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He who fills his head with other people's words will find no place where he may put his own. Proverbial (Moorish)

### |G|R|I|D|A|T|O|R|I|A|L|

he Christmas-in-July Get-Together in Melbourne was another successful event with an excellent attendance of members from "around" Australia. We were thrilled to see our Secretary Bev Cockburn in attendance plus Len Colgan from SA and Roy Low from NSW. And there were plenty of local Victorians, not only talking about cruciverbal matters but also solving the Colgan Quiz and the Easy Street puzzle. And the food was special: the Main Course had a selection of Chicken Breast wrapped in Chicken or Crispy Skinned Salmon. How's that for a choice? Not to mention the skilfully selected Wines to accompany the meal. These Get-Togethers are a special occasion and should be attended by all members of the ACC. The next one will be held at William Ryan's outstanding location The Harold Park Hotel in Glebe NSW on Sunday 27 November 2016. Not to be missed! Looking forward to renewing acquaintances. See p9 for further details.

Our accomplished Puzzle Editor, Ian Williams, has selected another outstanding set of excellent puzzles for you this month. Distinguished puzzlers like Zinzan, Pentangle, Lexi Conner and Penobscot are there for your ongoing enjoyment plus another skilful offering from The Lady and the Scamp in Slot 5. Our brilliant compilers Hot and Cold have given us another of their challenging puzzles in the slot 6 and Zplig will entertain you with his cryptic puzzle in Slot 7. And Fortuna 48 has submitted another fascinating Quiz titled Communication.

Our brilliant Clue Writing Competition Adjudicator Michael Kennedy challenged clue-writers to devise a clue for TROUBLESHOOT (12) and his results together with his insightful comments and analyses from the entries submitted can be found on pp16 and 15.

Best of Luck with your solving this month. -Patrick

#### |F|R|O|M| |T|H|E||A|D|J|U|D|I|C|A|T|O|R|

erhaps the age of the adjudicator is drawing to a close. Last time when it was me, I received about 100 entries but this time only 14 as most of our members (including technophobic me) have discovered the ease of Roy Low's wonderful inventive gift to the club. Still I will miss the lovely cards.

#### Slot 1:

EMITS (exits) and STEEPED (stepped) and COBNETS (cobwebs) the only multiple occurring mistakes. HOUSEWIFE caused umbrage but only two errors (housemate).

The 3 down long words resulted in quite a few spelling mistakes. CHIMED OUT lost a few dots (chimes out, called out). The main problem was SHE with 7 members perhaps confusing Rider Haggard with Johnny Cash.

#### Slot 3:

RADIALLY, STAY, PUEBLOS and LAMINA caused most errors often in different ways.

#### Slot 4:

Quite a few individual, idiosyncratic errors but pluralisation of APOPHTHEGM and XBOX (ob about =bo inside by(x) and by(x)) caused most headaches. Quailed and Juniper were interchangeable.

REHOUSES, OLYMPIAD and EDIT occurred several times but the runaway disaster was surprisingly the too quick assumption that PENTATHLON was the correct anagram.

#### COTM:

A wide range of nominations across all slots, especially slot 3, but the well-deserved winner was SCAMPER from slot 5 with 9 votes. Congrats to Valkyrie (Ulla Axelsen). —Brian Symons

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	91	91	77	76	79	414
Correct entries	79	67	66	61	50	323
Success rate (%)	86.8	73.6	85.7	80.3	63.3	78
Prizewinners	Richard Skinner	Lynn Jarman	John Baylis	David Grainger	Robert Hagan	from 112 members

#### Prizewinner: August 2016 Slots 1-5: Jim Fowler. Congratulations!

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# August 1-2016

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### MEMBERS RESULTS for August 2016 Slots 1-5 & July Slots 6-7



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Axelsen U.		•	•	•	٠	•	•	Hea
Barbour J.	•	•	•			•		Hey
Barnes J.	•		•	•	٠	٠	•	Hoo
Batum C.	•	•						Нот
Baylis J.	•	•	•					Hov
Bennett D.			•		٠			Нот
Blake M.	•	•	•	•	٠	٠		Ibb
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Carroll L.	•	•	•	•		٠	•	Ker
Coates D.	•	•			٠	٠		Ker
Cockburn B.	•		•	•	٠	•		Lee
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Davis M.	•	•	•	•	٠			Ma
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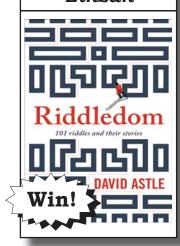
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Jones D.					•	•	•
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Lee C.	•	٠	•	•			•
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Lord P.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
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Martin A.	•	•	•	•		•	
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Matthews S.	•						
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A Bit of Everything by **Z**inzan



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This puzzle contains a mixture of normal and cryptic clues. Normal clues may not be exactly that and cryptic clues are set out in italics.

> 4 Buzzer Urge 1? (7) 5 Buzzer Urge 2? (5)

> **7** Remove a knot (5)

**11** Coober Pedy's finest (4)

3 Sunset or Las Ramblas (9)

6 Country of about 322 million (3)

**8** Transmitted an odour by ear? (4)

**14** Sound of someone at the door (3-3)

15 Note is arranged away from the office (2-4)

2 Sea eagle (4)

#### Across

- 1 Second order angels (8)
- **5** *Quickly sew silk top in days beforehand* (3-3)
- **9** Follower of Joel (4)
- 13 Andrew Paterson's middle name (6)
- **16** Australian or French, possibly (4)
- **17** *Papa leaving coat on the wall isn't common* (4)
- **18** Returned goods receipts (6,5)
- **19** If not, then (4)
- 21 Association of Southeast Asian Nations (5)
- 23 Follower of John (4)
- 26 Someone doing rough-ups or sit-ups? (6)
- 29 La Marseillaise, for one (6)
- **30** Follower of Matthew (4)
- **31** DE! (5)
- 33 Set the scene? (4)
- **35** A so-called super food (4,7)
- **38** *Graphic representation of a camera with the cap off* (4)
- **39** Geoffrey Robertson or Stuart Littlemore (4)
- 42 More promiscuous men and women meet with little hesitation (6)
- 44 Ringer's intended target ? (8)
- 45 Activist Brockovich (4)
- 46 NY! (6)
- 47 Explorations of viticulture (8)

- **24** Country of about 13 million (4) 25 Fungus; filth (4)
- 27 African capital city (6)

19 End of term event (4)

**20** Provide stimulus (4)

**22** Flower he couldn't get from the pool (9)

**12** Not again (4)

- **28** Scottish daggers disturbed snakes (6) **32** Green (7)
- **33** Existence (4) **34** Lazy comedian (4)
- **36** Search closely, around 1st of October, in valley (5)
- 37 Buzzer Urge 3? (5)
- **38** Hip bones (4)
- 40 Country of about 79 million (4)
- 41 Malayan dagger (4)
- **43** Poetically even (3)

1 Small salmon company catch a fish? Not OK (4)

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# Cryptic by Pentangle



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#### Across

- 1 Eccentric ladies set out on a voyage (6)
- 4 Wrong about weapon being fair (8)
- 10 Slashes charges for ornamental fabric? (9)
- 11 Flops down removing large shoes (5)
- 12 Picked up thin fleece (5)
- **13** Disturbing a fool with a ringing sound (9)
- **14** Export aluminium from one country to another (7)
- 16 Sliding frame made from small tree (4)
- **19** Increases commercials by the sound of it (4)
- 21 Fool is captivated by gift for musical instrument (7)
- 24 Shooter turned up with god and man (9)
- **25** Belief in company in the red on the contrary! (5)
- **26** Main artery running through Kenya or Tanzania (5)
- **27** Systems of symbols found in books collected by countries (9)
- 28 Selector misrepresented voters (8)
- 29 Soups made by relatives without hesitation (6)

#### Down

- 1 Rep and southern guy nursing beers (8)
- 2 Extend where the batsman should stand (8)
- 3 Initial loss of fear leads to mistake (5)
- **5** Attacks a ship with troubles (7)
- 6 Estimates approximate increases (9)
- **7** Entered cinema another way (4,2)
- **8** Condescend to frame second sketch (6)
- **9** Raise a unit of power to zero in a Canadian city (6)
- **15** Bird showing the effects of too much sun? (9)
- 17 Was behind in contest and withdrew (5,3)
- 18 Backs Cockney mounts to finish first (8)
- **20** Discussion group remains confused (7)
- 21 Double snack without sodium (6)
- 22 Concoct a verse containing a range of notes (6)
- **23** Become known for example about me being stuck up (6)
- 25 Provide food from broken crate (5)

#### GENERAL COMMENTS

- My thanks to the club for my prize for July slot 5 especially sweet as I always enjoy the extra challenge that Gillian provides.

