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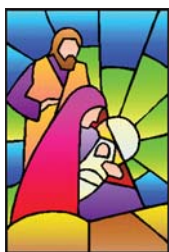


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If your words are not pleasing, hold in half of them.
Proverbial (Chinese)

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The year 2007 has been another successful one for the Australian Crossword Club. We have increased our level of membership to a record high, continued to host and manage our website and Forum and we furnished you with Australia's best crossword puzzles and quizzes. Thanks to the healthy renewal of subs and the generosity of member donations we will ensure that the ACC is the best place for challenging crosswords & quizzes in 2008.

We sincerely thank those who have adjudicated in the past six months: Ian and Kay Williams, Bev Cockburn, Doug Butler, Doreen Jones, Audrey Austin, Andrew Patterson, Brian Symons, Pat Garner, Roy Wilson, Catherine Hambling, Jean Barbour, Jenny Wenham, Joan Smith, Ann Jermy, Jack Stocks, Steve Trollope, Max Roddick, Stephen Clarke, Margaret Steinberger and Gillian Champion. A special thank you to the wonderful compilers and quizsetters who strive so hard to meet the high standards set by the Club.

We specially mention our hard-working Secretary Bev Cockburn who has made a huge contribution to the success of the Club and in 2007 took on the additional workload as Treasurer. Our sincere thanks to Ian Williams for his sterling work as the Club's Puzzle/Quiz submission master and to Patrick Street for his valued assistance in formatting and publishing *Crozworld* each month.

You will enjoy the puzzles selected by Ian this month. It's a bumper issue to the start off the New Year in a grand style. And we publish the prize schedule for 2008. Finally, the Executive Committee of the ACC extends to all members and their families the Peace and Joy of Christmas and prosperity and success in the New year. Happy Crozworlding!

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Firstly, many, many members wish to express Season Greetings in their cards and letters to all the other members. One thing that occurred to me during adjudication was the number of prizes that are awarded each month. It's really worth getting as many entries in as possible as one's name is sure to come up in good time. A number of people said they had to get entries in before a shortened deadline. Don't forget that e-mail takes only a minute to arrive, so any late solutions can be sent after snail-mail has arrived. Even just listing the words is okay - a grid isn't necessary. Also, please send an e-mail for any queries about clues and/or lost dots that are not explained here.

Slot 1: Audrey's Thematic didn't create too much work for the adjudicator as the sports theme was familiar to most. There was a THREAT, a THREAA, a REJIG and a SSART but that was it.

Slot 2: Of all the errors in this slot, only one was a sensible word. The others were spaces and transcription errors. Things like PLOISTI, AGGUS, REPACHAGE, LASNGNE, IIA all could have been avoided methinks. Still, the anagram heavy puzzle was something nicely different. I enjoyed it myself (i.e. before I received the solutions).

Slot 3: *Southern Cross* cryptics are always well-received and usually don't draw controversy as there isn't much to quibble about. The very few errors this month bear this out. SHEET IN, SLALAGMITE and GREAT SELL were all the membership could muster.

Slot 4: A number of people enjoyed this variation of the AJ. I've tried to create such a beast myself but went a little nutty in the process. So to get one done is a victory for *midships* in itself. The big problem was EPINOTUM. Many entries plumped for EPITONUM. We (adjudicator/setter) presume most solvers knew it to be an anagram. As it wasn't in the standard references and was pretty obscure, and it is Christmas time, we've decided that I'll luckily not notice EPITONUM and let it through. But don't tell anyone, okay? Those with HAJJ are not so lucky, nor the other errors.

Slot 5: One problem with adjudicating one's own puzzles is that one's heart sinks a little with each incorrect entry. The main source of heartache was GLUM, and so I was. I had many PLUMs (my previous source of heartache) and CLEMs plus some others. The tree is GUM, Lambert is L, cutting GUM to give GLUM (down). A couple of FEMURs arrived with some other variations on answers. Some questioned TOGO - think of 'to go' as 'that remaining', rather than 'depart'.

COTM: There were nominations in all slots which is always a good sign. Of the 53 nominations, a good number came for THICK AS TWO SHORT PLANKS, MEMBERS ONLY (slot 3), CENTREFOLD and FORM (slot 5). A few more for PLACE-GETTER (slot 5). However, the runaway winner this month, with 11.5 votes, was *zinzan's* ASTERISKS (slot 5).
—(zinzan) Andrew Patterson

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	88	90	88	76	72	414
Correct entries	84	71	83	57	41	336
Success rate (%)	95.5	78.9	94.3	75.0	56.9	81.2
Prizewinners	M Collins B Siegman	A Barrett L Carroll	T McPherson D Procter	B Bennett	A Miles A Ryan	from 90 members

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Dec 1-2007

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Dec 3-2007

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Dec 5-2007

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MEMBERS RESULTS FOR NOV & DEC 2007 & NOV Slot 7

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AUSTIN A	HARPER K	PROCTER M
BALNAVES J	HAZELL N	PYC M
BANKS M	HEAGNEY R	RANDALL J
BARBOUR J	HEATH P	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	RAW M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BARRETT A	HEMSLEY D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	RENDELL A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BENNETT B	HOCKING A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	RODDICK M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
BENNETT D	HOWARD L	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	RYAN A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
CAINE R	HOWARD V	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SAVANAH T	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
CALLAN A&D	HOWELLS S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SEALE E	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
CAMPBELL G	IBBOTT B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SHIELD A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
CARROLL L	JENKINS J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SIEGMAN B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COATES D	JERMY A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SMITH J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COCKBURN B	JESSOP N	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SOLOMON B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COLE G	JONES C	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	STANDARD J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COLLINS M	JONES D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	STEINBERGER M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COOKE L	KENNEDY D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	STOCKS J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COPLAND F	KENNEDY M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	STOREY N	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
COWAN M	KNIGHT S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SYMONS B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
CROMER H	LEEDS G	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	TAYLOR R	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
DAVIS M	LLOYD D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	TAYLOR S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
DEARIE P	McCLELLAND C	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	TOFONI B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
DENNIS M	McGRATH J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	VERESS M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
DINHAM V	McKENZIE I	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	VILLIERS W	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
DUCKER R	McKINDLAY Y	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WAITES L	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
EGGLETON B	McPHERSON T	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WALTER A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
FOSTER C	MAY S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WATSON R	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
FOWLER J	MEEK D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WATT K	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
FREELAND J	MERCER P	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WENHAM J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
FULLER D	MILES A	WILCOX C
GALBREATH M	NOBLE C	WILLIAMS I&K
GARNER P	O'BRIEN E	WILSON N
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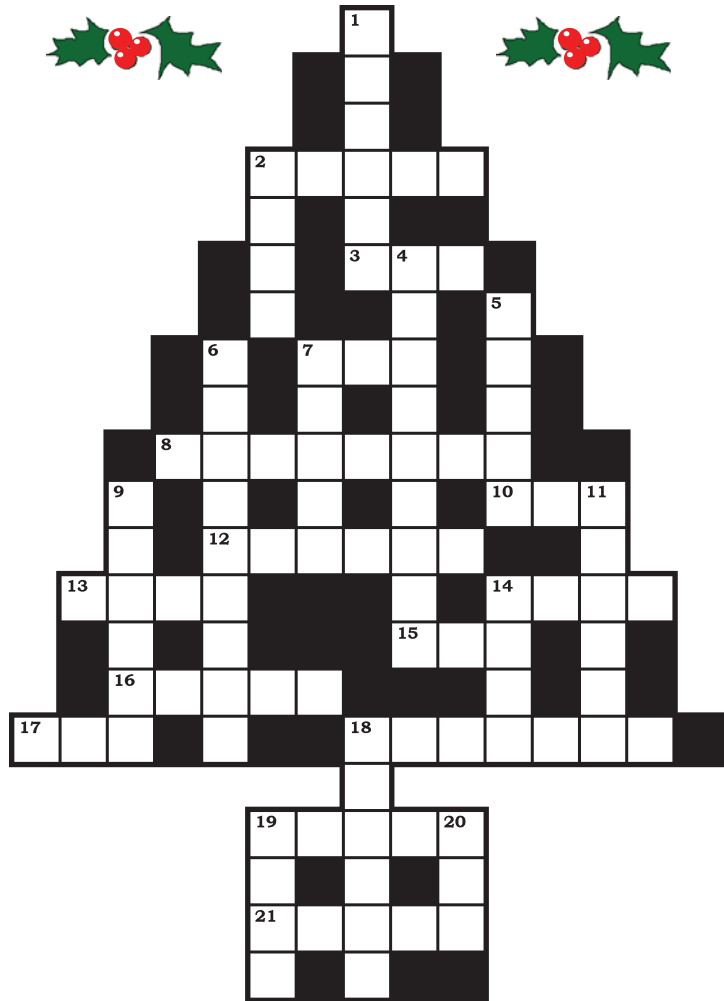
**Christmas
Cheer
by
Stroz**

Prizes: \$50



Win!

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Across

- 2 The best part of anything (5)
- 3 A general name for beer (3)
- 7 A drink of eggs and hot beer (3)
- 8 W Indian drink of diluted and sweetened wine (8)
- 10 Liquor distilled from fermented molasses (3)
- 12 Sweet spiced hot milk curdled with ale or beer (6)
- 13 Spanish sparkling white wine (4)
- 14 English beer brewer (4)
- 15 A type of whisky (3)
- 16 An iced mixed drink usually containing alcohol (5)
- 17 A beverage made by steeping tea leaves in water (3)
- 18 An alcoholic beverage that is distilled rather than fermented (7)
- 19 A strong very dark heavy-bodied ale (5)
- 21 A beverage like chocolate (5)

Down

- 1 Gin made in the Netherlands (6)
- 2 A carbonated soft drink (4)
- 4 A light ale traditionally matured for up to six months (5,4)
- 5 A beverage made from juice pressed from apples (5)
- 6 A white sparkling wine (9)
- 7 Wine and hot water with sugar and lemon juice and nutmeg (5)
- 9 Italian brandy made from residue of grapes after pressing (6)
- 11 A rich spicy wine (6)
- 14 The generic name of malt liquor (4)
- 18 Whiskey distilled in Scotland (6)
- 19 Light dry strong white wine from Spain (4)
- 20 A beverage made by steeping leaves in water (3)

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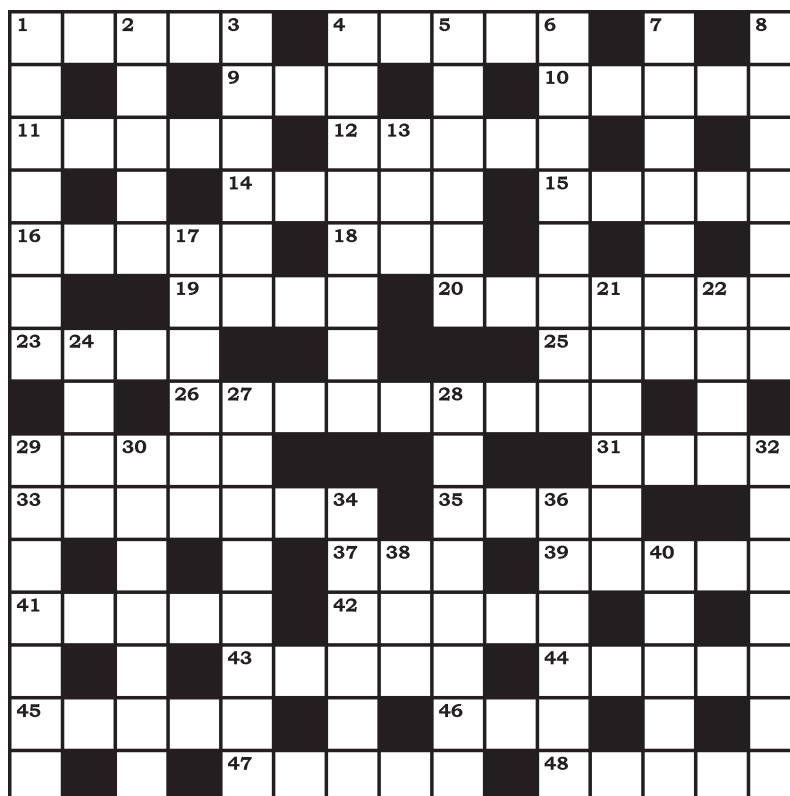
Closing mail date: Friday 8 February 2008.

