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If one word is useless so will a thousand be.
Chinese Proverb

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RENEWAL OF SUBSCRIPTIONS!

We are pleased to announce that we have managed to maintain the Annual Membership subscription for 2008 at \$40. However, if you elect to receive *e-Crozworld* rather than the paper copy then the sub is only \$35. We believe that this is outstanding value! And it is due in large part to the generosity of the many members who donated to the 2007 Prize Fund. Thank You! The New Year promises to be a year full of complexity and puzzlement. Why not join in the fun? See flyer enclosed (or for those who receive *e-Crozworld*, p13) together with some useful information for renewing members for 2008). We have continued the special offer whereby you can sign up a new member for 2008 for only \$30. In addition you can buy copies of the *Crozworld Compendium* for just \$5. In order to maintain the plentiful level of prizes, we hope you will be more than generous with your donation to the ACC Prize Pool 2008.

Don't forget about the ACC Annual Get-Together to be held at William Ryan's refurbished Cauliflower Hotel in Waterloo, Sydney on Sunday 18 November. There will be plenty of highlights! See page 4 for further details.

Ian Williams has another great selection of puzzles for you this month. Your favourites *Jesso*, *Southern Cross* and *Timid Terrier* are included along with the well-respected *St Jude* and *gizmojones*. In Slot 6 we feature *Betelgeuse* with a puzzle titled *The least disagreeable ...* plus a Quiz by Margaret Steinberger. Kindly note the early closing mail date of **Wednesday 24 October**. Happy Crozworlding. —Patrick

Thank you for all the nice cards and letters: it makes the task more enjoyable. Questions were asked about the "L" in JAVELIN. The word 'left' was inadvertently omitted from the end of the clue. Only 7 blank squares this month and a few spelling errors. Most errors were in Slot 4 with MEOWED (ME) I + was in debt (OWED) and PANT (PAN) wood god + beginning of time (T).

Slot 1: JUDE was the main problem with 8 members losing dots for LUKE. CUMULO (4) TUMULO and NUMULO for LUCUMO. Various other mistakes including 5 blank squares and a couple of spelling mistakes.

Slot 2: Very few problems with this one; two blank squares and only 6 mistakes including PRESTO and BADNIGHT. A good success rate.

Slot 3: 12 spelling errors with this Slot. INVISIBLE 5 times and ANENOME 7 times. SEICHELLES, HEREAFTER and LEGEND (2) were some of the other errors. This puzzle received the most nominations for COTM.

Slot 4: The biggest problem with the AJ was MIOUED (17) and MIOUED (3) PINE (23) PANG (1): some entries had both.

Slot 5: There were only four mistakes with this puzzle and they were two blank squares and two INANE's. Many comments that this was a challenging but fair puzzle and many members are pleased to have you compiling again Kev.

COTM: Many variations from 49 members for all puzzles. Slot 3 received the most votes with 21 from 9 clues, Slot 2 had 13 votes from 11 clues. MONORAIL HEREUNDER and MEOWED all scored 3 points but the winner was Slot 3 29ac CHARLIE with 4 nominations. Congratulations *Dazy May*.
—Joan Smith

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	104	113	109	111	87	524
Correct entries	75	105	90	69	83	422
Success rate (%)	72.1	92.9	82.5	62.1	95.4	80.5
Prizewinners	D Jones M Steinberger	V Reeves F Martin	V Dinham B Tofoni	D Butler	J Fowler M Procter	from 114 members

Prizewinner: September 2007 Slots 1-5: A & D Callan

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Sept 1-2007

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CALLAN A & D
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CHAMPION G
CHANCE C	.	.				
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COLLINS M
COOKE L
COPLAND F
COWAN M
CROMER H
DAVIS M
DEARIE P
DENNIS M
DINHAM V
DUCKER R
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FREELAND J
FULLER D
GALBREATH M
GARNER P
GLISSAN B
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HARPER K
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HEMSLEY D
HOCKING A
HOWARD L
HOWARD V
HOWELLS S
IBBOTT B
JERMY A
JONES C
JONES D
KENNEDY D
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KITTO J
KNIGHT S
KNIGHT V
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RODDICK M
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RYAN W
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SIEGMAN B
SMITH J
SOLOMON B
STANDARD J
STEINBERGER M
STOCKS J
STOREY N
SYMONS B
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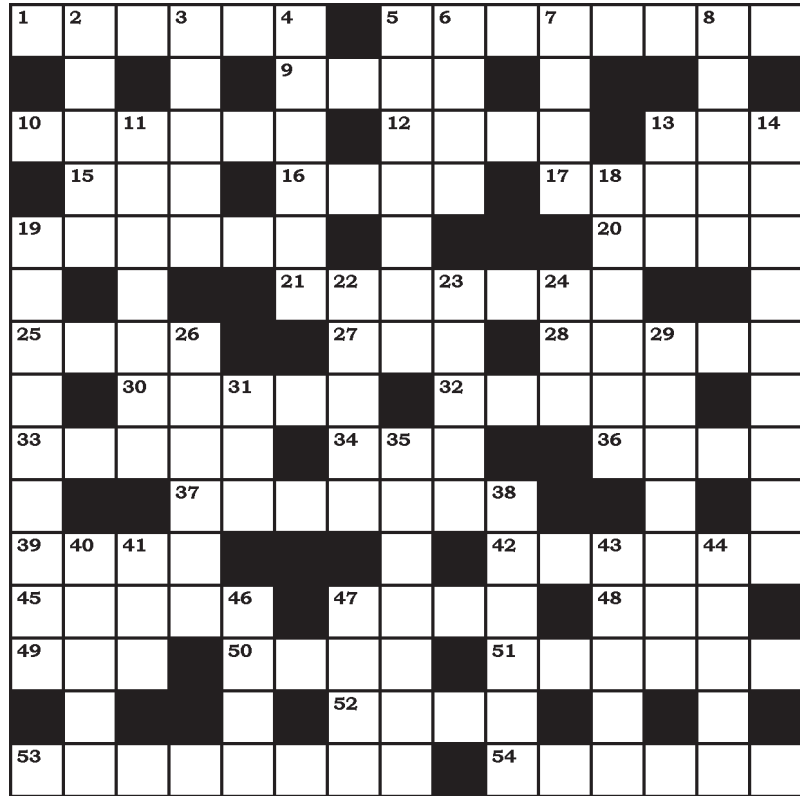
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Half 'n Half
by
Jesso

Prizes: \$50



[rrp: \$49.95]



