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And let a scholar all Earth's volumes carry,  
He will be but a walking dictionary.  
George Chapman, 1609, *The Tears of Peace*, 530.

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One of the strengths of our club has always been the feedback given to compilers by our members via the comments on the puzzles that we publish. The new facilities for making comments at the same time as submitting puzzles via ACCOLADE has given your editorial team a bit of a problem, as we are now receiving so many comments. The volume of comments may be due the novelty of the ease of making them and the quantity may reduce as time passes. However, in the short term we do need to consider the issues. The main issue concerning printing comments in *CrOZworld* is space. From time to time, in an attempt to publish as many comments as possible, we have reduced the size of the font. This has had the result that the typeface has become so small that some members have said that they are almost unreadable and that they needed loupes to see what is being said.

We have given much thought to this problem and agreed that the most practical way out of this dilemma is for your editorial team and the adjudicator to edit the comments and paraphrase others so that those that are published are the most interesting and relevant ones. If any member having comments on puzzles (or general comments) for which we have not had space, feels that the comments should have wider exposure, we invite them to lodge the comments on DEEF. Incidentally, this is one of the reasons for which DEEF was established but which has fallen into disuse of late.

We regret any future inconvenience that members may be caused but feel that judicious editing is a better answer to the problem than increasing the size of the magazine, and the costs of production and postage, in order to include all comments in the form in which they were originally made.

See p4 for the details about this month's puzzles and Quiz. Best of Luck with your solving this month. —Patrick

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This was my ninth adjudication, and it was very clear that more and more members are opting to submit their entries using ACCOLADE, and from the comments from members, it's being happily accepted. That being said, there's still a core (hard-core?) of members submitting their entries on paper and entrusting them to Australia Post. For the first time since I can remember, no entries this month were sin-binned because of blank spaces – well done, all of you!

**Slot 1:** Well-liked, with errors generally being one-offs which usually indicates a typo (e.g. IRISH COFFFE), CINNIBAL,). Errors that got two or more included SET ON (SET ON), SATIN (SET IN) and RIDE (RIME).

**Slot 2:** Again, well received and generally well answered. Questionable typos on SOME (SAME) that got 5 solvers, STRAITS (STRAINS), ARIA (AREA), OBEE (OBOE) and LOCH NESS MONSTOR, but otherwise understandable slips such as PRUDITY (PRUDERY) and MEAKS (NECKS) that tripped a few.

**Slot 3:** There's usually one puzzle that traps a lot of young players, and this time it was Slot 3. TRADE IN (TRADE ON) felled about a dozen of you, with other errors being (perhaps) typos such as APPOSITION (OPPOSITION), REIGS IN (REINS IN) and SUNDAYS (SUNDAES).

**Slot 4:** Lots of unfamiliar words in this slot, with a corresponding slew of errors. VIBICE (I didn't know it either) threw up some interesting variations – VIVIFIC, VIDICES, VITICES, VICITES, VISITED – all entertaining, but equally, all wrong. SEPTIC (SEPSIS) got a few scalps too.

**Slot 5:** The major problem here was CONGEALS, with nearly a dozen solvers proffering CONCEALS. As the saying goes: nice try, no cigar. Interesting spelling of SLILY trapped a few players, with SLYLY, SILLY and YILLS. Getting that wrong meant failing on AXOLOTLIS as well. IDOLATORS got a few more. Other errors were (again) mainly typos.

**COTM:** Thirty nominations this month for COTM, with each slot getting a guernsey. Early on EARTHQUAKE in Slot 3 was running hot, but solvers were in love with Slot 5, with two clues in particular battling it out until the very end. TEASET picked up 11 nominations, only to be pipped at the post by NIXON with a wonderful 12 nominations! Well done Len!

All in all, a good month's puzzles. Thank you for the happy greetings and good wishes (and a couple of very nice cards!). —David Grainger

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	109	111	96	107	84	507
Correct entries	93	93	88	73	54	404
Success rate (%)	85.3	83.8	91.7	68.2	64.3	79.7
Prizewinners	Sonia Roulston	Patricia Abbott	Don Hemsley	Roy Taylor	Pat Lord	from 113 members

**Prizewinner: July 2015 Slots 1-5: Roger Douglas, Congratulations!**

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## July 1-2015

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## July 2-2015

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## July 3-2015

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## July 4-2015

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## MEMBERS RESULTS FOR JUNE Slot 6 & JULY 2015 Slots 1-5

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
ABBOTT Patricia		*				
ALLEN W	*	*	*	*	*	*
ANDERSON C	*	*	*	*	*	*
ARCHIBALD C						*
AUDRINS K	*	*	*	*	*	*
AXELSEN U	*	*	*	*	*	*
BARBOUR J	*	*	*	*	*	*
BARNES J	*	*	*	*	*	*
BARRETT A	*	*	*	*	*	*
BATUM C	*	*	*	*	*	*
BAYLIS J		*	*	*	*	*
BENNETT D						*
BLAKE M	*	*	*	*	*	*
CAINE R		*	*	*	*	*
CALLAN A&D	*	*	*	*	*	*
CARPENTER R	*	*	*	*	*	*
CARROLL L	*	*	*	*	*	*
CHAMPION G						*
CLARK C	*	*	*	*	*	*
COATES D	*	*	*	*	*	*
COCKBURN B	*	*	*	*	*	*
COLE G	*	*	*	*	*	*
COLGAN L	*	*	*	*	*	*
COLLINS M		*	*	*	*	*
COWAN M		*	*	*	*	*
CROMER H	*	*	*	*	*	*
CROWE J	*	*	*	*	*	*
DAVIS M	*	*	*	*	*	*
DEARIE P	*	*	*	*	*	*
DE GRYS T	*	*	*	*	*	*
DOBELE T	*	*	*	*	*	*
DORRELL R			*	*	*	*
DOUGLAS R	*	*	*	*	*	*
DUCKER R	*	*	*	*	*	*
DYER A	*	*	*	*	*	*
EVANS Jean	*	*	*	*	*	*
FOWLER J	*	*	*	*	*	*
FREELAND J	*	*	*	*	*	*
GARNER P						*

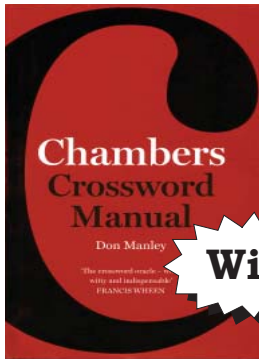
MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
GLISSAN B	*	*	*	*	*	*
GOODERICK R	*	*	*	*	*	*
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GREENBERGER O	*	*	*	*	*	*
HAGAN B	*	*	*	*	*	*
HAMBLING C	*	*	*	*	*	*
HARPER K	*	*	*	*	*	*
HEMSLEY D	*	*	*	*	*	*
HEYES N	*	*	*	*	*	*
HOCKING A	*	*	*	*	*	*
HOWARD V	*	*	*	*	*	*
HOWAT S	*	*	*	*	*	*
HOWELLS S	*	*	*	*	*	*
IBBOTT B	*	*	*	*	*	*
JONES C	*	*	*	*	*	*
JONES D	*	*	*	*	*	*
KENNEDY L	*	*	*	*	*	*
KENNEDY M	*	*	*	*	*	*
KNIGHT S	*	*	*	*	*	*
LANKSHEAR J	*	*	*	*	*	*
LEE C	*	*	*	*	*	*
LEEDS G	*	*	*	*	*	*
LEIGH J	*	*	*	*	*	*
LEMON G	*	*	*	*	*	*
LLOYD G	*	*	*	*	*	*
LORD P	*	*	*	*	*	*
McCLELLAN C	*	*	*	*	*	*
MacDOUGALL I	*	*	*	*	*	*
McGRATH J	*	*	*	*	*	*
MACKAY-SIM C	*	*	*	*	*	*
McADOO G	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKENZIE I	*	*	*	*	*	*
McKENZIE R&P	*	*	*	*	*	*
McMANUS D	*	*	*	*	*	*
McPHERSON T	*	*	*	*	*	*
MARTIN A	*	*	*	*	*	*
MARTIN Frank	*	*	*	*	*	*
MASON I	*	*	*	*	*	*
MATTHEWS S	*	*	*	*	*	*