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Half & Half by Jesso



Across

- 1 Long (5)
- 4 Dewlaps (5)
- 9 Flying saucer (3)
- 10 Middle East national (5)
- 11 River nymph (5)
- 12 Yoga master (5)
- 14 Crystal-lined cavity (5)
- 15 Apple liquor (5)
- 16 Fireplace (5)
- 18 Species of Aralia (3)
- 19 Poems (4)
- 20 Approaching (7)
- 23 Showy trinket (4)
- 25 Jots (5)
- 26 Old man (9)
- 29 Sticky (5)
- 31 Gaelic (4)
- 33 Translates (7)
- 35 Facial feature (4)
- 37 Greek letter (3)
- 39 Fine streak (5)
- 41 Later (5)
- 42 Backs of necks (5)
- 43 Excuse for failure (coll.) (5)
- 44 Single things (5)
- 45 Sea-eagles (5)

46 Born (3)

47 Wring the neck of (5)

48 Rose (5)

Down

- 1 Pulling American in by midnight (7)
- 2 Maturing a liquor good (5)
- 3 Bradman uncovered, confused, prodded (6)
- 4 A girl is without lousy crook, happily (8)
- 5 Duck for cover a long time? (6)
- 6 Author Lewis's frightful carol-singing, without gong (8)
- 7 Smitten with love for solid success (4-3)
- 8 Paintings about fit for drilling platforms (3-4)
- 13 Uneven, sodden inside (3)
- 17 Placed where dog led circuitously (6)
- 21 Animal, a study in decay (6)
- 22 Seizes hilltops (4)
- 24 Wheel pin left in implement (4)
- 27 Run the old informer in the plant (3,5)
- 28 English Supreme Court taking off and getting away (8)
- 29 Armour English buried in tombs (7)
- 30 Joining detachment in front of guardhouse (7)
- 32 Pleased to be out in the past, say (7)
- 34 No rise, unfortunately, for elder (6)
- 36 Island prosecutes topics of debate (6)
- 38 Check time by a book (3)
- 40 Right hand in love of money (5)

Slots 1 & 5 Book prizes in 2008


Macmillan and **Oxford University Press** have generously agreed to again sponsor the Slots 1 and 5 puzzles in 2008. The sponsorship includes a copy of the *Concise Macquarie Dictionary* (HB) new 4th edn, 2006 and the *Oxford Crossword Dictionary* 2006 edn. We are specially appreciative of the kindness of these sponsors. Also, Macmillan have donated two copies of the new *Macquarie Crossword Dictionary* which we mention on p5. These will be given away as Book prizes in 2008.

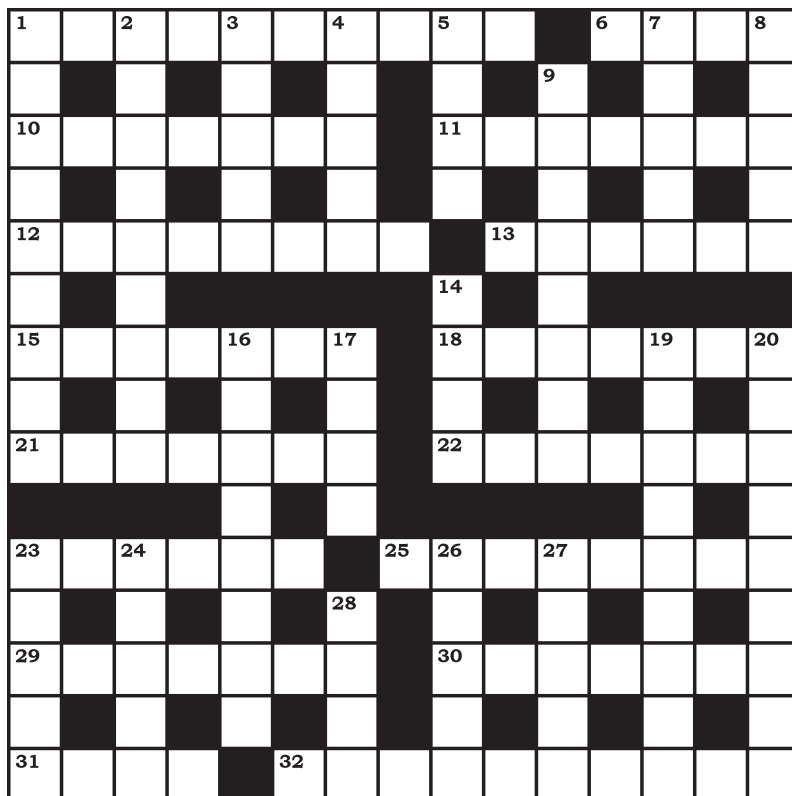
Clue Writing Competition No 1/2008:

Write a clue for the word **CLIPART** (7). Note: only one clue per person.

Send your clue and explanation to the adjudicator Steve Trollope, 28 Pannosa Ct, Capalaba Qld 4157 or by email to: steve.jt@bigpond.net.au Closing mail date: Friday 8 February 2008. Book prize.

See page 16 for the full results of the Clue Writing Competition No 6/2007.

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<p>Chookword by Betelgeuse</p>




Across clues have similar solutions which may not be found in standard dictionaries.
Down clues are normal.

Across

- 1 Swamp woman (5,5)
- 6 Coffee (4)
- 10 Smoothies (7)
- 11 Rumoured function of a male ring? (7)
- 12 Freds? (8)
- 13 Cry heard at strip club? (6)
- 15 Burnt hair (7)
- 18 Metal lower jaws (7)
- 21 Pin alarm (7)
- 22 Scottish castle goblins (7)
- 23 Laughs about the recreational vehicle (6)
- 25 La cigarette (8)
- 29 Members of the Unification church (7)
- 30 Squatties (7)
- 31 Buttock (4)
- 32 Seasonal chocolate (6,4)

Down

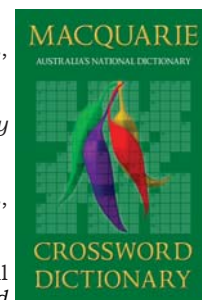
- 1 Teacher almost sloshed but is exercising authority (9)
- 2 Releasing national in control of General Intelligence (9)
- 3 Laugh? One tree is back in place (5)
- 4 Sound my intention to provide access (5)
- 5 Author heard to jibe (4)
- 7 Siege resulting in lack of French silk? (5)
- 8 Being distant, Garnett rings in (5)
- 9 Doctor, doctor, a s-seed shrimp! (8)
- 14 Mark result when cars crash (4)
- 16 Got close to animal quarters – I object to the racket (6,2)
- 17 Bird of declared merit (4)
- 19 I'm growing old and fashionable in my thinking (9)
- 20 According to ballad, Sir Patrick prosecutes about deferments of judgement (9)
- 23 Having first risen, tend to act badly (3,2)
- 24 Wine from SA city? Yes, it's German (5)
- 26 Examination oral, or said in French (5)
- 27 Lustrous fabric robe lacking decoration is more pathetic (5)
- 28 Big as backbones (4)

The new **Macquarie Crossword Dictionary (PB, RRP \$12.95)** includes:

- A wide-ranging list of synonyms and related words and phrases.
 - Lists of animals, plants, geographical features, mythical gods, political leaders, Biblical characters, explorers, aviators – and much more.
 - Encyclopedic entries, covering both the modern and ancient world.
- In addition to the **Macquarie Crossword Dictionary**, crossword help can also be found on the *Macquarie Dictionary* website at www.macquariedictionary.com.au This free online resource for crossword enthusiasts includes:
- Macquarie Targeter – advice and help on solving target style puzzles.
 - Macquarie Guide to Cryptic Crosswords – a guide for those who want to learn how to do cryptic crosswords, complete with sample puzzles.
 - Macquarie Wildcard: an aid to filling in missing letters in crosswords.

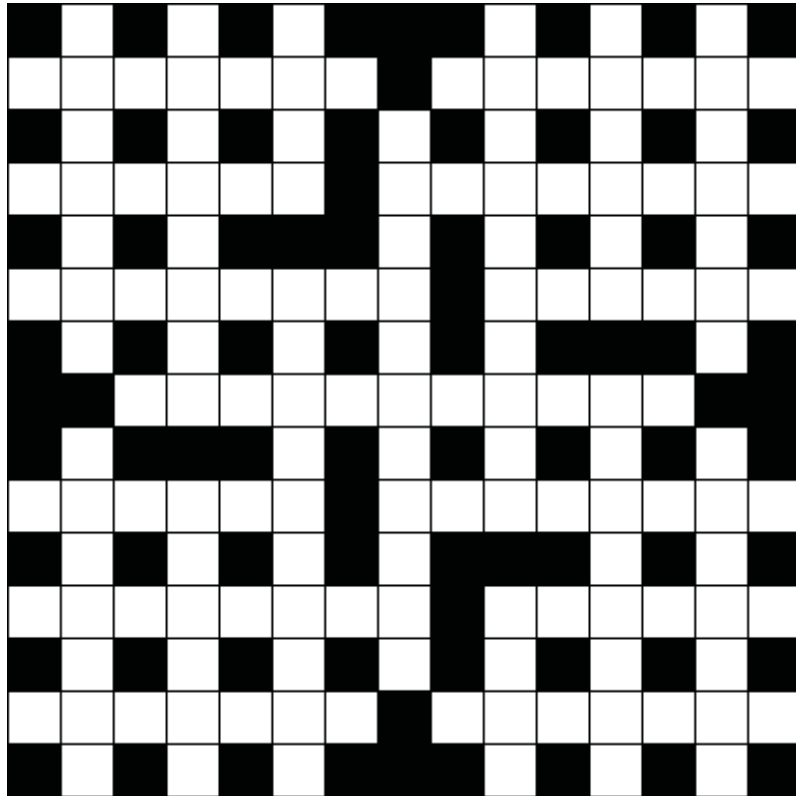
The **Macquarie Crossword Dictionary** and *Macquarie Dictionary* website are invaluable resources for all crossword fans. Susan Butler, the Editor of the *Macquarie Dictionary* said this about the new *Macquarie Crossword Dictionary*:

"Crossword puzzles stretch the brain in that they tend to ask for the well-known and the obscure, both in terms of synonyms and common knowledge. The obscure cannot drift into the recondite – it has to be the kind of thing where, once you know the answer, you say 'Of course! I knew that!' The trick with compiling the *Macquarie Crossword Dictionary* is to predict the kind of oddities that crossword compilers love. The end result is an eminently browseable book and a gift to the trivia fanatic as well as the crossword hero."