Across

- 1 Hunting ship (6)
- 5 Toward the rising sun (8)
- 9 Cheese (4)
- 10 Meandered (6)
- 12 Bones (4)
- 13 Normal drowned valley (3)
- 15 Be in debt (3)
- 16 Chief (4)
- 17 Mongol chieftains (5)
- 19 Failure (6)
- 20 Anthropoids (4)
- 21 Capital of Iran (7)
- 25 Munch (4)
- 27 Soldiers (3)
- 28 Farewell (5)
- 30 Influential person (5)
- 32 Temptress (5)
- 33 Gadget (coll.) (5)
- 34 Bird (3)
- 36 Dash it! (4)
- 37 Counters (7)
- 39 Aleutian island (4)
- 42 Message (6)
- 45 Lozenge (5)
- 47 Jar (4)
- 48 Poem (3)
- 49 Bird (3)
- 50 Needle-case (4)
- 51 Recycled (2-4)

- 52 Of animal life (4)

- 53 English poet (8)
- 54 Truthful (6)

Down

- 2 Dynasty starts to offer information for the city (5)
- 3 Leaks out lots of water (5)
- 4 Radical, passionate and extreme (3-3)
- 5 Spike a revolutionary with awful pain (7)
- 6 Maid upset in the middle (4)
- 7 Sharp projection starts to tear up some kitchen (4)
- 8 Royal Highness in east gives continental flower (5)
- 11 Comes to a trail leading north and south (7)
- 13 Knock up a score (3)
- 14 Set about a square, saluted informally (9)
- 18 Delivered worker to media boss (6)
- 19 Confront sentry in a visor (4-5)
- 22 A burning result starting to exasperate doctor, generous at heart (5)
- 23 Come after most of the men and a girl (5)
- 24 Magenta arrangement includes a Swiss flower (3)
- 26 William goes without a representative u-class exchange medium (6)
- 29 Attacks in highways (7)
- 31 Academic accepts round neckpiece (3)
- 35 Grind a particle? Many, many more (7)
- 38 Ransack main church and hospital (6)
- 40 One article about another king's companion (5)
- 41 Pull two out (3)
- 43 Rake northern city (5)
- 44 Requirements observed returning about diamonds (5)
- 46 Some women last against your head (4)
- 47 Liqueur for our unfinished weight reversal (4)

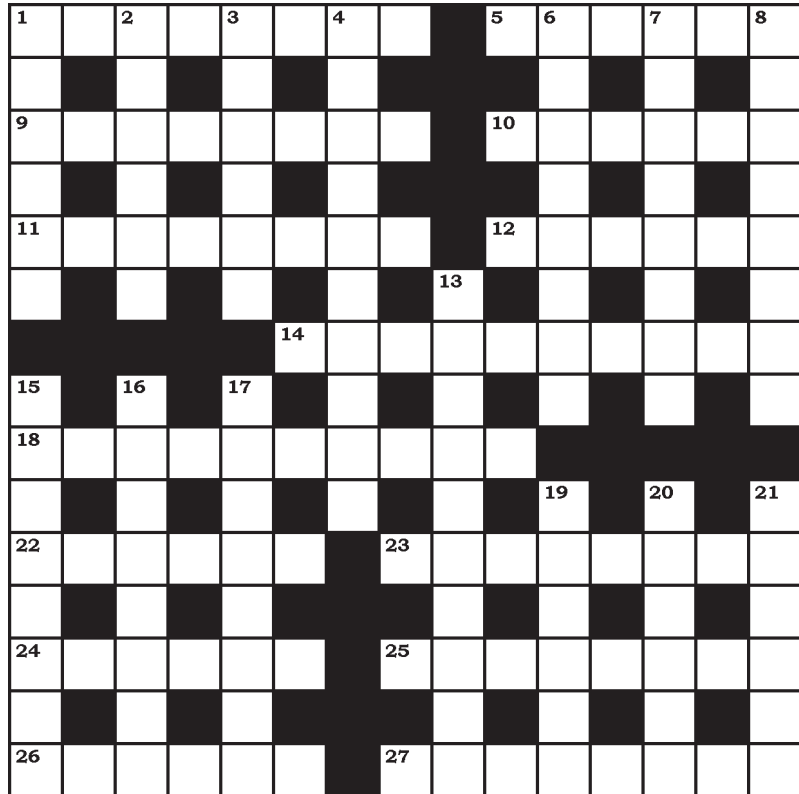
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Cryptic by Southern Cross



Across

- 1 She lets the refined woman come ashore first (8)
- 5 Risk whatever happens (6)
- 9 Battle to get EC improvement? (8)
- 10 Finishing in debt, spending recklessly (6)
- 11 The old cleared out, fully aware (4-4)
- 12 Argue with ref if Daley's starting to get out of order (6)
- 14 Dicky clears out Datsuns initially from where replaced vehicles may be seen (4,3,3)
- 18 Sack Melbourne footballers carrying on Sunday's blazing rows (10)
- 22 A sign, said to be one of two brass plates (6)
- 23 A speed car comes first with a hard, protective shell (8)
- 24 A launch at sea? (6)
- 25 Harry's aboard with those on the lookout (8)
- 26 Goes out holding last of tickets - is ... (6)
- 27 ... a winner (till going to pot!) (5,3)

Down

- 1 Grass thus introduced by one of three early mountaineers (6)
- 2 Springsteen's last number is lower (6)
- 3 Fat ruler's food store (6)
- 4 Doctor takes on deliveries doomed from the start to go wrong - he's poorly rewarded for his labours (6'1,3)
- 6 Appearing cap in hand, heartless, and changed somehow by disability (8)
- 7 A handy little trimmer? (4-4)
- 8 Where shells could be stored before use? (3-5)
- 13 A lump in the throat for some, very quietly trapped in water (4'1,5)
- 15 Not on the coach? In the wings perhaps (3-5)
- 16 Unappealing grocery chain for this influential family (8)
- 17 Like a child to a six-footer having corresponding sounds (8)
- 19 Having a little bit of power, the French make a bloomer (6)
- 20 Remove little dash of greasepaint and bury the hatchet (4,2)
- 21 Contract going to large German city (6)

2007 GET-TOGETHER AND HAVE FUN!!

The ACC's Annual Get-Together will be held at William 'Raoul' Ryan's 'Gastropub' The Cauliflower Hotel, Waterloo, Central Sydney on Sunday 18 November 2007 commencing at 11:30am. William says: "It is South Sydney's most famous pub, a lovely place, established 1836, five minutes walk from Green Square Station and 10 from Central. Parking is plentiful. It has a fabulous bistro and private room upstairs. 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 will be making an appearance and 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 some prizes to give away and Patrick will be conducting a fascinating Quiz. Why not come and join in the fun? It's on Sunday 18 November 2007. Be there!!!

