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Lofty words cannot construct an alliance or maintain it;
only concrete deeds can do that.
John F Kennedy, 25 June 1963, address in Frankfurt, West Germany.

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One of our well-known members, **Ian Williams**, became a Member of the Order of Australia in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours list. Ian was awarded this prestigious honour "for service to transport through contributions to the improvement of international maritime safety, and to professional organisations." We sincerely congratulate Ian on achieving this high distinction. See p9 for further details. This month we publish another of Ian's fine puzzles in Slot 6. And by chance Ian's name was drawn out of the hat for *Red One's* marvellous puzzle *Corners*. We think this edition of *Crozworld* should be titled *The Ian Williams AM Crozworld*.

Long-standing quizmaster, Ted O'Brien has called it a day and gracefully retired from setting and adjudicating his excellent and topical quizzes. You will remember that Ted set many quizzes to mark the Anniversary of the ACC. Many thanks Ted for your wonderful contribution to the ACC. It has been much appreciated.

Our stocks of Quizzes are a bit low at the moment. Fancy a go at setting and adjudicating your own Quiz? It can be a rewarding experience. About 25 questions is a good size. Kindly contact Patrick if you would like to take on the challenge.

We have another set of varied and challenging puzzles for you this month. All your favourites are featured: Noel Jessop, *Southern Cross*, *Virgo* and *Praxis* plus we welcome back *Manveru* with another of his well-crafted cryptics. *midships AM* occupies the coveted Slot 6 position and Brian Symons has given us a fascinating Quiz *Live and Learn*. Plus we have another copy of John Stevens' software *Crossword Express* as a prize for Slot 2. Happy Crozworlding! —Patrick

As usual spelling and transcription errors robbed many of otherwise well-earned dots. Nevertheless the percentage of correct responses was high. Requested explanations are in the members' comment section on p10.

Slot 1: This was a thematic excluding such answers as MANX for MINT. The main bugbear was BEER. This fits a theme of things we ingest but is not as good as BEET which satisfies the narrower theme of unprocessed edible herbs or vegetables. ASPARAGAS, AGATA, AGANA, AURO and CAROWAY exemplify unfortunate errors.

Slot 2: REMEND, several ITTRIUM, ANINATION, DINA and many PROPELLORS lost marks (the spelling is PROPELLER and the writer Archie Weller). ADD A DAY proved a problem. AND A DAY while clearly on the right track, does not sound like a rule — sorry. INDIGENE was an interesting response but does not imply pauper.

Slot 3: Few difficulties here but for ANAERRBIC (what a pity!) and several versions of ORTOLAN.

Slot 4: Many members correctly noted that the positions of BRIEFED and ORDERED were interchangeable. No one was affected by the incorrect word length for the G clue (corrected on website). SPRING caused a few problems with STRONG, STRUNG and SPRUNG getting a few nods.

Slot 5: Although excellently clued this proved more a test of eyesight than brain power and this may explain CREEP for SLEEP, FILL for FELL, PILE for PALE, RAINING for RINGING, HELL for HALL and FALLS for FELLOWS. Other mistakes may relate to copying variant versions from the net. Also email entries without the grid as a guide ran the risk of omitting some words. Several members gave this puzzle a miss for fear of going blind.

COTM: MIDNIGHT (slot 2); runner-up OUTSKIRTS (slot 3). Many thanks for all the retirement well-wishers — greatly appreciated.
—Brian Symons

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Entries received	116	108	112	117	102	555
Correct entries	80	78	105	106	86	455
Success rate (%)	69	72	94	91	84	82
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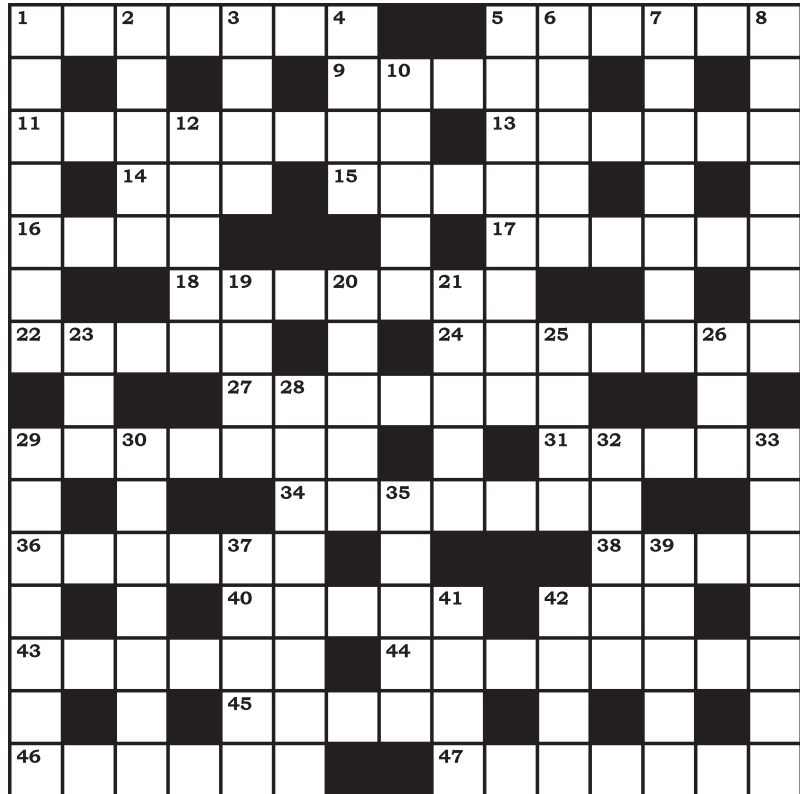
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Half & Half
by
Noel Jessop



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Win!



Across

- 1 Mattered (7)
- 5 Garment (1-5)
- 9 Warble (5)
- 11 Eye specialist (8)
- 13 Bewail (6)
- 14 Decay (3)
- 15 Raptors (5)
- 16 Warmth (4)
- 17 Roof covering (6)
- 18 Passion (7)
- 22 Quiet! (5)
- 24 Capsized (7)
- 27 Conducted (7)
- 29 Jellyfishes (7)
- 31 Containing iodine (5)
- 34 Storage cupboards (7)
- 36 Cower (6)
- 38 Mountain goat (4)
- 40 Forearm bones (5)
- 42 Sesame (3)
- 43 Involve (6)
- 44 Comprehensible (8)
- 45 Persian Gulf sheikhdom (5)
- 46 New York district (6)
- 47 Early police (7)