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
MEEK D	*	*	*	*	*	*
MERCER P	*	*	*	*	*	*
MILES A	*	*	*	*	*	*
MILLARD A	*	*	*	*	*	*
MOLINE R	*	*	*	*	*	*
NOBLE C	*	*	*	*	*	*
O'BRIEN Eileen	*	*	*	*	*	*
PARSONS D	*	*	*	*	*	*
PATTERSON A	*	*	*	*	*	*
PEARCE J	*	*	*	*	*	*
PERROW H	*	*	*	*	*	*
PINDER S	*	*	*	*	*	*
POTTS M	*	*	*	*	*	*
PROCTER D	*	*	*	*	*	*
PROCTER M	*	*	*	*	*	*
PYC M	*	*	*	*	*	*
QUINN C	*	*	*	*	*	*
RANDALL J	*	*	*	*	*	*
RENDELL A	*	*	*	*	*	*
ROBERTSON S	*	*	*	*	*	*
RODDICK M	*	*	*	*	*	*
ROLFE G	*	*	*	*	*	*
ROULSTON S	*	*	*	*	*	*
RYAN WG	*	*	*	*	*	*
SCHULTZ J&P	*	*	*	*	*	*
SHAPIRO R	*	*	*	*	*	*
SIEGMAN B	*	*	*	*	*	*
SIMONS A	*	*	*	*	*	*
SKINNER R	*	*	*	*	*	*
SMITH J	*	*	*	*	*	*
STEINBERGER M	*	*	*	*	*	*
STOREY N	*	*	*	*	*	*
SYMONS B	*	*	*	*	*	*
TAYLOR R	*	*	*	*	*	*
TAYLOR S	*	*	*	*	*	*
THOMPSON I	*	*	*	*	*	*
TICKLE B	*	*	*	*	*	*
TOFONI B	*	*	*	*	*	*
WALTER A	*	*	*	*	*	*
WENHAM J	*	*	*	*	*	*
WILCOX C	*	*	*	*	*	*
WIMBUSH R	*	*	*	*	*	*
WOOD J	*	*	*	*	*	*
WOODFORD J	*	*	*	*	*	*

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**Half 'n Half**  
by  
**Timid Terrier**

**Prize:**



**Win!**

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One solution is not in *Chambers* or *Macquarie* but is a well-known article.

**Across**

- 1 Pulsate, shudder (7)
- 6 Fruit (6)
- 10 Traders (7)
- 12 Meetings (7)
- 14 Structure carrying a road over valley (7)
- 15 Permit (3)
- 16 Perfection (5)
- 17 Booty (4)
- 18 Architectural style (5)
- 19 In other respects (9)
- 23 Part of DNA sequence (4)
- 24 Mount (6)
- 27 Glow, sparkle (5)
- 28 Lymph gland (6)
- 31 An assistant (4)
- 33 Ordinary sailors (9)
- 35 Wild dog (5)
- 36 Spots (4)
- 37 Light beer (5)
- 40 Zero (3)
- 41 Hairstyle (7)
- 42 Out door (4-3)
- 44 More childish (7)
- 45 Coloured (6)
- 46 Scroungers (7)

**Down**

- 1 Illuminating coloured flare really delicate (4,5)
- 2 Slug begins oddly on wine glass (7)
- 3 Opening commercial by Italian (4)
- 4 Umbrella-shaped finial support (3)
- 5 Simpler drug starts off after surgery isolating excessive radiation (6)
- 6 Song, girl did not start (4)
- 7 Police sergeant to change book (7)
- 8 Praise about new Queen's water trough (7)
- 9 Island rats destroyed instrument (5)
- 11 First lady's poetic night (3)
- 13 Allow the Maori Royal Society dispatches (7)
- 20 Bird at river with broken leg (5)
- 21 Destruction week initially razes European country keeps (5)
- 22 Dance man's degree (5)
- 25 A row about boy's lamp (7)
- 26 Eastern arts ruse creates prizes (9)
- 29 Granny's canny cloth (7)
- 30 Love hero that is around Sunday (7)
- 32 One staff officer delayed quarantine (7)
- 34 Noble bird not new in charge (6)
- 35 Charge some blonde bitch (5)
- 38 Dedicated singer's elevation (4)
- 39 Hair product part of teenage launch (3)
- 40 Clumsy person in dinner dance (4)
- 43 Ape demolished food (3)

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**Semi-Cryptic**  
by  
*The Lady & the Scamp*



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**Across**

- 8 Time of port delay (3-3)
- 9 Lavish party (8)
- 10 Bird's cry, or very small (6)
- 11 Unproductive person (8)
- 13 Tiny (6-6)
- 17 and 18 Person keenly interested in Arts (7,7)
- 19 Minor car crash (6,6)
- 21 Support (8)
- 23 Informal outdoor meal (6)
- 24 Spotted sandpiper (8)
- 25 Travelling upper class (3,3)

- 2 Lash out about rising opposition to wedding songs (9)
- 3 Piquant dressing's lid – use care recycling! (5-5)
- 4 Ingratiating opportunists becoming prisoners? (11)
- 5 Old 7 resettled (4)
- 6 20 reformed fathers (5)
- 7 Mild oath has 5 agitated (4)
- 12 Self-employed truckie gets new arrangement in part of the Kimberleys (5-6)
- 14 Electroplates perhaps affected lives over 20 (10)
- 15 Flush, I head after PM (9)
- 16 Drop in value with one leaving trash (9)
- 20 Disrupted 6 ascents (5)
- 21 Disruptive online messages turned up in charts (4)
- 22 Draw northern urban area (4)

**Down**


- 1 Comedy buddies uplifted over small sign of approval (9)

**AUGUST 2015 CHALLENGES:**

This month we have another challenging set of puzzles and a Quiz for you expertly chosen by our eminently capable Puzzle Editor **Ian Williams**. Some of our favourite compilers include *Timid Terrier* and *Jesso*. In the Slot 2 puzzle we have a Semi-Cryptic by *The Lady & the Scamp* and the ever-popular AJ has been devised by *Penobscot*. We welcome back *InGrid* with another of her outstanding puzzles as the Slot 5 cryptic. In the Slot 6 spot we have a challenging cryptic puzzle designed by *Flowerman* titled *Animal, Vegetable or Mineral*. Our Quiz this month is headed *Sheer Stupidity* devised by our favourite *Fortuna 48*.

