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For last year's words belong to last year's language/  
And next year's words await another voice.  
TS Eliot, 1944, *Little Gidding*, Part 2, in *Four*.

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The year 2009 has been another stellar one for the Australian Crossword Club. We have maintained our level of membership, 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 2010.

We sincerely thank those who adjudicated all puzzles and quizzes during 2009. The Club could not function without the valued assistance of the adjudicators. A special thank you to the wonderful compilers and quizsetters who strive so hard to meet the high standards set by the Club. We are confident that 2010 will bring out the best in our compilers and will provide an unending source of delight for all ACC members. Thank you compilers for a job well done!

In response to the lack of a Compendium this year (see October *CrOZworld*) some additional puzzles and quizzes are included in this issue. These are intended to provide additional entertainment to members and are for your enjoyment only, not for competition or comment. Solutions will be published in the next issue.

A special thank you to our hard-working Secretary/Treasurer **Bev Cockburn** who has made a huge contribution to the success of the Club. And 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.

We hope you will enjoy the puzzles selected by Ian this month. We publish the generous prize schedule for 2010 on p9. 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.

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**Slot 1:** The big error in this Slot was LAMPLIGHT instead of LIMELIGHT. A number of NAYOUS also arrived. With Xmas around the corner, many Slots are left blank but this Slot was attempted and submitted by everyone.

**Slot 2:** Lots of different errors were found for this puzzle. Most were centred around NARY and BETA with numerous variations. A couple of solvers commented on METE — all solvers, bar one, managed to submit METE. The one soul who persisted with the better MEET (but who then had trouble with the crossing word) has not been penalised.

**Slot 3:** Generally this Slot was completed without much problem. There were a couple of STATELEST and then half a dozen unrelated mistakes. The theme that ran throughout was well liked. The puzzle was considered difficult by many respondents.

**Slot 4:** At this Slot, the solution numbers started to drop off. From the solution I saw, it had some unusual words which probably required a bit of time to nut out. Time, which many solvers stated, was not always available. WATCHER and NANA accounted for many of the errors supplied.

**Slot 5:** "Obviously this Slot was too time-consuming for December. About 40% of solvers left it blank. Of the 60% who did persevere, only about 55% of those got it right." That comment came from my adjudication last year of about the same type of puzzle. The percentages differ only slightly this year but the feeling was the same. Many commenting that maybe this puzzle wasn't helpful enough to get done in the shortened time. One consistent submission was HEARTH for HEATER. After checking the clue, I've decided a case can be made for both answers and therefore both have been accepted. Outside of that, various errors/guesses and several with incomplete solutions at all.

**COTM:** Only 30 nominations were made, covering 20 clues, including 2 in Slot 6. Again like last year, 2 clues broke away – Slot 3 SWANS ASWIMMING and Slot 5 DAINTY. The winner, by one vote, was DAINTY by *Brother Naga*.

**GENERAL:** Many members wish to pass on Christmas Greetings and express gratitude to all the contributors of *CrOZworld* – many more than the published comments. I again encourage everyone to comment on the puzzles. More so the people who submit only a couple of solutions – we can find out why not all. If one of my puzzles ever appears, I want to know what people *don't* like!  
—Andrew Patterson

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	95	90	79	73	65	402
Correct entries	81	70	68	60	48	327
Success rate (%)	85.3	77.8	86.1	82.2	73.8	81.3
<b>Prizewinners</b>	<b>G Campbell S Pinder</b>	<b>R Bryant D Procter</b>	<b>J Hannoush B Hull</b>	<b>B Cockburn</b>	<b>G Champion B Tickle</b>	<b>from 95 members</b>

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## Dec 1-2009

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## Dec 2-2009

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4	B	O	R	D	E	R	D	R	I	N	K							
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6	L	I	N	T	E	L	D	A	I	N	T	Y						
7	P	L	E	A	S	E	S	A	M	U	S	E	M	E	N	T		
8	A	L	L	E	V	I	A	T	E	C	H	A	R	M	I	N	G	
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## MEMBERS RESULTS FOR NOV 6 & DEC 1-5/2009

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
ALLEN W	.					.
ALSTON W	.	.	.	.	.	.
ANDERSON C	.	.	.	.	.	.
ANNAND H	.					
AUSTIN A	.	.				
BALNAVES J	.	.	.	.	.	.
BENNETT B	.	.	.	.	.	.
BRYANT R	.					
BUTLER D	.	.				
CAINE R	.	.	.	.	.	.
CALLAN A&D	.	.	.	.	.	.
CAMPBELL G	.					
CHAMPION G	.	.	.	.	.	.
CHANCE C	.					
COATES D	.	.	.	.	.	.
COCKBURN B	.	.	.	.	.	.
COLE G	.	.	.	.	.	.
COLLINS M	.	.	.	.	.	.
COOKE L	.	.	.	.	.	.
COPLAND F	.	.	.	.	.	.
COWAN M	.	.	.	.	.	.
CROMER H	.	.	.	.	.	.
DAVIS M	.	.	.	.	.	.
DEARIE P	.	.	.	.	.	.
DE GRYS A	.	.	.	.	.	.
DENNIS M	.	.	.	.	.	.
DINHAM V	.	.	.	.	.	.
DOBELE A	.	.	.	.	.	.
DUCKER R	.	.	.	.	.	.
FOWLER J	.	.	.	.	.	.
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GALBREATH M	.	.	.	.	.	.
GARDINER R	.	.	.	.	.	.