Humour for Lexophiles from Cally Martin

I wondered why the baseball was getting bigger. Then it hit me.
Police were called to a day care where a 3yr-old was resisting a rest.
A boiled egg is hard to beat.
To write with a broken pencil is pointless.
A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
The dead batteries were given out free of charge.
If you take a laptop computer for a run you could jog your memory.
A dentist and a manicurist fought tooth and nail.
A will is a dead giveaway.
A backward poet writes inverse.
A chicken crossing the road - poultry in motion.
With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.
When a clock is hungry, it goes back four seconds.
He broke into song because he couldn't find the key.
A calendar's days are numbered.
If you jump off a Paris bridge, you are in Seine.
Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead to know basis.

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Cryptic by gizmojones



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Across

- 1 Papa's given bill for part of the chicken (5,4)
- 6 Writer's first flop became a hit (5)
- 9 Judge named by candidate? (7)
- 10 Just like a piano? (7)
- 11 Transfer back (6)
- 12 Opposition hothead needs help with letters (8)
- 14 Today not starting badly for Jedi (4)
- 15 Fleas hopping about on launch? This might eliminate them! (10)
- 18 Key to party leader's solitary mistake is found in letters (10)
- 20 Foolish fellow leaving park with crony (4)
- 23 Message from on high? (8)
- 24 Passages in praise of Latin written in outlying areas of the US (6)
- 26 Brown's advantage? One point (that's a sort of clue) (7)
- 27 A target that's shot to bits at tournament (7)
- 28 Opera based on tango gaining big award off Russian leader. (5)
- 29 A game of cards for the former majority? (6-3)

Down

- 1 Priestley's rewritten columns (9)
- 2 To spill coffee at work is lacking in humour (2-5)
- 3 Rider's beginning to become enthralled by trick ponies (6)
- 4 Prediction by famous submariner is brought up (4)
- 5 They bring rivals together (10)
- 6 Spooner gives routine direction about campaign funds (3,5)
- 7 Signs that take some figuring out? (7)
- 8 Trained negotiators don't employ reason – understood? (3,2)
- 13 Information circulating in train about owls (10)
- 16 Metres to run, resulting in split joint (9)
- 17 Mark spun around at reproaches (8)
- 19 Sardonic sort caught out making advances (7)
- 21 He was impossible to beat at bridge! (7)
- 22 Group of birds with a blue line just below the head (6)
- 23 Twenty-eight going broke on racecourse (5)
- 25 Bank's reported to auditors. Heehaw! (4)

GENERAL COMMENTS:

• Many thanks to the club for my August slot-2 prize.

Bev Solomon

• Thank you so much to the club for my two recent prizes – the Crossword book (for the Russian Literature quiz), and the Book of Facts (for the Doubletakes quiz – one of the most challenging, frustrating and ultimately satisfying quizzes I've done). I'm positive that the first book helped me achieve the second! And I'm building up a great reference library too.

Cally Martin

• Thank you so much for my July Slot 7 prize; it is a great book and I have already put it to good use. I so look forward to the puzzles every month, but to get a prize as well is a huge thrill.

Wendy Villiers

• Thoroughly endorse Shirl O'Brien, Doreen Jones and Eva Seale's comments about using words from standard Dictionaries for Slots 1 to 5. This principal (sic) was used for the first 10 years of Crozworld puzzles.

Alan Walter

• Thank you for a wondrous start to spring. Was a great thrill to open my Crozworld and find a cheque and beautiful certificate. Then a lovely new Dictionary arrived with a certificate. Also thank you to all who make the club possible – committee, setters and adjudicators.

Margaret Pyc

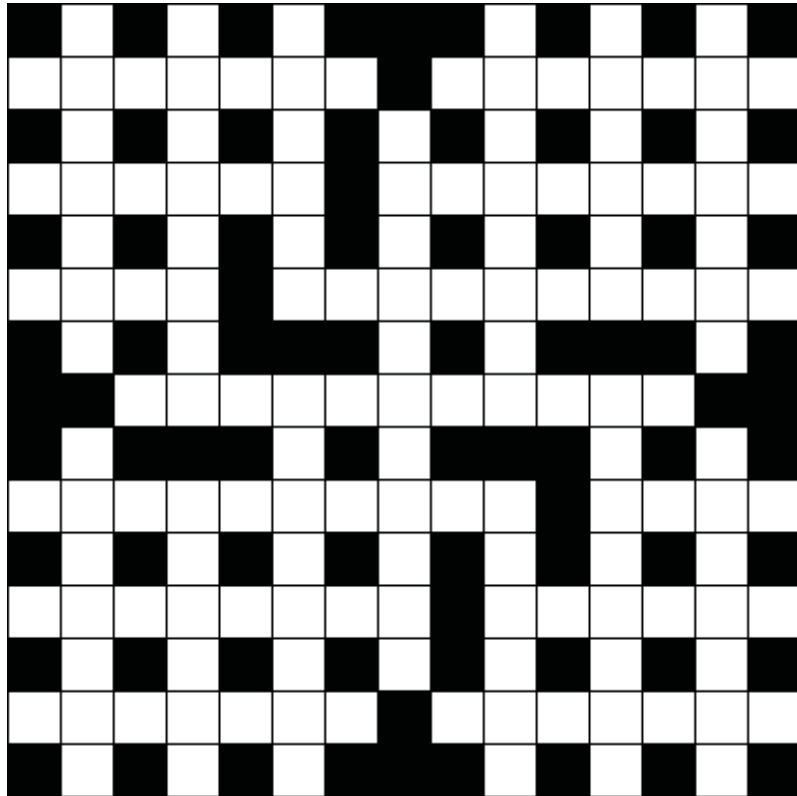
• A great bunch of puzzles. A big welcome back to *The Beast* from me – I do so enjoy his work. (Welcome back from me also Kev. JS)

Catherine Foster

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AJ
by
**Timid
Terrier**

Prize:
**Chambers
Dictionary of
World History
3rd edn.**
[rrp \$79.95]



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

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| <p>A Startles man with weapons (6)
 B Brigadier starts unauthorised English intrigue (6)
 C Add letter to a size of roofing tile (8)
 D Debates Delaware releases (11)
 E Bewitch fairy with a blast about love (3-5)
 F Pilchards, fabulous Chinese bird and soda cocktail (7)
 G Driver's game with a bat (4,4)
 H Cheerful Billie? (7)
 I Valuable fibres obtained from thistles (6)
 J Animal hiding from Raja guard (6)
 K South Australian sheep at United Kingdom raised for food (7)
 L Old Scot to teach about the support for sea-turtle (7-4)
 M Liam degraded a member of the gardener caste in India (4)</p> | <p>N Man goes north with commercials for aquatic larva of dragon flies (6)
 O Likelihood for male Scottish umpire (7)
 P Fashionable tree outside university (7)
 Q Serene lady loses advantage humbly (7)
 R Regret contract and accept forfeit for withdrawing? (3-7)
 S Bird to shadow playboy (10)
 T Fabric for the French in woollen check (8)
 U Two-toed sloth at university of North America and Uruguay (4)
 V Endorse girl with a meeting (8)
 W Mother in to arouse old watchman (7)
 X Unknown letter at old city in Spain refers to armadillos (8)
 Y Reward put up for birds not caught with opossums (7)
 Z A spot on her instrument (6)</p> |
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GENERAL COMMENTS (cont'd):

