michael Kennedy*
- My head is swimming after that! *Roy Taylor*
- Brilliant as usual. *Brian Symons*
- Diabolical! Thank you though. *David Grainger*
- It certainly wasn't easy – CARPHONE was the first down clue I solved and that didn't really help. I got a few across clues and then BRILLIANT – and then I was tentatively 'on my way'. I'm a bit worried about the two 'ID's and wonder if I'm wrong with one of them?? [No – see list of fish above.] LLANOS was hard, also the combinations of INGENU and FUGUES, and my last to get was WICCAN – very clever. For a long time I had WITCHY which made 23dn impossible! Thank you for another of your great puzzles. *Bev Cockburn*
- I am enjoying this puzzle more than I have any for a long time! Looked at it for two hours before putting pen to paper. *Raoul*
- Is *Betelgeuse* a reincarnated medieval torturer? You have no idea how long it took us to work out quite what the "helpful" explanation provided actually meant. Once we did though we moved forward considerably faster. Time will tell how we went. *R&D Skinner*
- A terrific Slot 6 which presented simply enough but required some brainwork to complete – as Slot 6s should. My ACC-acquired *Bradford's Word Lists* was instrumental in delivering the last fish – FUGU. Well done *Betelgeuse*. *Andrew Patterson*
- I enjoyed your "fishy" puzzle, and just loved the clue for "pleopods" – mixing Grey's plodding ploughman with Poe as the cleverly misleadingologist. *Robyn Caine*

• This had me tearing my hair out for a couple of weeks. I kept wanting to give up, but just had to come back every time. Very clever and eventually very satisfying. Hope they are mostly correct.

Betty Siegman

• I was delighted to be able to finish it in a relatively short time. This one was good fun and I was quite surprised to discover how many fish names I was familiar with. The exception was AI as a variant of AYU. To me that is always the three-toed sloth! *Margaret Davis*

• I took a little while to take the bait, but was eventually completely hooked. *Mike Potts*

• Many thanks for another brilliant puzzle. A veritable supa-nova. It must have been extremely hard to work in all the fish. It gave me a great deal of pleasure to work through. Many thanks. *Jim Fowler*

• Thank you for this tricky puzzle. Took me a while to figure the theme but, once the penny dropped I was OK. Look forward to more. *Roy Wilson*

• Some very unusual words to research but a fair puzzle. *Bob Hagan*

• I knew with a sense of some pain It's that lady from Metung again. The downs seemed dead losses, I solved some acrosses And "bass" made it somewhat more plain. Great puzzle. *Maurice Cowan*

• Something fishy about this puzzle! Baffling to start with, but the theme somehow surfaced after several of the across clues were solved. 16ac, COVELET, was the last answer obtained. I was not familiar with this diminutive, and could not fathom the clue for some time. I was surprised to discover that "COVE", meaning a man, is considered chiefly Australian – I've never heard it used in OZ. The cant expression "RUM COVE" was lurking in my memory, and a "DOWNY COVE" was cant for someone who was not "newly hatched" – i.e not easy to fool. The following limerick which I have adapted from the original which was too rude to print, perpetuates cove's usage: "The bishop of Brighton and Hove/ Was a most peculiar old cove/He would rise from his bed/ And stand on his head/ Until his complexion turned mauve." *Peter Dearie*

• I found this to be the hardest puzzle for some time – I think you're going through a devious period. *Ro Ducker*

• Once I had fathomed the meaning of the instructions and I was able to catch the angle from which you were coming, things didn't look so bleak. You did a wonderful job of hiding so many fishes in this puzzle. Congratulations! *Susan Howells*

• This was great fun once I realised that all the down clues were a bit fishy. I learn new things every month through this club. From your puzzle I've learnt that what we call a toadfish is actually a FUGU, and ID & AI (Alt. spelling AYU) are actually fish. There were many excellent clues, but I think my favourite is 9ac AVATAR. *Jan Wood*

• Well done Gillian. Took a lot of (mental) work to get one's head around the concept, only to find out that there was something fishy about the down clues. *Jack Stocks*

• Thanks for your clever puzzle. I got the fish theme and solved most of the clues fairly readily but got hung up on 5dn. I look forward to seeing the solution. I think the grid was a little unfriendly with 12 words having less than 50% checking letters. Also if my 9ac and 11ac are correct, having ?a?e? for 5dn was a bit diabolical. *Tony Dobelev*