  \*\*Mike Potts\*\*
- Thank you for the \$75 cheque prize for Quiz No 5. It was a lovely surprise. Congratulations to the Executive Committee for maintaining such a high standard magazine as *Crozworld*.

  \*\*Barbara Tofoni\*\*

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- Many thanks for my prize for Slot 2 in July. A delightful surprise.
  Alison Shield
  Thank you for a very enjoyable Christmas in July. The quiz and crossword were a lot of fun and I was ecstatic to win the crossword solver, courtesy of Len Colgan. Thank you, too, to the club for my slot 1 prize, which I am enjoying reading.

Robyn Caine Nea Storey

- What a thrill to win the prize for Buzzer's Slot 6 when I hadn't even been sure I had all the answers correct!
- Another great issue thankyou.
- Thank you all compilers and adjudicators for another splendid month.

Dale McManus Robyn Wimbush



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# Cryptic by Lexi Conner



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#### Across

- 1 Rock band avoids the constabulary (6)
- 4 A call for help over greatest cause of disease (8)
- 10 Appear with agency which lacks time to identify crisis (9)
- **11** Cash around the beginning of November is associated with small strides (5)
- 12 Voided way to cover absolute guarantee (8)
- **13** Wind coming from wide angle wrecked golf score (5)
- **15** Carefully inspect paint finish on vehicle (5)
- 18 Locations of spectacles announced (5)
- **19** Greetings displayed until now by the front entrance (2,5)
- **20** Provincial capital seems to be located on the outskirts of Gascogne (5)
- 22 Returned home to where dogs run around in NSW (5)
- **24** Councillor ignores staff pointing to tree (5)
- 25 Norm has a spot for a freeloader (8)
- 28 Heavenly body, firm and satisfied! (5)
- **29** Core stimuli incorporate urge to be spontaneous (9)
- **30** Pedalled again for the sake of the environment? (8)
- **31** Aware abandoning New Year's Day arrangement exposes the city (6)

#### Down

- 1 Protest there are no alternates for Pope (4)
- 2 Brett and Rachel in To Where the Breeze Blows (7)
- **3** Smoke visible from quite a lot of tragic inversion (5)
- 5 Model stylishly hits out in a cunning way (5)
- 6 Conveyed fast to England's borders (9)
- **7** Nearly embraced by young child this evening (7)
- 8 Postponement of dubious annuity (10)
- **9** Overwhelm single sister with a squeeze (8)
- **14** Horizontal bar means auto is a coach (7,3)
- **16** Pure source of minerals seen after the credit is cut short (9)
- **17** Do you ostensibly get reductions in condensation? (8)
- **21** Local aim to encourage more indigenous cultural leaders (7)
- **23** Taken advantage of deal avoiding unpopulated development (3-4)
- **25** Declared enterprise to dispose of record winnings (5)
- **26** It could be spoken or captured by pen (5)
- 27 Slim son not required for task (4)

#### GENERAL COMMENTS cont'd from p4

• Thank you all compilers and adjudicators for another splendid month.

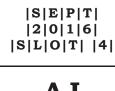
- Robyn Wimbush
- Thanks to Patrick and the ACC we had a great lunch last month. The icing on the cake was receiving the prize for slots 1 to 5 in the July 2016 puzzles.

  \*\*Kath Harper\*\*
- Tricky but hope I got there.

Sue Robertson

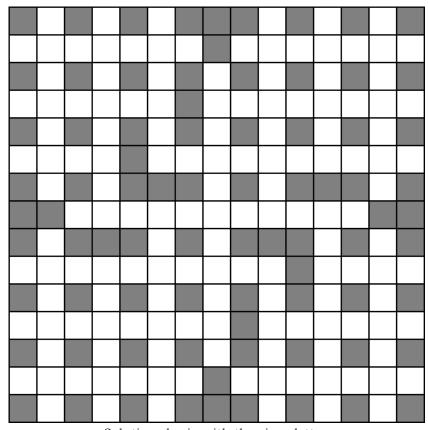
- Slots 3 and 5 proved too difficult although I was excited to figure out the common thread in slot 5. Lynn Jarman
- We try to get to the Christmas in July lunch each year and did so this year. Lovely people; lovely grub; lovely time. Thanks to Patrick and the others responsible. Richard Skinner





### AJ by Penobscot





Solutions begin with the given letter.

Place them in the grid jigsaw-wise, where they fit.

Two words are not in *Macquarie* or *Chambers*.

One other solution **ends** with the missing given letter.

- **A** Month with article on illustrious reign (8)
- **B** Furniture feature, barely, perhaps (6,5)
- **C** Just the thing for Felix's retirement? (4,7)
- **D** Unruly underworld servant (10)
- **E** Said to be indicative of someone talking about you, but probably not within this (7)
- **F** Scourging worker following signal measure (10)
- **G** Spherical lass gets around high ball (6)
- **H** Be cautious by line of rural boundary (8)
- I The with-it crowd, pouring in wildly (2-5)
- **J** Jar made to order for Indian officer (7)
- **K** Soft paper exhibited by Cubist-expressionist almost immediately following (7)
- L Sweet sort. With lady, a traffic stopper (8)
- M Size of explosion smashed magneto (7)
- **N** About a trunk call? North America go forth! (7)

- Old timer with name is confused, deservedly (2,5)
- P Simple animal for zoo at roundabout (8)
- **Q** Ready money once, having one note in a number of sheets folded (6)
- R Civet takes line on hard struggle in the USA (6)
- **R** According to song, stylish when this is put on (4)
- **S** Masters and Johnson maybe succeeding specialists (8)
- **T** Things declared to be held as self-evident in the USA, independently? (6)
- **U** Disquieted as some crowned heads lie (6)
- V Lady makes a pass at bullfight (8)
- **W** Nondescript piece of furniture (7)
- **X** It gives an inner picture (1-3)
- Y Once being that preceding the present agreement on some terms (6)

#### Comments for August 5-2016: Cryptic by Valkyrie (Ulla Axelsen) continued from p10

- A very enjoyable puzzle for me since I am interested in sport. I especially liked RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS. Ian Thompson
- Top half went straight in; but ultimately DNF (to use the sporting term). Impressive all the sports; not so impressive some of the obscure crossing words.

  \*\*Rob Moline\*\*
- Great topical theme of Olympic Games. Perhaps too many anagrams made this a bit easier than it should have been. Gave 19dn SCAMPER my vote for COTM. *Tony Dobele*
- Liked the Olympic theme.

Nea Storey

- Several excellent clues here 27ac had me defeated for ages! 18dn also very good; but I gave my COTM to 19dn.
   A very topical crossword and most enjoyable. Thanks Valkyrie.

  Betty Sie
  - Betty Siegman Eileen O'Brien
- Very topical so enjoyable. Couldn't decide between 4dn and 19dn; finally opted for 19. Both good.
- Ro Ducker
- A good-fun topical puzzle.
- **e.**
- Very timely theme. But in regard to 15dn I hope not many children were slugged in the solving of this puzzle.

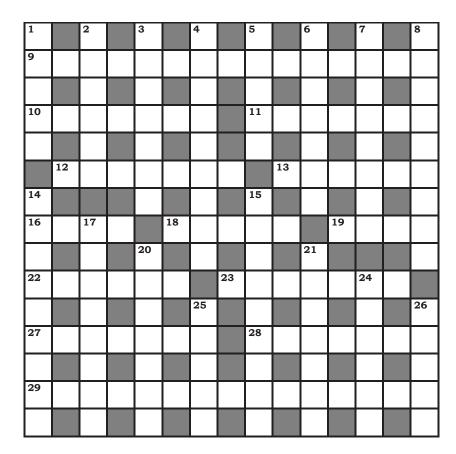


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Look North-East to South-West by The Lady and the Scamp



One place name is not in the normal references.