Down

- 1 Reluctant about man's attire? Just the opposite (7)
- 2 Extreme art setback after the middle of July? (5)
- 3 Thanks Hector, or he goes, for skill with people (4)
- 4 A native of Borneo died on a Tibetan ox (4)
- 5 Allowed up, English classify a communications device (8)
- 6 Strike out wildly with left in belt (5)
- 7 Thought Edward imagined something (7)
- 8 A bit irrational, and so on, in the middle of Bendigo (7)
- 10 Head on charge (5)
- 12 Is to a mix-up in smallest amounts (5)
- 19 Plant genus in Rhodium country (4)
- 20 The French rising without the girl (5)
- 21 Restrains young reporters without right (5)
- 23 Start to understand in the man's colour (3)
- 25 Revise new diet (4)
- 26 Priest relies without thing in law (3)
- 28 Crazy Marcus Allen ran off in little chapel (8)
- 29 Play a woman wearing a raincoat (7)
- 30 Vagrant meaning to go with monarch (7)
- 32 So ait is ruined for Roman naval base (5)
- 33 Reprimands placed initially in marks of omission (7)
- 35 No sex-appeal and Egyptian genius in nippy place? (5)
- 37 Starts off going under in diving exhibition lead (5)
- 39 Writer in able English version (5)
- 41 Tailor pins up (4)
- 42 To start tiny and so sweet (4)

|S|E|N|D|
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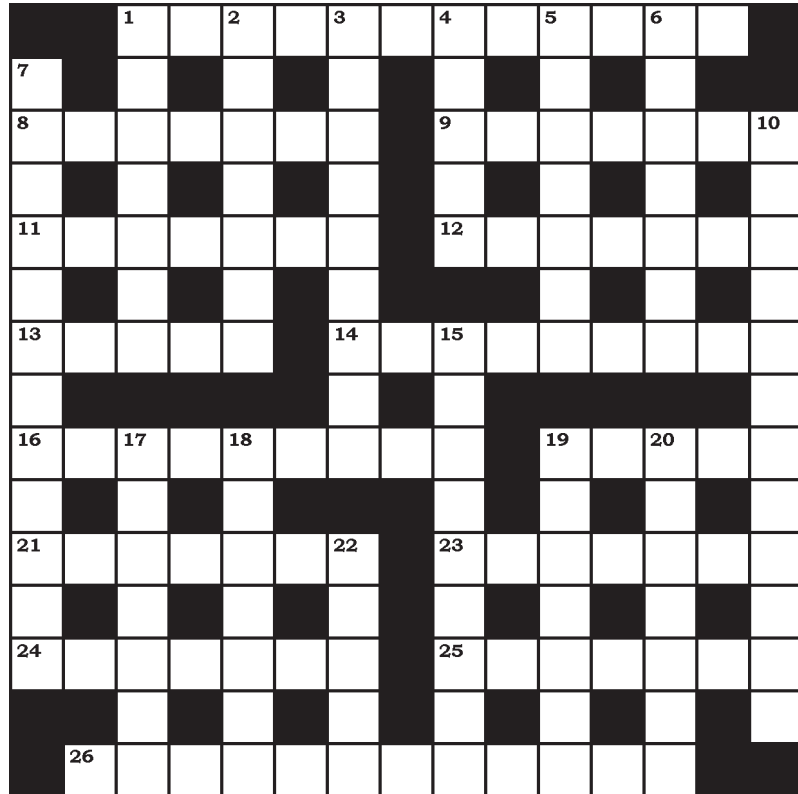
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Cryptic by Southern Cross

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Across

- 1 They urge one to work harder – making cat biscuits? (4-8)
- 8 Choose an alternative constituent (7)
- 9 Protection for the listener when new driver leaves farm fuel out (7)
- 11 First of trophies goes to merino anyway – deservedly! (2,5)
- 12 More polished in his performance before royalty (7)
- 13 Old fossils perform twice on Sunday (5)
- 14 Outstanding outside-right, and most perceptive (9)
- 16 A vain boast from one when tense? (9)
- 19 Perfect impression created by trainee (5)
- 21 Doris, say, has a heavenly body – it could be Venus! (7)
- 23 Book taken from stockpile (7)
- 24 Stone found in Queensland (7)
- 25 Forage plant in Switzerland (7)
- 26 A great deal of money – evidently Richard was worth it! (1,4'1,6)

Down

- 1 Spliced around steering gear, at one time submerged (7)
- 2 Lays to rest around northern confines (7)
- 3 Thick paper list where tricks are counted (4,5)
- 4 Name for rock Leo Sayer composed (unsigned) (5)
- 5 Dog food, you could say, from around eastern Turkey (7)
- 6 Out and in and around about – it's habitual (7)
- 7 One in a subordinate position has little time to cheat (6,6)
- 10 One of Phillip's passengers is initially faster (5,7)
- 15 Detached retina trouble showing up among other things (5,4)
- 17 Settle on time – when money might not be quite so tight (3,4)
- 18 Do a refresher course in unfamiliar terrain (7)
- 19 Six-footers in splinter groups? (7)
- 20 Tympanic membrane listener installed on instrument (7)
- 22 Free points gained for these car trips (5)



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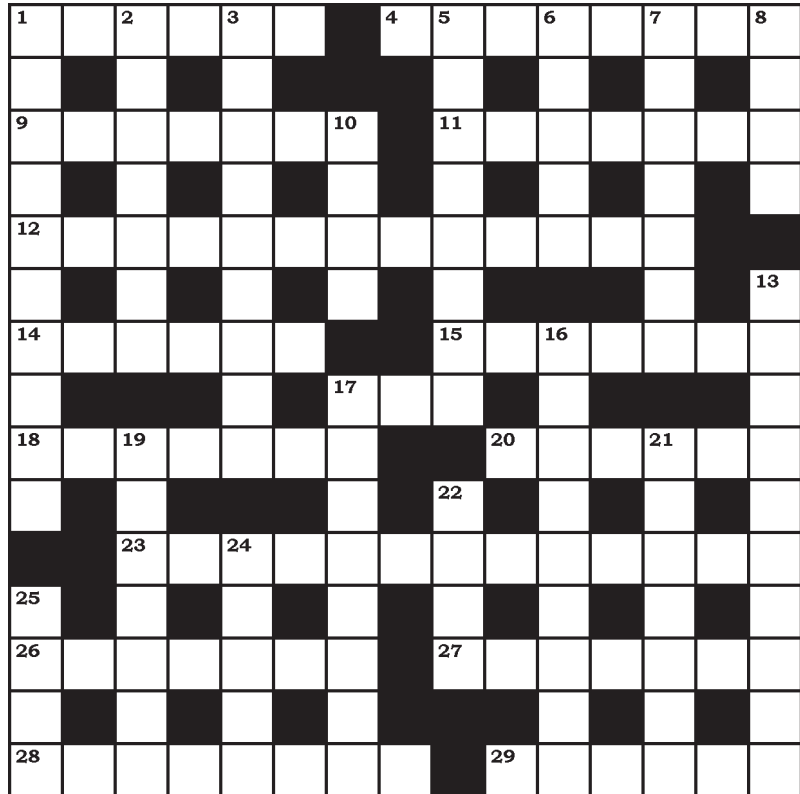
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John Stevens the creator of *Crossword Express* has kindly donated a Pro version of his software as 2006 prizes for the Slot 2 puzzles. In addition he has offered to all ACC members the pro version of *Crossword Express* at the Lite version price.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

This is what master compiler **Noel Jessop** had to say about *Crossword Express*: "The latest version includes 'Morphword' and 'Sudoku' puzzles, and numerous new types of puzzle will be added over the next few years. The Dictionary Maintenance and Lattice Maintenance modules are brilliant; the program will let you search out anagrams, the 'Help' dialogs are clear and exhaustive, and the 'Suggest' option when making a puzzle shows all the words compatible with the area being worked on. Unlike some crossword software, the downloadable demo version allows you to explore and test all of the program's features without restriction . . . and, best of all, it is Australian Made."