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AJ-X factor
by
Difficult Women



Solve the clues and fit the answers jigsaw-wise where you can

- A** A club to start industrial rebellion at knackery (8)
- B** Youths measure cereal grain and fruit (11)
- C** Firm endorse a Conservative uniting with others in signing (2-9)
- D** Enlarged girl's recent date (7)
- E** World vegetable a low-growing plant (5-3)
- F** Lover and man leave dance (8)
- G** Snapped teeth in pain when slashed about noon (7)
- H** Concealed heart of echidna at burrow (6)
- I** Some joint entries for design (6)
- J** Amusing sweetheart has copper God of the house (7)
- K** Kelvin starts every breakfast with German beer and Scottish cheese (7)
- L** Irish Association's State Union (4,6)
- M** Shakespeare's matins at dawn on Sunday (8)
- N** Lives near enormously huge robins (10)
- O** Characters strange independent commitments (8)
- P** Examined rising agent's mismanaged dues (7)
- Q** Question old State's shares (6)
- R** Prepare to practise (8)
- S** Background disturbance at railway (7)
- T** Weakened bureaucracy, no just the reverse (7)
- U** Damaged result of garment (6)
- V** Tourist to call in at Oregon (7)
- W** Logger's timber boat (10)
- Y** Any ewe we lost agitated old sheep giving birth (4)
- Z** High Japanese branch of Buddhism initially isolates the Hindus (6)

Recent ACC Compilers	Pseudonym	Real? Name
Some members have requested that we produce a list of ACC compilers' pseudonyms (or cruciverbalynms). The following list comprises the compilers who have given us pleasure in the last couple of years or so. A more comprehensive list could be provided at a later time if there is any demand for a more historical perspective. Compilers not adopting a pseudonym have not been included, as we all know who you are.		
	Aeolian	Max Roddick
	Agnacenus	Mike Pogson
	Ann Ass	Jenny Wenham
	Barney Naga	Bob Hagan & Jeremy Barnes
	Betelgeuse	Gillian Champion
	Brother Naga	Bob Hagan
	Busybodies	Bev Cockburn & Carole Noble
	Cactus	Jim Colles (died 2007)
	Carann	Carole Noble & Ann Jermy
	Cha-Cha	Catherine Hambling
	Child's Play	Brian Symons
	Colinebrii	Col Archibald
	Daintree Lady	Daphne Titus-Rees
	Dazy May	Kath Harper
	dB	Doug Butler
	Difficult Women	Carole Noble & Joan Smith
	Drover's Dog	John Gillis
	gizmojones	Stephen Clarke
	Griffin	Ann Jermy
	Hot and Cold	Jenny Wenham & Ian Williams
	InGrid	Jean Barbour
	Jack	Jack Stocks
	Jesso	Noel Jessop
	Karlis	Karl Audrins (resigned 2007)
	Manveru	Michael Kennedy
	Max	Margaret Galbreath and Doug Butler
	midships	Ian Williams
	Neir B'Odet	Ted O'Brien
	Penobscot	Maurice Cowan
	Praxis	Roy Wilson
	Raoul	William Ryan
	Red One	Doreen Jones
	Southern Cross	Shirl O'Brien
	St Jude	Drew Meek
	Stroz	Patrick Street
	Sue Donim	Audrey & Bruce Austin
	Tawdry Ducky	Al McCartan
	The Beast	Kev Layton
	The Co-op	Bev & Mal Cockburn
	Timid Terrier	Joan Smith
	Tobi	Barbara Ibbott
	Two Bears	C Lee & G Owens
	Two Dogs	Stephen Clarke & William Ryan
	Virgo	Audrey Austin
	Waratah	Carole Noble
	zinzan	Andrew Patterson

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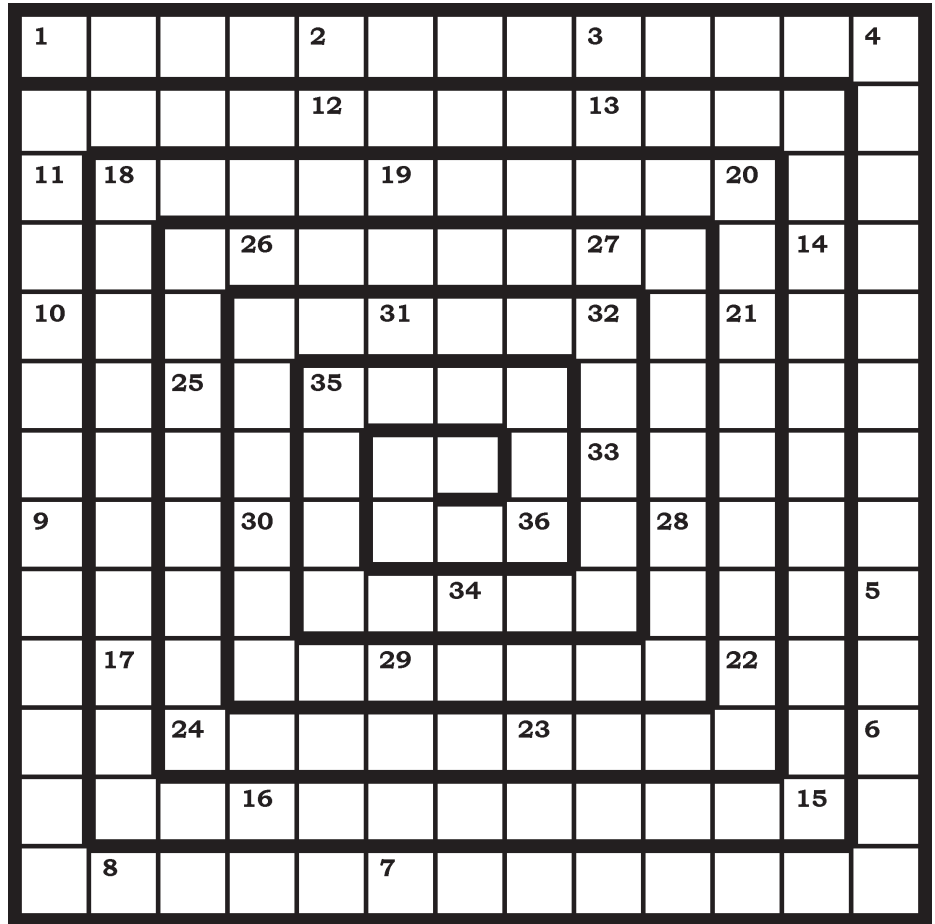
Snail
by
Virgo

Prizes: \$50



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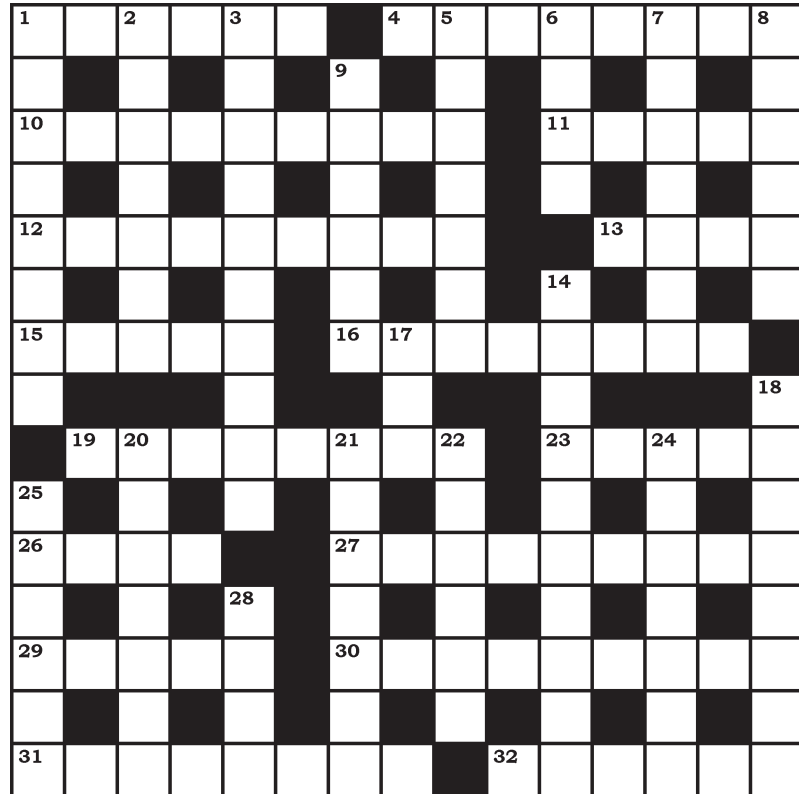
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GENERAL COMMENTS:

- A big thank you for my unexpected prize for the September Slot 6. Alison Shield
- Thank you for the prize of \$50 for last month's slot 1, which was a lovely surprise. Gillian Champion
- Thanks for the prize and certificate for Audrey's *Letter Enclosed* quiz. I didn't even realise I'd won until I received an email from another member congratulating me, and even then wasn't sure what the prize was. I never enter with the expectation of winning (though it's always nice). The book will be really useful for solving and setting. Watch out for some new words! Jenny Wenham
- Are you, like me, the kind of Christmas present shopper who ends up with more things for yourself than others? In this way I came upon this little delightful gem. *I SAY NOTHING (3)* by Sandy Balfour, Atlantic books, London \$29.95. It is a collection of his whimsical and entertaining X-phales column from the *Guardian* and is devoted essentially to the joys of cryptic clues and to their compilers. I end with a few clue examples: Miscellaneous collection of biblical characters (3,3). First love is indigo (4) Ancient Hindu in a jiffy (4). The answers are in the book. Brian Symons
- Thank you also for my \$50 prize for Slot 3 November. A very pleasant surprise. Sandra May
- Enjoyed the puzzles this month except for Slot 6. I only drive into town once a week and can usually post all the puzzles then. No can do this week but there is plenty of time anyway. Had a lot of difficulty with COTM fortunately! Some great clues, plenty of humour too. Bill Bennett

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Cryptic by *Manveru*



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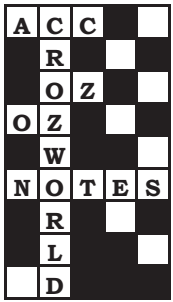
- 1 Misery from endless bitter dispute (6)
- 4 Changed school education embraces ingenuity (8)
- 10 Consciousness is a sense designed to assimilate conflict (9)
- 11 Crude rumour broadcast on radio (5)
- 12 Investigator's corruptly tainted evidence puts Diane in the clear (9)
- 13 Wife bedridden with lust (4)
- 15 Travels via reindeers on the odd occasion (5)
- 16 Verdict to reveal current leaders of Government scandal (8)
- 19 Remove lid from chest to find one empty nosebag for gift (8)
- 23 Cycle track (5)
- 26 Has Townsend failed to take care? (4)
- 27 Cartridge tracks the sound of a starling in flight (9)
- 29 Light due to particles of comet or Challenger (5)
- 30 Manufactured a dump rejected by Britain, the French, and Germany (9)
- 31 Collides with rally cars at the last stage (8)
- 32 Off-side explanation (6)

Down

- 1 A way station opens for guide (8)
- 2 Heated asteroid exploded emitting electric current (7)
- 3 and 20 A late viewing showing here? (4,6,7)
- 5 Film to stitch-up appearance by orator (7)
- 6 TV and a tinnie (4)
- 7 Saddle-cloth is hung loosely to cover hindquarters of pinto (7)
- 8 River bend is to a great depth (6)
- 9 Faith is all but a fabrication enshrouded in power (6)
- 14 Unit of weight to record force held by plane with no initial energy (10)
- 17 Somewhere to stay in Minnesota (3)
- 18 Listened to a non-drinker's tip - 'start to eat then begin to drink' (8)
- 20 See 3
- 21 Saint rewrites books on Christ for present (7)
- 22 Green is windy around river (6)
- 24 Upper-case letters with a digital display perhaps? (7)
- 25 Frost, for instance, and most particles of ice can result in flowing (6)
- 28 Slipper snatches victory from drive (4)

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ACC COMPILER OF 2007: We have had plenty of crossword compilers featured in *Crozworld* during 2007. No doubt you have your favourite ACC compiler. If so, then we would like you to vote for him/her as the ACC Compiler of 2007. See p11 for the voting form.