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

- Thank you for the C.O.T.M certificate. I was delighted to have won the award for June, and to have earned so many other nominations. The feedback from other members is very gratifying. Roger Douglas
- I wish to thank the Australian Crossword Club for the unexpectedly generous cheque I received as winner of June Slots 1-5. I had been quite excited to see myself named winner, but never expected such generosity. These crosswords give me great pleasure (except when I cannot solve them) and the efforts of the team are much appreciated. Norma Heyes
- I was surprised and delighted to receive my prize for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary puzzle. Many thanks for the effort expended by all those setters to provide us with such great enjoyment. Rob Milton

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<b>Cryptic</b> by <b>Jesso</b>


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**Across**

- 1 Notice dancing around English court — a descriptive term (9)
- 6 Writer investing note in Egyptian spirits (5)
- 9 Make quick approach (3-2)
- 10 Cry at function to announce a visit (5,4)
- 11 Hopelessness of the French boat crew (7)
- 12 Scot let out old Indians (7)
- 13 Enter brine-flat carelessly with embarrassing fellow (6,8)
- 18 Clive and George perhaps record the shipping list (6,8)
- 22 Etruscan king opens great building? Get out! (7)
- 24 Philosopher working for some soldiers (7)
- 26 Get Hilary dashing a helluva long way (5-4)
- 27 The writer went with one Middle East citizen (5)
- 28 Alternative weight for black comedy writer (5)
- 29 Turning up power on Irish lake in front of Galway (9)

**Down**

- 2 Jack colours quick turns (5)
- 3 Command set limits to sloth in Tennessee country sides (9)
- 4 Succeed with it in exchange about that girl (7)
- 5 Line from English question on a rocky hill (7)
- 6 Go down in joint with a pound (5)
- 7 Standard Old English raised to permit an instrument (9)
- 8 Most efficient stable reconstruction (6)
- 14 Unionist in Florida gets brilliant sort of scholarship (9)
- 15 German chap doesn't begin to make mistakes (3)
- 16 Taking off one German with a ring (9)
- 17 Edition indicating nothing is replaced by writing? (8)
- 19 Get rid of higher reorganisation (5-2)
- 20 Organised a poster in the grass (7)
- 21 Associated Press has two novices in glasses for deity (6)
- 23 Memo written up about Liberal man (5)
- 25 Alright, a Greek character and an animal (5)

**General Comments continued from p4:**

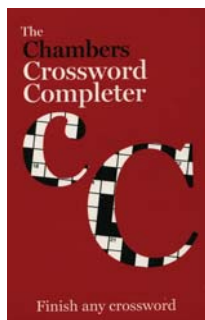
- I wish I had joined the Australian Crossword Club years ago! Claire Clark
- I must thank the Club for my prize of the Oxford *Thesaurus of English*. Sometimes, it happens, that you don't know you needed something until you received it! That applies here, so I am very grateful for being awarded the prize. What an amazing array of stamps it takes to parcel post a book – the whole top of the box was literally covered with stamps – a philatelist's delight! Frank Martin
- BTW, in 'Solvers' Comments' I was reported as having a broken arm. Fortunately, I do not, so somebody else is deserving of sympathy. What do I get for a broken brain? Eileen O'Brien
- Welcome to our newest compiler *Lexi Conner*. He set a puzzle at the right level for the majority, which is much appreciated. We are so lucky to have so many talented compilers. They were all good this month at different levels of difficulty. Well done! Carole Noble
- Absolutely delighted to find I'd won May Slot 7! Thank you so much for the lovely cheque. Anne Simons
- Christmas in June gathering at the Royal Oak even better this year particularly when Patrick handed me the June Slot 5 prize. Many thanks. Gary Lemon
- Great mentally testing puzzles as usual. Laurence Kennedy



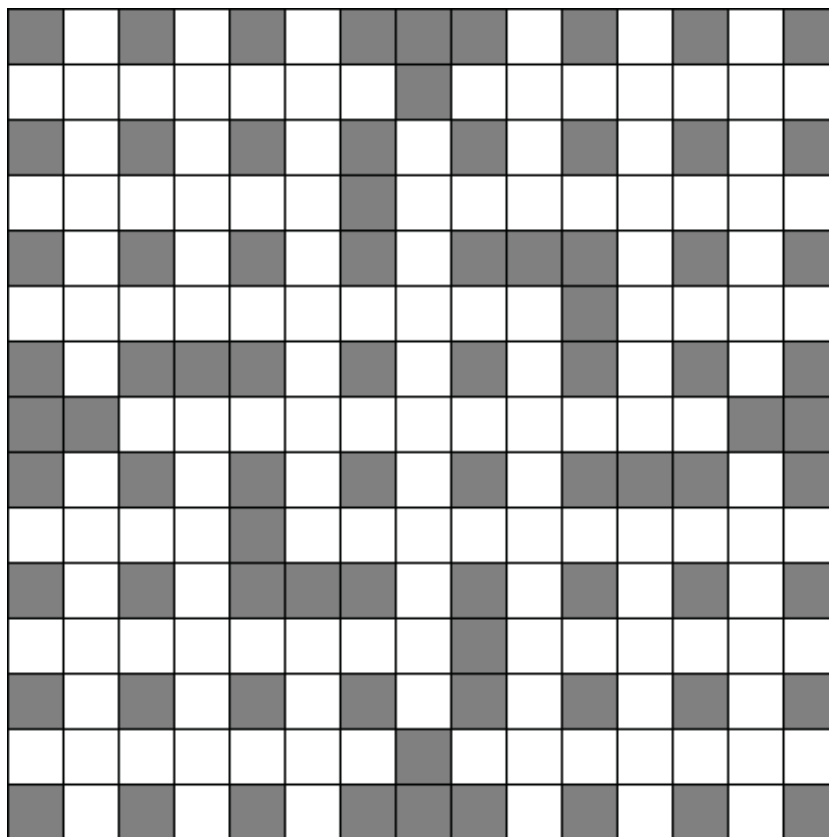
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**AJ**  
by  
**Penobscot**

**Prize:**



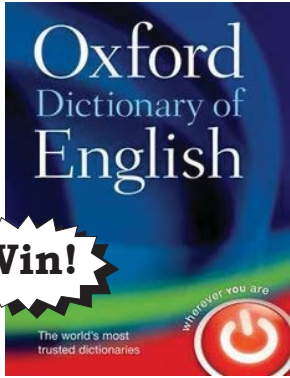
Solutions begin with the given letter. Place them in the grid jigsaw-wise, where they fit.