- Many thanks for all the positive feedback on my cryptic in August. You may regret that as I've done a couple more. Particular thanks to Eva Seale, don't leave us yet. Your voice has been heard and I'll try to set my crosswords for fun and enjoyment. By the same token, we still need to have some challenging puzzles. It is very difficult to strike a balance every month, remember the editor can only work with what we, the members, send him. This is a unique club which has given me much pleasure since its inception. *Carole Noble*
- Thank you so much for my \$50 prize for 2007 slot 3. It was a lovely surprise for an occasional completer of crosswords! *Anne Rendell*
- Thanks for my Slots 1-5 prize in August. I so seldom get 5 freckles, it was a lovely surprise. *Audrey Ryan*
- Another very enjoyable month of solving, indeed. Great to welcome back some of our newer setters, to have *The Beast* back in good form and then to see Carole and Ann join forces, look forward to more from them in the future. Of the 1-5 slots, I particularly liked *Dazy May's* and picked 29ac in the slot 3 as my clue of the month. *Roy Wilson*
- What a lovely lot of puzzles this month! I had to get out the Bible for some of the Old Testament books in Slot 1; quite forgot my Sunday School lessons. I was very pleased with myself to complete Two-up by *The Beast*. I usually have great difficulty with his crosswords. As usual, the hardest task is to nominate a COTM. There are so many great clues from all the setters. A very big thank you and all the others at ACC, for all the work you do to make this such a wonderful club. *Yvonne McKindlay*

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by St Jude

Prizes: \$50



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Solve the clues and transfer them to the grid to reveal several verses of a song. The song's title and author form the first letters of the solutions. Clues marked * have an affinity with the song. Seven letters of the citation are unclued but can be deduced from the words of the song. Six of these letters can be combined with one of the title words of the song to give the name of a poem by the same author. The unused letter is the first and last letter respectively, of alternative names for a period immediately following the second poem's subject (as known by two of the peoples mentioned in the clues to the song), which should be inserted below the completed grid.

CLUES:

- A** *Harbour a fleeing wolf after fight from which she lost her tail (5,4)
- B** *Athletic event requires some wine and bit of a gamble (5,4)
- C** Transported so far with wry and dolorous devotion of Mary (3,4,2,7)
- D** Armageddon is far away (3,3,2,3,5)
- E** Plastic roof may topple onto street (9)
- F** Plant desire with some promise to unite with ecstasy inside (6,4)
- G** *McLean, for example, is intoxicated and receives a heavy blow (10)
- H** Yes, a t-tree felt nearly animated (13)
- I** *Crone to begin grating in suet for pudding (6)
- J** Frenchman said thanks after pretence of clemency (3,2,5)
- K** A more severe fungal disease makes plants more blue? (4,5,4)
- L** Roughly, lady discards a diamond after subterfuge (7)
- M** Symbol of dying love from a Texas garden? (6,4)
- N** Old saying of politician: "by no account active saving" (10)
- O** *Colour of brothers from Spain (7)
- P** Location of swallowed money container? (11)
- Q** Oriental bird of metal lasts forever (7)
- R** Stick woman in with ponytail to act with another woman and cause an uproar (8)
- S** *Let this be about the emblem (7)
- T** *Lodger says that most coal miners are dogs (6,6)
- U** Complete madness caused by unsettling cruelty with crazy aunt (5,6)
- V** Almost exhaust partially overrun lowlanders (3,3)
- W** Warn odd miner about being bigoted (6,6)
- X** *Ship of state has measure of a churchman from England (9)
- Y** Not clued

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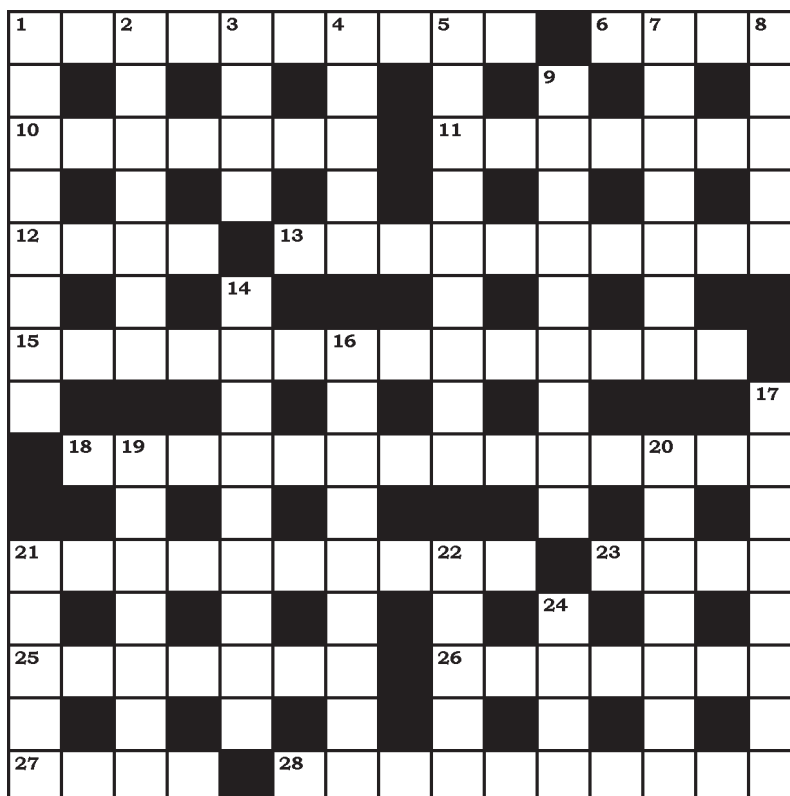
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**The least
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*Betelgeuse***



Asterisked clues belong
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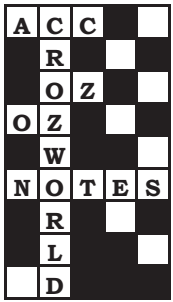
- 1/28/10/21dn** Abusive orchestral L.A maniac muffs it badly at musical event! (10,8,2,7,5)
- 6** Colour in a quaver (4)
- 10** See 1ac
- 11** Trio, out of control in Gabon, indulging in complete debauchery (7)
- 12** Etude is played without energy, an example of 15 (4)
- 13** Assembles flipped pancake against surrounding fruit (10)
- 15** *Azore-Turkestan medley (8,6)
- 18** *Abnormally costive – I mean it! (8,6)
- 21** Hear Walter can in jest be appeasing (10)
- 23** Getting your pipers soused starts any number of tortures (4)
- 25** I sang vibrato about a royal Indian instrument. (7)
- 26** Festive cuppa with Acis perhaps? (7)
- 27** Room for instrument if nothing added (4)
- 28** See 1ac