CLUE OF THE MONTH: We continued the COTM in 2007 and it has been keenly embraced by the solvers. We will continue it in 2008. During 2007, the results were as follows. Sincere congratulations to Michael Kennedy with 4 COTMs, Audrey Austin with 3 COTMs, Shirl O'Brien and Kath Harper with 2 each and one each to Stephen Clarke, Jenny Wenham, Andrew Patterson and Doug Butler. Well done!

COMPENDIUM: *The Crozworld Compendium* Vol 8 (only \$5) which is distributed with this month's copy of *Crozworld* features a large number of challenging puzzles and quizzes compiled by members of the ACC. There are also generous book prizes to be won. In addition, the solutions to all of the puzzles published in volume 7 of the *Compendium* and the names of the prizewinners are included. If you would like to order extra copies of this exciting publication please send your cheque to the Secretary of the ACC.

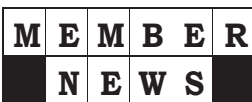
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Donations to the ACC Prize Fund 2008 are gratefully received from: Yvonne Ainsworth, Arthur Barrett, Chester Chance, Fay Copland, Ken Davis, John Jenkins, Kev Layton, Glenda Lloyd, Veniece Lobsey, Cally Martin, Frank Martin, Marie Maunder, Sandra May, Paula Mercer, Eva Seale, Betty Siegman, Shelia Taylor, Steve Trollope, Robyn Whitehead, Ian & Kay Williams and Roy Wilson.

E-LODGMET: Would you like to lodge your solutions in an electronic format rather than relying on the post? If so, then e-lodgment is for you: it's quick, reliable and inexpensive. Ian has been skilfully managing e-lodgment entries in 2007 and we express our sincere thanks to him for the time and energy he has devoted to this worthwhile project. Kindly send your e-lodgment entries to Ian whose e-mail address is: ianw@webone.com.au

Appeals: If you feel aggrieved about any decision made by an Adjudicator, then contact the Adjudicator and put your case. If you are unsuccessful, you may contact the Executive Committee who will then finally determine the appeal.



New Members: Pam Woodbridge from Dubbo, NSW (a Gift Membership from Veniece Lobsey), **Mary Thomas** from Rivett, ACT (a Gift Membership from Ian & Kay Williams), **Tony DeGrys** from Bassendean WA (a Gift Membership from Doreen Jones), **Geoff Burdon** from Redlynch Qld (a Gift Membership from Fay Copland) and a welcome back for **Taro Ogawa** from Watson, ACT. Welcome to the wonderful world of *Crozworlding!*

Puzzle Adjustments: In Slot 6 of the December 2007 *Crozworld*, the final line of the extract from the Rubaiyat was inadvertently omitted. This reads "The thoughtful Soul to Solitude retires." In Quiz 12/2007, Brian Symons' e-mail address is incorrect. It should read "bsymons8@bigpond.com"

Marian Procter gained a dot for the October Slot 6 puzzle. Brian Symons scored full marks (20 points) for *Virgo's* September Bonus Quiz.

The Executive Committee has allowed the appeal in relation to the word TUCKED for Nov Slot 3 20ac. The members who had TUCKED disallowed, but were otherwise correct in Slot 3, were: Thora Abraham, Corryn Anderson, John Balnaves, Ross Bryant, Doug Butler, Robyn Caine, Jim Fowler, Kath Harper, Don Hemsley, Lesly Howard, Valerie Howard, Catherine Jones, Iain MacDougall, Drew Meek, Shirl O'Brien, Marian Procter, Margaret Steinberger, Jack Stocks, Brian Symons, Roy Taylor, Rob Watson and Roy Wilson.

The Australian Oxford Dictionary

WORD OF THE MONTH

vulpine *adj.* **1** of or like a fox. **2** crafty, cunning [ORIGIN: Latin *vulpinus* from *vulpes* 'fox'.]

The Australian Oxford Dictionary, Second Edition, 2004
Edited by Dr Bruce Moore. \$110.00. ISBN 0195517962

The Australian National Dictionary Centre was established in 1988 with the twin purposes of conducting research into Australian English and providing Oxford University Press with editorial expertise for its range of Australian dictionaries. It is jointly funded by the Australian National University and Oxford University Press Australia. W.S. Ramson was director of the Centre from 1988 to 1994. Bruce Moore became director in 1994. The Centre takes its name from *The Australian National Dictionary: A Dictionary of Australianisms on Historical Principles*, ed. W.S. Ramson, which was published by Oxford University Press in 1988.

PRIZE SCHEDULE for 2008

Monthly prizes for Slots 2, 3, and 6: \$50 x 2 each. Slots 4 & 7 and all quizzes: Book prize. Puzzle No 1: The Macquarie Concise Dictionary (hardback \$49.95rrp) or other book as selected plus one x \$50. Puzzle No 5: The Oxford Crossword Dictionary (2006 edn) or other book as selected plus one x \$50. Slots 1-5 correct winner each month: \$100. Cumulative slots 1-6, Jan-Jun, Jul-Dec, trophy. Numbered Quizzes Jan-Dec, trophy.

NOTES: (1) "Closing mail date" means that entries eligible for a prize must be received by the Adjudicator at or before the time of the postal mail delivery on the date specified each month in *Crozworld*. This includes any entries which may be sent electronically via e-mail. Any entries received after that time and date will not be eligible to gain a 'dot' or to qualify for a prize.

(2) Only current financial members of the Australian Crossword Club are eligible to win prizes in 2008.

A Note about the Prizes for 2008

Thanks to the generosity of members, we are able to maintain the prizes for 2008. We are continuing with the Cumulative Prizes for the best solvers in 2008. We recognise that like most Clubs, we should reward the champion solvers with something tangible to mark this achievement. As in 2007, we will award trophies for the Club's champion solvers and each will carry a plaque to set out the details of the winner's name and the particular competition. Trophies will be awarded for Cumulative Slots 1-6 Jan-Jun 2008 and the top scorer for the numbered Quizzes Jan-Dec 2008. These special trophies will look great any anybody's mantelpiece so go to it! Commencing from this edition of *Crozworld*, the clock starts to run. Best of luck with your solving in 2008!

Note: In 2008, only one entry per person per puzzle or Quiz is allowed. In cases where e-lodged submissions of completed grids are corrupted, or are otherwise unable to be read, a repeat submission may be allowed following consultation with Ian Williams.

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

- Took quite a while to work out the theme but was okay after that. My favourite clue was 17dn. *Jean Barbour*
- I thought 'headache gone' was clever in 17dn. *Bev Cockburn*
- I doubt if RECOG is a word. *Doreen Jones*
- A clever and not easy Slot 1. NONET is clever, as is RUSSIA. *Brian Symons*
- This puzzle was certainly for good sports. *Alan Walter*
- Thanks for a great semi-thematic. I couldn't find RECOG anywhere, but guess it's right. Loved 5dn and 18dn. *Jenny Wenham*

December 2-2007: Anagram Revival by Jesso (Noel Jessop)

- What good fun. All those anagrams usually make things easy but in true Jesso style this was a fair and challenging puzzle. Took ages to get 15 and 25ac. *Jean Barbour*
- An anagram classic - thanks Jesso. *Michael Kennedy*
- As the title suggested, a refreshing new approach to anagrams. Bravo! Jesso. *Max Roddick*
- An enjoyable medley of anagrams. Thanks Jesso. *Alan Walter*
- I wondered why there were so many anagrams in this one, until I read the title. Loved 16dn. *Jenny Wenham*

December 3-2007: Cryptic by Southern Cross (Shirl O'Brien)

- This was a really good puzzle with lots of challenges. Took forever to work out that reports meant gunfire. My COTM goes to 14ac - very clever. *Jean Barbour*
- 1dn was a loose clue with two 'notes' possible. *Bill Bennett*
- Full of tricks and my favourite clue MEMBERS ONLY (very amusing). *Barb Ibbott*
- For some time 4,13,20 certainly pertained to me! Thought 1dn could be either LOUISA or LOUISE. *Glenda Lloyd*
- LOBSTER CLAW for ingenuity and STALAGMITE for a grin. *Max Roddick*
- Another great Southern Cross cryptic. Especially liked MEMBERS ONLY and CLUELESS. *Brian Symons*
- Thanks Shirl for yet another pleasurable cryptic. It would seem that 1dn allows 2 possible girl's names LOUISA and LOUISE as A and E are both musical notes added to LOUIS (Vuitton). *Alan Walter*
- A terrific puzzle from Shirl, with some clever definitions. Favourites were 14ac and 6dn. *Jenny Wenham*

December 4-2007: JA by midships (Ian Williams)

- This club has some nasty minds and this came from one of them. [Who, me? - ms]. What a challenge. Took 3 tries and even then I am not sure of A - PIRANA. I liked F, K, both S's, and Y. *Jean Barbour*
- I guessed EPITONUM but there are other variations. I am unable to locate the answer anywhere in my references. RAU fits - one(A) in game (RU) but I don't understand the Japanese art school etc. *Graeme Cole*
- I can't find EPINOTUM in any of my dictionaries but it is fairly evident that it is the right answer. *Peter Dearie*
- Quite difficult due to the reversed words - a relief to finish. *Barb Ibbott*
- Couldn't find RYU in any dictionary. *Ann Jermy*
- I am unable to find EPITONUM and RYU in the standard reference books so I am hoping I am right. *Doreen Jones*
- I had to stand on my head to solve this novel JA. Some excellent clues, especially AARDVARK, HOUFF, and METEORS. *Michael Kennedy*
- Liked LIQUOR - my choice for COTM. *Max Roddick*
- A wonderful AJ variant. Many great clues. I enjoyed AARDVARK. *Brian Symons*
- I enjoyed the different grid and last letter format for a change. *Roy Taylor*
- As I could not find EPINOTUM in 4 standard dictionaries, I eventually discovered it in *Chambers Technical Dictionary*. In the K clue although I thought Noah may be checking to view a LANDMARK, I eventually chose AARDVARK as alphabetically the first on his checklist of animals. *Alan Walter*
- A couple of very hard-to-find words in this one - RYU and EPINOTUM. I always find these reverse style puzzles difficult but this one was better than many I've done in the past. Particularly enjoyed the clues for AARDVARK and LIQUOR. *Jenny Wenham*

December 5-2007: Cryptic by zinzan (Andrew Patterson)