- A** Blimp dries fruit (7)
- B** To happen upon Fosters, say, socially acceptable for Greenheart (7)
- C** Dealer with candles for a start still a dealer (8)
- D** Upset underworld queen – and it shocked! (10)
- E** Sincere sounding chap of playful importance (6)
- F** Hair colouring needs communicated in the bog (6)
- G** Type of sugar, perhaps bestowed around US university, has no calories (10)
- H** Apostate present with a lot of credit (7)
- I** Impulse arising from stump that is rotten (7)
- J** Green ale brewed in tilted container after Edward left (7)
- K** Collective Israeli farm worker who defies encryption! (10)
- L** Praise singular matins follower (4)
- M** Aquatic bird to avoid after beef, we hear (6,4)
- N** Most miserly measurement in the home (7)
- O** Sort of order to change? Nope (4)
- P** Swinger with timely association (8)
- Q** We object after mum's death (7)
- R** Ringing with the others ringing a biblical defaulter (8)
- S** Sink the container to get the gossip (11)
- T** Disturbing book about currency (11)
- U** Customs kept in Chusan cesspits (7)
- V** Checks out the old soldiers (4)
- W** Changes we hear perhaps reduce the moisture (5,3)
- X** Old king. Back the king! And back sex too! (6)
- Y** Yard mac mended by association (1,1,1,1)
- Z** Zip to the Spanish fish (6)

## ACCOLADE development by Ian Williams

Members will be aware that the basis of ACCOLADE is the commercial package *Crossword Compiler*® and a suite of adjudication routines developed especially for the ACC by Roy Low. The development period was quite short but we decided to implement the system after the relatively brief trial period rather than keep you waiting for the results from extended tests. Your feedback on the initial trial was most helpful and we hope that you have seen improvements in the functionality of the application and its appearance. As we encounter different situations in relation to grids and the ingenuity of our members in finding different ways to submit their grids and information there will inevitably be times when the system does not work as smoothly as we would hope. Recent examples have been the solution-checking information contained in the acknowledgement e-mails for barred (Ximenean) grids, providing entries for solutions that carry over from one grid location to another and our provision of improved proof-reading facilities. These and other issues are being addressed. Please continue to provide feedback on any relevant issue, either via the comments facilities or an e-mail to me. We will do our very best to ensure that the results are correct each month but ask that you be patient while we correct any identified problems, which sometimes involve quite complicated coding buried in the commercial package.

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<h2 style="margin: 0;">Cryptic</h2> <p style="margin: 5px 0 0 20px;">by</p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">InGrid</h2>
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<div style="border: 2px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 10px; display: inline-block; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">Win!</div>

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Nine clues relate to a theme and are not otherwise defined.

**Across**

- 9 Female curse (7)
- 10 Spruced up before need lost (7)
- 11 Part your lover be named for? (7)
- 12 Tom perfect (7)
- 13 Type of biscuit makes pleasant feast (9)
- 15 Spicy unknown taken for love of dance (5)
- 16 Dope taken by her boyfriend initially (7)
- 19 Puts in again for difficult ordeals (7)
- 20 Historical personage with in-depth knowledge of the theme and financial institutions (5)
- 21 Base seldom short (9)
- 25 Kings, perhaps, creating dedication with the other hand (7)
- 26 Spray up and over (7)
- 28 Pursue broken down mare at test site (7)
- 29 The South wind direction is grim (7)

- 2 Rent turn turn turnaround dishonest (6)
- 3 Came over for association with 27! (4)
- 4 Causes a mess in part (6)
- 5 Magnificent elements of scan lost by reflection (8)
- 6 Lost help on that event (10)
- 7 Fashionable character on independent academy regalia (8)
- 8 To dine is creating issues (8)
- 14 They personally have mythical creatures following the lady (10)
- 16 Plumb oddly on hands and knees for binge (3-5)
- 17 Poet of the decade for city offspring (8)
- 18 Devil misplaced moneybag (8)
- 22 Gold primary processor having alternative numeration is a superseded machine (6)
- 23 A horse of another colour (6)
- 24 Contract minus directions (6)
- 27 Up market spice girl? (4)


**Down**

- 1 Civil service holds insect colony (6)

**What Confucius did not say:**

- Man who wants pretty nurse, must be patient
- Passionate kiss, like spider web, leads to undoing of fly
- Lady who goes camping must beware of evil intent.
- Man who leaps off cliff jumps to conclusion.
- Man who runs in front of car gets tired.
- Man who runs behind car gets exhausted.
- Man who eats many prunes get good run for money.
- War does not determine who is right, it determines who is left.
- Man who fight with wife all day get no piece at night.
- Man who drives like hell is bound to get there.
- Man who stands on toilet is high on pot.
- Man who live in glass house should change clothes in basement.
- Man who fish in other man's well often catch crabs.

Finally CONFUCIUS DID SAY:  
 "A lion will not cheat on his wife, but a Tiger Wood!"

A U G U S T   2 0 1 5   S L O T   6
<b>Animal, Vegetable or Mineral by Flowerman</b>


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Six clues lack a definition. One of these solutions is an animal (a cat), one a vegetable (a genus of ornamental flowering plants) and the third a mineral (a rock). The other three are names of volcanic mountains. A two-word term describing one of the elements of the title is hidden in the grid and can be obtained by selecting letters from the even-numbered rows of the grid. Advice regarding the method of selection of the letters should be sought in the clues. For one solution, only the adjectival form is presented in *Chambers* and *Macquarie*. To improve your chance at a prize, specify the hidden term below the grid or in your e-mail or comments if submitting via ACCOLADE.

**Across**

- 1 Bad gastro grips one reveller (7)
- 5 One church divided about Saint's remains (7)
- 10 Unfortunate entry by amateur forgetting lines (4)
- 11 Shots from rough commanding officer interrupting day-dreams? (10)
- 12 Trained workers judge our soldiers over desire to return (10)
- 13 Run into a wee legendary ship (4)
- 14 One employed in a search needing to be replaced after losing heart (6)
- 15 Park large vehicle in close (6)
- 17 Hope Bob's apprentice gets the table's centrepiece to draw (6)
- 19 Expert's capital puzzle (6)
- 22 Disregard note left in familiar area (4)
- 24 Original tribunal accepting claimant's first and second applications to reduce friction (10)
- 26 New pet cream is waxy stuff (10)
- 27 One needs guards initially to ring entrance (4)
- 28 Drew back when 7 surrounded (7)
- 29 Docked award recipient concealing income initially (7)

**Down**

- 2 Luggage bearer, once pressure's off, climbing with style (5)
- 3 Expression to reassure most people, but not Jack? (2,7)
- 4 Telcos finally give encouragement to operator (7)
- 6 Take steps to get salary paid earlier (7)
- 7 Excellent result after supreme commander welcomes king around (5)
- 8 Reckless slave is capturing no good controlling types (9)
- 9 Seafood not finished by troublemaker (5)
- 14 Shoot through after I said something astonishing (3-6)
- 16 Even avoid breathing at first to limit shaking (9)
- 18 Some detail I confirmed about organism (7)
- 20 Top two levels (7)
- 21 After tip-off homeless people get instruments (5)
- 23 Rear Admiral has a navy surrounding island (5)
- 25 Tippy by close (5)

**Post  
Solution  
to:**

**Ian Thompson**  
**1904 Malvern Road, Malvern East Vic 3145.**  
**email: irt\_botanist@hotmail.com**  
**Closing mail date: 11 September 2015.**



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**Explanations to July 2015 Grids.**

Note: *cd* = cryptic def., *dd* = double def., *rev* or *<* = reversal, *homophones* are written in quotes, *anagrams* as *anag* or *(--)\**, and *removals* as lower case, *hw* or *hidden* = hidden word. Explanations provided by individual compilers may vary from this format.

**Slot 1: Zinzan** (cryptic clues only) **Across: 10** kRILL, **13** anag, **25** cryptic anag, **38** hidden, **42** hidden, **46** wEDGE. **Down: 3** hidden, **7** RUIng, **9** (OUTER SPACE - cats)\*, **20** vAGUE, **23** SE + TIN, **31** LE + A DON, **33** IN + heads giving R O A D.