Down

- 1** *Chief of The French Energy (8)
- 2** Type of triangle practice piece with no first note (7)
- 3** Clean your headstone (4)
- 4** Left and first right – go slowly (5)
- 5** Upstart with a grand car has whirlwind visit to Spain (9)
- 7** Books in piano arrangement for five (7)
- 8** Crabbed age is some protection (5)
- 9** Pachelbel heard below the mountain pass? What a dish! (9)
- 14** Demanding leading saxophonist to train without a man (9)
- 16** In distress, meet taxi about on the beat (5,4)
- 17** While hot, fast, furious – initially fails to find wooden stick (3,5)
- 19** Key character (7)
- 20** Underground, cold and partly bonkers (7)
- 21** See 1ac
- 22** Almost time for Schoenberg's transfigured work (5)
- 24** Val gets up after first Stravinsky march? No, Tchaikowsky (4)

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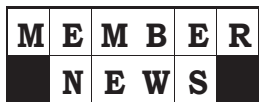
Review: *Crossworld Crosswords* by *Axe* (Alun Evans); published by *New Internationalist* 2007. The *New Internationalist* is an independent, not-for-profit publishing cooperative whose mission is to report on issues of global justice. A crossword by *Axe*, exactly like those in this collection, features in its monthly magazine. *Axe* started his compiling career with the magazine in 1996 and has since been published in the *Independent*, *The Observer*, *The Financial Times* and a number of magazines in the UK. Naturally, given its origins, many of the solutions to the present collection have a very strong geographical and international content. The 100 puzzle collection comprises 50 cryptic and 50 quick crosswords having the same solutions. Although the book has a two and a half page introduction to cryptic crosswords the cryptics are not for the beginner, even one armed with a good atlas/gazetteer and appropriate references to the human, historical, political and sociological aspects of the international themes. *Axe's* entry in Jonathan Crowther's *A-Z of Crosswords* identifies his compiling philosophy as "Try to be different. If the clues make sense and are fair, use them; if they entertain, all the better". Certainly in this book *Axe* does demonstrate

some of the differences in his cluing technique compared to a more rigid Ximenean approach; the majority of his clues are fair and have meaningful (and/or amusing and/or thought-provoking) surface readings. Some lack of close editing may be detected in relation to crossword aspects in that a few clues arguably written as Down clues are used in Across lights, or *vice versa*, and thus lose some of the accuracy of their construction. That aside, if you are interested in words beyond those found in *Chambers* and wish to use (or expand) your knowledge of things, people and places international, solving the crosswords in this collection would be a rewarding experience. While not available in Australia at the moment, it is understood that the book is to be distributed here from January 2008, via Palgrave Macmillan. —*Ian Williams*

Letters of the Month

• "Hello Bev, You may remember that I emailed you earlier this year after Shirley O'Brien gave me your email address. Being a newcomer to *Crozworld* I was overwhelmed by winning a prize for my first ever entry and the icing on the cake was that Shirley was the setter. Would you be kind enough to thank the powers that be for making my day? Regards," *Glenda Lloyd*

• "Dear Patrick, thank you for my June Rotorwords Quiz prize; it is treasured more because it was one of Jim Colles' — and also sad because there will be no more of his in our magazine. Even though we never meet and only know names, the comradeship is there. I'm so glad I'm a member. With best wishes to you all, Yours sincerely," *Nancy Hazell*



New Member: We extend a warm welcome to **Suzanne Eggins** from Vaucluse, NSW. Welcome to the wonderful world of *Crozworlding!*

Puzzle Adjustments: Bev Solomon and Joan Smith gained dots for July Slot 7. The answer to 22ac in that puzzle was SNIFF not KNIFE. Irene Watts was wrongly credited with a dot for July Slot 6.

Results of Chess Game Problems: No 9/2007: 1. Bg1 threat 2. Bh2. Winner: **Bev Solomon**. No 10/2007: 1. Qc2 threat 2. Qh7. Winner: **Brian Symons**.

The Australian Oxford Dictionary

WORD OF THE MONTH

fizgig *n. & adj.* • *n.* **1** *archaic* a silly or flirtatious young woman. **2** a kind of small firework; a cracker. **3** *Aust. colloq.* a police informer. • *adj.* *flighty*. □ **fizgig around** *Aust. colloq.* fool around. [ORIGIN: probably from **FIZZ** + obsolete *gig* 'flighty girl'.]

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QUIZ No 10/2007

WRITE ON, AUSTRALIA! By Margaret Steinberger

Below are the names of 26 Australian authors, past and present. Fit them in as indicated. At the bottom are keywords, one for each author but in random order, which may or may not be a help in your deliberations. Send solutions to Margaret Steinberger, margste@telpacific.com.au, or post to 189 Kemp St Hamilton NSW 2303. Closing mail date: Friday 9 November 2007. Book prize.

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-	C	-----	(10)
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Keywords: list, Broome, secret, Venus, letters, wife, arms, mermaid, place, ride, plains, bung, suburbs, bells, Babylon, sugar, winter, overflow, obsession, crown, Sydney, generation, riddle, Ned, storm, town

September 1-2007: Semi-thematic by Virgo (Audrey Austin)

- Another good grid. Is 'would be better' an anagind? 24dn doesn't seem to work. 25dn definition is hard to understand. 5dn doesn't seem cryptic. *Andrew Patterson*
- Thanks Virgo for your Semi-thematic puzzle of Biblical proportions. *Alan Walter*
- A clever thematic. It wasn't till I was deciding if GENESIS or NEMESIS was 32ac that it clicked. Pity about 24dn which seems to have a faulty anagram. *Brian Symons*
- We come across Audrey's Wisdom! *Ted O'Brien*
- I have to confess that I had forgotten a book in the Bible called Titus! Not too sure about the clue for 'pyknic' but thought 25dn very neat. *Margaret Davis*
- I knew there would be reward in regular church attendance – I know all the books of the Bible. A clever puzzle. *Barb Ibbott*
- I was not enjoying this until the penny dropped and I got the theme! A great puzzle. 5dn was tricky. I didn't quite get 24dn should it be P.Y.NICKS? (Many queries on this anagram. JS) *Roy Taylor*
- Audrey never seems to run out of ideas. The Biblical name theme was a good one and not easy to discover. Clue 19dn was simple and clever. Clue 24dn seems a little dodgy. *Irene Watts*
- I opted for TRIJET, not able to find it in dictionaries, then Jack spotted Hyundi TRAJET among the car ads. I'll stick with TRIJET because of the TRI, though neither Chambers nor Macquarie have either, and don't really regard an aeroplane as a vehicle. (Good choice. JS) *Shirl O'Brien*
- Particularly liked ABSEIL – my choice for COTM. *Max Roddick*
- The themed indicators were mostly consistent, except for 32ac which doesn't form a new phrase or name when combined with the answer. Do I detect an indirect anagram in 4dn? I liked 16dn. Could you please explain 24dn, and in 27dn is 'red and blue' a valid indicator for MAROON? *Jenny Wenham*
- I laughed at 24dn (SQUAT=PYKNIC) but if it's a good clue I don't understand its construction. *Doug Butler*