<p> A U G U S T 2 0 0 6 S L O T 3 </p>
<p>Cryptic by <i>Manveru</i></p>




Across

- 1 Hands off the last bit of my grog! (6)
- 4 Glorious buffet, provided I cook starter (8)
- 9 Pilot secures victory against a small plane (7)
- 11 Girl reportedly stones another girl (7)
- 12 Joins current test broadcast without creating concern (13)
- 14 Hebrew nation's king returns after the Book of Isaiah (6)
- 15 Poem's demeanour blew me away (7)
- 17 Cover song (3)
- 18 Mediterranean city's colonialist set about abolishing toll (7)
- 20 Two baby antelopes return to their mother perhaps? (3-3)
- 23 How is Canberra managing visionary? (7-6)
- 26 European bridge is next to the middle of nowhere (7)
- 27 Crop opening chapter (7)
- 28 Australian University to print original copy (8)
- 29 Listen to oracle and benefit (6)

Down

- 1 Do Holy Books embodying independence read as satisfactory? (10)
- 2 Pilot traverses parts of Genoa via Torino (7)
- 3 People who are separated play around with diverse company (9)
- 5 Wandering state, Queen's oration readily disheartened (8)
- 6 Poisonous parasite almost overcomes cow (5)
- 7 Manipulate precise directions (7)
- 8 Something that guides through perplexity sounds like this? (4)
- 10 Heart implant (4)
- 13 A large bin ruined golf stroke (6,4)
- 16 Someone in the vicinity stole soda from trashed boarding-house (9)
- 17 Cut sock puppet from American television show (4,4)
- 19 Berry swirl by the sound of it (7)
- 21 Defence Intelligence personnel used to represent the work of women (7)
- 22 Lowest margins excluded in debt (4)
- 24 Wally stuffed up addition and subtraction (5)
- 25 Every second ladies' man travels up to populous area (4)

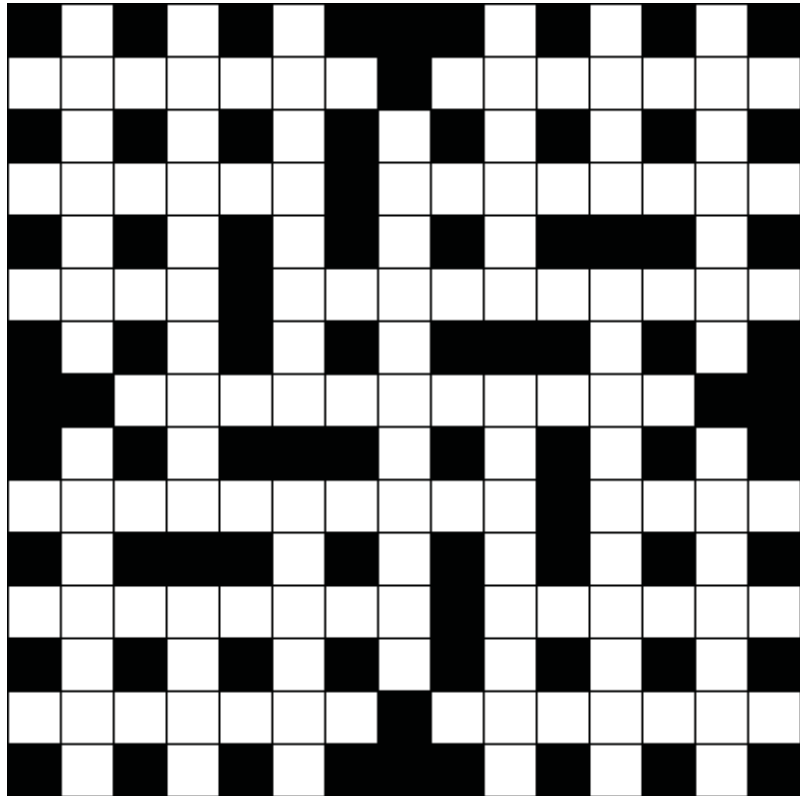
GENERAL COMMENTS (cont'd from p10):

July 5-2006: Double Acrostic by St Jude (Drew Meek)

- I'll have to read Tolkien again. This has whetted my appetite.
- No slot 5 from me this month. I couldn't even read the grid, let alone fill it in.
- Really enjoyed this one, despite the tricky lettering.
- *St Jude* at his *forte*, teasingly obscure. Liked CORPSES best.
- Numbers in the clue answer and grids needed a huge magnifying glass to decipher them and double lettered clues not indicated in grid. Sorry to be a grouch but this puzzle was too prolonged to be enjoyable.
- I am not a huge fan of Double Acrostics but this one was very well done. I kept looking for poems about rabbits until I figured out the D and E clues. Unsure about the D clue HOWLED (anagram of DEATH-FLOWER after removed: adj)
- In ten years membership this is the first puzzle I haven't enjoyed. The quote was too long, the grids too small. After solving about a dozen clues with a magnifying glass I found the quote on the internet - very unsatisfactory.
- A lovely excerpt from Tolkien but meant horrible eyestrain.
- What a wonderful puzzle (Double Acrostics are my favourites). A little easier because it's such a classic poem but lots of fun all the same. Well done!
- If this is another of those well-known verses that can be completed without solving the clues, it certainly isn't known by me, and I couldn't find it in the book of quotes, so had to do it the hard way. And hard it was, with such clever clues. There and Back Again many times with most of them, and I hobbits correct.

Ted O'Brien
Steve Workman
Roy Taylor
Max Roddick
Alan Walter
Jill Freeland
Irene Watts
Mal Cockburn
Jim Colles (who else could it be? adj)

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AJ by Virgo

Clues are in random order. Fit the answers where you can.

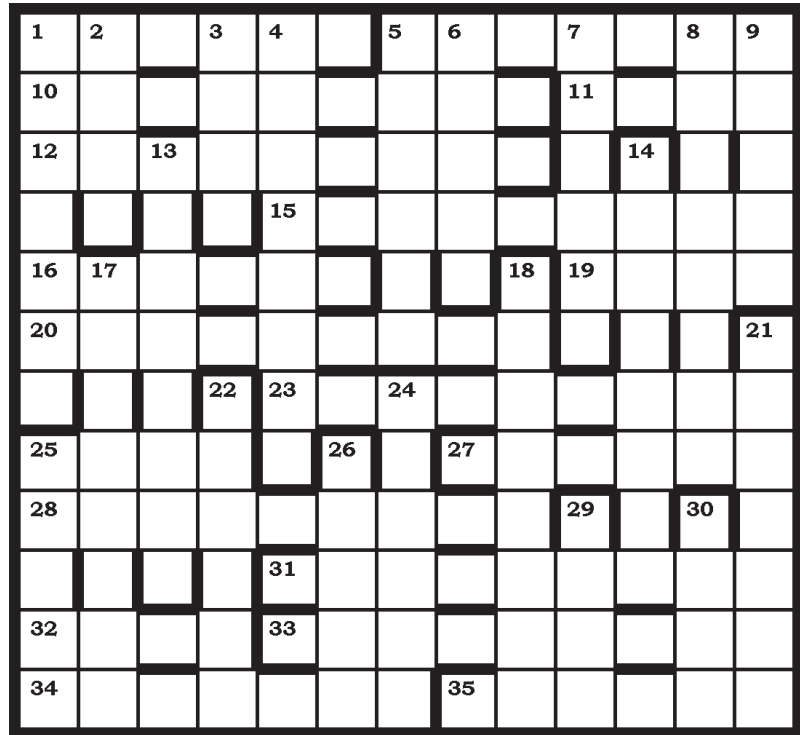
- Horse-type plagues fleet dogs (10)
- Green all over Dan Tucker's sandwiches (7)
- British sheep detective made some tea (6)
- The club came undone (4)
- Turned in the slit-eyed creature (4)
- Producing in court once? Bring in mobile insurance group (10)
- The light in Rimbaud's rhyme (8)
- The last round a ton better belted (7)
- Doubted the purpose of the code in another form (10)
- Faithful employee used out assembly (7)
- New maps gain old practise (8)
- Coward a right one with the poison (6)
- TV princess cruelly axed when old Penny leaves for Norway (4)
- A man ill over harassment by pet carer (6,5)
- Dear by Ted's interpretation of cuddly bedfellows (5,5)
- A Cuban type of cad? (4)
- Electrical short in sauna equipment can cause sickness (6)
- A conflict in one's French, being naive (8)
- Crazed bosses drunk with chief (8)
- Cruel Greeks imprison student bowlers (7)
- Mutterings from excited U.S. dons (6)
- Put up and elected by a Chinese official (7)
- Win edge over uprooting tares (7)
- Murdered recluse traded something for nothing initially in the lake (7)
- A wig by association in eastern code (5,6)
- Dear Scottish copper with endless pig fat is very merry (7)