**Slot 2: Lexi Conner.** **Across: 1** CALL + SUP, **5** anag, **9** EX + COMMUNICATION, **10** wInNiNgS, **11** dd, **12** (BOOKcasE)\*, **15** TEST + IF + Y, **16** anag, **17** S [wOMEN] HOW, **19** CAP + SIZE, **21** gRINDs, **22** LoIsBoYlAn, **23** hidden -ed do-, **26** (TEN IN CHARGE + ABLE)\*, **27** "cereals", **28** dd. **Down: 1** CHEMISeT, **2** (LESSON)\* around teaCH + MONSTER, **3** hidden, **4** (PURpoRtEDIY)\*, **5** T (jeWel) INKLE, **6** RAJA<, **7** (FIT)\* around LIBBER + GIBBET, **8** CONV(o)EYS, **13** SIGH + T, **14** ADO + PT, **17** ST (RAIN) S, **18** homoph, **19** (MYCENAEAN - AM)\*, **20** hidden, **24** dd, **25** homoph.

**Slot 3: Manveru.** **Across: 1** EX+PRESSES, **6** W(IR)ED, **9** THERE/THEIR, **10** dd, **11** (HEROIN and BUGS)\*, **12** C+H+O+U, **14** STAT(U)E+S, **15** S(E) (SUDAN)\*, **17** dd, **19** P+LAYERS, **20** rehEARSaI, **22** Play on OP POSITION, **25** (FINE+N+CLUE)\*, **26** I(MAG)E, **27** hidden, **28** RU+S(Returning)

+ sounds like PRIZES. **Down: 1** hidden, **2** P (CRIED)\* ATE, **3** QUA(C)KE after EARTH, **4** dd, **5** dd, **6** W+AGE, **7** p(REACH), **8** (IS+USES+G+ID)\*, **13** (AIRMAIL)\* on UN and F (fighter plane), **14** SEC(RE)TION, **16** (EMANCIPATORS minus P + TO)\*, **18** DE+PEN+D.S., **19** (I+OPEN + ER)\* (&lit), **21** palindrome, **23** Sounds like KNEADS, **24** c(RUSH).

**Slot 4: KA:** **A** itAL (BAN) IAnS, **B** BAR (CUBE)\* E, **C** C (ERE) AL, **D** D (MACE)\* **E** ELECT + ED **F** FLOAT + ER, **G** hidden, **H** HORSES + HOERS, **I** kIN + TEND, **J** JETT ( I + SON) ING, **K** KNIT + WEAR, **L** LAST + SUP + PER **M** anag, **N** SIT I (RUE) N)<, **O** O (GARLIC)\* H, **P** POI + SON, **Q** QU ON + DAM, **R** ER< + IN + SIN, **S** SEP + SIS. **T** dd, **U** dd, **V** VI (BI) CES. **W** WAR + BLE, **X** REX< + (TOES)\*, **Y** YAW (N) ING, **Z** Z + IN + C.

**Slot 5: Crowsman.** **Across: 8** anag, **9** VIOLA + TED, **10** anag, **11** anag, **13** anag of SO LAX with LOT inside, **14** TEASE + T, **16** anag, **17** F + LUSTER, **20** hidden, **23** pun - HAS SLING, **26** FRiEnd + CITE>, **27** SAViOUR, **28** CON cEALS (G for C), **29** fALTERS. **Down: 1** CASSIus + A, **2** anag, **3** STAR + TOFF, **4** pun - NIX ON, **5** DD, **6** S + TRAYS, **7** anag, **12** anag, **15** OFFALy, **16** anag, **18** anag, **19** TAIL (OR) ED, **21** anag, **22** NEED I ED, **24** GARNISH, **25** SILL + Y.

**Errata and Corrigenda**

Len Colgan gained dots for slots 1 and 2 and 4 and 5 in June. Karl Audrins gained a dot for slot 7 in May.

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**Crossmas Cruciverbal 2015**

It was another successful occasion for the **Christmas in June Cruciverbal** held at the Royal Oak Hotel on 28 June 2015.

An impressive number of 31 keen crossworders attended including David Procter, David Grainger, Alison Shield, Alison Martin, Mike Potts, Valerie Howard, Gillian Champion, Robyn Caine, Gary Lemon, Judy Woodford, John Baylis, Ian Mason, Claire McClelland, Julie Crowe, Jill Lankshear and George Rolfe from Vic. From interstate we were delighted to welcome Joan Smith (*Timid Terrier*) from Sydney and Rob Moline from Perth WA. The food and wine were enjoyed by all and there was a neat little puzzle devised by *stroz* to divert and entertain and Len Colgan (*Crowsman*) kindly presented us with an original and challenging puzzle called *Alphabeticals*. Congrats to those members who won the impressive reference books supplied by the ACC including the *Chambers Dictionary* 13th edn.

Here are some welcome emails. From Ian Mason: "Congratulations for another splendid ACC 'Christmas'; June and I thoroughly enjoyed the occasion, and were delighted by the friendly atmosphere surrounding our table. Last year, my first, I felt a little out of things, but this year, the table was a board of conviviality, the food was generous almost to a fault, and the puzzles engaging. To have been given - I find it difficult to say 'won' - Astle's book *Cluetopia* was an added bonus. Thank you very much for all your efforts not just for today, but for brightening each and every month of the year for me and all the other ACC members as well. I can only hope you get some small amount of pleasure yourself for the volumes of it that you bestow on others." And from Joan Smith (*Timid Terrier*): "Many thanks to you for the lovely lunch you organised last Sunday and the nice welcome you gave me. (I told my children I felt like a celebrity.) I had a wonderful time and will definitely make the effort to come again next year. It was so nice to put faces to people." And Robyn Caine: Thank-you for the very enjoyable Christmas in July at the *Royal Oak*. The quiz and crossword both provided great fun and entertainment, the food was delicious, and as usual it was good to catch up with other members of the Club. Also a very big thank-you for the lovely sterling silver set, which I shall treasure." And George Rolfe: "Many thanks for today's lunch gathering. Along with everyone else I had a most enjoyable time. Roll on 2016."

—Patrick Street

**Quiz No 8/2015: Sheer Stupidity by Fortuna 48**

All answers have same meaning, and are not defined. They are in alphabetical order. Send your solutions to Nea Storey, 10 Whiteman Street, Wanniaassa, ACT 2903. Fax: 02 6231 0820. Email: [neachy2@netspeed.com.au](mailto:neachy2@netspeed.com.au). Closing date 11 September 2015. \$75 prize.