September 2-2007: Cryptic by The Two Bears (Christina Lee and Glynn Owens)

- A really good puzzle. A good mix of precise clues with some nice surface. Well done, *Two Bears*. *Andrew Patterson*
- 1ac Place mat (5,3) is given as two separate words in Chambers. 2dn Hope ANGELS is correct. (It is Alan. JS). Presumably GELS = LEGS anagram but the AN seems to be omitted in your wordplay. An enjoyable puzzle. *Alan Walter*
- Enjoyable puzzle esp. HOME and AWNINGS. *Brian Symons*
- I liked 13ac but 6dn is my COTM. *Ted O'Brien*
- A nice puzzle; nothing too obscure here. *Margaret Davis*
- Well clued and a pleasure to complete. *Barb Ibbott*
- Good to have another visit from *The Two Bears*. This one was enjoyable, with amusing clues. *Irene Watts*
- All clever clues, some easier than others, but a good balance. Loved 19ac: GLADDEN. *Max Roddick*
- I liked 15dn and 20dn. I didn't know that N was an abbreviation for Knight – but I do now. Could you please explain 2dn? *Jenny Wenham*
- *The Two Bears* are Care Bears! Was this puzzle constructed on a 'Niceness' theme or does it just come naturally? TOLERANCE was my COTM (and a characteristic I admire). *Doug Butler*

September 3-2007: Cryptic by Dazy May (Kath Harper)

- For some reason, the SW corner gave me trouble for some time. *Andrew Patterson*
- 14dn: UNHANDSOME = inconvenient (obsolete). Would prefer avoidance of obsolete references when non-obsolete meanings available. 24dn: ELVEN is an adjective meaning FAIRYLIKE. Could you please supply your reference for old fair folk = ELVEN (noun)? *Alan Walter*
- MONORAIL is great – got my COTM. *Brian Symons*
- Seychelles came close to being my COTM. *Ted O'Brien*
- Some splendid clues from *Dazy May*. She got my COTM. *Margaret Davis*

- Some tricky clues among some easy ones. Liked 7dn, 19ac and 29ac. *Barb Ibbott*
- Some very tricky clues in this puzzle. Some were very clever e.g. 9ac and 29ac. But 13ac seems incorrect "After this" is HEREAFTER not HEREUNDER. *Irene Watts*
- Can't romp through *Dazy May's* puzzle, but getting through is satisfying fun. And I learned a new meaning for UNHANDSOME. *Max Roddick*
- If only it was so simple to make an OYSTER! I didn't understand 5dn. In 22dn, shouldn't it be 'hit a winner' to indicate ACE? "Hits" would make it ACES. I enjoyed the definition to 7dn. *Jenny Wenham*

September 4-2007: AJ by Carann (Carole Noble and Ann Jermy)

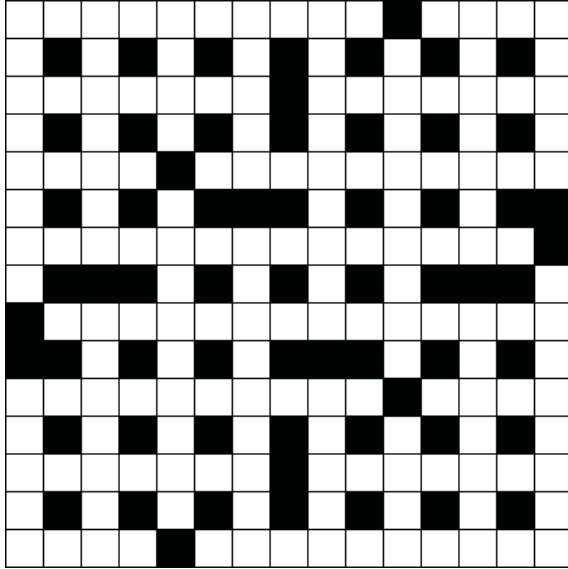
- I liked the O and P clues. I can't how see the L in JAVELIN is indicated. (See Adj. comments.) *Jenny Wenham*
- What denotes the 'L' in 'javelin'? (See Adj. comments) Is 'duck's' really for 'oo' - maybe 'os'? I don't think 'laughed at' equates to 'ha'. *Andrew Patterson*
- A very enjoyable AJ thanks Carann. *Alan Walter*
- A terrific AJ, especially PANT and RETRANSMIT – but is the L in JAVELIN clued? (See Adj. comments). YESSIR if a single word should get a slang indicator. *Brian Symons*
- I was in real trouble until I realised I had tomtom and nimrod back to front. *Ted O'Brien*
- Carole and Ann did an excellent job here. The "R" word had me stuck for a while. *Margaret Davis*
- A nice traditional AJ. I struggled for a while with the X clue, and then the answer jumped out at me. *Barb Ibbott*
- Thanks to Carole and Ann for a most enjoyable alphabetical puzzle, my favourite. Amusing clues which is always a bonus. I loved the I, M and Z clues. *Irene Watts*
- Carann – a winning double! Plenty of smile-making clues, like MEOWED and many others. *Max Roddick*

September 5-2007: Two-Up by The Beast (Kev Layton)