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Poetic Licence?
by
Praxis



Unclued lights contain a quote, along with the author's name. On solution solvers should be able to identify to whom the author was referring.



To whom was the author referring?

Across

- 1 A large portion is sugar (6)
- 5 Cut back on royal revelry? (7)
- 10 (9, three words)
- 11 First son's said to be growing sugar (4)
- 12 Andrea erupted over nothing! A hormone? (9)
- 15 (9)
- 16 Bill's after a turn; unknown in the past (6, two words)
- 19 Found refuge in booze and Ecstasy (4)
- 20 A party act I devised, left her dry (9)
- 23 Replace fertiliser; scatter seed (9)
- 25 Tempt scholar by sex appeal (4)
- 27 (6, two words)
- 28 Association teased tailor about love (9)
- 31 Soviet official has care of girl during March ... (9)
- 32 ... whilst Italian's back in home town? (4)
- 33 Environmentalists award course; it's lush (9)
- 34 Sam restrained Lawrence; Edward was cooking (7)
- 35 Born on messy bed out of necessity (6, hyphenated)

Down

- 1 Speak with priest over mixture (7)
- 2 (4)
- 3 Boy's upset about direction to yield (4)
- 4 Smooth foundation under pavers? (8, hyphenated)
- 5 Brown overturned edict; the fool (6)
- 6 Geneva set up in one hour! That was close (5)
- 7 Spoil a boy with Egyptian amulet? (6)
- 8 Suggestion local university course worried don ... (8)
- 9 ... 19 bewildered about course's charter ... (5)
- 13 ... on frogs. Managed by Caucasian (8)
- 17 Cleaners for airways following the sun (8)
- 19 One uses Celtic letters to stir up Omagh first (8)
- 18 (8)
- 21 Say you three dispose of hard wood (7, 2 words)
- 22 Oxide t-test's cut short following year (6)
- 24 Demure chap is prepared (6)
- 25 Ruby has a boy, sadly? (5)
- 26 Ten million rupees credit with metal (5)
- 29 Sees change in actual existence (4)
- 30 (4)

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Solution to 1925 crossword

WHAT'S NEW?

Alan Walter tells us of 2 new crossword references:

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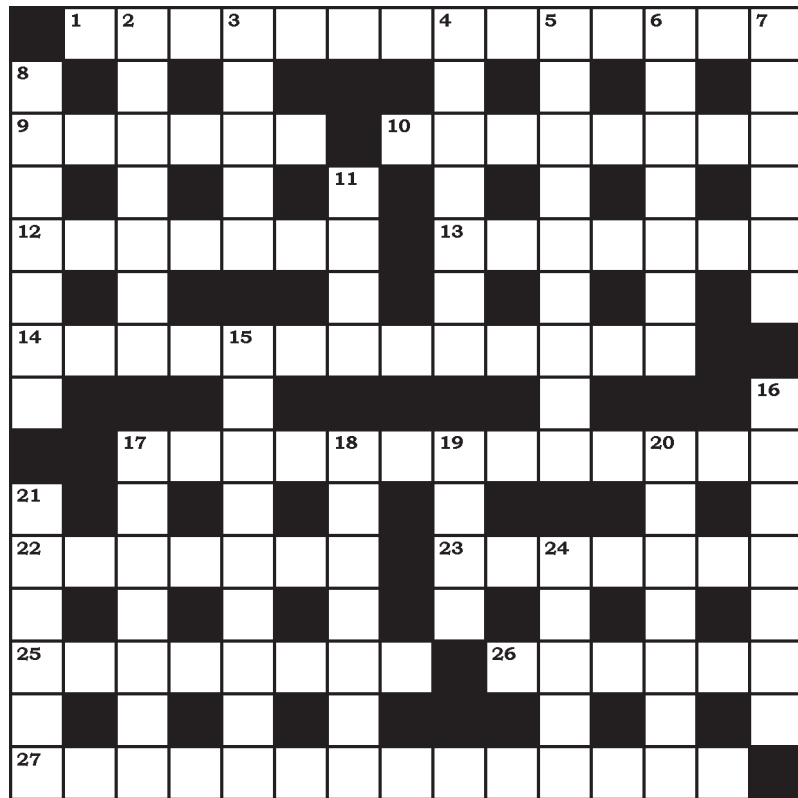
Transpositions on a Theme by *midships*



Solutions to clues marked with an asterisk may also be expressed in an altered, but consistent, form. The original and the altered form are both clued, but not in a particular order, although the altered form always has its word length(s) indicated directly after the clue. The clues do not refer to the method of alteration. The more conventional form has its word length(s) indicated second and is to be entered. Non-asterisked clues are normal.

Across

- 1 * Robert's supporting the pleasures of favouritism (4,3,3,4) (4,3,3,4)
- 9 * Seaborne conflict over sandwich centre (3,4) (3,3)
- 10 * Crackers to touch parts (4,4) (8)
- 12 * Snack with blue movie in the police station (3,4) (7)
- 13 * Cost of session with toy boy in Surrey town (3,4) (7)
- 14 * Hank Williams' 1950 hit - "Stop! Stop wagon!" (4,4,4) (4,4,5)
- 17 * Working towards a handicraft medal that may be cheap (6,3,1,4) (5,3,1,4)
- 22 * Manx peculiarity may lead to the end of a human (2,4) (7)
- 23 * Many expectorate when the focus of attention (3,4) (7)
- 25 Setter is a friend to singular religious offices (8)
- 26 * Practice, light-heartedly, making a braid (1,5) (4,2)
- 27 * Clock dial craftsman gives rent-free accommodation (4,8) (5-3-6)