#### Across

- **9** Maria gains equal arrangement, seemingly having supervisory role (5-10)
- **10** Popular person naming instigator (7)
- **11** Game is over after both sides abandoned event (7)
- 12 Right into issues provided by 2 and 4 (7)
- 13 Keith perhaps gets English Cosmopolitan (6)
- **16** Fair seductress avoids street boundaries (4)
- 18 House perimeters exclude spring (5)
- **19** Call to drink appears disheartened, retrospectively (4)
- **22** Journey cut short through information deemed unimportant (6)
- **23** University administrator restricts a testing chemical (7)
- 27 Knot picker gets hold of one more strapping (7)
- 28 Diagonal divider of 12 (7)
- **29** Diagonal with or without soldier (9,6)

#### Down

- 1 Possible lure is small piece of tobacco (5)
- 2 House of disease (6)
- **3** Wrongly enter obscure exercise (7)
- 4 House for island crop (9)
- **5** One in part of church is 26 (5)
- **6** Another admission 26 ignored initial test (2-5)
- **7** Retaliates, being cut holding broken bits (4,4)
- **8** After everyone turned up, told a story centring on elevated Dinefwr Castle site (9)
- **14** 26 on English hill-slope have backbone! (9)
- **15** Respect security circling about (9)
- 17 Preferential treatment! It splits nunnery (8)
- 20 Prickly-heat affected army loses time (7)
- **21** A foot disease is shown by rodents (7)
- 24 Denial that it's a drug spot! (6)
- 25 Composed compilers pen nonsense? (5)
- **26** Common tender (5)

#### Comments for August 5-2016: Cryptic by Valkyrie (Ulla Axelsen) continued from p6

• Good fun; and well done fitting so many Olympic sports included!

- Anne Simons
- All these events wore me out! SLY LOOK a clever clue and SCAMPER took some thinking.
  I really liked the clever letter substitutions in 27ac and 4dn as well as the clue for SCAMPER.
- Roy Taylor Brian Tickle
- Assuming Scamper is correct for 19dn, I fail to see how (S)Carper becomes (S)Camper [the clue depends on the reading of the homophone "intent" as in "When the Scouts met the Guides, the excitement was intense!" Adj] Warren Allen
- How clever you are to produce a crossword so topical. Thank heavens no synchronised swimming!

Robyn Wimbush

• A very timely crossword with excellent clues! Thank you Ulla.

Bev Cockburn

• KARATE took some thought. Liked HURDLES and that magnificent anagram leading to RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS. Brava Valkyrie!

Max Roddick

• Very clever with the Olympic sports but not too hard once one found the theme.

John Baylis



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# Cryptic by Hot and Cold



Across clues share a progenitor and are not otherwise defined.

Down clues are normal.

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#### Across

- 8 With the onset of gout a swelling joint docked (10)
- 9 Party act (4)
- 10 Return of the old flood ... (6)
- 11 ... incurs no damage (8)
- **12** Walk then run (5,4)
- **14** Tin chest (5)
- 17 Wrongfully in jail (7)
- 19 Ray, his confusion ... (7)
- **22** ... when taking former heavyweight to Anglican church (5)
- **24** Organised peripatetic pupils (9)
- **27** Mentioned bird taking device to facilitate graphical computer interface (8)
- 29 Regressive rule by Russia (6)
- 30 Initially gruelling yet really easy (4)
- **31** ... incoherent speech by Chinese cookery facilitator (10)

#### Down

1 In a nutshell: a Cunard break (6)

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

Post Solution to:

- 2 Cutting minced US garlic (8)
- 3 Agile s-snoop (4)
- 4 Ice-cream eaters, possibly, dictated solutions (7)
- **5** Stove in further (5)
- **6** Meet sweetheart in the opposite of 7 (6)
- 7 Silent god! (4)
- 13 Headlocks? (4)
- 15 Search and rescue returns to headland (3)
- 16 German car one hired? (4)
- **18** Vets leapfrogging over trestle (3)
- **20** Earth movements when micron depth frequency finds depressions (8)
- 21 Embryos transplanted to Yorkshire town (7)
- **23** Scots sports equipment with inner mass will arch slightly (6)
- 25 Peacekeepers replace centre of conifer for a start (6)
- 26 Board adopts bilingual agreement (5)
- 28 Axes no going back for stone (4)
- 29 Architect designed spanner without Chinese (4)

Jenny Wenham, c/o Post Office, Comet Qld 4702. email: jenny@wenham.net.au Closing mail date: Friday 14 October 2016 [or submit via www.low.net.au/accolade]

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[Following the comment by the Adjudicator on July's alternatives of ENERGISED and ENERGIZED in Slot 1, Tony Dobele kindly sent us the following discussion emanating from the OED people.]

#### -Ize or -ise?

Many people visiting the World (non-US) version of our website ask us why we spell words such as realize, finalize and organize with '-ize' spellings, rather than '-ise'. There's a widespread belief that these spellings belong only to American English, and that British

English should use the '-ise' forms instead, i.e. realise, finalise, and organise.

In fact, the '-ize' forms have been in use in English spelling since the 15th century. They didn't originate in American use, even though they are now standard in US English. The first example for the verb 'organize' in the *Oxford English Dictionary* is from around 1425, from an English translation of a treatise on surgery written by the French physician Guy de Chauliac:

The brayne after be lengh hab 3 ventriclez, And euery uentricle hab 3 parties & in euery partie is organized [L. organizatur] one vertue.

The OED's earliest example for 'realize' dates from 1611: it's taken from a definition in *A Dictionarie of the French and English Tongues*, a bilingual dictionary written by Randle Cotgrave:

Realiser, to realize, to make of a reall condition, estate, or propertie; to make reall.

The first recorded use of the verb with an '-ise' spelling in the OED was not until 1755 – over a century later!

The use of '-ize' spellings is part of the house-style at Oxford University Press. It reflects the style adopted in the first edition of the *Oxford English Dictionary* (which was published in parts from 1884 to 1928) and in the first editions of *Hart's Rules* (1904) and the *Authors' and Printers' Dictionary* (1905). These early works chose the '-ize' spellings as their preferred forms for etymological reasons: the -ize ending corresponds to the Greek verb endings -izo and -izein.

The situation is slightly complicated by the fact that certain verbs must always be spelled with '-ise' at the end in British English, rather than '-ize'. This is generally because they have come into the English language in a different way. You can also check out a list of these verbs. The difficulty in remembering which words belong to this group is perhaps one of the reasons that –ise spellings were adopted more widely in British English.

The dictionary on the UK/World side of the website oxforddictionaries.com gives alternative '-ise' spellings at the main entries for all '-ize' words where it's appropriate. In British English, it doesn't matter which spelling convention is chosen: neither is right nor wrong, and neither is 'more right' than the other. The important thing is that, whichever form you choose, you should use it consistently within a piece of writing.

—From http://blog.oxforddictionaries.com/2011/03/ize-or-ise/

# M E M B E R N E W S

E R Membership renewal for 2017: We extend a warm welcome to Susie Creagh from Annerley, Qld.

#### ACC Christmas at Melbourne in July 2016.

This Annual function was a marvellous success. It was held at the Royal Oak Hotel in Fitzroy North on 31 July 2016 and we were thrilled to welcome our Secretary Bev Cockburn from NSW, dynamic puzzleman Len Colgan from SA, Mr ACCOLADE Roy Low from NSW and our brill compiler Gillian Champion from Metung Vic. Plus we sincerely welcomed Richard and Dorrie Skinner from SA, David & Hazel Grainger, Alison Shield, Kath Harper, Mike Potts, Robyn Caine, Gary & Pat Lemon, David & Joy Procter, Julie Crowe, Jill Lankshear and Merv and Chris Collins. The food and wine were outstanding and we sincerely thank the licensee Alison Carey for capably arranging the event so successfully. We also thank Len Colgan for contributing a Reverse Interior Quiz (see below) which was very popular not to mention a pushover puzzle by stroz called No 2 Easy Street. Congrats to Robyn Caine who won a marvellous prize donated by Len Colgan for his Quiz and Jill Lankshear who won a copy of the Australian Collins Dictionary. Many thanks to all who were in attendance. Greatly appreciated.