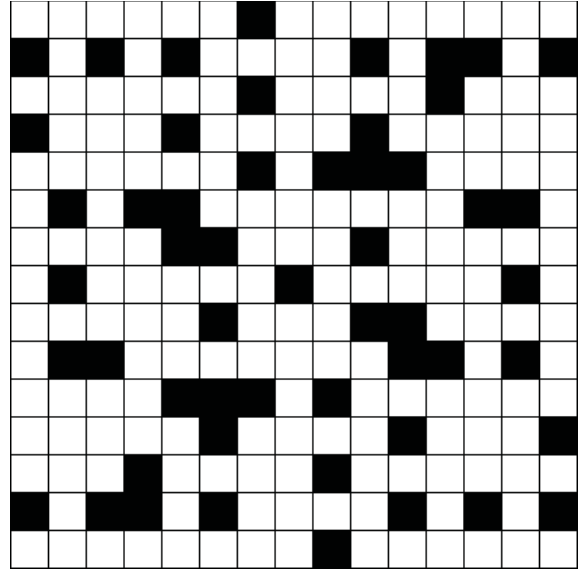
- The toughest puzzle in slots 1-5 this month, and therefore the first one I had a go at. This must have taken ages to compile, particularly with so many "Connections for Example" clues – and good ones they generally were, too. It was certainly very satisfying to finish. *Jenny Wenham*
- A very interesting, challenging type of puzzle. I nearly left 19dn as 'inine' while wondering why. *Andrew Patterson*
- 1dn indicators should be (4,6) and (10). This puzzle with its 2 grids really created Double Trouble, especially entering the answers in the 2 quite small good grids, giving me writer's cramp! Quite a few disconnections before the light dawned! 2 Innovative puzzles in one! *Alan Walter*
- Thumbs up for TWO-UP. I always enjoy *The Beast*. *Brian Symons*
- I hate *The Beast*! I've enough trouble doing one good copy and you (*Beast*) gave me two! *Ted O'Brien*
- Welcome back, Kev, we missed you! At first glance I thought this was going to be a bit of a stinker but it was really good fun, and just challenging enough. Thank you. *Margaret Davis*
- Really enjoyed this puzzle. Clues were good. Hardest part was fitting the answers into the grids. I don't know how *The Beast* creates such beauties. *Barb Ibbott*
- What seemed impossible at first turned out to be great fun as the words fell into place. The ploy of wrongly numbering 1dn didn't delay me for a minute! More like thirty minutes! *Roy Taylor*
- This proved to be a lot of fun and not really difficult once I got started. Thanks Kev for something different. *Shirl O'Brien*
- A welcome return to *The Beast* though through a series of lucky guesses I didn't find this puzzle not beastly at all. I liked the clue for EIGHT. *Doug Butler*
- Toughest test this month was fitting all the answers in #5 mini-grids! I've made my optician's appointment for early next month in case there's a similar one in October! *Merv Collins*



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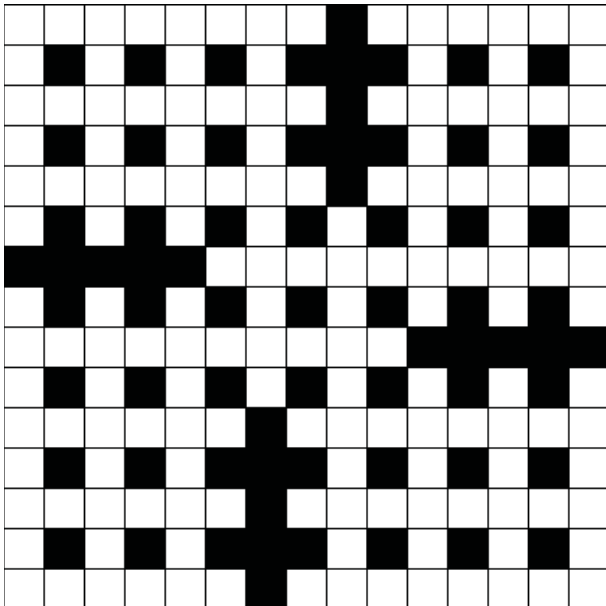


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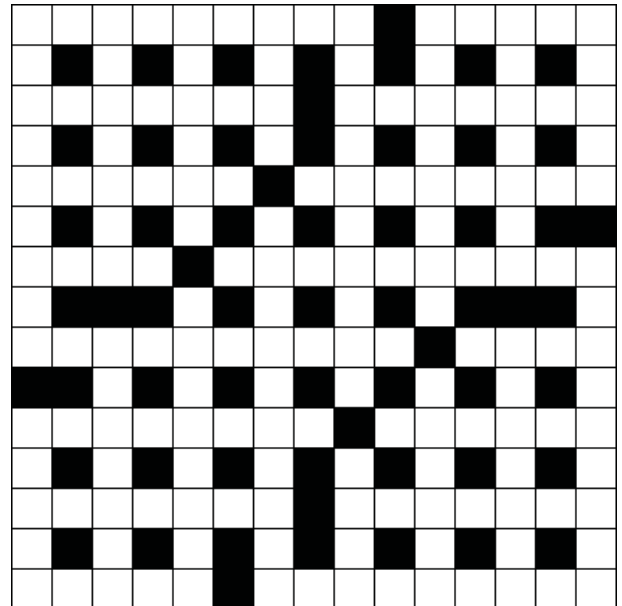


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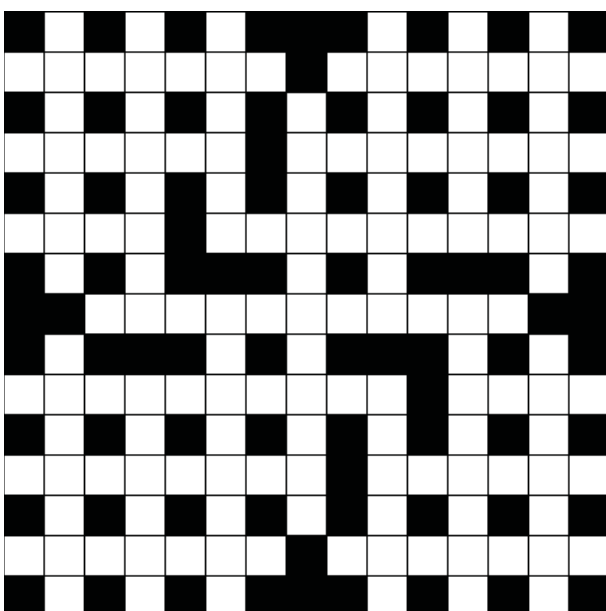
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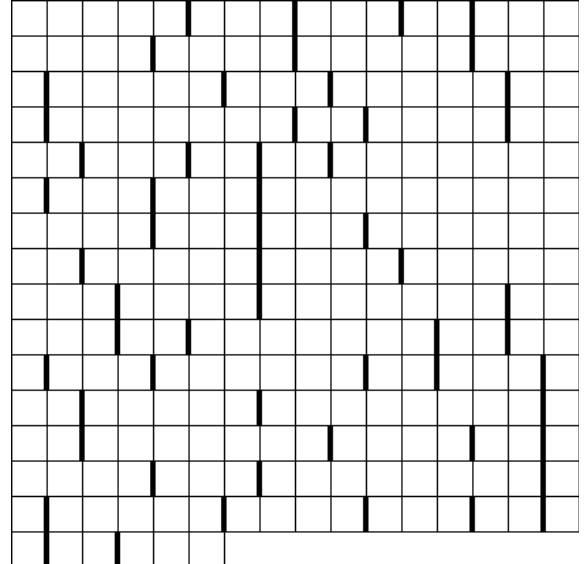
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Title of second poem (9) _____
Period name I (8) _____ Period name II (7 or 8) _____ (.)