Down

- 2 Poe laid contorted for mother-loving (7)
- 3 * Girl display with hat (3,4) (5)
- 4 Give account of attempt at bow with three xylem strands (7)
- 5 Version of ENIAC Dahl used to create menu entry (9)
- 6 * Opinion of worker results in chemical effect (4,3) (7)
- 7 Discover gender in English county (6)
- 8 Frozen water option for climber's tool (3,4)
- 11 Bent nail is coloured indigo (4)
- 15 *Alcoholically entertain a president - in Delft? (4,1,5) (9)
- 16 Stir as it goes into cooker with the Maori (7)
- 17 * Obscure painter is freedom fighter (5,1,1) (7)
- 18 Vessel is an imperial measure, containing drug (7)
- 19 English waterway having pronounced seep (4)
- 20 Loony, loony Brynner, lacking lire, composed 1955 Platters' hit (4,3)
- 21 Yarn series (6)
- 24 Fyodor Lovelace's "Concealment is a Russian Mountain Town" (5)

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Solution
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IAN WILLIAMS, AM

Our sincere Congratulations to **Ian Williams** who was made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 2006 for service to transport through contributions to the improvement of international maritime safety, and to professional organisations. Ian worked in the area of ship research before joining the then Department of Navy in Canberra in 1971. Subsequently, after working on economic/engineering research and transport policy, he took up a position with the forerunner of the Australian Maritime Safety Authority. Ian was responsible for the ship safety function for a number of years and, later, for Australia's involvement with the International Maritime Organization until he retired in 1998. Ian led Australian delegations to many meetings of the IMO and chaired many committee meetings and a diplomatic conference. He played a major role in IMO's work on ro-ro ferry safety and the safety of bulk carriers in the 1990s and was awarded the prestigious International Maritime Prize in 1999 by the IMO for his distinguished contribution to safety of life at sea. Following his "retirement", Ian has carried out work on the safety of, and regulations applying to, ocean-going and small vessels in Australia, the UK, Asia, the Pacific, the Caribbean and Africa.

Results of Quiz No. 6/2006: On the Double by Jack Stocks.

This was a quiz popular with members. 51 entries in total with many scoring maximum points. A few typos, but most errors were for places that fitted alphabetically, but did not satisfy the clue. (Billa, Colac, Ban, Morri, Millaa) A few encountered problems with numbers 1 or 2. A couple of obscure internet mentions were disallowed as they did not appear in the Australian Government Gazetteer or the Postcodes, even if they fitted the clue. Apologies to those who are still seeing double. Many comments expressing surprise at the number of doubles (there are more than fifty). Thankyou one and all for the positive comments and the good wishes. (Might even result in another quiz.) Solvers who asked for a double vodka or sherry at the end probably encountered difficulty after a double GIN at No11. **Double Prizewinners: Mary Dodd and Catherine Foster. Congratulations!**

Answers: (Double of course!) 1. Wagga 2. Mitta 3. Bet 4. Bindi 5. Boonoo 6. Buln 7. Cowan 8. Curl 9. Doon 10. Ghinni 11. Gin 12. Gol 13. Grong 14. Gumly 15. Ki 16. Kin 17. Kurri 18. Lal 19. Lang 20. Mooney 21. Nerrin 22. Nowa 23. Pindi 24. Pura 25. Tilba 26. Wangi 27. Whian 28. Wood 29. Wool 30. Woy. Reason OZ has so many doubles. Same as BADEN BADEN... It was so nice we named it twice!

Scores: 30: Sonia Atkinson, Karl Audrins, Audrey Austin, Bill Bennett, Bev Cockburn, Graeme Cole, Jim Colles, Maurice Cowan, Mary Dodd, Catherine Foster, Pat Garner, Daphne Greening, Bob Hagan, Kath Harper, Valerie Howard, Susan Howells, Barbara Ibbott, Ann Jermy, Catherine Jones, Doreen Jones, Del Kennedy, Gabrielle Leeds, Claire McClelland, Andrew Meek, Carole Noble, Shiril O'Brien, Ted O'Brien, Ron O'Rourke, David Procter, Marian Procter, William Ryan, Joan Smith, Bev Solomon, Brian Symons, Michael Veress, Lorna Waites, Rob Watson, Irene Watts and Jenny Wenham. **29:** Bertha Foott, Barbara Glissan, Lesly Howard, Michael Kennedy, Paula Mercer, Betty Siegman, John Standard, Cheryl Wilcox and Jan Wood. **28:** Trish McPherson and Norman Wilson. **27:** Jean Barbour.

Chess problems: No 7/2006: 1. Ba4. No 8/2006: 1. Bb8. **Prizewinners: Bev Solomon and Brian Symons.** Well done!

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New Members: A warm welcome to **Susanna Brown** from Cottlesloe, WA, **Renée Bennett** from Mt Richon, WA, **Caroline Novakay** from Eagle Vale, NSW and **John Jenkins** from Rowville, Vic (a

Membership Gift from Max Roddick).

Puzzle Adjustments: Heather Zucal lost dots for June Slots 3-5. Many thanks for pointing this out to us, Heather. **Jim Fowler** won the prize for June Slots 1-5. Congratulations Jim! Pat Garner lost a dot for June Slot 2 and gained a dot for Slot 4. Audrey Austin gained a dot for dB's Odd Man Out.

Apologies for the wrong answer-length indicator for the "G" clue in July Slot 4. This occurred in the editorial set-up.

Many thanks to **Jean Barbour** for her generous donation to the ACC 2006 Prize Fund.

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July Slots 1-5 winner: Jeanette Kitto. Congratulations! News, News, News! We have some wonderful news to tell you about our book prizes for the forthcoming Slot 5 puzzles. Watch this space next month when all will be revealed...

**The Australian Oxford Dictionary
WORD OF THE MONTH**

formication *n.* a sensation as of ants crawling over the skin. [ORIGIN: Latin *formicatio* from *formica* 'ant'.]

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QUIZ No 8/2006

Live and Learn by Brian Symons

Send your entries to: Brian Symons, 1 Kookaburra Pl, Grays Point NSW 2232 or by email to: bsymons8@bigpond.com.au
Closing mail date: Friday 8 September 2006. Prize: \$50.

Some words just go together forming familiar phrases separated by "and" or "-and-" (though in this quiz hyphens are to be ignored). These duetic phrases offer advice (as in the heading) or define or describe the characteristics or attributes of an object, person, situation or concept. Can you discover the following pairings? All the vowels (a,e,i,o,u) are given (except where a vowel is the first letter of the first word) and word lengths are indicated. Answers are NOT in alphabetical order - but all letters of the alphabet initiate a phrase except i,q,v,x,y and z and to make up for this one letter starts seven answers. So rise and shine with vim and vigour and have a go using trial and error at the ins and outs of this stuff and nonsense quiz.