• Very cleverly clued. It does not escape me that your name begins with GILL: most appropriate for this crossword. *Gabrielle Leeds*

• I read and re-read your instructions and nothing made sense until I solved a few of the across clues. I also solved 23 - 25dn with FLING and ARID – but still couldn't see it – then I got BASSOONIST and saw FISH and it all began to make sense – but still took a lot of solving. *Marian Procter*

• Another great crossword. I loved 20ac which reminded me of an oyster farm on Bruny Island called "Get Shucked". 16ac was a challenge! *Jill Freeland*

• The two I have trouble with are 7dn and 25dn. I've put SAID for 7dn as it's a port and SD for 'social democrat', but can't see how it fits with the theme. Similarly for 25dn, ARID is dry and A could be for 'arrive', but there I come a cropper. Looks a bit fishy to me. I shall await official results with 'baited' breath. Thanks for your efforts, I was hooked from the start. *Dave Parsons*

• Thank you for the great fishy puzzle. It was a real challenge. Not sure about 11ac or 26ac. *Jean Evans*

• 7dn: SAID contains 'ai' as the fish. Expands my vocabulary as most crosswords favour 'ai' the three-toed sloth. Thanks *Betelgeuse!* *Max Roddick*

• They're not getting any easier – LLANOS was anything but plain! *Andrew Miles*

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Across

- 1 Representative of an animal group in menagerie, typically without partner (8)
- 6 Cuts nails (5)
- 9 Ring single-term MP, prickling with unease (15)
- 10 Guiding light supports sailor (4,4)
- 11 Triumph over annulled parking expenses (6)
- 12 Artist character, suffering, admitted by hospital worker (8,7)
- 14 Radical Islam infiltrated without bounds ... or the extreme opposite (15)
- 17 Leapt from second crash (6)
- 18 Cheers when judges confined Jack's subordinate (8)
- 20 With knowledge of good eating, prodigiously follows gourmet leader (15)
- 21 Glen King constructed harsh speaking robot (5)
- 22 Fouling up flavour applied to fish (8)

Down

- 2 River passing through Torino countryside (7)
- 3 She governed fortune taken from community chest (5)
- 4 Sailor breaks top on keel carelessly, getting intense glare (11,4)
- 5 Halts there unexpectedly, taken in by Balkan hawks (6,3,6)
- 6 New grounds lose opening right, an initiative towards state control (15)
- 7 Uniform seen over a Romanian historic city (9)
- 8 Rescue operation left with primitive support (7)
- 13 Having three digits manipulating dirty talc (9)
- 15 Rest worker – it represents a risk worth taking (3,4)
- 16 Laboratory initially turned up nothing on a base for ointments (7)
- 19 Fish has large growth showing up (5)

ROUGH COPY

GOOD COPY: Name

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Quiz No 11/2012 Quiz 11/2012. The ayes have it again! By Crowsman



by **Crowsman**

Each answer contains the letter I at least three times, but no other vowel. Where answers have the same length (e.g. the eight 9-letter answers), they are in alphabetical order.

Solutions to Len Colgan, 1 Ailsa Avenue, Warradale, SA 5046 or by email to [len.colgan@unisa.edu.au](mailto:colgan@unisa.edu.au)

Closing mail date: 7 December 2012. Book prize.

Note: Len invites members to save postage by using the same envelope for his November Slot 7 puzzle

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| 1 Swimwear (6) | 13 Greenness (8) | 25 Going on a food-laden excursion (10) |
| 2 Hold back (7) | 14 Manhood energy (8) | 26 Tendency to laugh (10) |
| 3 Pertaining to one branch of Islam (7) | 15 Showing aversion towards (9) | 27 Meaning (10) |
| 4 A national capital (7) | 16 Bringing to a close (9) | 28 Affected by a venereal disease (10) |
| 5 Adriatic seaport (8) | 17 Part in rifle cartridge (6,3) | 29 Oil-well apparatus (8,3) |
| 6 Celestial being (8) | 18 Having an effect or impact (9) | 30 Happy frame of mind (4,7) |
| 7 Endless quantity (8) | 19 Anachronism (9) | 31 Engaging in small fights (11) |
| 8 Restrictive (8) | 20 Maliciously slinging mud at (9) | 32 Treating (someone) unfairly (11) |
| 9 Inflammation of the nose or its mucous membrane (8) | 21 A spinning toy or device (9) | 33 Motorist's offence (5-7) |
| 10 Stiffness (8) | 22 Clever and amusing remark (9) | 34 Putting emphasis on (12) |
| 11 Chinese custom or usage (8) | 23 Removing from employment (10) | 35 Latency (12) |
| 12 Surrounding area (8) | 24 Conflict within members of a group (10) | 36 Bathing in the nude (6-7) |

Quiz No 9/2012

European Union by *Virgo* (Audrey Austin)

Winner: **Bev Cockburn**. Congratulations!