- 1 A steamship (3)
- 2 Show disapproval to female principal (8)
- 3 Certain pickle without a ... (6)
- 4 Herb - or pickle (4)
- 5 Bird (6)
- 6 Irish 12 (5)
- 7 Return sponge without interjection (4)
- 8 Australian bird (5)
- 9 Cartoon dog, not unknown (4)
- 10 Crazy flaw in big success (7)
- 11 Robin Nic Tate! (8)
- 12 Amin to reverse (5)
- 13 Laughing bird (7)
- 14 All right, coming and going (4)
- 15 Self-destructive animal (7)
- 16 Diving bird (4)
- 17 ..... As Anything (6)
- 18 River found in satellite (5)
- 19 Before-deck, non-commissioned officer replaces first zero with one (10)
- 20 1.44 bits of knowledge (6)
- 21 Eg cashew (3)
- 22 Old Anglo-French (3)
- 23 One surrounded by approval (3)
- 24 Fall Guy (5)
- 25 French sucker on 1st April (7,1'5)
- 26 Singular (5)
- 27 Character in *Wind in the Willows* (5)
- 28 Sick in outskirts of Sydney (5)
- 29 Easy century (9)
- 30 Thumb 7 (7)
- 31 Reallocate pew, right? (5)
- 32 Cher deserts bird-watcher (4)
- 33 Where is he? (5)
- 34 Old rhyming slang for a carrier (7)
- 35 American toy (2-2)

## July 1-2015: A Bit of Everything by Zinzan (Andrew Patterson)

- 40ac: Asian river favoured by cruciverbalists = IN+D+US. If 'favoured by' = IN, and 'cruciverbalists' = US, what does D represent here? Should insert 'a number of'. 20dn: 'a shivering condition' = AGUE. It possibly seems that 'not very hard' = V+AGUE-V = AGUE. VAGUE is not a synonym for 'hard'. Hazy would be preferable. 23ac: 'established as Victorian metal? (3,2)' = SET IN. Presumably SE = Victorian and TIN = metal.  
*Alan Walter*
- This certainly was a bit of everything with some great clues.  
*Brian Tickle*
- Fun start! We need another term for 'normal clues that may not be exactly that'. Cryptal? Normish? Boggler? Work in progress.  
*Michael Kennedy*
- Great mix of cryptic and non-cryptic clues. Zinzan certainly gets a hand for this puzzle!  
*Claire Clark*
- This was a very enjoyable puzzle with its fruit salad of clues.  
*Barbara Ibbott*
- Very apt title!  
*Kath Harper*
- This certainly was "a bit of everything"; hands and homophones; pop groups and place names and even a cannibal biting Iranians!  
*Susan Howells*
- ZINZANY!  
*Brian Symons*
- This, this, this and here, here, here! 34ac USE - please explain, 20dn - AGUE please explain.  
*Graeme Cole*
- Slot 1 seems to be the most testing lately - perhaps off-putting for the solvers just getting started?  
*Bob Hagan*

## July 2-2015: Cryptic by Lexi Conner (Ron Shapiro)

- Would appreciate the full explanation of the secondary indicators for 1dn CHEMIST and 2dn LOCH NESS MONSTER. 5dn: clever clue for T+W+INKLE. 6dn: A+JAR cleverly omits reference to A. Should have 'an' prior to 'Indian ruler' backtracked. 11ac: 'makes out' = 'engages in lovemaking' (Chambers) = NECKS.  
*Alan Walter*
- The new setter Ron Shapiro [Lexi Conner] is a fantastic addition to our clever setters.  
*Bev Cockburn*, and a sentiment echoed by many others.
- Fantastic; very entertaining. Loved the scary bears.  
*Rob Moline*
- This was a very satisfying puzzle with the answers all common everyday words and lots of ingenious clues.  
*John Baylis*

## July 3-2015: Cryptic by Manveru (Michael Kennedy)

- 4dn: Tutors bass, in the main = SCHOOLS = fish in the sea (wordplay). 19dn: 'I open new elevated area ignoring borders! (7)'. Appears to give an anagram of I+OPEN+ER = PIONEER which seems to imply that the clue is an 'and lit' definition!? Overall a pleasant puzzle, thanks Manveru.  
*Alan Walter*
- Lots of clever clues. I especially liked clues to 'squares' and 'needs'.  
*Ulla Axelsen*
- I enjoyed this puzzle. Manveru always has a neat turn of phrase.  
*Nea Storey*
- Difficult but fair.  
*Joan Smith*
- There is always one puzzle that keeps me going until the end. Michael, it was your turn this month.  
*Alan Dyer*

## July 4-2015: AJ by KA (Karl Audrins)

- Thanks KA for an enjoyable AJ. Originally put SEPTIC for the S clue answer but needing a relative changed this for SEPSIS. The V clue was hardest to determine, VI+BI+CES. The N clue wordplay took a while to analyse N+EUR+ITIS where RUE = herb and SIT IN = demonstration.  
*Alan Walter*
- A nicely balanced AJ requiring a bit of research, which I like. I am delighted to be introduced to VIBICES.  
*Ian Thompson*
- Interesting that the answers fit in A; B; C; D; E; F; G; and H. Julie Crowe and a number of other sharp-eyed solvers Perfect again.  
*Dale McManus*
- The spell-checkers didn't like a number of these answers -

UTES, VIBICES and XEROTES. It just goes to show how limited their vocabularies are!  
*Susan Howells*

## July 5-2015: Cryptic by Crowsman (Len Colgan)

- What a brilliantly challenging puzzle. Top marks thanks Len. In solving 11ac \_O\_E\_A\_ I first thought that 99(8) indicated CODENAME (in the TV series *Get Smart*). Then I noticed the answer above this had to be VIOLA+TED. It took some time to click that VIOLATED VIOLATED gave the anagram DOVETAIL. Having noticed this gave the hint that all double numbers indicated anagrams of a specified clue number answer! When only one number [was] supplied, this required an anagram of the remaining letters. 4dn: 'Naked president? (4)' = NIXON was a clever and humorous clue. 14ac: TEA SET = China. Thesaurus entry equates TEA SET to cabaret, entertainment, floorshow or stagemusical which can be RAGTIME. 29ac: First took 'force'=g, deleted from INFLAGS = INFLAS scrambled to give FINALS which was not correct. Force = F is to be deleted from F+ALTERS (flags) leaving ALTERS as the correct answer.  
*Alan Walter*
- Crowsman's usual witty clues sprinkled with interesting anagram pairs - and TEASET for COTM!  
*Max Roddick*
- The Prof up to his usual standards - Crows for the wooden spoon!  
*Raoul*
- Len's Slot 5 was a most impressive puzzle with a new twist.  
*Bob Hagan*
- A brilliant crossword; with all the cross-referenced anagrams!  
*Nea Storey*
- I love a puzzle that turns on itself.  
*Michael Potts*
- Oh, this was fun! The number clues were a great idea!  
*Caroline Mackay-Sim*
- A brilliant idea; a brilliant grid; but once you see the trick all the anagrams make it fairly easy.  
*Rob Moline*

## LEXOPHILE

"Lexophile" is a word used to describe those that have a love for words, such as "you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish", or "to write with a broken pencil is pointless." A competition to see who can come up with the best lexophiles is held every year in an undisclosed location. This year's winning submission is posted at the very end.

- When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
- A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.
- The batteries were given out free of charge.
- A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- A will is a dead giveaway.
- With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- When you've seen one shopping center you've seen a mall.
- Police were summoned to a daycare center where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off? He's all right now.
- A bicycle can't stand alone; it's just two tired.
- When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.
- The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recovered.
- He had a photographic memory which was never developed.
- When she saw her first strands of grey hair she thought she'd dye.
- Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it.

And the cream of the twisted crop:

- Those who get too big for their pants will be totally exposed in the end.

Always laugh when you can ... it's cheap medicine.