# Reverse Interior Quiz by Crowsman

Each answer contains another word in reverse as its interior (minus the first and last letters). For example, "crumb-like particle (7)" and "Attractively (8)" yield GRANULE and PRETTILY because they contain internally the reverse of "lunar" and "litter" respectively. The answers are in alphabetical order.

- 1. Australian city (8)
- 2. Undersides (7)
- 3. Tea containers (9)
- 4. Gather (7)
- 5. Childbirth (8)

- 6. Sexual pervert (7)
- 7. Oval shape (7)
- 8. Narrow bladed tools with fine teeth used for scrollwork (8)
- 9. Spinning round (8)
- 10. Hanging bed (7)
- 11. Spirals (7)
- 12. Wounds (7)
- 13. Immense numbers (7)
- 14. Forth (7)
- 15. Winged horse (7)
- 16. Forecast (7)
- 17. Proof of purchase (7)
- 18. Errors (4-3)
- 19. Massive ocean wave (7)
- 20. South American country (7)
- 21. Synthetic resins (8)
- 22. Russian president (7)

#### Quiz 9/2016: 2016 Communication by Fortuna 48.

All answers have something in common and are not defined. They are in alphabetical order. One answer may not be in the usual references but can be found on Google. Send your solutions to Nea Storey, 10 Whiteman Street, Wanniassa, ACT 2903. Fax: 02 6231 0820. Email: neachy2@netspeed.com.au.

Closing date 14 October 2016. \$75 prize.

- 1 Depressed manta, say (3-3)
- 2 Second ship's record (4)
- 3 Crumpled tulle tossed in rubbish container? (7)
- 4 The French tail taxi (5)
- 5 Palm produce with 28 (7,8)
- 6 A Lime cocktail (1-4)
- 7 Dial reserve (8)
- 8 Sounds like truth (3)
- **9** Old king, monkey-creeper (9)
- 10 Imprison alien (8)
- 11 Chinese boat-armour (4,4)
- 12 Noisy salute to queen (4,6)
- **13** Main part badly aimed (4,5)
- **14** Say "My!" Cut short and sharpen (10)
- **15** Fictional Inspector to pay on delivery of drug (5,4)
- **16** Full directions for a set of exam. questions (9)
- **17** Quiet rage dissipated (5)
- **18** A Dior creation (5)
- **19** Putting name to paper (7)
- **20** Celestial exercise? (5)
- **21** Totals without social approval (1,1,1)
- **22** Letter to harass (6)
- 23 Bar the Spanish electronic weight (8)
- **24** Bird-song (7)
- 25 Weighing little? (4,5)
- 26 Utter male heard (5,4)
- **27** Renovated wee b-sit (3,4)
- 28 Once an alternative for 18 (8)
- 29 Kisses surround queen, with love (5)
- **30** Compress cypher (3,4)

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#### August 1-2016: Half 'n Half by Manveru (Michael Kennedy)

- · Liked it especially LETTUCE, TOSSING and NAILS. Unsure of 18dn; and a few raised eyebrows elsewhere. Rob Moline
- · Loved the clue for BULLDOZER. Nea Storeu · Great way to start the month. Thanks. Ann Millard
- What man would dare describe his spouse as a 'housewife'
- nowadays! Maureen Blake

• Thanks for a very interesting half-n-half pangram.

Ulla Axelsen

· Unsure of a couple of answers; so fingers crossed!

- Anne Simons • Excellent down clues. Liked LETTUCE & TOSSING. Roy Taylor
- I liked the clues for REACHED and SUPREME. Brian Tickle
- Bulldozer conjures up any piece of large yellow machinery as seen on most TV news programmes; whether a dozer, excavator, loader or backhoe. Jim Fowler
- Caroline Mackay-Sim · Most enjoyable.
- Good workout to start. Was surprised to see EDUCATION was an anagram of CAUTIONED! Bev Cockburn
- Liked REACHED, APOLOGISE and LETTUCE. And the anagram CAUTIONED/EDUCATION is the kind I like — just two everyday words. Max Roddick
- A somewhat more difficult half n half and I thought SUPREME very neatly clued. John Baulis

#### August 2-2016: Cryptic by Virgo (Audrey Austin)

• Tricky: many unknowns: BI, AWN, HASSOCK (thought it was a cloak - cassock; idiot) a few guessed, some not understood after post-solve checks: OFT from soft? SPOON an S-word? KEYBOARDS - those letters could never be an anagram! Loved the 2 songs by George; by different Georges. A stern test.

Rob Moline

- Virgo's crosswords are always a delight so many neat clues. I know she is not with us to receive the accolade, but I have to give my COTM to AD INFINITUM. Nea Storeu
- Some great clues. 30ac was special! Ann Millard
- It's funny how Lilliputian has made it into our vocabulary but not BROBDINGNAGIAN. I really liked the clue for SWORDS.

Ulla Axelsen

- · 4dn took a while. I explored Harrison, Gershwin, Bernard Shaw and finally Boy George! Gave SWORDS COTM. Roy Taylor
- What a word is 9dn! Robyn Wimbush · Liked 30ac "S words". Richard Skinner
- Wonderful to see that Virgo is still going strong. Bev Cockburn
- · A classic Virgo puzzle. BROBDINGNAGIAN is an amazing Barbara Ibbott
- BROBDINGNAGIAN is a new word, unlikely to be used in daily conversation!. Lynn Jarman
- · Liked DILEMMA, ORBITAL and UNSETTLED. Max Roddick
- An interesting challenge, especially for pre-Georgians.

John Baylis

#### August 3-2016: Cryptic by Blue King (Roy Low)

• Some tricky stuff here - SKELETON, GANGSTER, PALPATE, NOISES: all took some figuring out. Liked the old fat Elvis.

Rob Moline

Julie Crowe

- · Enjoyable puzzle with a nice sprinkling of clever and tricky clues, especially in the NW corner with SHOWER, WASHBOWL, RABBINATE, CROSSBAR and HARANGUE. Ian Thompson
- A good puzzle; lots of excellent clues.
- Liked the clue for SINNER. Nea Storey
- Some truly wonderfully challenging clues. 6dn PALPATE & 8dn RADIALLY are excellent, amongst others. Ann Millard
- Few words not sure about shower is something I need to cool my head after looking at some of these clues! Eileen O'Brien
- So many good clues here.... thin king, harangue, immature. 'Noises' did not make sense until I realized the clue meant 'Sound Waves'; and elephant noses! Very clever! Maureen Blake
- · A challenging puzzle! A snob for a shoemaker was an interesting discovery. Caroline Mackay-Sim
- Clever clues with some innovative definitions; many that I thought could be COTM. Eventually settled on "Studious old Elvis...' Ron Carpenter
- A challenging but enjoyable slot 3. Some unusual definitions but I really liked old Elvis as thin king. Ulla Axelsen

- Some guesses here.
- Anne Simons • Took a while to get my mind around these clues. Roy Taylor
- A lot of work for a lot of fun especially the clever clue for THINKING. Brian Tickle
- · Not too sure about 1ac. Lots of candidates for COTM here but 11ac (snobbier) gets my vote for all the grief it gave me.

Warren Allen

- Couldn't decide between lamina and thinking. Some good clues here thank you Roy. Robyn Wimbush
- · Hard to get a start (or middle and finish) but fair and Jim Fowler enjovable.
- Very hard excellent puzzle. Loved GENDARMES with its 'nice' clue. My favourite and COTM was THINKING! Bev Cockburn
- Found this difficult for a Slot 3 look forward to explanations Jan Wood
- · Lots of amazing clues in this puzzle. I kept changing my mind about the best one. It took a lot of thinking to come up with harangue. Thank you Blue King. Robyn McKenzie
- I suddenly remembered my dad referred to our shoe repairer as a SNOB and the penny dropped after trying to make cobbler

#### August 4-2016: AJ by Flowerman (Ian Thompson)

- · Lots of tortuous wordplay; only worked out long after the correct guess entered. Guessed CUBOZOA but couldn't fit it in at first, so looked it up and found the Latin name CARUKIA. Is ARKI a clown? No. Luckily mostly on the wavelength; and only 2 unknowns - the second being a new spelling of APOTHEGM. Loved the craftily hidden BONSAI. Rob Moline
- This was both tough and enjoyable at the same time. I had trouble parsing UTILITARIAN and XBOX but savoured them when the penny dropped. I also liked HORNBILL and WAXING. JUNIPER and QUAILED are interchangeable in the grid.