- 1 _A_ and _A_E_
- 2 _OO_ and _AI_
- 3 _I_E and _I_IN_
- 4 _EE_E_ and _EA_E_
- 5 _I_ and _ _
- 6 _A_ and _I_E_
- 7 _ _ and _O_
- 8 _OO_ _OO_E_ and _A_ _ _ _ EE
- 9 _I_ and _OO_
- 10 _A_ and _EA_
- 11 _A_ and _ _UE
- 12 _EA_ and _U_IE_
- 13 _OO_ and _EA_
- 14 _A_ _E_ and _AU_
- 15 _I_ and _I_
- 16 _A_ and _EA_
- 17 _ _E_ and _A_O_
- 18 _A_ and _EE_E_
- 19 _ _ _ and _E_E_O_E_
- 20 _A_ and _O_
- 21 _E_ _ _ and _ _E_
- 22 _E_ and _U_
- 23 _EA_ and _EA_
- 24 _E_ and _O_
- 25 _I_ and _O_E_
- 26 _I_E_ and _EA_ [Not live and learn]

July 1-2006: Thematic by Virgo (Audrey Austin)

- Not really my type of puzzle – I prefer the cryptics – but have done my best. The meaning of smacks is new to me. *Jenny Wenham*
- Sweden fits the clue. Swedes fits the theme. I took a punt on the latter. *John Standard* (lucky for you John: adj)
- Food for thought. *Carole Noble*
- I am not happy with swedes but don't know what else it could be. *Margaret Davis*
- Thanks *Virgo* for an interesting cornucopia of herbs, plants and vegetables. Please explain Lapland Swedes and who is Rosemary Harris? *Alan Walter* (put both into Google and some light may shine: adj)
- A nice starter from Audrey – nothing too controversial though MANX and SWEDEN don't seem to fit the theme (too true Catherine: adj) *Catherine Hambling*
- Another clever thematic from *Virgo* with an amazing number of vegies and herbs. *Bev Cockburn*
- Thematics are fun to do and *Virgo* gave us a good one here. It was most enjoyable finding all the vegies and herbs not to mention healthy. I loved the ROSEMARY touch but where was the thyme? *Irene Watts*
- Being a dill I got into a bit of a pickle looking for the theme but everything in the garden came out rosemary in the end, or something like it. *Jim Colles*

July 2-2006: First Attempt by Child's Play (Brian Symons)

- Excellent debut. *Carole Noble*
- The ingenuity of REPAIR was a promising start but MIDNIGHT was sheer inspiration. Let's have more of this *Child's Play!* *Max Roddick*
- Loved your puzzle!!! *Del Kennedy*
- I thought 10ac very clever. *Ted O'Brien*
- I had a lot of trouble with this but finally saw the light. What is the link between KAOLIN and CASSIUS? (Clay: adj) Loved your First Attempt. In fact 18dn gets my COTM. *Betty Siegman*
- Congratulations on your first attempt – very clever. *Ron O'Rourke*
- Welcome to Brian in his new guise as compiler. Nice one. More please! *Margaret Davis*
- Well done *Child's Play*, but "repair???" Must repair to the sandpit. *Jack Stocks*
- This was anything but child's play. Some great clues. I shortlisted 5 for COTM. It took me ages to get 21dn – not really cryptic perhaps. *Jenny Wenham*
- Congratulations Brian on your first published cryptic. Well done. *Alan Walter*
- I liked your First Attempt – not quite Child's Play! Some very good clues and no words I've never heard of. *Catherine Hambling*
- Congratulations on your first setting with many clever clues and my COTM! *Bev Cockburn*
- Congrats on your first cryptic. Great clues. Especially liked 19ac and 17dn. *Geoff Campbell*
- Congratulations on your first cryptic. It was enjoyable with some tricky clues. *Barb Ibbott*
- A good first cryptic with mostly good clues – esp 2,16, 23 and 27ac but found 5ac and 18dn somewhat lacking. *Irene Watts*
- I was surprised to see that this is Brian's first attempt at a cryptic. He seems to have been setting us things to do for a long time. I can't do most of his quizzes so it was indeed a pleasure to do battle with the clues in this puzzle. I think the Kiwis might take umbrage at Carbine being claimed an Oz horse. They get cheesed-off enough about Phar Lap. *Jim Colles* (thanks for setting me straight: adj)

July 3-2006: Cryptic by Randall St. (Judy Randall and Patrick Street)

- Another great puzzle from another new compiler and another 5 clues to consider for COTM. I liked the definition in 17dn. I'll look forward to another trip down *Randall St.* *Jenny Wenham*
- Another welcome collaboration. What's it like working with the Pres., Judy? I could only find MASTERFUL to fit 17dn – am I correct and if so why? *Margaret Davis* (see below: adj)
- I can't equate priceless and masterful but it is all I can think of. *Margaret Galbreath* (MASTERFUL = crack and is an anagram of simple fracture minus price – a clever clue: adj)
- Good combination. Any more? *Carole Noble*
- Enjoyed it all, especially STOOD. Please what is the significance of green in 7dn? *Max Roddick* (remove L from blue, L being a learner, someone green: adj)
- I don't get the connection between accountant and squib. [A squib is a short piece of journalism. An accountant is one who gives an account such as a journalist! Ed.] *Ted O'Brien*
- An enjoyable puzzle – thanks *Randall St.* Please explain SQUIB re accountant's piece and MASTERFUL. *Alan Walter*
- This had some excellent clues. My favourites were 19ac and 17dn. Not sure where SQUIB comes from – is it something to do with Harry Potter? *Catherine Hambling*
- Another new compiler which adds to difficulty. Some lovely clues esp 1, 19 and 27ac. But not 4dn which has almost driven me bonkers. Perhaps CHARACTER is wrong but I cannot find anything else remotely suitable. *Irene Watts* (charter takes in ac: adj)
- Plenty of leading up the garden path from *Randall St.* Some very deceptive definitions to confuse and confound eg 25ac,17dn, 21dn. Great stuff. *Jim Colles*

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

- As always, Shirl is fair but challenging. The only one I am not sure about is the J clue. *Jenny Wenham* (jojo/bas: adj)
- Have to give COTM to the G clue. G-strings so brief that they will fit in a four letter space!! *Jack Stocks* (this gets my CommentOTM: adj)
- Quite a challenging AJ from our old friend *Southern Cross*. For once I found it quite difficult to get on her wavelength so hope I haven't made too many errors. *Margaret Davis*
- Perfect 10, Shirl, as usual. *Carole Noble*
- J and N were interesting clues. *Ted O'Brien*
- As always, Shirl's clues are full of fun, but it took me a while to get YOUNG LABOR. *Max Roddick*
- I couldn't come to terms with ORDERED. I know Shirl is always spot on with her clues so maybe I've missed the point. *Bob Hagan* (I think it just sounds severe. Not her best clue. But maybe I missed the point too: adj) [Perhaps ordure? Ed.]
- A challenging AJ – thanks Shirl. *Alan Walter*
- AJs are always my favourites, especially when they come from *Southern Cross*. *Catherine Hambling*
- A lovely normal AJ and *Southern Cross* equal great enjoyment. Excellent clues simply expressed; tricky but do-able. *Irene Watts*
- Masterful clues as usual. Had the most trouble seeing the subtlety in the F clue and if Ordered is the answer to the O clue, I don't get the "sounds bad" connection. *Jim Colles*

July 5-2006: Double Acrostic by St Jude (Drew Meek)

- A good puzzle made triply difficult by the size of the grid, the fact that the double letter indicators didn't make it into the main grid and perhaps most telling, I've never read any Tolkien. Luckily I was able to make some logical deductions and Googled part of the poem to find the answer. The T clue was my favourite. *Jenny Wenham*
- A very obscure poem to select for a double acrostic. I confess I found Tolkien and then simply went to the internet and I'm sure I'm not alone. *Margaret Davis* (Very honest Margaret and lucky as there are several minor variant versions on the net: adj)
- A tiresome exercise. Talk about search and rescue. *Carole Noble*
- Took me back to an old love. *Margaret Galbreath*