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Send solution to: Ian Thompson

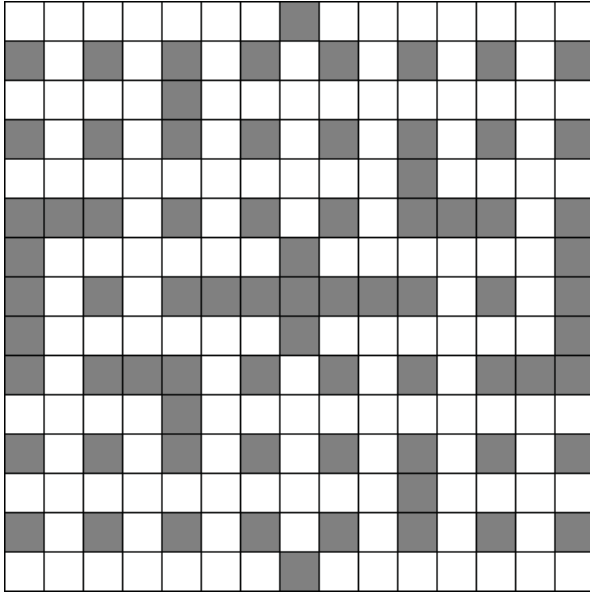
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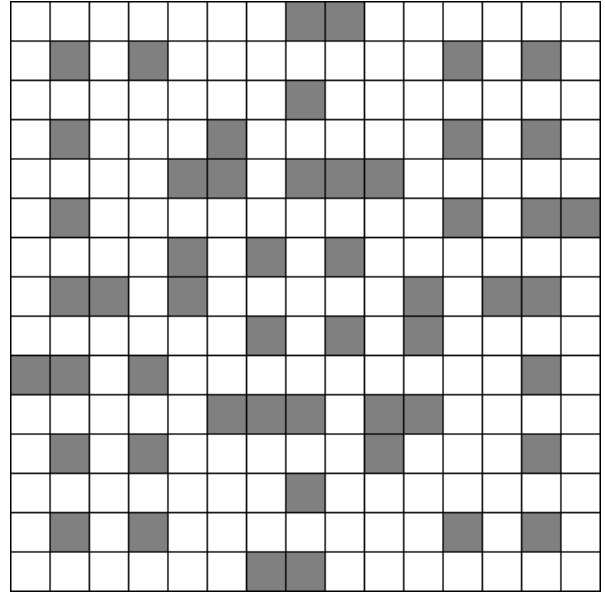
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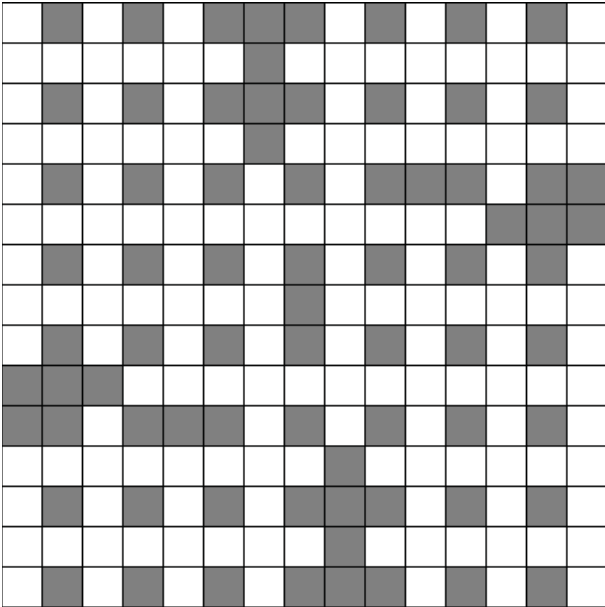


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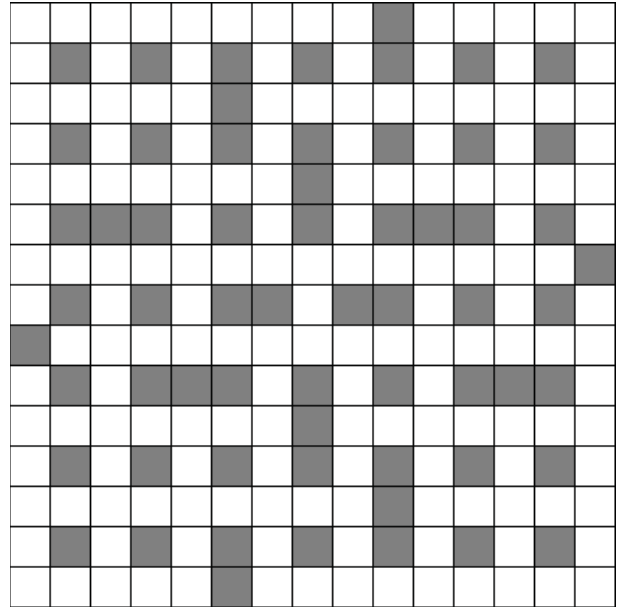


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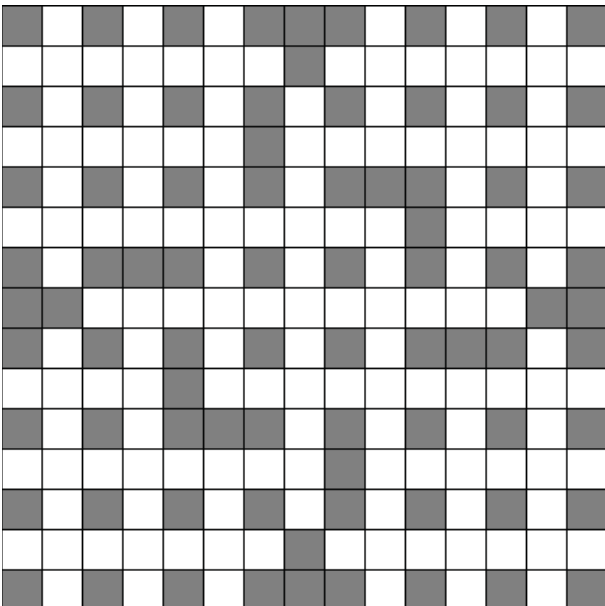
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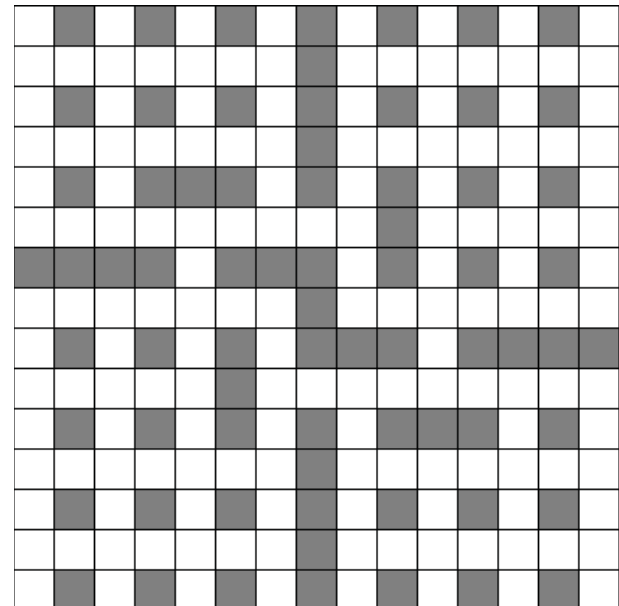
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**June 6-2015: Cryptic by Crowsman (Len Colgan)**

**Results: Entries: 84; Correct: 76. Success Rate: 90.5%.**

**Winner: Iain MacDougall. Congratulations!**

**Adjudicator's comments:** A pleasing number of entries for this Slot 6. Most errors seem to be typos, with BARON MUNCHAUSEN being the leading culprit. Several members commented favourably on the many long answers.