Brian Tickle

- CUBOZOA, LACUNAE, APOPHTHEGMS what great new words to discover. Some clever clues; like the other meaning of 'admirable' and the excellent hidden in BONSAI. Tony Dobele
- I think this is the hardest Slot 4 I have ever attempted! It took Julie Leigh us days.
- Two possible solutions JUNIPER and QUAILED are Roger Douglas interchangeable.
- What a difficult Slot 4! Nea Storey
- Usually a favourite puzzle but I found it extremely difficult. The longest words were - by far - the hardest this time.

Ann Millard

- · Usually my favourite puzzle but for some reason found this one painful! Not too hopeful! Eileen O'Brien
- I found slots 3 and 4 very hard; harder than I would have expected for those slots. There were a number of unusual words which one would not be expected to know, entailing the use of computer aids rather than intellect.
- · Lots of very challenging clues. Fancy using a brute of a word like "apophthegms" in a key position for an AJ. I had to sneak up on it via the Xbox. And with "vroomed" we've evidently been looking at too many Mazda commercials! Ron Carpenter
- A good workout. Really liked clue for WAXING. Ulla Axelsen
- Harder than usual not too sure about J, H, Y. Anne Simons
- THE A WORD!!! Roy Taylor
- 'orrid! Dale McManus
- Thank you Ian. I really enjoyed this puzzle with its incredible A word. Robyn Wimbush
- That was hard! Caroline Mackay-Sim
- I rarely comment, but, some of these clues/answers really stretch the bounds of credibility - especially in a Slot 4.

Karl Audrins

- Some extremely clever clues as expected from Flowerman. I particularly liked the clues for ENTREE, FACADES, QUAILED and YOKOHAMA and so many more! Bev Cockburn
- I'm happy when I see how the clue fits the answer. If not, the word 'obtuse' comes to mind; however, I have just checked the meaning of 'obtuse' and fear I may have used the word incorrectly for many years. Maybe 'tricky' is a good substitute.

Lunn Jarman

• Brilliant. Anyone who can find APOPHTHEGMS and fit it into a puzzle with creditable clueing deserves a COTM. John Baylis





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Send solution to: Jenny Wenham,





July 6-2016: NINA! by Pentangle (Brian Tickle)

Entries: 85. Correct: 72. Success rate: 84%.

Prizewinner: Norma Heyes. Congratulations!

#### **Explanations:**

Across: bAIRDpROP; (IN A DARE)\*; IN(LA)N + D; "NOUGHT" + topICAL; NE(PALE)SE; I(NUIT)S [IS = Iceland]; INCA + TERRACE\*; NI(GG)LE; (NAMES)\* + I A C; GENTLehINT)\*; AB + (DIED)\*; NOH + OPERa; (U RENTAL)\*; **Down:** NIN( <IN)ES; Hidden; NO + (LODE)\*; (URGE FAIR)\*; INSIN + U + A + TESt; assAILANT + O; INTER + CHANGE; A + B + N(EG)ATION; A + L(<WE)IVE + S; AI + LEgiRON; Spoonerism; (rEAR END)\*; "I OWE" + TA.

**Adjudicator's Comment:** Thank you to all who attempted this puzzle. As many solvers commented the title NINA! was a gentle hint that all of the solutions began with the letters of the word NINA. There was also a mini-NINA (which spelt NINA, of course, in the first four unchecked squares at the top of the grid.) Six: solvers tried AILANTH for AILANTO but the word 'old' in the clue -Brian Tickle pointed to O in the solution (Chambers)

#### **Solvers' Comments:**

- I saw "NINA" on the top line but it took a little longer to see that all answers begin with N, I or A. Very Clever. Mike Potts:
- Enjoyable puzzle. My favourite clue was my last one in: Ian Thompson
- I particularly liked the clues for NEPALESE and ALEWIVES (the last two in). Denis Coates :
- Aha! All the answers begin with the letters of NINA. Len Colgan:
- A great puzzle.
- Bob Hagan: • Difficult – not so much the clues, as filling in the grid – so
- many crossing vowels, Ns, Ss and Ts. Rob Moline: William Ryan :
- · Loved it but am left gobsmacked at what you guys know! For instance, noodle is something I eat or slang for "head" - who decided to connect it with opals!!! Eileen O'Brien:
- A not impossible, nicely achievable puzzle. Odette Greenberger:
- Thank you so much for this challenging crossword containing: so many interesting and thought-provoking clues. Jean Evans:
- An interesting puzzle, made all the more difficult by listing: the clues by length instead of alphabetically. It made a great challenge and was very enjoyable. John Baylis
- A 'Nina" Nina! I found this a well-constructed puzzle and: enjoyed the challenge. Robun Caine
- A NINA NINA! Michael Kennedy
- I'm guessing this puzzle took a lot of thought and energy to : put together. Very clever. Richard Skinner:
- Very clever! I was looking for the NINA; and when I found her: coming and going in the top left-hand corner, I redid the puzzle... and only then I realised: every word begins with N or I or N or Nea Storey:
- Spell checker didn't like this one! Tony Dobele
- Roger Douglas Ouch! My brain hurts!
- Quite challenging; but the title NINA was a great help.
  - Betty Siegman:
- · Challenging but fun. Maureen Blake : • Looked impossible at first glance; then, little by little, one answer followed another. Fortunately the clues were honest and straightforward. My favourite was the clue for INTERCHANGE.

- · Good puzzle with all fair clues. Roy Taylor:
- I really enjoyed doing this puzzle especially after I realised the significance of NINA. Alison Hocking :
- It wasn't until I filled in the online grid that I realised that all: answers begin with N, I or A. How slow of me and how clever of: Kath Harper:
- Catherine Hambling : • This is a great puzzle and very clever.
- WOW! How clever! At first I thought it was going to spell NINA: round the periphery as well. (That proved too great a challenge, Hilary - BT) Hilary Cromer
- A nice twist on the theme.

NINA indeed! Nice idea; neatly accomplished.

- Wonderful use of the theme took a while for NINA's usage to emerge - great puzzle! Stephen Young
- · A great puzzle. Several previously unknown words. I enjoyed it very much! Julie Crowe
- · Very difficult with no clue numbers; but even more fun.

Sue Robertson

- · Lots of fun and learnt some new words! Thank you, Pentanale! Ann Millard
- What a lot of fun but I didn't appreciate that every answer was a word beginning with NINA until I was entering them in the Accolade grid! Robun McKenzie
- I was both niggled and nettled before everything fell into place. Most enjoyable! Alison Martin
- · Very difficult for me but great fun (once the Nina penny dropped). Love the challenge of this type of puzzle. Cheryl Wilcox
- · Very clever. Gabrielle Leeds

#### Explanations for clues in August 2016 slots 1 to 5 grids

Note:  $cd = cryptic \ definition; \ dd = double \ definition; \ rev \ or < =$ reversal; homophones are noted as "homoph" and words from which they are derived may be shown in quotes; anagrams as anag. if straightforward, or (NNNN)\*. "Heads" or Tails" are first or last letters of part of a clue; letters forming solutions are normally written as capitals and removals as lower case; hw or hidden = hidden word. Explanations provided by individual compilers may vary from this format.

Slot 1 Manveru. Cryptic clues. Down: 1 CO+B+WEB+S, 2 (r) AGING, 3 BULL+DOZER, 4 p(REACH)+E+D, 5 LE(T+TUC)E, 6 DD, 7 EX+A+M(I+N)ING, 8 dreamSUPREMEdy, 14 Anagram of CAUTIONED, 16 Anagram of OOPSGOALIE minus O, 17 SUB+J+E+CT, 18 Double cryptic definition, 19 Anagram of TOGS around SIN(lust), 20 TUR(n)KEYS, 22 Cryptic definition, 24 N+AILS.