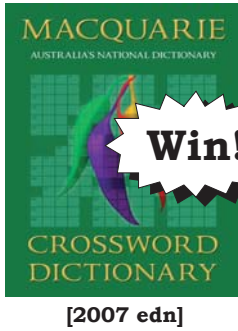
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GARNER P	.	.	.	.	.	.
GILLIS P	.	.	.	.	.	.
GLISSAN B	.	.	.	.	.	.
GRAINGER D	.	.	.	.	.	.
HAGAN B	.	.	.	.	.	.
HAMBLING C	.	.	.	.	.	.
HANNOUSH J	.	.	.	.	.	.
HARPER K	.	.	.	.	.	.
HAZELL N	.	.	.	.	.	.
HOWARD L	.	.	.	.	.	.
HOWARD V	.	.	.	.	.	.
HOWELLS S	.	.	.	.	.	.
HULL B	.	.	.	.	.	.
IBBOTT B	.	.	.	.	.	.
JERMY A	.	.	.	.	.	.
JONES D	.	.	.	.	.	.
KENNEDY M	.	.	.	.	.	.
LEE N	.	.	.	.	.	.
LEEDS G	.	.	.	.	.	.
LLOYD G	.	.	.	.	.	.
LORD P	.	.	.	.	.	.
MacDOUGALL I	.	.	.	.	.	.
McCLELLAND C	.	.	.	.	.	.
McKENZIE I	.	.	.	.	.	.
McMANUS D	.	.	.	.	.	.
McPHERSON T	.	.	.	.	.	.
MARTIN A	.	.	.	.	.	.
MARTIN F	.	.	.	.	.	.
MEEK D	.	.	.	.	.	.
MERCER P	.	.	.	.	.	.
MILES A	.	.	.	.	.	.
NOBLE C	.	.	.	.	.	.
O'BRIEN E	.	.	.	.	.	.

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
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O'ROURKE R	.	.	.	.	.	.
PARSONS D	.	.	.	.	.	.
PATTERSON A	.	.	.	.	.	.
PINDER S	.	.	.	.	.	.
PROCTER D	.	.	.	.	.	.
PROCTER M	.	.	.	.	.	.
PYC M	.	.	.	.	.	.
RODDICK M	.	.	.	.	.	.
ROULSTON S	.	.	.	.	.	.
RYAN W	.	.	.	.	.	.
SHIELD A	.	.	.	.	.	.
SIMONS A	.	.	.	.	.	.
SMITH J	.	.	.	.	.	.
SOLOMON B	.	.	.	.	.	.
STOCKS J	.	.	.	.	.	.
STOREY N	.	.	.	.	.	.
SYMONS B	.	.	.	.	.	.
TAYLOR R	.	.	.	.	.	.
TAYLOR S	.	.	.	.	.	.
TICKLE B	.	.	.	.	.	.
TOFONI B	.	.	.	.	.	.
WAITES L	.	.	.	.	.	.
WALTER A	.	.	.	.	.	.
WENHAM J	.	.	.	.	.	.
WILCOX C	.	.	.	.	.	.
WILLIAMS I&K	.	.	.	.	.	.
WILSON N	.	.	.	.	.	.
WILSON R	.	.	.	.	.	.
WIMBUSH R	.	.	.	.	.	.
WOOD J	.	.	.	.	.	.
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**Half 'n Half**  
by  
*Timid Terrier*

**Prizes: \$50**



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**Across**

- 1 Latin American dance (5)
- 4 Kilns (5)
- 9 Desire, longing (3)
- 10 Relation (5)
- 11 Seethes (5)
- 13 Marks off (5)
- 14 Letter of the alphabet (5)
- 15 Entreat (5)
- 16 Creep, inch (5)
- 17 Female sheep (3)
- 18 Traditional (abbrev) (4)
- 19 Lair (3)
- 20 Large marble (3)
- 22 All or everywhere (Latin) (4)
- 24 Pieces of furniture (5)
- 26 Tidy, nice (4)
- 28 Nuisance (4)
- 29 Govern, rule (5)
- 31 Monetary unit (4)
- 33 Tavern (3)
- 34 Covered motor vehicle (3)
- 36 Laceration, wound (4)
- 38 Limb (3)
- 39 Fibbers (5)
- 41 Follows orders (5)
- 42 Occurrence (5)
- 43 Pale, colourless (5)

- 44 Eskimo's house (5)
- 45 Object, device (5)
- 46 Label (3)
- 47 Rests (5)
- 48 Rapidity, speed (5)