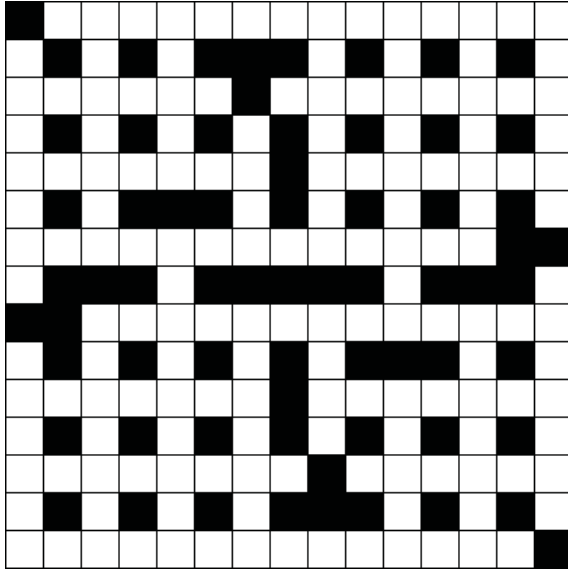


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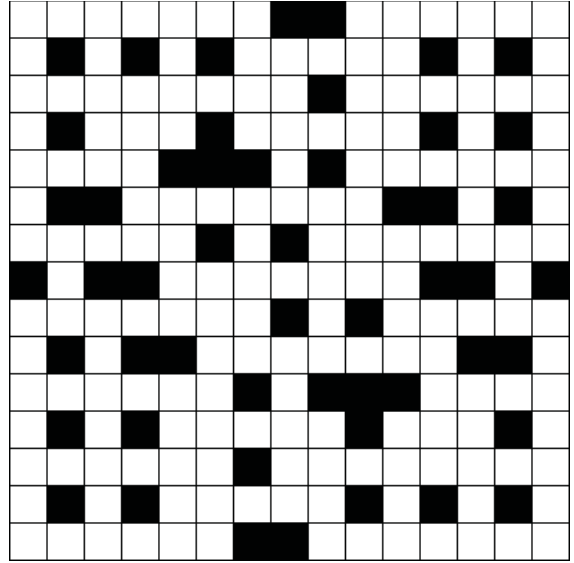
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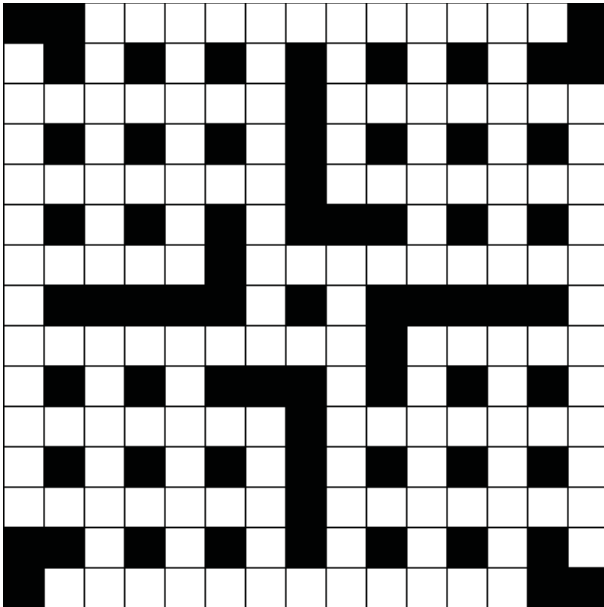


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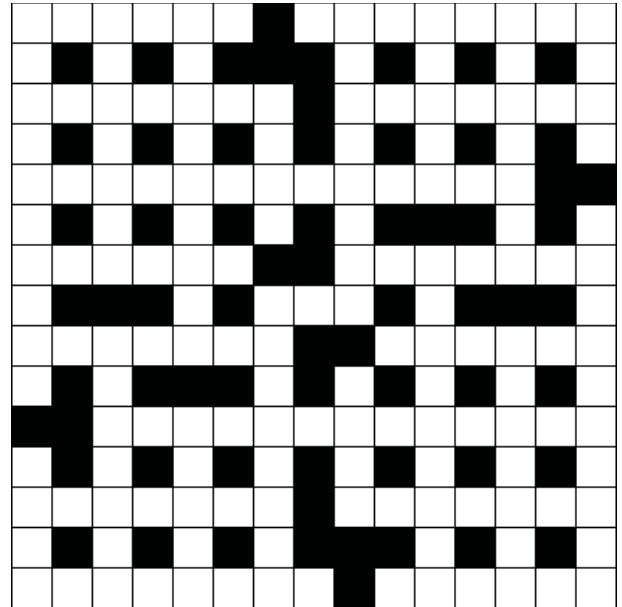


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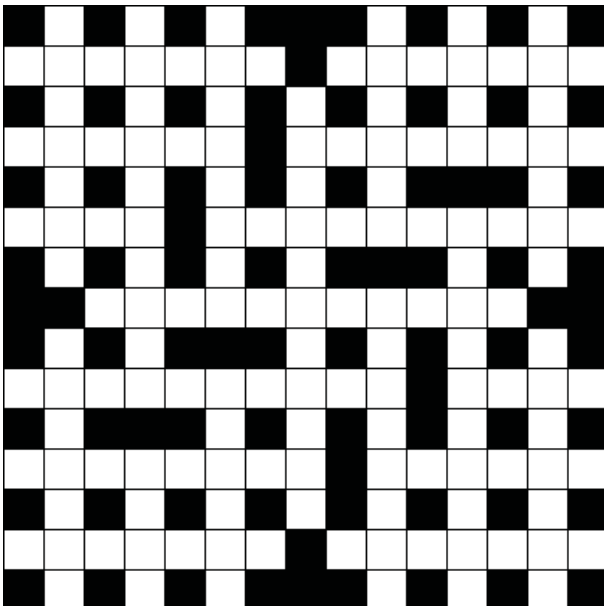
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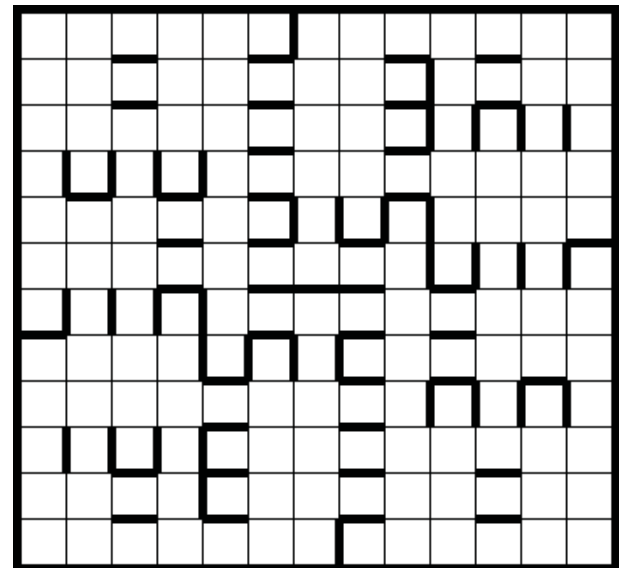
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To whom was the author referring?

June 6 – 2006: Corners by Red One (Doreen Jones)

Entries: 91. Correct: 79. Success Rate: 86.8%. Prizewinners: Edna McGloin and Ian Williams AM. Congratulations!