Solutions: 1. AMADEUS, 2. BAYREUTH, 3. COLISEUM, 4. DEUCE, 5. DEUTSCHLAND, 6. DR SEUSS, 7. EUCLID, 8. FEUDALISM, 9. GRANDEUR, 10. ISEULT, 11. JEUNE FILLE, 12. KNUCKLE UNDER, 13. LEURA, 14. LIEUTENANT, 15. LYCEUM, 16. MAUSOLEUM, 17. NEUTRAL, 18. ODYSSEUS, 19. QUEUING, 20. REUTERS, 21. SLEUTH, 22. URAEUS, 23. VILLENEUVE, 24. WRITE-UP, 25. ZEUS.

Scores: **25:** Allen W, Caine R, Cockburn B, Dearie P, Fowler J, Garner P, Grainger D, Howells S, Jones D, Leeds G, Leigh J, McPherson T, Simons A, Smith J, Steinberger M, Stocks J, Storey N, Symons B, Walter A & Wilcox C. **24:** Cole G, Glissan B, Howard L, Ibbott B, Jermy A, Mackay-Sim C, McAdoo G, McClelland C, McGrath J, Miles A, Noble C, O'Brien E, Potts M, Procter M & Taylor R. **23:** Dinham V & Wimbush R. **22:** Siegman B & Waites L. **21:** Abbott P.

Setter's comments: There were no major problems with any particular clue, mainly spelling errors. Thank you all for the complimentary comments and cards. —Audrey Austin

Puzzlers' Comments:

- Had to exercise the nEUrons but all good in the end!
Jack Stocks
- It took me a while to answer 12 & 24 because I didn't think of the EU straddling the gap between two words.
Susan Howells
- Very clever, Audrey — you had me looking for a European connection there — what has Leura got to do with Europe? until it finally twigged.
Andrew Miles
- Tristan's love was Isolde; I've guessed Eunice but can't find any reference to her.
Betty Siegman
- I didn't note the title till later so only saw the 'something in common' until I'd done about half the clues.
Graeme Cole
- I first wrote Isolde until I twigged the answer needed an EU. I teach a 3UA class and am always finding new ways to tantalise brains. The *Crozworl*d quizzes need to be more difficult than those for my class.
Barb Ibbott
- I wish I had your abilities but think I have left it too long and lost it.
Eileen O'Brien

• Another interesting quiz. Where do they all come from and how do you come up with them?
Marian Procter

• It took me a while to catch on; you are a tricky lady. There was a good mix of answers that I could dredge up from my internal computer and others I simply did not know, like URAEUS.
Gabrielle Leeds

• Loved this one and found some answers quite a challenge.
Cheryl Wilcox

• A clever quiz, part easy, part hard, which I enjoyed solving.
Bev Cockburn

• An interesting and enjoyable quiz.
Jim Fowler

• An ingenious and enjoyable quiz.
Margaret Steinberger

• Wonderful! Thoroughly enjoyed your quizzes. Always imaginative themes.
Trish McPherson

• Audrey, it's amazing what you come up with as the theme for a quiz!
Nea Storey

• Thanks, Audrey. I thoroughly enjoyed this geography lesson.
Pat Garner

• A really enjoyable quiz. Each answer magically holds the letters EU (European Union) which was an Exceptionally Useful hint being common to all the answers. Answer No. 10 can also be spelt Isolde but the spelling does not fit with your surprise theme.
Alan Walter

Bonus Quiz Results continued from p6:

- I wonder how many of the nationalities named would be happy to be paired to the items they're associated with here.
Kath Harper
- It was quite nostalgic keeping Ted in mind as I solved his puzzle.
Bev Cockburn
- Thoroughly enjoyed the quiz but #13 "IT" had me completely bamboozled until a last resort check of my prize of last month, the *Bradford's Crossword Solver*, solved the mystery. Worth its weight in gold!
Glenda Lloyd
- Thanks again for a challenging quiz. I had not known, until now, what "gin and it" meant! This club is continually adding to my knowledge....
Robyn Wimbush
- The quiz was very good and we will miss Ted's contributions.
Ann Jermy
- Thank God for the internet!
Barbara Glissan
- How refreshing to be able to do a quiz without the internet! Thank you Ted.
Catherine Jones
- A fun quiz.
Bronwyn Hull

September 7-2012: Online — or not? by Fortuna 48 (Nea Storey)
71 entries received. 58 correct. 82%.
Prizewinner: Margaret Steinberger. Congratulations.