August 6-2007 - Acrostic/Jigsaw by Praxis (Roy Wilson)

Entries: 70. Correct: 52. Success Rate: 74.3%.

Prizewinners: Andrew Patterson and Jan Wood. Congrats! Solvers' Comments:

- Thank you for keeping us supplied with brain fodder.
Bev Cockburn
- Thanks for a terrific puzzle!
Catherine Foster
- Thanks for an enjoyable puzzle. More please!! *Barbara Glissan*
- Thank you for your excellent 'three for the price of one' puzzle. I have no idea how you begin when putting something like this together but I'm just pleased someone can! Well done Roy.
Michael Kennedy
- That was certainly a challenge but most enjoyable. Thanks so much.
Trish McPherson
- Brilliant, more please.
Carole Noble
- Your puzzle was most enjoyable – very ingenious. I liked the clue for "Gunsmoke".
Peter Dearie
- Fitting 8 movie stars into a 32 clue grid – not so difficult. Adapting your clues to give the letters of the instruction – very difficult. A truly memorable effort!
Shirl O'Brien
- This time a star-studded puzzle! How do you keep producing such gems?!!!
Ted O'Brien
- Another one of your special puzzles always a challenge and always very satisfying to complete.
Ron O'Rourke
- Excellent, as ever!
Andrew Patterson
- This was another excellent puzzle by a master craftsman. You provided great clues and an instruction to find movie stars names.
David Procter
- Praxis, this is your best puzzle yet!! I worked on this about 12 hours *in toto*. WOW. Love your work. This gem of a puzzle was certainly a mind-rattler. To discover your hidden instruction was a mammoth task itself! I could only find 'Ra' as a sun-god and not just the SUN (see comments below, Alan).
Alan Walter
- I needed a cup of tea and a lie down after this rip-snorter, Roy! Quite a work-out.
Rob Watson

Adjudicator's Comments:

Initials when arranged read: FIND INCLUDED SURNAMENAMES OF MOVIE STARS 1: PHOENIX (River/Joaquin); 2: CRUISE (Tom); 3: GRANT (Cary/Hugh); 4: WEST (Mae/Adam/Timothy); 5: STONE (Sharon/etc); 6: SHEPHERD (Cybill/Sam); 7: TEMPLE (Shirley); 8: CAGE (Nicholas)

Note: Other words within the grid contained the names of movie stars. E.g. Fox(trots) (Edward); (in)Hale (Alan/Barbara); (Anne) Frank (Richard/Gary); Bird(shot) (Philip/John); Blanc(h) (Mel), but since all solvers who included these in their answers, had at least 6 or 7 correct answers, it should have been obvious that the 8 required all stood alone. Part words were not accepted.

Could find no movie star with surname BLANCH. A **Jewel Blanch** had guest appearances in several TV shows. WHIPSTAFF: Whips (See Whale def. 2 Chambers)/ffat (rev); GEMINATED: should have, of course, been defined 'doubled'; SHEPHERD: S(hep)herd.

ARENA: RA (rev)/E (bearing)/Na. ARENA (Tina?) was included by some. While she is maybe a recording star, she is not a *movie* star. Ra or Re: The sun worshipped as GOD. (Re) thought to sail the sky in his boat and, at night, traverse the underworld... (EB) *Wikipedia* suggests Ra was possibly the original word for sun. Such *luminaries* as AZED often define Ra as SUN.

—Praxis (Roy Wilson)

Solution to August Slot 6 by Praxis

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Results of Quiz No 8/2007.

EVEN THE ANSWERS ARE GIVEN by Brian Symons

Prizewinner & best entry: David Procter. Congratulations!

Results: 20.5: David Procter 19: Bev Cockburn, Carole Noble and Alan Walter 18: Audrey Austin, Doug Butler and William Ryan 15: Roy Taylor 14: Michael Kennedy 12: Norm Wilson.

Adjudicator's comments:

Apologies to members for creating such an unpopular quiz! Along with recent excellent quizzes by Max Roddick and Jim Colles, it was an attempt to devise a puzzle based on word characteristics and wordplay that couldn't be solved by simply googling. It was meant to be fun and really wasn't as difficult as apparently perceived.

Anyway special thanks to the ten who entered and saved me from complete embarrassment.

Half or full marks were given for some alternatives accompanied by adequate reasons. However the bonus situation was marked strictly. A set definition needs to be tight to be as INCLUSIVE and EXCLUSIVE as possible. Hence 'starts with a first name' is not as good as 'starts with a girl's first name', 'contains silent letter' not as good as 'contains silent consonant' etc.

Members Comments:

- Thanks for a great 'lateral' puzzle. These are my favourites – no googling just grey power.
William Ryan
- Curses – beaten again.
Doug Butler
- Certainly a challenging quiz. Thanks for stimulating my little grey cells.
Carole Noble
- A very challenging and thought-provoking quiz which I enjoyed trying to solve.
Bev Cockburn
- Another fascinating cryptic quiz.
Audrey Austin
- Thanks for a very difficult quiz. I look forward to more.
David Procter
- This quiz was like a mensa word test. Many thanks for a flummoxing workout.
Alan Walter

Solutions:

1. THEATRE: All words start with a well-known girl's name.
2. X-RAY: First and last letters of each word are consecutive in alphabet.
3. ABLE: All words can be preceded by par to make a new word.
4. ORAL: Each word is a beheaded colour.
5. EBAY: Each word contains an animal noise.
6. GAMES: 5-letter words with middle letter a roman numeral in ascending order.
7. SUTURE: Each word is an anagram of a body part.
8. FORT: Each word makes a new word if first letter is pronounced separately.
9. PACE: Each word is a collective noun of animals.
10. BY: Each word contains the same number of letters as the position of its first letter in alphabet.
11. PHARISEES: Each word has a double letter pair enclosed by the same letter.
12. LEFT: Each word is a contronym ie has two meanings that are opposites.
13. APOSTLE: Each word contains a silent consonant.
14. JOB: Each word can be capitalised resulting in very different pronunciation.
15. UNGUARDED: Each word starts with an animal name reversed.
16. AS: Each word can be pronounced in two distinctly different ways.
17. MINISCULE: Each word is misspelt.
18. HICCOUGH: Each word contains the sequence ough but none rhymes with another.
19. VENDETTA: Each word's first letter completes the famous acronym for the rainbow royg biv.
20. PER: Each word is a country minus a vowel.



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