Solvers Comments:

- My admiration for all you compilers just grows and grows! Took me a while to cotton on to TREES; I thought CORNERS was some kind of hint but if so I've missed it completely. (*Chambers* gives 'corner' as a meaning of TREE. DJ). 45dn NOAH very clever, I loved it. *Yvonne Ainsworth*
- A very entertaining puzzle with lovely symmetry in the grid. 10ac and 20dn had me up a gum tree for a while. *Geoff Campbell*
- If your puzzle was included in the Clue of the Month you would have got my vote for NOAH. I also liked 11ac. *Bev Cockburn*
- Thank you for another excellent puzzle. "Corners" didn't give much of a clue as to what kind of family we were looking for. I just knew it would be nothing so simple as the Lindsays or the Boyds! *Margaret Davis*
- I was up a gum tree until the theme was uncovered! *Peter Dearie*
- Another enjoyable puzzle. I love gum trees. I think of early days in Oz walking in the Dandenongs and seeing the majestic Mountain Ash straight out of Arthur Streeton; the blue gums giving shade at the back of the beach at Blackmans Bay in Tas (alas, there no longer); the brilliant bark of the snow gums in the Victorian high country. Lovely memories. *Margaret Galbreath*
- It took a while for the penny to drop that you weren't referring to humans! Even so, some of the trees were hard to figure out – the last one I got was COOLIBAH and, yes, I do know Waltzing Matilda! *Catherine Hambling*
- I love your gum tree theme and I have made this special Australian card in thanks. *Barb Ibbott*
- Thank goodness for my Australian Trees books – didn't know TUART and UPAS, but we're best friends now. *Del Kennedy*
- This was a very enjoyable puzzle with fine clues. I got onto the trees theme by "solving" 9dn as "chestnut". I think it's called serendipity. *Iain MacDougall*
- Thanks Doreen – very enjoyable – loved 45dn. *Trish McPherson*
- I really enjoyed this one. Being housebound, I need stimulating pastimes. Thank you for providing one! *Edna McGloin*
- 37ac: The clue seems to point to TUPEC when C=Cambodia. (K=Cambodia, formerly Kampuchea, in *Chambers*. DJ) *Andrew Meek*
- Wot! No colouring in? I couldn't see the wood for the trees. *Carole Noble*
- I enjoyed this puzzle although I was up a gum tree at times. 45dn was very subtle and clever and is of COTM calibre. *Ted O'Brien*
- Your puzzle was a delight. No beating about the bush with you. *Ron O'Rourke*
- Another clever crossword. I especially liked the NOAH clue. *Marian Procter*
- "Eight with a family name and two cousins" – what a red herring that was! Thinking Windsors and Mountbattens wasted a lot of time! And the rationale behind LARN had me pondering. But like all good Ximeneans, everything worked out fine! *Max Roddick*
- Thanks Doreen. As ever, fair clues but I didn't know AIT as a river! (The definition is "lies in the river" – perhaps "is situated" would have been better than "lies". DJ). Nice clues for debtors and Noah. *Audrey Ryan*
- Enjoyed this once I had GHOST GUM and the penny dropped. Before that I was trying to fit in various princes etc – the Royal Family (Someone who shall remain nameless thought it was about Queen Victoria's grandchildren!! DJ) *Eva Seale*
- FAMILY had me "barking" up the wrong tree for a while – then I saw the light. *Betty Siegman*
- Thanks for a challenging puzzle. Couldn't see the trees for the wood for quite a while! *Jack Stocks*
- Thanks for another very enjoyable, very clever very tricky puzzle. I do not understand the heading CORNERS. *Brian Symons*
- Originally I was BARKING up the wrong tree looking for family first-names and a surname but the branch dropped when I came to MOUNTAIN ASH and KARRI tree so I then deduced your first tree was a STRINGY-BARK. Hope you like the KARRI tree stamp on the envelope. Much liked your clue for 42ac giving DEB+TOR+S. Also NEBULOUS 15dn. For 32dn I initially thought the possible answer for 'everywhere' in Latin would be UBIQUE and was surprised to learn the alternative needed here is "PASSIM". Your entertaining puzzle is much appreciated. *Alan Walter*
- As always your puzzle was most enjoyable. You are so clever at giving your puzzles variety and a special point of interest. They are always tricky and really make one think but they are do-able. Clue 31dn seems rather vague and gave me trouble. (Put up = TUP inside E (original eastern) Cambodia = K. DJ). *Irene Watts*
- Whilst pondering well-known families it occurred to me that the rubric mentioned nothing about it being a human family, so I was not surprised when EUCALYPTS became obvious and unlike you GRICER puzzle, I had no problem understanding the title. *Roy Wilson*

Setters Comments:

Thanks to the very many solvers for your kind comments and statements of having enjoyed the puzzle. It certainly inspires further efforts. Eight solvers put CHESTNUT for 9dn instead of GHOST GUM. Strangely enough this fits the cross-checked letters perfectly, however it does not fit the theme of EUCALYPTS nor is the answer two words as indicated by the word length after the clue. Another went astray when putting MOUNTAIN GUM instead of ASH which mucked up the down answers. Other errors were QUART for TUART, TUPIK for TUPEK, TACIT for TACET and KOTION for KATION. Two members whose opinions I very much respect mentioned the use of obscure words and exclamations. This is a matter of style of course but I consider ANY words in *Chambers* (my Bible) and *Macquarie* legitimate. In fact, if I can use an obscure word instead of a well-known one then I invariably will and believe that if clues are fair then it is up to the solver to do the work/dictionary bashing. Exclamations in straight crosswords could be seen to be a little unfair but not in cryptics and are as valid as any other word in the dictionary. I would be interested to hear what other members feel about this subject as I don't want to become known as hard hearted Hannah. *Red One (Doreen Jones)*

General comments:

- My thanks to the Club for the *Oxford Crossword Dictionary* (May Slot 5) – it immediately helped me finish *zinzan's* June AJ! And now, the *Oxford Guide to Word Games* (the Clue Writing prize) has just arrived; I've had a glance, it's full of good things too. I can only repeat, as others have said, "For doing what we enjoy, we're rewarded!" Thanks again to all concerned. *Max Roddick*
- Patrick, many thanks for the prize for June's Slot 4. Your calligraphy is really very good! I may well frame it. *Denis Coates*
- Thank you, Roy, for pulling my name out of the hat. It is my first slot-6 prize during my 12.5 years in the club! I thank the ACC too [and Patrick for his calligraphy.] *Bev Solomon*
- Thank you for my unexpected prize, *The Oxford Guide to Word Games*. I am sure it will be very useful. *Shelia Taylor*
- Many thanks for the *Oxford Crossword Dictionary*. It was a lovely surprise and has been put to good use for this month's puzzles. What a devious lot these setters are. *Rosemary Ducker*
- Thank you to the ACC for my prize for June slot 4. This was a pleasant surprise. Much appreciated. *Alan Walter*
- Another great month of puzzles: enough to give the old brain cells a bit of a stir. *Ron O'Rourke*
- Congratulations to the new setters! Keep up the good work. *Shirl O'Brien*
- They seem to get harder by the month as a few million more brain cells vaporise. My COTM is slot 3 17dn because I gave it a tick while doing the puzzle and it's now taken some time to see again how it works. The very subtle hand of our president I suspect. *Anon*
- As always, many thanks to all the people involved who keep us fed with our monthly fix! *Yvonne Ainsworth*