Slot 2 Virgo. Across: 1 HAS + SOCKS, 5 BALL + AD, 10 (RUED LATER)\*, 11 dd, 12 LID< + EMMA, 14 BUFF + OO + Nose, 15 dd, 16 anag, 17 anag, 19 hidden, 20 dd, 21 heads, 22 E (O) N, 23 OR (BIT) AL, 25 anag, 27 ROME + O, 28 anag, 30 cd S-words, 31 UN + SETTLE. Down: 1 HE (A) RD, 2 SKULL + CAPS, 3 sOFT, 4 cd, 6 cd, 7 LASS + O, 8 D (ETON) ATES, 9 cd, 13 cd, 16 anag, **18** HIM in DEC< + OUT, **24** BI + MB + O, **26** anag, **29** cd.

Slot 3 Blue King. Across: SH + OWER, 5 AIR (POW) ER, 9 C (ROSS) + BAR, 10 PL + ACID, 11 SNOB + BIER, 12 ANIMAL <, 13 W(H)AR + F + AGE, 15 heads, 17 STA(RR)Y, 19 PE + ACE + KIN>, 20 NO(I)SES, 21 RE + ALL + IF + timE, 22 ICI (C) LE, 23 I'M + MATURE, 24 G (ANGST) ER(man), 25 S + INNER. Down: 2 (The) HAGUE around RAN, 3 WAS (HB) OWL, 4 RABBI(t) N + ATE around N, 5 AIR + CRAFT + CARRIER, 6 P (ALP) ATE, 7 (WICKET AS)\*, 8 RA (AID<) LLY, 14 (GARDENS + ME)\*, 15 cd -Presley (The King) was very fat in later life!, 16 AUDIT + I+ ON, 17 S (K + EL) ET ON, 18 cd, 19 PU(E)B + LOS.

Slot 4 Flowerman. A A + POP + H + THE + (GaMe) S, B hw, C C(U + BOZO)A, **D** DEC +  $(OUR)^*$  + teaM, **E** dd, **F** F(A + C)ADES, G GEM (IN) I, H tHORNBILL, I Ion + DRAWN<, J JU(m/N + I) PER, KK + (EARL V)\*, LA in (A N CLUE)\*, M (CAGEY MICE)\*, N boOze in (IN NO PLACE)\*, O fORA(N)GES, P PAR + TA + KEN, Q QUAIL + ED, R I + L + (RARELY)\*, S S + (LIMP ABOUT)\*, T Bev Cockburn: TRI(POD)AL, U UTILITY + ARIA + coN, V VR + O + O + MED, W dd,  $\mathbf{X}$  (O + B)< in X + X,  $\mathbf{Y}$  OK in ("why" + OH + AMA),  $\mathbf{Z}$  ZI(g)T)S.

Slot 5 Valkyrie. Across: 8 H+AND+B+ALL, 9 TRIP + LE (JUMP), 10 H+ anag of HOTPLATE +N, 11 LONG+J(UM)P, 12 K+A+RATE, 14 Double, 15 A+CHERRY move an R in front of C, 17 HUR+ anag of SLED, 20 Anag, 22 DISCUSS - S, 27 SEVERS - R+ N,  $\bf 28$  EVEN+TING. **Down: 1** CAME+R+A,  $\bf 2$  TIDA(l)<,  $\bf 3$  Anag of LED ASTRAY - D, 4 Replace H and C with L and O in SHYLOCK, 5 Double, 6 Anag of PILED inside anag of SLIME, 7 E+LONG+ anag of TEA, 13 Anag of POLICE HATH, 16 Anag of HERO + USED, Doreen Jones : 18 fUND(RAP)ED, 19 S+CAMPER, 21 ME(GA)SS, 23 Reversed *Ulla Axelsen*: hidden, **26** Double.



|S|E|P|T| |2|0|1|6| |S|L|0|T| |7|

# Cryptic by **Zplig**



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or by email: doveeree@gmail.com

Closing mail date: 14 October 2016.

#### Across

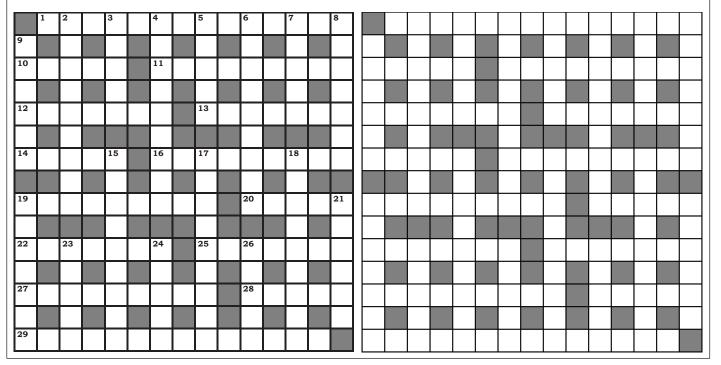
- 1 Monarch filled some ladies' cups then voiced primitive desire to become very drunk in Bow, say? (6,3,5)
- **10** Friend blew his last high school subject (5)
- 11 They identify means to change after prison! (9)
- 12 Leo's sin is changing his wife (7)
- 13 Alternatively, cut the theatre reservation? (7)
- 14 Crafty swindler made the king quiet (5)
- 16 Settled Serbian in America changes the country (9)
- 19 Rehearsing ceremony without right classification (9)
- 20 Plan died with the means of escape (5)
- 22 Shoes for sale worn (7)
- **25** Tiny Tim's little wooden prop? (7)
- **27** Cheating South African president shown in open article resigning (9)
- 28 Rap was born imperfect (5)
- 29 Manhattan mixer (8,6)

#### Down

- 2 Renegade earl seized at 1 on purpose (9)
- 3 Takes note to dispatch (5)
- **4** Careless as cousins could be? (4,5)
- **5** Time out following loud kisses (5)
- 6 Liberal National party put up bridges including over where a sinner dwelt? (4,2,3)
- 7 Dance muscles elevated to maintain a buxom derrière (5)
- 8 Hardy girl, say, rushes lacking answer to examiners (7)
- **9** SMS: :-) :-) (6)
- **15** Hairdo hides shiny line before time to get a good rug? (6,3)
- 17 Envies debuggers' rigging (9)
- 18 Small story on a partner's unfortunate position (9)
- 19 Bad reasoning leads to locking loopy and old soldier in intensive care? (7)
- 21 She met displaced subjects (6)
- 23 Soldier in Mandela's party found around South Africa (5)
- **24** Specific style that's retro in part (3-2)
- 26 Um and ah initially about brother's dark side (5)

#### **ROUGH COPY**

#### GOOD COPY - Name .....





#### Results of Quiz No 7/2016. Triplets by Brian Symons.

#### Winner: Gabrielle Leeds. Congratulations!

**Entries: 20**: U Axelsen, R Caine, S Howells, G Leeds, J Leigh, G Lemon, R McKenzie and A Miles. **19**: B Cockburn, J Crowe, J Fowler, P Garner, B Hagan, P Lord, A Martin, F Martin, A Millard and E O'Brien. **18**: B Siegman and N Storey. **16**: R Gooderick and R Taylor.

**Answers:** 1 Abe, 2 Art, 3 Cia, 4 Did, 5 Dna, 6 Ego, 7 Eye, 8 Ice, 9 Ifs, 10 Lip, 11 Loo, 12 Mae, 13 Met, 14 One, 15 Rib, 16 Set, 17 Sum, 18 Tax, 19 Toe, 20 Vee.

#### Adjudicator's comments:

Many thanks for all the positive comments. They are much appreciated. SUM caused the most headaches and is explained in Andrew Miles' comment. The only accepted alternative was GAG for ICE though DIY and DOB – for DNA – do it yourself and date of birth were heroic attempts.

—Brian Symons

#### Members' comments:

• A challenging, enjoyable quiz. Bob Hagan

• My brain is still reeling! Many thanks for the mental gymnastics. Robyn Caine

• Some of these are great. Roy Taylor

• A really challenging quiz needing a lot of lateral thinking.

Frank Martin

• Once again you have conjured up a clever quiz. Bev Cockburn

A really really tough one.

Julie Leigh Pat Garner

• Thanks for this bit of fun.

Pat Garner Gabrielle Leeds

I enjoyed this quiz very much.Good fun: Great clues.

Ulla Axelsen

• MUSH is a perfect clue to reference in a puzzle about 3-letter words. Well done.

Andrew Miles

• It never ceases to amaze me there is such variety in quizzes.

Ann Millard

· Good one Brian.