- Whenever I see zinzan has set a puzzle I start to get nervous. I tell the family that I need some quiet time and to keep clear. This was no exception with answers coming one by one. I really liked 10ac and 14dn. I struggled with 1ac but when I worked it out it was clever indeed. I am not at all sure of 25ac. [HUME(explorer)+RI(US state) zz]. *Jean Barbour*

- I found this a very testing puzzle - it seemed to take me ages. 4dn in particular was the last answer I wrote in the grid. Very clever and fair. Re 24ac, ENVIRON, fits=surround but I don't understand why? VI=6 (Roman numerals) but EN..RON - I just saw it! Re 16dn, is something missing in the clue i.e. definition? Or does the cryptic part serve a dual purpose? [That would be a &lit - zz] I particularly like 20,17dn. *Graeme Cole*
- This took the longest to solve, especially 14dn - very amusing. *Peter Dearie*

- My nomination for COTM is slot 5 - 26dn. At first I thought this a very poor clue until I caught on to the "F or M" implications! *Catherine Hambling*

- YLEM - fingers crossed for this one. *Doreen Jones*
- I reckon this is zinzan at his very best with many clues deserving of a wider audience. Sadly for me 29ac has outwitted me but I have guessed DUE. ['exactly' as in 'due west'; 'full term' as in pregnancy. zz] *Michael Kennedy*
- I thought CENTREFOLD was awesome! [And the clue was okay too . . . zz] *Ted O'Brien*
- Trying to get Slot 5 finished and you have driven me nuts! You're so unconventional, though I must admit inventive, and I've grumped in the way old women do, only to end up with 4 possible COTMs. I laboured long and hard over why TOGO should be 'left' and it was so good when the penny dropped! [Precisely what I was hoping for. zz] But I'm giving it to FORM - so short and sweet! *Shirl O'Brien*
- A feast of zinzan's cryptic clues, best among them GIVE THE SLIP! *Max Roddick*
- I enjoyed Slot 5 4dn, 20/17dn and 22dn (clever) but I opted for 10ac which caused a double-take! Couldn't understand 19ac, have found TOGO a country, not sure why 'left'! Could understand 'to leave' (??). *Betty Siegman*
- 19ac (TOGO maybe?) and 18dn (GLUM maybe) leave me wondering. An explanation would be appreciated. *Jack Stocks*
- GLUM and FORM are terrific and vie for the COTM. I'm unhappy with TOGO (leave a country?) - so probably it and CENTREFOLD are wrong - oh well. *Brian Symons*
- 19ac 'left' a country implies the past tense GONE, so I hope the country you implied is TO+GO? 12dn L=Lambert and it cuts the GUM to give G(L)UM='down' (definition). A tough puzzle. *Alan Walter*
- Some great clues in this one, and some interesting definitions. Loved 1ac, 10ac, 14dn & 16dn. I now have an amusing new image of CENTREFOLD. *Jenny Wenham*

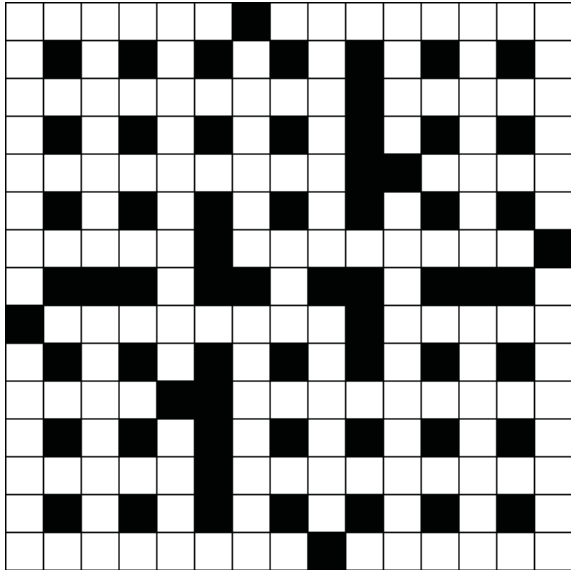
GENERAL COMMENTS:

- Not so difficult as last month as a whole but that is not to say "easy". So many good clues, especially from Southern Cross & zinzan that it was difficult to pick a COTM. We are fortunate to have such an army of good compilers. *Margaret Davis*
- A great set of puzzles - sometimes a bit tough - makes success all the sweeter if one can just get 'em right! *Catherine Foster*
- Hopefully not too many mistakes. Have done these on the run - that time of year isn't it? *Del Kennedy*
- The COTM this month was the most difficult to choose as there were so many fantastic clues from across the slots. In the end I've gone with Slot 5, 27ac OUTWITTED. *Michael Kennedy*
- An enjoyable first three slots. Sorry I ran out of time for any more. *Sandra May*
- A Merry Christmas to all the wonderful people at ACC who make it such a great club. *Yvonne McKindlay*
- A fairly challenging lot for the last puzzles of 2007. I haven't given a COTM because there were far too many to choose from. *Carole Noble*
- Seasons Greetings to all our wonderful committee members, setters and workers. You play such a great part in our lives. *Shirl O'Brien*
- I liked Slot 3, 16dn (hope sol) but Slot 5 had so many great clues, it deserved my vote. *Betty Siegman*
- I enjoyed these puzzles. There were some excellent clues with Slot 3 4,13,20dn sneaking in ahead of Slot 5 10ac. *Roy Taylor*
- Perhaps the best month for all 5 slots that I can remember for a while. All fair and above board and not too many difficulties. A good thing I chose this month to make my husband try to understand cryptics. I'm not sure he really enjoyed it, but he did seem to understand most of the explanations, and even solved a few clues on his own. And I caught him sneaking a look when he thought I wasn't watching! Perhaps he'll soon be hooked. It was an interesting exercise and forced me to justify my answers, and to do many of the hard yards without resorting to electronic references early in the month - though eventually I had to give in to fill in the last few words. *Jenny Wenham*

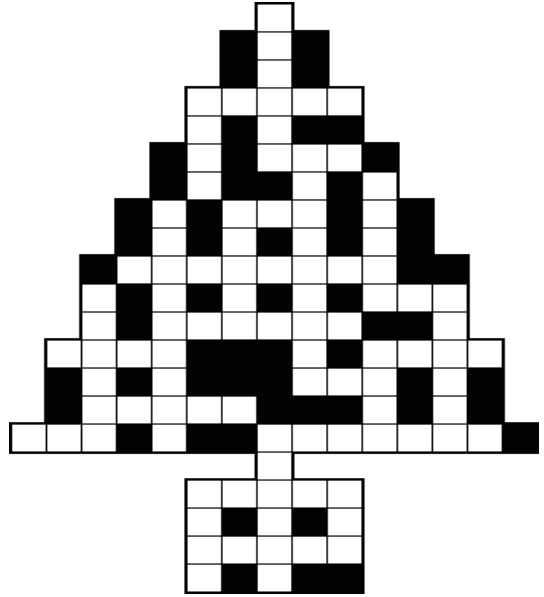


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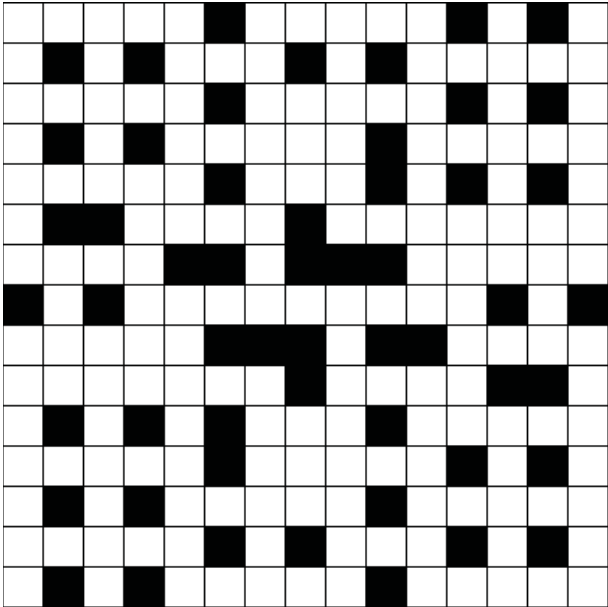
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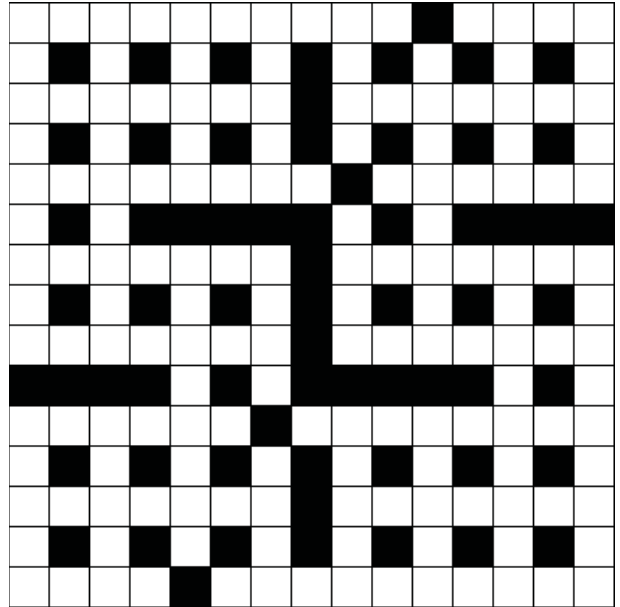
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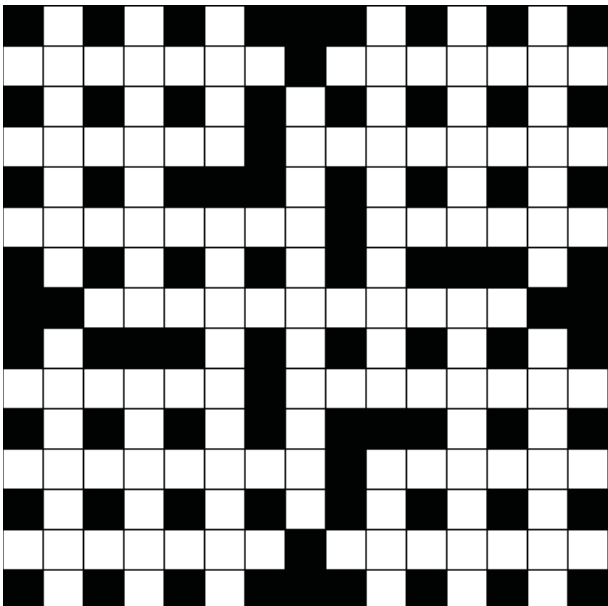
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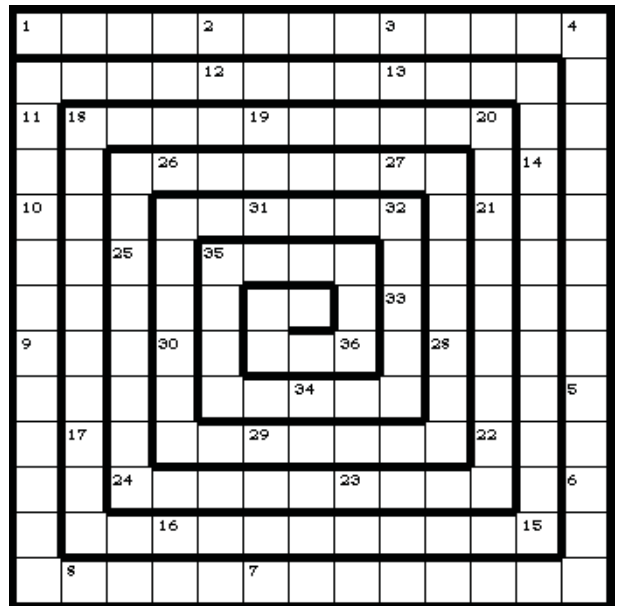
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Clue of the Month

ACC Compiler of the Year

November 6-2007: Cryptic by Ann Ass (Jenny Wenham)

Entries: 81. Correct: 53. Success Rate: 65%.