—(Crowsman) Len Colgan

**Explanations: Across:** 1 BATHE + TIC; 5 BAR + BED; 10 SUR(RENDER)CHARGE; 11 (EVIL + O)<; 12 SIGH + (s) TINGS; 13 COINS with i moved to start; 14 R(I)OTS + QUAD; 16 GUIL(LEMO(n))T; 18 SACK + S; 19 M(MOLE<)ANIC; 20 G + RAIL; 21 SUR(REP(e)TITIOUS)LY; 22 COY + TOE\*; 23 AS + SIGNOR(i); **Down:** 1 BEST + OWING; 2 TERRITOR(I + ALARM)Y; 3 anag; 4 IN(DISC + RIM + I)NATE; 6 ACH(A + T)ES; 7 BAR + ON + MUNCH + A(USE)N; 8 D(u)RESS; 9 PROGNO(TACIT<)ES; 15 DIS(c) PLAYER; 17 LAM + BENT; 18 (IRON + GIS)<; 19 SUM< + IC.

**Other Solvers' comments:**

- What a stupendously challenging puzzle to solve. I could only initially solve three clues. The rest of your puzzle took much reflection to solve completely. Much liked BARON MUNCHAUSEN, SUM< + IC, PROGNO + TACIT< + ES, DIS(c) PLAYER, D(u)RESS, (IRON + GIS)<, (EVIL + O)<, M(MOLE<)ANIC. What a splendid festivity of deceptive clues!  
*Alan Walter*

- Enjoyed this as always. COTM at least twice, but not possible for a Slot 6. Great clues all round, but particularly liked 1dn BESTOWING and 15dn DISPLAYER. *Merv Collins*

- Thanks for another wonderful challenge. Especially liked BESTOWING and DISPLAYER. *Brian Symons*

- Thanks for the puzzle: I liked 13ac ICONS. *Tony Dobe*
- I've learned so much from this puzzle. I can't fault it, but I did find it a challenge. *Carole Noble*

- A challenging but eventually satisfying tussle this month thank you!  
*Pat Garner*

- Some mental gymnastics to keep our brains fit! Loved BESTOWING. *Max Roddick*

- As usual, straightforward solutions that hardly need the aid of the dictionary, although some are hard to work back e.g. 13ac ICONS, 18ac "waste has small containers", 4dn "innate" (adj.) for "native" as part of INDISCRIMINATE (new to me for "wholesale"). 19ac mole (skin blemish) held things up. Thought it had to be acne. I liked 12ac SIGHTINGS, 14ac RIOT SQUAD, 16ac "lemo" in GUILLEMOT, 15dn DISPLAYER, 19dn "score over" for mus (sum). *Tony de Gry*

- Some great clues for those 14- and 15-letter solutions but my favourites were 1dn BESTOWING and 15dn DISPLAYER. *Brian Tickle*

- A typically solid puzzle from Crowsman. My favourite clues were BESTOWING and COINS. *Ian Thompson*

- Struggled a bit; off the wavelength; though LHS went in easily enough. Except DISPLAYER where I had CLOSE for "probably" and "discloser" for the solution till finally SURREPTITIOUSLY had to be. Liked BARBED, OLIVE, LAMBENT with their short smooth clues. *Rob Moline*

- An enjoyable puzzle with some very sneaky wordplays and definitions. Shouldn't lawyers have an apostrophe? (No, it is fine. LC) *George Rolfe*

- Crowsman puzzles are always a pleasing mix of unfamiliar words and new ways of looking at familiar ones. *Kath Harper*
- Lots of good clues; and some interesting words!  
*Julie Crowe*

- Love our Crowsman as always... my personal favourites SIGNORI and DISPLAYER. *Dale McManus*

- Thank you for another of your outstanding puzzles. Although I must admit I do not fully trust you and am always looking for a Nina or some twist. (Very wise! LC)

*Doreen Jones*

- Loved the GUILLEMOT clue. *Marian Procter*

- Another excellent puzzle. Particularly liked both BESTOWING and DISPLAYER. *Gillian Champion*

- Certainly a vocabulary expanding experience! I also had to work hard to solve the long answers – but I very much enjoyed the challenge. *Jeremy Barnes*

- Classic Crowsman – challenging, fun and fair.

*Jenny Wenham*

- A great puzzle! I find the 15-letter answers a real challenge, and get a lot of satisfaction when I eventually solve them.

*Peter Dearie*

- As usual, a plethora of beautifully constructed clues from Crowsman. I particularly liked 19dn MUSIC and the image evoked by the surface of 22ac COYOTE. *Susan Howells*

- SURREPTITIOUSLY, BESTOWING, TERRITORIAL ARMY, PROGNOSTICATES would all qualify for COTM if in an earlier Slot – brilliant puzzle!  
*Michael Potts*

## Results of Quiz No 6/2015: "F" words and "I" words by Brian Symons

**Answers:**

1 Iambus/Iambic; 2 Irish; 3 Eyelet; 4 Effrontery; 5 Iron; 6 Ephod; 7 Effigy; 8 Ibis/Eyas; 9 Eident; 10 Ephemeral; 11 Aye-Aye; 12 Idea; 13 Eyeshadow; 14 Effloresce; 15 Icons; 16 Ayah; 17 Icebreaker; 18 Eidetic; 19 Eft; 20 Iritis.

**Adjudicator's comments**

Many thanks to all members who entered and for their cards and comments. 18 saw the point of the exercise but two made spelling mistakes. Of the rest of the entries, some marks were awarded for alternate exact definitions of correct word length. As usual clever members came up with an unexpected correct answer, eyas. —Brian Symons

**Entries 34; correct 16. Winner: Barbara Glissan. Congratulations!**

20: U Axelsen, R Caine, B Cockburn, P Dearie, P Garner, B Glissan, K Harper, S Howells, D Jones, G Leeds, J Leigh, P Lord, A Miles, C Noble, I Thompson and A Walter. 19: G Cole, B Hagan, D Grainger, H Perrow and J Wenham. 18.5: K Audrins, J Evans, D Procter and A Simons. 18: F Martin, D Meek, M Potts, M Procter and N Storey. 17.5: C McClelland. 16.5: A Martin. 16: B Siegman. 14.5: S Pinder.

**Member's comments**

- I much prefer these quizzes to the google types.

*Bob Hagan*

- Great fun, Not a pushover by any means. *Peter Dearie*
- Eye loved this quiz but aye had an effort understanding the idea at first. *Carole Noble*

- Thanks for the challenge. *Robyn Caine*

- Thanks for a fun quiz — an effervescent and efficacious idea. *Ulla Axelsen*

- Thanks for a very excellent quiz. *Doreen Jones*

- A challenging and great idea. It was nice to search Chambers for the less obvious words. *Pat Garner*

- I had to bash the dictionary into submission. *Pat Lord*

- Thanks for an absolutely brilliant quiz. *Julie Leigh*