Correct: C Anderson, C Archibald, J Barnes, J Baylis, R Caine, B Cockburn, G Cole, L Colgan, M Collins, M Cowan, M Davis, P Dearie, V Dinham, T de Grys, T Dobele, R Ducker, J Evans, J Fowler, J Freeland, D Grainger, B Hagan, L Howard, V Howard, S Howells, A Jermy, D Jones, M Kennedy, G Leeds, G Lloyd, P Lord, C Mackay-Sim, C McClelland, J McGrath, I McKenzie, T McPherson, P Mercer, C Noble, E O'Brien, D Parsons, A Patterson, M Potts, M Procter, M Roddick, W Ryan, A Simons, R Skinner, L Spicer, M Steinberger, J Stocks, B Symons, R Taylor, B Tofoni, A Walter, C Wilcox, N Wilson, R Wilson, J Wood and J Woodford.

Adjudicator's Comments:

Everyone seemed to enjoy this puzzle. Thank you for your cards and comments. A selection of comments appears below. BOYD gave the most trouble – 4 BRAD and a BARD. (Boyd was an Australian artist – Boy + D). Some mis-spellings of ARBUTUSES, and one with blank squares. One member missed E-SKIN, while some commented they had never heard of it. I doubt if it appears in any dictionaries as yet, but to provide a quick summation from a Google search: UC Berkeley researchers, aiming to make a touch-sensitive artificial skin, have developed a pressure sensitive electronic material made from nano wires and dubbed it “e-skin”.

—Fortuna 48 (Nea Storey)

Members' Comments:

- I enjoyed your xcellent nigma. *Len Colgan*
- Thoroughly enjoyed your *Online – or Not?* puzzle. The friendly grid was also a bonus. Clever clues, my favourites were 6, 27 and 34ac and 1 and 5dn. *Joan Smith*
- What a cracking puzzle! Looking at my e-sky right now – will never look at it the same again! Thanks! *William Ryan*
- What an imaginative crossword. I did enjoy it. And some new words for me. *Trish McPherson*
- Thanks for your none too E-ZEE puzzle to solve. Plenty of “Online” E-words, with E-SKIN, E-LODGES, E-BAY, E-BOOKS, E-TICKET, E-VOTE, E-PAY, and others with EQUIP, ESKY, EQUINE, EVENT, ET and EPOCH.... Was expecting E-MAIL to crop up somewhere, but this was not to be. *Alan Walter*
- I'm an “e”-illiterate – it was all guesswork and I don't have the internet, but it was great fun! *Catherine Jones*
- What a novel idea, Neal...I really enjoyed it – my favourite crossword for a very long time. Every clue was fair & well-constructed. It must have taken a long time to compile. *Graeme Cole*
- I've been dragged kicking and screaming into this E-world, but I haven't come across E-SKIN (yet). *Carole Noble*
- A very enjoyable variant. I especially enjoyed your cluing of the 4 two-letter words. *Brian Symons*
- It was a challenge at first, but once the penny dropped the 14 'e' clues became quite gettable. Of course, I'm assuming I have solved them correctly! [Yes -Adj.] *Michael Kennedy*
- What a clever idea for a puzzle – I was looking for EMAIL but it wasn't there. BEEFSTOCK had me in trouble for a while: I had BEEFSTEAK instead. I loved BOYD and INKLE was a new word for me, as well as LUCIGEN and SARUSES. *Bev Cockburn*
- Enjoyed this! Didn't know there were so many “E” terms. *Pat Lord*
- Who was it said “Life was not meant to be EEZY”? [Mal Fraser: Adj.] *John Baylis*
- Thanks for a novel puzzle. Yes, we are living in an E-world. *Betty Siegman*
- Thanks for your well E-quipped* effort (*as in full of E-quips!) *Merv Collins*
- My wife and I thoroughly enjoyed the puzzle and once we worked out the commonality it became a little easier. Keep up the eFun! *Richard Skinner*
- I thoroughly enjoyed this puzzle. 15ac is a guess, but even if it is wrong it doesn't matter, as there were so many clever clues I was pleased I could figure them out. *Joan McGrath*
- Thank you for this enjoyable puzzle. I like the idea – nice for a change. *Roy Wilson*
- I was a little confused that some of the 'e' answers were actual words and some were 'electronic'. [Note the title: Online – or Not? – Adj.] Some of the double definition clues were a little too similar.