Winners: Bill Bennett & Ron O'Rourke. Congratulations!

Adjudicator's Comments: Thanks everyone for your cards and letters, and my first Christmas cards of the year. And for the complimentary comments which have given me warm and fuzzy feelings. A couple of explanations appear to be in order. The most common mistake was in 14ac with GALA or GILT instead of GOLD. In the clue, the centre of 'beauty' is 'au' (gold). "More sophisticated than standard" is one of the definitions in *Chambers*. Also some OUCHES and OWCHES for OUCHES (OUCH!), but only 1 blank and 2 transcription errors I think. Solvers had a few variations on the explanation for 25dn, OPEN. My intention was that 'a single cob' was a male swan without a partner – or no (O) PEN. Many thanks must also go to our hard working puzzle editor, Ian Williams. As usual, his critique of some of my less well written clues forced me to rethink and rewrite.

—Ann Ass (Jenny Wenham)

Solvers' comments:

- Thoroughly enjoyed this puzzle; a great mental work-out! I loved your clues! Even the type of clue we consider most simple, taking the initials, you gave a refreshing twist (e.g. 4dn). The clue I particularly enjoyed for its sheer simplicity was 15ac. Thank you, Jenny, keep up the good work. *Roy Wilson*
- Thanks for a fun Slot 6! I'm a big fan of the double definition clues and enjoyed 'Completely nude' and 'Bird louse' for their superior surface sense. Liked CUPPA too! However, my favourite clue would be EPITAPH, and would have easily been my COTM had it not been in Slot 6. I couldn't work out OPEN for a while but have now figured it is expose A MALE SWAN, therefore NO FEMALE SWAN? Something like that anyway. (see Alan Walter's comments. AA) *Michael Kennedy*
- Thanks for the puzzle – adequately difficult but no groans or post solving debate as to fairness etc. I liked 25dn – more of a chuckle than a groan. *Jim Fowler*
- Thank you for your puzzle. There were some clever clues eg 6dn 'decorative borders'=CARTOUCHES, carry off=CART removed giving OUCHES which is 'ancient' for brooches & 19dn CA+RPA+RK. I presume in 25dn you implied that O+PEN=no female swan humorously implying a male swan or cob, where expose=OPEN. (See my full explanation above. AA) *Alan Walter*
- Thanks for your contribution to the club. *Doreen Jones*
- I really enjoyed your puzzle. Lots of really good clues. Your 'colander' reminded me of a time when I was in a K-mart restaurant & this man & his wife came in all loaded up with goods and he'd put a colander on his head. Must have noticed the strange look I gave him as he said to me "How do you like my new hat?" I told him, "I'd take it back, it is full of holes." Keep smiling, it's the cheapest face lift. *Carole Noble*
- Thanks for a challenging cryptic – lots of good clues eg EDDY, CARPARK – but I felt OPEN was really clever. *Brian Symons*
- Thanks for a great cryptic. Loved 15ac. *Bev Cockburn*
- Great clues. Loved 15ac, 26ac and 2dn. *Betty Siegman*
- Thanks for the enjoyable puzzle. Particularly liked *mongrel* and *alphabetic*. Gold gave me the most trouble but coming back to it helped. *Jack Stocks*
- Loved your puzzle! Busy month – 7 puzzles and 2 quizzes – There's the housework lost again! *Del Kennedy*
- Good one, Miss Ass. Clever clues. I nearly put a wrong guess for 14ac before the penny dropped. *Roy Taylor*
- Herewith your enjoyable Slot 6. Much more solver friendly than last month's Slot 5. *Bob Hagan*
- So many good clues! I loved ALTOGETHER! Unsure about CHAT (a 'chat' is both a small songbird and a louse. AA) and GOLD (see explanation above. AA). *Audrey Austin*
- Thanks Jenny – gave the old grey matter a good workout! *Pat Garner*
- I enjoyed this puzzle very much – only had to use the dictionary for "carnauba" – not much polishing done here! Now to my only problem 18ac. A bit of a laugh really but I love a fun clue. Mike, if full (drunk) will produce a very small tinkle ... My original answer – "microdrunk" – I thought he would! – to fit in with "ultrabasic" (13dn). "Plaudit" pulled me up, hours later. Thanks again for a great puzzle! I'm going to compose a few in the new year. (Looking

forward to them, Bill. AA)

Bill Bennett

- Thanks for an interesting puzzle. Re: 5dn – 'soup spoon' from the definition, but I'm lost on the cryptic clue. ('OUPS' is Scottish for 'joins' inside 'digs up' = SNOOPS reversed. AA) 23dn – 'cuppa' definition OK, I'm lost here as well on the cryptic clue. (Certified Practising Accountant or CPA around UP. AA) We solvers can't do without all of our great compilers and workers for the club, so please keep up the good work. *Catherine Foster*

• Thanks for this puzzle. Please keep them coming.

Catherine Hambling

- After I finished this I needed a 23dn, a Bex and a good lie down! Many thanks for helping this month. What would the club do without people like you? *Ted O'Brien*

- Loved your clues for MONGREL and OPEN, and learnt a new meaning for CON. 14ac is a guess – look forward to an explanation. (See explanation above. AA) *Jan Wood*

• Thank you for another "beaut" puzzle. *Bev Solomon*

- A consistently good collection of clues – especially 9ac, which is a false statement but a very good clue. *Max Roddick*

- Lots of clever clues. Thanks for a great puzzle. *Hilary Cromer*

- 3dn is a guess. 'OUCHES' fits the definition, but I don't see the cryptic connection. (See Alan Walter's comments. AA). I liked this puzzle, particularly 14ac. *Denis Coates*

- Thank you for another challenging puzzle. I always look forward to yours and *Hot & Cold's*. I think I can follow most of the clues but 10 & 29ac & 5 & 23dn have me really stumped. (10ac UK+RAINED – D; 29ac CON=acknowledge in Ch + STRICT=severe; 5 & 23dn see response to Catherine Foster's comments. AA) *Graeme Cole*
- Thanks for the puzzle: a great No 6 slot and very enjoyable to complete. *Ron O'Rourke*

- Enjoyed your puzzle Jenny and hope to see many more in the future. *Shirl O'Brien*

- You are a busy bee these days – I seem to be always sending puzzles to Comet! I enjoyed your Slot 6 this month. Nothing too complicated, which was a relief. Having said that, I hope I have got it all correct. (Sure have. AA) Thanks again for your contributions to the Club and Happy Crozworlding. *Margaret Davis*

- Most enjoyable! Loved the clues, all solved (successfully I hope) without the internet! (Well done, Eva, and yes, all correct. AA) Thank you for your efforts for the club. *Eva Seale*

- I enjoyed this one very much. So many wonderful new words to add to my vocabulary. *Sandra May*

- Thank you for a good puzzle, you always come up with something interesting. *Valerie Howard*

- Excellent clues with good surface readability. I especially liked 14ac. There are three I'm not clear about: 3dn: I found ouches = old brooches but not sure how "carry off decorative borders" leads to this. 5dn: If soup spoons are the pieces of cutlery, I can see digs (snoops) up = spoons but not clear how "scot joins in" = soup. 19dn: leave vehicle here = car park but I don't understand the rest of the clue. (3dn & 19dn see Alan Walter's comments; 5dn see response to Catherine Foster's comments. AA) *Drew Meek*

- I really enjoyed the puzzle and my favorite clue was 18ac. I have no idea what the answer is to 14ac. *Jean Barbour*

- Thank you for giving your time to adjudicate, especially at this busy time of the year. *Cheryl Wilcox*


- Many thanks for a great puzzle, Jenny. The only clue I couldn't understand was 3dn so I hope that the answer is 'ouches' and not 'owches'. (Absolutely correct, Daphne. See Alan Walter's comments. AA) *Daphne Greening*

- Thank you for a very challenging crossword – I particularly enjoyed 26ac and 19dn. 14ac has me completely stumped – so my answer is purely speculative! (See adjudicator's comments. AA) *Andrew Miles*

- It's taken me a long time, but I have finally completed your puzzle. A few of the clues still have me baffled, but my answers seem to fit. 19dn's Camperdown Hospital needs explaining please (the Royal Prince Alfred, or RPA, is in Camperdown. AA). 14ac, "gold" fits most of the clue, but I can't connect "beauty" to the answer (see adjudicator's comments. AA). I would also appreciate an explanation of 3dn (see Alan Walter's comments. AA). 25dn "open" took me ages to work out – I finally realised the connection between a single cob and a swan without a mate! *Peter Dearie*
- "OUCH!" But I think it's all better now. Good one, thank you. *Yvonne Ainsworth*

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**Cryptic
by
Two Dogs**



Post solution to:
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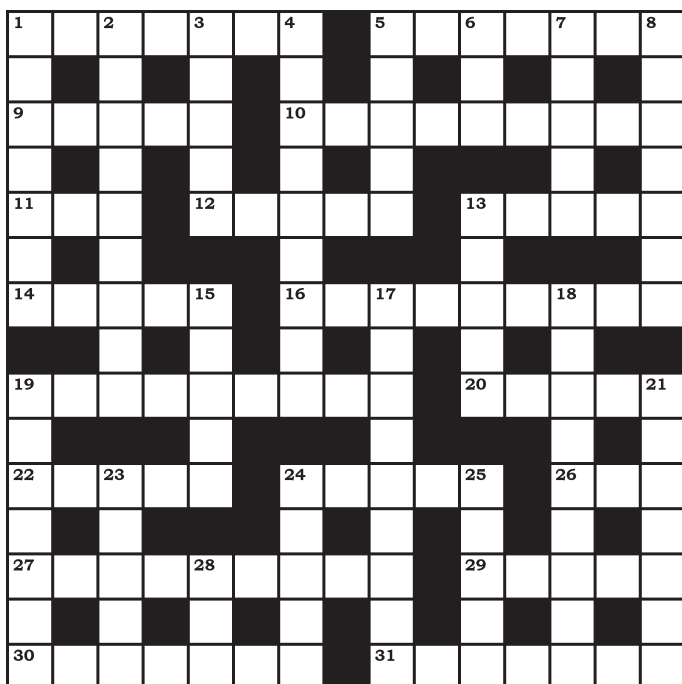
Across