Ray Gooderick

What a great quiz.

Alison Martin

 An interesting and amusing quiz – some straightforward, some quite difficult, some quite witty.
 Jim Fowler

#### **AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL DICTIONARY 2016**

The Australian National Dictionary has been updated for the first time in 28 years. The dictionary's second edition immortalises 6000 new Aussie words and phrases: from "dagwood dog" to "goon of fortune" and "rurosexual". Thousands of uniquely Aussie words have been added including goon bag, bogan and drop bears.

Launched with academic formality at Parliament House on Tuesday 23 August 2016, the dictionary commits to permanence much of the political lingo that has become commonplace in recent decades, including the infamous "captain's pick" and the enduring "Howard's battler".

Editor-in-chief **Bruce Moore** proudly described the finished product as "the schmickest dictionary of all", reflecting our collective identity, history and values. He said: "I see it as a document that tells the history of Australia through the words it has created and the words that have created it. Australian words so often embody and carry Australian values and attitudes – quite overtly and quite deeply."

With no comprehensive update in 28 years, the new edition of the dictionary takes in phrases whose eras have probably come and gone, such as <code>Hawkespeak</code> ("a prolix style of public speaking ascribed to Prime Minister Bob Hawke"). But it also includes a number of words perhaps unfamiliar to modern Australians, including Indigenous terms such as <code>bunji</code> ("a mate") and <code>minga</code> ("a tourist"), and words in common parlance in certain states or regions.

Published by the Australian National University and Oxford University Press, the tome cements classic idioms such as "dry as a dead dingo's donger" and "doing a Bradbury" – a reference to when Australian short track speed skater Steven Bradbury won

an unlikely gold medal at the 2002 Winter Olympics after all the other competitors fell over. A generation of battlers have become synonymous with former prime minister John Howard.

Here are some highlights from the new entries.

- · Australian politics.
- · Chardonnay, popular with some socialists.
- Aspirational voter: A voter who is mainly concerned with material improvement or gain.
- Branch stacking: The practice of improperly increasing the membership of a local branch of a political party to ensure the preselection of a particular candidate.
- Captain's pick: A unilateral decision made by the captain of a team, usually regarding the choice of a team member. In a political context, a decision made by a party leader etc. without consultation with colleagues.
- Chardonnay socialist: A person who espouses left-wing views but enjoys an affluent lifestyle. Probably derived from the British "champagne socialist".
- Howard's battler: A person (especially working class), traditionally regarded as a Labor voter, who was instrumental in electing John Howard's conservative Coalition to power in the 1996 Federal election; such a person who continues to vote for the Coalition.
- Mortgage belt: An area where many people are paying off a mortgage on their home, regarded as electorally volatile. First noted in *The Sydney Morning Herald* in 1966.
- Negative gearing: The act or process of borrowing money and investing it (especially in property) to make a loss that is tax deductible. First reported in *The Courier-Mail* in 1984.
- Small-l liberal: An upholder of the principles of liberalism although not necessarily an adherent of the Liberal Party; a nonconservative member or supporter of the Liberal Party of Australia, with progressive views on social issues etc.
- True believer: A person with strong faith in the ideals and values of the Australian Labor Party. Popularised by the ABC television drama *The True Believers* in 1987.
- Wombat trail: An election campaign trail pursued by leaders of the Nationals (formerly the Country Party). First described in *The Courier-Mail* in 1984.

#### State-based terms

- Double-cut roll (South Australia): A bread roll cut horizontally three times to allow two layers of filling.
- Goose club (Queensland): A fundraising raffle in a sporting or social club. From an English tradition in which members would pool funds for a Christmas goose.
- Hook turn (Victoria): At some Melbourne intersections where trams cross, a right-hand turn made by a vehicle from the far left hand lane.
- Houso (NSW): Especially in Sydney, a public housing tenant. First reported in *The Sydney Morning Herald* in 1994.
- Jennings German (ACT): A German migrant recruited to Canberra to work as a building tradesman for the A.V. Jennings construction company in the early 1950s.
- Skimpy (Western Australia): A noun used to signify a scantily-clad woman employed to serve drinks at a bar.
- Stubloon (Northern Territory): A brass token with an exchange value of one stubby of beer.
- Yaffler (Tasmania): A garrulous person; a long-winded speaker; a loudmouth. From the British dialect "yaffle" meaning "to bark sharply, as a dog".

#### Other phrases

- · Battered sav: A saveloy coated in batter and fried.
- Callithumpian: A member of an unspecified noncomformist religious sect; a person of unspecified political beliefs.
- Gosford skirt: A very short skirt, named after the NSW central coast town of Gosford.
- Mexican: A person from a more southern region. In New South Wales, a person from Victoria; in Queensland, a person from NSW or Victoria; in northern Queensland, a person from southern Queensland, NSW or Victoria.
- Migaloo: A white person, in Biri and other Indigenous languages of northern Queensland.
- Rurosexual: A fashionable young man living in a country area. Modelled on the term "metrosexual".

—The Age 23 August 2016





July 7-2016: Cryptic by Flowerman (Ian Thompson)

Results: Entries 69. Correct 44. Success rate 63.8%

Winner: Rob Moline. Congratulations!

#### Adjudicator's comments

It was pleasing to see the relatively high number of entries for this puzzle. Thanks to everyone who gave feedback. Unfortunately, there were quite a few errors that appeared to be typos. On the other hand, with HAEMATOPOIESIS there were four different kinds of errors in the second half of the word, which I find surprising since the wordplay indicated an anagram, and the incorrect answers didn't match the letters available. Otherwise, DISC, PENT and SUB seemed to cause the most difficulties. I agree that SUB might have been a difficult clue for those not into footlongs and computers.

—Ian Thompson

#### Solvers' Comments

- Very neat surfaces and anagrams including both Flower(man) & Crows(man) in one clue. Some difficult vocabulary and difficult clueing – last three 4-letter words OVAL DISC and PENT very tricky; needing aids for (appr)oval and p(res)ent.
- Exceptional puzzle with many clever clues containing double-meaning misdirections. The clues for 28ac and 18dn are brilliant; just ahead of 19dn and 22dn. One of the best!

Len Colgan

- Flowerman's crosswords are always hard and always have a botanical reference (acini). I thought 25ac (SUB) an excellent clue.

  Nea Storey
- Great puzzle but the last for month! Waiting for the next lot.

  Ann Millard
- After looking at this a couple of times I almost didn't start it but I'm glad I persisted because in the end it was a very enjoyable puzzle to solve. Liked the clever anagrams for MATE FOR LIFE and AS THE CROW FLIES.

  Tony Dobele
- Glad "haematopoiesis" wasn't the word in the Clue Writing Competition!

  Pat Lord
- A lot of guesswork in this one; so fingers crossed.

• Worthy of a Slot 7. Loved PAD. Bev Cockburn

• Enjoyable puzzle.

Roy Taylor

• This took a while to complete so here's hoping!

Catherine Hambling

Anne Simons

- A good workout; thank you. Ulla Axelsen
- Another brilliant puzzle. Lots of challenges; lots of excellent clues. I particularly liked 10ac, 12ac and 18dn. *Julie Crowe*
- I pray my marrow remains healthy...could not face having to write or say haematopoiesis....  $Dale\ McManus$
- On holiday without my reference library!! This puzzle was a great test. Will be interested to see if I manage a dot!

 ${\it Cheryl\ Wilcox}$  • What a struggle – and I am still not able to justify all my

- answers! Here's hoping... Alison Martin
   Always tricky; and more than the average number of biological references. Lloyed NUMBSKIII and DISC
- biological references. I loved NUMBSKULL and DISC. *Michael Potts*
- I have written in some answers which fit but I can't verify them.

  Graeme Cole
- An absorbing puzzle that apart from 6dn, could be solved by a layman without extensive reference to dictionaries and the like.

  John Baulis
- Very challenging and enjoyable. Most unusual format and a clever puzzle.

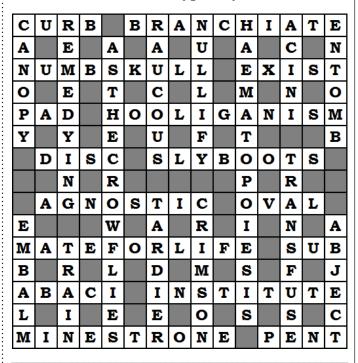
  Bob Hagan
- I really enjoyed this puzzle. Who else would include the word haematopoiesis and clue it with an anagram?!!