30ac is much the same sense of PAY. 22ac and 14dn as well. Double defs really should be quite different senses. Overall, a good idea.

Andrew Patterson

• Not being a computer user I had to rely on my wife for help. An enjoyable exercise. *Bob Hagan*

Solution to Online – or not? by Fortuna 48

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Clue Writing Comp [continued from p16]

The old man's arm, after crushing, will gain admission (into Dad's army) *

PAS+SWORD comes from the old man's arm. 'crushing' is being used to indicate that PA and SWORD come together, but 'crushing' It's really not needed though. The definition also needs to define a noun (e.g.it will gain admission). The 'into Dad's army' adds to the surface reading but is superfluous and would need to be amputated from the clue.

This might secure a verbal admission *½**

This is purely a cryptic definition. The surface reading could relate to a court proceeding perhaps, but succinctly defines what a password may do. Nice.

What do we need to get in? Politicians advise secret soirees with old retired deputy leaders **

I think every cluing method was used in this competition. Here we have a brave attempt at using the initial letters, obviously quite challenging with an 8-letter word. I like the definition phrased as a question, but I think the surface reading could be smoother.

Yahoo ferments Chinese anger ***

The final anagram of CHINESE ANGER. This one uses a lovely indicator in 'ferments'. The surface reading conveys the idea that a yahoo (lout) is making the Chinese angry. The indirect definition crops up again but otherwise a nice clue.

	Poor	Satisfactory	Excellent
Definition	0	1	2
Secondaries	0	1	2
Fairness	0	1	2
Surface Reading	0	1	2
x-factor	0	1	2

Star Rating: No star; 1-2 *; 3-4 **; 5-7 ***; 8-9 ****; 10 *****

Clue Writing Competition No 6/2012

For the next competition, please write a clue for the word **TROLL (5)** complete with explanation. Note: only one clue per person. Send your clue and explanation to the adjudicator Michael Kennedy, 27 Hennessy Lane, Figtree NSW 2525 or by email to: *manveru@bigpond.com* Closing mail date: Friday 7 December 2012. Book prize.

Results of the Clue Writing Competition September No 5/2012.

Write a clue for PASSWORD (8)

Adjudicated by Michael Kennedy.

Definition of PASSWORD from *Chambers* (12th edition)
[*n* (*orig milit*)] a secret word by which a friend may enter (a camp, etc); a set of characters which a user inputs to a computer to gain access (*comput*)

PASSWORD presented a slightly more challenging word to crack (I couldn't resist) this time round. Several entries fell into the trap of not adequately defining 'password' as a noun, but otherwise the quality was quite high. Of the 20 entries, there were several that stood out, but in the end I've gone with **Bob Crossman's** little corker as the winner.

Opener pops foil? (8)

The clues are listed in alphabetical order and the definitions, where appropriate, are *italicised*.

Agree to a war cry code ***½

A charade-styled clue with 'agree to' (PASS) and 'a war cry' (WORD). This definition for 'word' is found in *Chambers*, although you will have to scroll all the way down to the 16th entry to find it. Nevertheless, this is still a fine valid clue.

Approve sign that will allow access to computer ***

Another charade-styled clue with 'Approve' (PASS) and 'sign' (WORD). 'that' needs to be interpreted as a demonstrative pronoun to make the definition work.

Clumsily drops saw but still manages to log on with it ***

An anagram of 'drops saw' as indicated by 'clumsily'. The definition is meant to suggest a metaphor for the work done by a saw, while actually defining PASSWORD. The latter is done perfectly well, although I'm not convinced about 'log on' as a lumberjack term of trade (and I did log on to Google for a look).

Daffodil proponent loses value and accepts Cleopatra's killer to find a key *

This is a complex attempt for a first-time entry. 'Daffodil proponent' is meant to indicate Wordsworth who wrote the poem (although my references indicate it's actually entitled *Daffodils*). If you are clever enough to come up with Wordsworth, one subtracts WORTH (value) and with ASP (Cleopatra's killer), uses an anagram to come up with PASSWORD. Unfortunately, there's no anagram indicator, and 'accepts' implies that ASP is contained within WORDS, which is obviously not the case. I'm looking forward to seeing what you do with TROLL!