- 1 Hidden agenda at bottom of page? (7)
- 5 German neckwear discovered in Pharaoh's tower (7)
- 9 Fantastic mines in Romania strangely lacking a name (5)
- 10 Warmer in Britain – and Armenia, curiously – when one stays inside (4-5)
- 11 UN body bans sulphur from storage facility (1.1.1)
- 12 Sweetheart's also on the way back (5)
- 13 Worry about drug hidden in cream (5)
- 14 Disease is so treatable at onset (5)
- 16 Fresh coffee served with dairy confection – one's not into it! (6-3)
- 19 Dissipated sophisticate set off to get a nut (9)
- 20 Shoot well but without direction (5)
- 22 Position of river gets reviewed (5)
- 24 Principles of middlemen shot to pieces (5)
- 26 Make a killing in diamonds (3)
- 27 Model deals with characters that are sometimes bold! (9)
- 29 Anything may be nicked except a can-opener (5)
- 30 Good oil found in bag? (3-4)
- 31 Bluey's been snatched by the possum monster! (7)

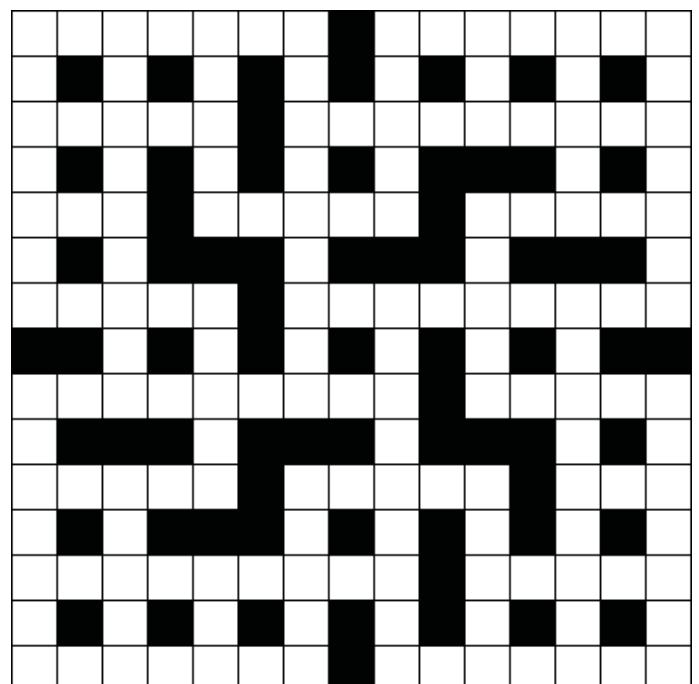
Down

- 1 Member of fellowship loses husband in unreal way (7)
- 2 Beat writer digs talking (9)
- 3 Spot on, old Bill! (5)
- 4 Bill Heffernan initially kept European parliament in salad (9)
- 5 Birds swallow whisky – such fools! (5)
- 6 Energy draining from plucky whales (3)
- 7 Flower brings about change among warriors: fighting's banned (5)
- 8 Really small young person oddly irritable (7)
- 13 Complaints about meat being served on Sunday (5)
- 15 Yes-man maintains advantage in sport (5)
- 17 Beating our chests about molluscs (9)
- 18 Daughter ordering assembly shows audacity (7-2)
- 19 Short person boxes sailor to get hymn-book (7)
- 21 Lunatic gets hot in poor parts of town? (7)
- 23 Higher degree not available for analysis of Permian Age (5)
- 24 He's finished his porridge! (2-3)
- 25 Start sending spades through the mail...that's uncalled for (5)
- 28 Idiot turns up with another eleven (3)

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Quiz No 1/2008



by Max

On your bookshelf? by Max

The two lists below are, respectively, some bogus book titles and the surnames of their (perniciously punning) putative authors. Your task, should you accept it, is to flesh out the names and assign them to their books. Two have been completed as examples. "Wrong" answers that make us laugh will be accepted.

Send your entries to Doug Butler, PO Box 303, Oaklands Park SA 5046 or by email: Doug.Butler@finders.edu.au Closing mail date: 8 February 2008. Book prize.

Answers: Aine, Ayshus, Bacchus, Brett, ~~Cruncher~~, Haste, Lotte, Dover, Downe, Doyle, Driver, Ella, Evan-Potts, Goode, Grant, Gunn, Hand, Kew, ~~Legge~~, Lowe, Monier, Muse, Seville, Tuckey, Wall, Way.

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| 1 "Pretty Polly" | Colonel CRUNCHER | 14 "Genuflect, Genuflect, Genuflect!" |
| 2 "Fun with Ferrets" | Claude LEGGE | 15 "The Great Morning Tea" |
| 3 "All Over the Floor" | | 16 "Heaven Can't Wait" |
| 4 "Bat On!" | | 17 "The Long Haul" |
| 5 "The Bulldog Breed" | | 18 "The Long Repentance" |
| 6 "Burnt Offering" | | 19 "Maths for Dummies" |
| 7 "Calligraphy for Beginners" | | 20 "Money for Nothing" |
| 8 "Chips with Everything" | | 21 "My Old Home" |
| 9 "The Window Cleaner" | | 22 "The New Encyclopaedia" |
| 10 "Cyclists Beware" | | 23 "The Pirates are Attacking!" |
| 11 "Death Under the Balcony" | | 24 "The Singing Lady's Maid" |
| 12 "The Factotum" | | 25 "Wild Birds" |
| 13 "Far from Home" | | 26 "X marks the Spot" |

Results of Quiz No 11/2007.

Alphabet Quiz by *The Busybodies* (Bev Cockburn and Carole Noble)

Entries: 19. Results: 26: Ann Jermy, Joan Smith, Jack Stocks, Brian Symons, Alan Walter and Jenny Wenham. **25:** Pat Garner, Michael Kennedy, David Procter. **24:** Barbara Glissan, Rob Watson and Norman Wilson. **23:** Gabrielle Leeds, Trish McPherson and Margaret Steinberger. **22:** Hazel Freeman, Andrew Miles and Betty Siegman. **20:** Del Kennedy.

Winner: Jenny Wenham. Congratulations!

Answers: Apollinaris, Bootes, Craquelure, Dhaulagiri, Effervesce, Flapdoodle, Gardyloo, Howf, Iota, Jiggery-pokery, Krakatoa, Leatherjacket, Methuselah, Noometry, Orography, Protractor, Quetsch, Rack, Succotash, Tucutuco or Tucotuco, Urson, Vaticinator, Wolof, Xyster, Yegg, Zidovudine. Because of the incorrect number for the X clue, both X-Ray and Xyster were accepted. Other acceptances included Doddabetta, Planimeter, Nomology, Quilang and Quentao.

Setters' Comments: Common errors were Flattery, Robe, Rind, Quassia, Tamandua, Waalo and Yale. Tamandua did not fit the description of 'mole-like habits' and Waalo is a district not a tribe. Other answers were often very clever but did not fit the number indications, eg Judas-kissing and Visionary. Hazel Freeman's poem from *Cadenus and Vanessa* by Jonathon Swift should have won us over for Flattery except for the numbering: "Tis an old maxim in the schools, that flattery's the food of fools. Yet now and then you men of wit Will condescend to take a bit." Thank you for your good wishes, kind comments and encouragement. We may do another one soon. —Carole Noble and Bev Cockburn

Members Comments:

- Thanks for a very challenging quiz. At first reading there were only a few words I could write in. A lovely collection of new words here
Jenny Wenham
- A difficult quiz. Thanks goodness for the internet. Thank you for teaching me a lot of new words.
Jack Stocks
- We need a lot more of enjoyable quizzes like this.
Alan Walter
- Some very interesting words: a lot of trawling through the dictionary.
Ann Jermy
- Lots of fun and many new words.
Brian Symons
- What a collection of odd words: I did not know many of them, so thank you for introducing them to me.
Gabrielle Leeds
- Thank you for the Quiz. A terrific array of new and highly interesting words.
Michael Kennedy

• Many thanks for an interesting quiz. Not easy, had to do a bit of chasing around, but in the end more satisfying than spending 10 minutes Googling.
Betty Siegman

• Great work the pair of you. A fair number of these words are totally new to me so I have extended my vocabulary – not sure where I will be able to use them however!
Pat Garner

• Well! Your Bodies (& Minds) HAVE been Busy finding some of these words. Now that I've finished I can do something about cleaning this house before it is taken over by the Health Dept!

Del Kennedy

Bonus Quiz

Reel Men Quiz by *Virgo*

Name the movies in which the named actor portrayed the real man. (Answers are not in alphabetical order.) Send your entry to Audrey Austin, 24 Hempstalk Cres, Kariiong. NSW 2250. FAX: 43402823. Closing mail date: 8 February 2008. Book prize.

- 1 Tom Hulce as Mozart (7)
- 2 Kirk Douglas as Vincent Van Gogh (4,3,4)
- 3 Anthony Quinn as Aristotle Onassis (3,5,6)
- 4 Mickey Rooney as Lorenz Hart (5,3,5)
- 5 Dustin Hoffman as Jack Crabbe (6,3,3)
- 6 Lou Diamond Phillips as Richie Valens (2,5)
- 7 Mel Gibson as William Wallace (10)
- 8 Kenneth More as Douglas Bader (5,3,3,3)
- 9 Val Kilmer as Jim Morrison (3,5)
- 10 Richard Burton as Edwin Booth (6,2,7)
- 11 John Hurt as John Merrick (3,8,3)
- 12 Geoffrey Rush as the Marquis de Sade (6)
- 13 Errol Flynn as Jim Corbett (9,3)
- 14 Brad Pitt as Heinrich Harrer (5,5,2,5)
- 15 Robert Alda as George Gershwin (8,2,4)
- 16 Leonardo de Caprio as Howard Hughes (3,7)
- 17 Denzel Washington as Steven Biko (3,7)
- 18 Ned Beatty as Josef Locke (4,2,4)
- 19 Jim Broadbent as W.S. Gilbert (5-5)
- 20 Daniel Day-Lewis as Christy Brown (2,4,4)

November 7- 2007: Cryptic by Praxis (Roy Wilson)
Entries: 71. Correct: 34. Success Rate: 47.9%.
Prizewinner: Ian McKenzie. Congratulations!
Solvers' Comments:

- Great puzzle – thank you. Had a bit of trouble finding “densened” but reckoned it was like “lessened” in spelling rules and it was easily justified by your cluing. *Bill Bennett*
- What I like about your puzzles, Roy, is that the clues are always FAIR even if I have trouble getting started. *Graeme Cole*
- Another excellent puzzle from our prize Ximenean. ‘Settlor’ was a new one to me and I must say being a Beethoven fan did help. *Margaret Davis*
- An interesting and well constructed puzzle that gave us a lot of pleasure. Thank you. *Jim Fowler*
- A really good Praxis; I enjoyed it very much. I am not sure about 25ac (See below). *Margaret Galbreath*
- Even though there are a few weird words they are always easy to look up. I am really pleased when I can figure out a word from the cryptic clue then find it actually exists. *Catherine Hambling*
- Thanks, Roy, for another of your very high standard puzzles. *Doreen Jones*
- Thank you again for a very stimulating puzzle. Your range of subjects is incredible. What next? Götterdämmerung?!!!! (What a splendid idea, Ted! It’s not only the gods in their twilight!!!) *Ted O'Brien*
- Thanks for the puzzle; always a challenge and always enjoyable. *Ron O'Rourke*
- 9dn: “Stupid Boy” suggests an irascible schoolteacher’s retort, when young Chambers couldn’t find the word. That lad should learn from the Master! *Max Roddick*
- Re AGED: Oh dear, you’re a naughty boy. I spent a longish time looking for an old ballet dancer or artist called Abe, so he could retire – “abed” (See comments below, Bev). Thank you for another “beaut” puzzle. *Bev Solomon*
- Thanks for another beauty. Especially liked BRIAR, SCAB & ETHNICS – 7ac was tricky. *Brian Symons*
- An excellent challenge, as always. *Rob Watson*
- I enjoy your clues because they are always fair and logical. Even if I don’t get them straight away, they always make sense in the end and I’m pretty sure I have them all right. The only thing I don’t like is that you don’t give the individual numerical indicators for the multiple word answers.* *Jenny Wenham*
- I had ABED at 7ac without knowing why, but after a Google search I found a ballet artist called DEGAS – a very clever clue. (Too clever by half, it would seem, Jan. RW) *Jan Wood*