Kath Harper

• I liked the clues for the four letter words. They really made me think.

\*Robyn Caine\*

#### Solution to Slot 7 Cryptic by Flowerman



# Clue Writing Competition (cont'd from p16) Why is drunken son in Home? \*\*\*\*

This is similar to another clue and uses the same inviting anagram. It's an &lit style clue, whereby the entire clue serves as the definition. The actual parsing is an anagram of SON IN HOME as indicated by drunk. The why gets in the way of a 'classic' &lit, but it's obviously necessary for the definition to work, and fits nicely with the indicating question mark. Technically one would answer the question with something like 'drinking too much moonshine', but that's probably being a touch pedantic.

#### Will says a month to connect low poles to the no-good hinge \*\*\*

We finish this collection with a fair reference to the Shakespearean definition of a month. The parsing works by joining MOO to NS with HIN(g)E. I was trying to envisage what kind of set-up would involve low poles and a shoddy hinge, but my poor technical mind couldn't quite picture it. Still, a fairly parsed clue with a well disguised definition.

#### **Scoring System**

	Poor	Proper	Perfect
Definition	0	1	2
Secondaries	0	1	2
Fairness	0	1	2
Surface	0	1	2
x-factor	0	1	2

#### **Total score and Star Rating**

0=0; 1-2=\*; 3-4=\*\*; 1-7=\*\*\*; 1-9=\*\*\*\*; 10=\*\*\*\*.

#### Clue Writing Competition No 5/2016

For the next competition, please write a clue for **DRONE (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 14 October 2016. \$50 prize.



# Results of the Clue Writing Competition No 4/2016. Write a clue for MOONSHINE (9). Adjudicated by Michael Kennedy.

Definition from *Chambers* (12<sup>th</sup> edition)

**n** moonlight; show without reality (fig); nonsense (inf); a month (Shakesp); spirits illicitly distilled or smuggled (chiefly NAm). **Adj** lit by the moon; made of moonlight, bodiless (fig).

Moonlight, with four very diverse meanings, gave plenty of scope for imaginative compiling. However, as I have learnt often, sometimes imagination can lead to over-complicating a clue, so if there's one take-home message from this month, it's to aim for elegant simplicity that is designed with the solver in mind. Easier said than done, but that's the essence of fine compiling. There were a large number (19) of clues this month and I could have awarded the gong to any one of several high quality clues. In the end **Rob Moline's** shower scene cleaned up.

# Get flannel from behind shower, scrubbing right round part of leg (9)

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

#### Cheeky Polish spirit \*\*1/2

This concise clue combines *moon* (cheeky) with *shine* (polish). The latter part works well, but *cheeky* (an adjective) for *moon* (a verb, as in bare one's buttocks) is a grammatical stretch. At the very least, a question mark should be added to help the solver to look for the play on words.

#### Expose bare bottom? Old party nonsense! \*\*\*\*

This is another charade-style clue that combines *moon* (expose bare bottom) with *shine* (an old slang word for *party*). The compiler has delivered a coherent picture and cleverly welds the various elements with the *nonsense* definition.

# Get flannel from behind shower, scrubbing right round part of leg \*\*\*\*

Disguises galore in this cleansing clue. The first one is the definition (flannel), which was a new one to me. It can be defined as *meaningless talk*, hence *moonshine*. The second disguise, which I rather like, is the first part of the parsing with *behind shower* – mooner! Take off the R and wrap it around *shin*, and there you have it. I have no problem with the directive words – *get* and *from*, as they are instructional and not superfluous.

## Illicit liquor befuddling aim to lose wowser, e.g. magic without spirit $^{*}$ $^{4}$ 2

I have to admit defeat with being able to solve this clue without the provided explanation. It's certainly at the high end of the difficulty scale, mostly due to the indirect anagrams, which should be avoided. The premise is to subtract TT (a wowser) from *intent* (aim), subtract RUM (spirit) from *mushroom* (e.g. magic mushroom), and then mix the leftover letters INENSHOOM to concoct the answer. Phew!

#### Homes in on sun, crashing with lunar light \*\*\* 1/2

This neat anagram of HOMES, IN and S (sun) is cleverly crafted to maintain a space-travelling theme, perhaps. A slight tweak of the definition would have lent the clue more credence, as it's not quite clear how the *lunar light* actually fits in with the story. But otherwise I enjoyed this clue.

#### Hoon's mien characterized by illegal grog \*\*1/2

This is an anagram of hoon's mien as indicated by characterized. The indicator is obviously a crucial element to the clue, but it's also one of the aspects of the clue that provides many options. I don't think this one quite works, and would have gone with badly affected, upset etc. The anagram fodder works but is not well disguised.

#### Illicit alcohol made of seven elemental ingredients \*\*\* ½

This is a cleverly parsed clue that uses various elements from

the Periodic Table to literally form *moonshine*. [MO(molybdenum), O(oxygen), N(nitrogen), S(sulphur), H(hydrogen), I(iodine), NE(neon)]. The elemental indicator is used smartly and the clue makes perfect sense. I daresay that most solvers would need to have a checked letter or two to help, as there are around 118 elements to look at. I also note that typical moonshine only needs five ingredients!

#### Pit full of crazy hoons - it's nonsense! \*\*\*1/2

The parsing uses an anagram of HOONS in MINE (pit). The clever part of this clue is using the *nonsense* definition to fit a clue that makes little sense.

#### Possibly Miranda Sheen's hooch \*\*\*

This clue joins *moon* (Miranda) and *shine* (sheen) to make *hooch*. In case you didn't know, Miranda is the name of one of Uranus's five moons. *Sheen* is phonetically and etymologically too close to *shine*, but otherwise the clue parses well and makes sense.

#### Show behind glow is a lot of hot air \*\*\* 1/2

This is a simple design with *moon* and *shine*. I'm pleased that the compiler went with the nonsense definition, as otherwise the secondary indicator *glow* would be too close if it had referred to *moonshine*.

#### Show bottom function head first in home brew! \*\*1/2

The compiler's vision of a 'trouserless man with his head in a fermenter', is a comical one. However, when I first saw the clue I interpreted it as something to do with the technical function of the brewer. In any case, while show bottom (moon) and function work well, head first in, as a direction to take the first letter of head and insert it into the remaining fodder is not quite accurate enough.

#### Soft light shimmering on homes in town \*\*

This clue uses an anagram of *on*, *homes* and *in* to come up with the answer. While the definition works well, the padding word *town*, is something that needs to be avoided, as an unnecessary word will befuddle the solver.

#### Son in home getting drunk on this? \*\*\*\*

A neat clue that is a partial &lit, using an anagram of SON IN HOME as indicated by *getting drunk*. If the secondary indicators and fodder sufficiently point to the definition, then using words such as 'this', are perfectly valid. In this clue, the compiler is immediately made to consider what the son could be drinking – in this case, moonshine.

#### Spirit of prohibition? Nonsense! \*\*\* $\frac{1}{2}$

This clue is a clever play on the word *spirit*. It's essentially a double definition that captures the Prohibition era in the US when illicit alcohol was at its peak.

# $Still\ produce\ low\ score\ (hooking\ initially)$ among all holes before the 10th \*\*\*\*

Hands down, the best disguised definition (*Still produce*) this month. The compiler used it to create a plausible story on golf, about as far removed from making illicit liquor as one could get. Parentheses are perfectly acceptable of course, but can detract from the clue's overall aestheticism. The actual parsing combines MOO (low) with S, and then H among NINE – *all the holes before the 10<sup>th</sup>*. It's a tricky clue, but parsed in a *fairway*, dare I say.

#### The light is a low Northern glow \*\*\*

This seamless, almost poetic, clue is parsed by joining MOO, N, and SHINE. I love the clever misdirection of the word *low*. However, given that moonlight is a glow of sorts, I feel that the last synonym is too close to the solution.

#### The month for brewing illicit alcohol \*\*\*

This clue is a simple double definition that makes perfect sense. I think, in this instance, that *the month* definition would be fairer if it also referred to its Shakesperean connection.

[Continued on p15]