Drops of Swan Lager brewed without angle for opener ****

Mr. Gremlin, an ale devotee, has submitted a fine clue. It's an anagram of DROPS OF SWAN LAGER as indicated by 'brewed', minus 'angle for'. The clue is almost faultlessly designed, and as you can read, the definition is cleverly disguised. However, it does raise one of the hotly debated aspects of cryptic clues. In *The Times*, they will only allow this type of anagram-subtraction if the fodder to be subtracted has its own anagram indicator, as technically a 'jumble of letters' is being subtracted from another 'jumble of letters'. However, my understanding is that *The Guardian* and, more importantly, the ACC allow it, so I haven't penalised this clue.

Fathers foil secret code ***

PAS + SWORD. This is probably the most attractive, albeit very easy, charade and I was surprised I didn't receive more of them, but perhaps you are deliberately avoiding the obvious.

Inform the gatekeeper ***½

This is a double definition of sorts. 'Inform' for 'pass word' (i.e. tell) is really a pun, while gatekeeper is the more solid definition. Quite a nice idea, although I do think it would actually be fairer to have a question mark just to indicate the extra level of crypticness with 'In-form'.

It will take more than this to initially prevent any savvy hacker! ****½

A classy &lit style clue, where the entire clue serves as the definition while also indicating the secondaries. In this case, they come from the initial letters of P(revent) A(ny) S(avvy) plus SWORD from 'hacker'. This latter term is certainly unconventional to describe a sword but not unacceptable. I would have considered adding 'perhaps', which actually would have added to the surface reading, as a password can prevent a hacker sometimes.

One means of entry for Spooner used to be expressed pleasure **

A spoonerism! Here, the spoonerism is WAS (used to be) PURRED (expressed pleasure) 'Waspurred'. This nearly works. It's important to remember that a spoonerism is not necessarily the transposition of initial letters, but rather the initial *sounds*. So for this spoonerism to be 100% accurate, WAS would have to sound like PASS. In other words, we would be looking for POSWORD as the answer.

Open sesame, for example, to allow access **

'Open sesame' of course is from the legend of Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves, and is an example of a password, which allows access. Unfortunately, 'to allow access' does not work as a definition alone, but the clue in its entirety does. In fact, there's very little, if any, cryptic element to this clue and it would possibly serve better in a more conventional crossword.

Opener from Pakistan, partners with idiot and goes on report ***

P + ASS + WORD. I love a cricket-themed clue and this one is especially entertaining. This clue is also a good example of how to use linking words accurately (i.e. from, with, and goes on). What lets it down is that 'opener' is doing double duty as both the definition and an initial indicator.

Opener pops foil? ****½

PAS + SWORD. I love this clue! The surface reading suggests something to do with opening up a bottle of wine, but obviously has nothing to do with it. The '?' is probably fair enough as PAS for POPS is a little sneaky.

Opener's stand on the news! ****

Another 'opener' and probably the best choice for a definition. The 's should be read as 'is' and not as the possessive. 'Stand' = PASS (as in 'let it stand') literally on 'the news' (WORD). The surface reading cleverly misleads and one does think of a cricketer perhaps.

Personal Assistant's weapon is an Open Sesame **½

Another simple charade of PA + SWORD. 'Open Sesame' is an example of a password and should be indicated as such with a 'perhaps' or 'for one' etc.

Receding windrows, saplings somewhat help control access ***

I have to admit in assuming there was a typo in this clue as 'windrows' was unfamiliar. However, it is a perfectly valid word and means 'hay raked together into a line'. Therefore, the surface reading of the clue makes sense and reads very well. The clue is a reverse containment and the indications are accurate. The only thing missing is a tight definition. 'Password' is a noun, while 'help control access' is not.

Secret code cracked; Rod swaps aliases **½

This is an anagram of ROD SWAPS as indicated by 'cracked'. I like the way the compiler has incorporated the anagram into the surface sense of the clue. However, 'aliases' serves no purpose other than to pad the surface reading. Every element of a clue should fulfill one of three purposes (secondary indicator, definition, or appropriate link word), so in this case 'aliases' would need to be omitted.

Sesame e.g. used to develop dope ***

A charade type clue with 'to develop' (PASS, as in 'pass from one state to another') and 'dope' (WORD). While I can understand from a surface reading point of view what the compiler is intending here, 'sesame' by itself does not satisfy the definition, and really needs the addition of 'open'.

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