Adjudicator’s Comments: *While giving individual numerical indicators is the general rule with ordinary blocked grids, it is not the convention with the Ximenean or barred grid. **7ac:** Old (Definition) ballet artist (Hilaire) **DEGAS** (well-known for pictures of ballet scenes) denied finally (remove ‘S’) retiring (reversed) = AGED. It was drawn to my attention that there was a Japanese ballet composer (Komer) **ABE** with denied finally (D) = **ABED** (in bed) or retired. Since the clue specifically said ‘retiring’ ‘**ABED**’ was not allowed; **19ac:** In most parts of the world it is referred to as an ‘ejector’ seat, whereas in **US** it’s called an ‘ejection’ seat; **20ac:** Hexagons = Embrace (snog) a turnaround after hex. **25ac:** Lying = (F) lying = brief (I made a flying visit); **1dn:** Scab = to act as a blackleg, commonly sent to Coventry, or ostracized. **9dn:** formed with standard suffix. (In *Websters*) Once again there were several entries with typos.
 —Praxis (Roy Wilson)

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Solution to Nov 2007 Slot 7

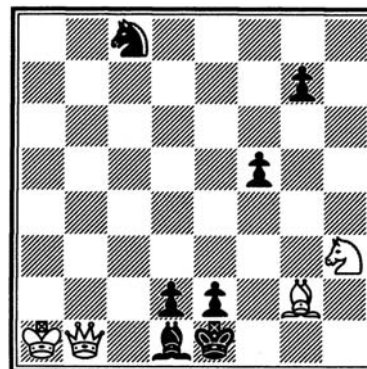
Results of Bonus Quiz: Sleuths No 1 by Griffin (Ann Jermy)
Entries: 40. Correct: 20. Success Rate: 50%.
Prizewinner: Barbara Glissan. Congratulations!

Solutions: 1. Roderick Alleyn 2. Lew Archer 3. Alan Banks 4. Harry Bosch 5. Kate Brannigan 6. Brother Cadfael 7. Adam Dalgliesh 8. Andy Dalziel 9. Peter Decker 10. Cliff Hardy 11. Sherlock Holmes 12. Thomas Lynley 13. Scobie Malone 14. Philip Marlowe 15. Kinsey Millhone 16. Hercule Poirot 17. Lincoln Rhyme 18. Kurt Wallander 19. Reg Wexford 20. Peter Whimsey.
Results: 20: Y Ainsworth, S Atkinson, D Butler, B Cockburn, C Foster, P Garner, B Glissan, M Jonker, M Kennedy, T McPherson, P Mercer, C Noble, S O'Brien, M Procter, A Shield, J Smith, J Stocks, B Symons, A Walter and R Watson. **19:** J Barbour, M Collins, C Hambling, V Howard, S Howells, B Ibbott, C Jones, D Kennedy, G Leeds, A Martin, A Miles, B Siegman, M Steinberger, N Storey, K Watt, J Wenham, and N Wilson. **18:** H Freeman, D Procter and C Wilcox.

Adjudicator's comments:
 Apologies to members for my biggest mistake. For some reason I put Peter Ellis instead of Ellis Peters! Put it down to an 'elderly moment'. However I have marked all correct on that one, although most people knew what I meant!! Patrick was kind enough to put a correction in the next issue which put a few minds to rest. The biggest problem came with various spellings which appear on the net for Dalgliesh and Wallander. I have gone with the spelling that appears in the books. Other mistakes were probably typos; nearly everyone had the right idea. Thank you for everyone who wrote kind words about the quiz: it seems that there are a lot of you who are fond of this genre, like me. I have been told of a few new ones to investigate.
 —Griffin (Ann Jermy)

Member's comments:

- Thanks for this quiz – being an avid thriller reader, I found it good fun. *Jean Barbour*
- Thanks for the quiz; it was nice to have one that I could solve (mostly) from my own sources. *Doug Butler*
- Many thanks for this piece of fun. *Pat Garner*
- I have read lots of these authors and now have lots more to try out. *Catherine Hambling*
- I loved your quiz as I've always got my head in a detective novel or two. *Barb Ibbott*
- Really enjoyed the quiz ... like visiting a lot of my best friends. *Del Kennedy*
- I am a keen reader of crime fiction, but there were couple of writers whom I have not read, so thanks for the introduction. (You are most welcome: AJ) *Gabrielle Leeds*



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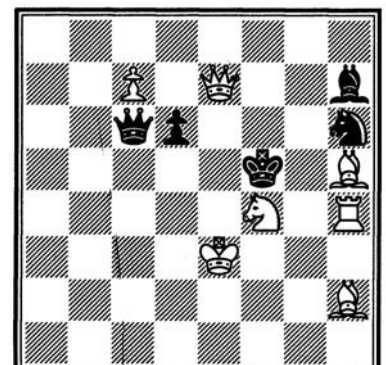
Chess Game Problems

Nos 1 and 2/2008

No. 1

White to play and mate in three moves.
 Name White's first move in each problem.
 Send solution(s) to: pstreet@bigpond.net.au

No. 2



Results of the Clue Writing Competition: Nov. No 6/2007.

Write a clue for WINERY (6).

Adjudicated by Steve Trollope.

First, Seasons greetings to all of you who take part in this competition. Second, Seasons greetings to everybody else who reads this – and why not put it in your New Year’s resolution list to give it a try next year?!!

WINERY is defined in the current *Chambers* as “a place where wine is prepared and stored” and is attributed mainly to the US. This is a similar definition to that in the 1983 edition, but I would have thought that the word is in common use throughout English speaking wine-producing countries. The definitions used in your clues are much more interesting, with the naming of four well known Australian wineries and a few very inventive definitions.

Once again, the clues are of a very high quality, with 12 entries being submitted this month. The winning clue is **Chateau has success with champagne finally – brut but with an absence of depth**, composed by **Michael Kennedy** (once again). This clue suggests a minor success story for the Chateau, finally producing a quality champagne. However the critic had a slightly different view, recognizing the ‘brut’ quality but criticising the resulting drink for its lack of depth. I particularly liked the use of ‘chateau’, ‘champagne’ and ‘brut’, all recognizable as French words associated with the topic of wines and wineries. The French produced most of the world’s best wines, until the Australian industry commenced major production, marketing and exporting, some 20 or so years ago.

I believe that, for a competition such as ACC’s crosswords where most winners are selected from the group that submit correct entries, the prizes should be shared as much as possible between the members. However, in this competition there is no correct entry, and I don’t look at who submitted the winning entry until I have selected it. For the guidelines which I have used to determine the winner, see the April 2006 *CroZworld*. I have written each clue to identify the **definition (in bold)** and the *indication (in italics)*, and underneath I have added some comments.

What instrument nails each room yet opens the cellar door

A fine example of the use of initial letters to produce the clued word, leading to a meaningful sentence. A comma after ‘room’ would have further misguided the solver by falsely suggesting the separation between indication and definition.

Bacchus’ abode, not in west, twisted around

The indication leads to “IN E” (not IN W) with WRY (twisted) placed around INE. A subtle indication, but the sentence would not be in common use.

Unknown; after triumphant contestant loses new plant producing truth bearing juice

The indication leads to Y (an algebraic unknown) following WINNER losing N, with the definition component suggesting the equipment used to make wine (*in vino veritas*).

Initially wolf in Nuriootpa evolved red yielding Blass perhaps

Another good example of initial letters being used to produce the clued word, with (Wolf) Blass being a well known winery.

It’s rumoured you twice replaced the refinery mediator to build a red production house

The REFINERY mediator is “REF”, and replacing REF with double u (W) gives WINERY.

Peter Lehmann, for example, begins with whites in numerous excellent red years

A third use of initial letters with another well known winery as the definition. A good attempt at using W and R to represent white and red wines.

Gain the victory, emphatically losing victory, at Orlando’s place

WIN (gain victory) plus VERY (emphatically) minus V (victory) leads to WIN ERY.

Jacob’s Creek, for example, is cold – the temperature dropped

Jacob’s Creek is a very well known example of a winery. The indication refers to WINTER (cold) less T (temperature dropped).

Buff may go here to belly-ache when hubby is dismissed right at the end of play

An abstruse definition suggesting winery from wine-buff, and an equally abstruse indication using WHINE (belly-ache) less H (husband) plus R (right) plus Y (end of play).

Complainer not hot on unknown bottler

WHINER (complainer) without H (hot) plus Y (unknown) gives WINERY.

Chateau has success with champagne finally – brut but with an absence of depth

A definition of a French winery with an indication using WIN (success) plus E (end of champagne) plus DRY (brut) less D (depth) giving WIN E RY.

Still sounds like a place to complain to me!

Still is intended as a definition of winery, but although both deal with alcohol, the processes are very different. A winery uses fermentation whereas a still produces spirits and relies on distillation. The resultant sentence is meaningful, but overall is probably not quite Ximenean. The indication suggests the sound of a place where people whine (WHINERY).

Feedback

As always, your editorial team welcomes feedback on any matter relating to CrOZworld and its content. We have noted recent comment regarding the prevalence of cryptic puzzles in CrOZworld. In the December edition, negative reaction was expressed to the publication of a cryptic in Slot 1 in November. Some years ago we surveyed members about Slot 1: a majority indicated that they did not want a Quick or Orthodox puzzle in Slot 1. As a result we have been publishing largely Noel’s Half & Half and Virgo’s thematics in Slot 1. In November we published in that slot a straightforward cryptic, specially crafted by Carole in response to some of the more difficult cryptics that have appeared in this magazine of late. We thought that it would serve well as an introduction to cryptics for those not as skilled in the crypto-cruciverbal arts as the majority of members – as well as being an enjoyable puzzle in its own right.

We publish only those puzzles submitted by our members: it is a fact that not a single “quick” or non-cryptic puzzle has been submitted for years. We have taken this to mean a continued lack of interest on the part of members in having that type of puzzle in CrOZworld, perhaps on the basis that quality quicks can be accessed in many newspapers on a daily basis and that the Club has only six or seven slots available in a month. Nevertheless, if it is the desire of members that the occasional quick crossword be published in Slot 1, we shall be pleased to take on board any such puzzles that we receive. Please do keep providing us with feedback

so that we can meet your wishes. Feedback can be given in the form of letters or comments in CrOZworld or by e-mail (or letter) to any of the individuals shown on page 1 of the magazine.

While we have your attention, we are still lacking a reasonable variety of the more unusual crosswords that normally occupy slots 6 and 7. We are also lacking a variety of quizzes. However, such puzzles and quizzes need to be adjudicated by the setter. To achieve prompt publication of your magazine, it is necessary for the setters to have an e-mail address, or a friend willing to provide an e-mail contact, for the receipt of entries and the provision of the results to Patrick.

—Jan Williams

Merv Collins with grandson Mali — a future member of the ACC?