**Down**

- 1 Label as company sauce (7)
- 2 Diana sprayed river nymph (5)
- 3 Roy's terrapin featuring shellfish (6)
- 4 Precisely over the mark (2,3,3)
- 5 Religious State's belief not English (6)
- 6 Swings strange puss to extremes (8)
- 7 Acknowledges beginnings of action citing college egghead's plagiarism threatens solidarity (7)
- 8 Angry about English sow's muddied pastures (7)
- 12 The Italian backed lieutenant mixing gin and singing in a cheerful, rhythmic manner (7)
- 21 Like a relative (4)
- 23 Aura of Michigan enrolled nurse (4)
- 25 Engraving alien body part starts off gingerly (7)
- 27 Predict England's new power years (8)
- 28 Paints mines holding FBI agents (8)
- 29 Answer Rhode Island mail with letter (7)
- 30 Receive property from a Norse woman with sex appeal (7)
- 32 The last of eight United States Ships with money for fawn-coloured silk (7)
- 35 Sancho organised Mexican food (6)
- 37 Moan about the French vehicle (6)
- 40 Maps in at last (5)

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## Cryptic by Penobscot



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### Across

- 1 Films disturbed rest with partners fore and aft (8)
- 5 Beadwork created with current hesitation (6)
- 9 Poor Di groans at what may lie ahead. This could tell her! (4-4)
- 10 Showy performances often found in 1 across (6)
- 12 Low down type but not in Cuba! (4)
- 13 vehicle from 1 across (10)
- 15 As some words are seen after short endearment (7)
- 17 /17dn "Two clubs", Potter heard (5,4)
- 19 East End query. Is it is or is it not? (5)
- 20 Home League leaders in agreement in Irish town (7)
- 23 Having some doubts about this eating disorder (10)
- 25 Tricky fellow doesn't finish but trick remains (4)
- 28 Left aboard with nothing fore and aft in Iberia (6)
- 29 Starry symbol - see below, perhaps (8)
- 30 Scandinavian explorer's passport? (6)
- 31 Grew anew with stored up potential (8)
- 3 Quarter partner of half 1 across (4)
- 4 Chivalrous, but losing head every evening (7)
- 6 Caper against crosswords for a start (5)
- 7 Texas feature. Big, enormous, grandiose for starters (9)
- 8 What 20 down 27s are prone to get up to? (8)
- 11 Old but carried on without leader (4)
- 14 Tie down and beat up bird (4)
- 15 How to win easily but not in boxing! (5,4)
- 16 Newt in reef tangle (3)
- 17 See 17 Across
- 18 One of 1 across - or 12? (4,4)
- 20 Against endless 6 (4)
- 21 Command often featured in 1 across but not 15 down (5,2)
- 22 Cured as pot can be (6)
- 24 Name -- 2 down or 13 across, perhaps? (5)
- 26 Hillary, say, not on 3, 17 down. 27 or 20 down 27 of 1 across (5)
- 27 Illustrious person attracting classical swimmer? (4)

### Down


- 1 Yet beginning after overthrow is valuable (6)
- 2 He's an unlikely 27 of a 1 across (5)

Results of November Competition received after closing date advancement

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5
ANNAND H	•	•	•		•
COWAN M		•	•	•	•
DUCKER RO	•	•	•	•	•
GARDINER R	•		•		•
LEE N	•	•	•		•
MacDOUGALL I		•	•	•	•
PEARCE J	•				
PROCTER M	•	•	•	•	•
SAVANAHT		•			

See below for Revised statistics: (apologies for incorrect figures in the December edition of *Crozworld* - Kay Williams)

Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	81	90	89	80	86	475
Correct entries	77	75	83	63	83	438
Success rate %	95.1	83.3	93.3	78.8	96.5	89.4

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


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**Across**

- 1 Guards start to submit applications (8)
- 5 Your leader in good time at regular intervals (6)
- 8 One thousand note Iranian currency is ancient beyond recall (10)
- 9 Old Zack in a dither (4)
- 10 Remark on wheels in carriage (11,3)
- 11 Westinghouse with hinge missing pulled out? Course! (3'-4)
- 13 Influences new staff about economic curve initially (7)
- 15 Copper left Heather's selection (7)
- 18 Stop working around noon for each runner (7)
- 21 Empty shaft visible in desert (9,5)
- 22 Irish mother's girl (4)
- 23 One thousand through with child a Liberal detached (10)
- 24 Pirate goes off about a detective (3,3)
- 25 Decapitated last on the way (8)

**Down**

- 1 Clubs with gold beginning to solicit hopefuls (7)
- 2 Dead head? Yes and yes (9)
- 3 Pity about the code (7)
- 4 Pilot shows discernment and hard skill (7)
- 5 Shout old women five dollars for a fish (9)
- 6 A thing – clear it out (7)
- 7 Idle time around Arabic place of quarantine (7)
- 12 A light cooking, i.e., browning (9)
- 14 Led a troubled model inside after cheer-leader (9)
- 16 Weaken one in France with audacity (7)
- 17 Idler left dollar out (7)
- 18 Bishop's jurisdiction putting out disco with ease, say (7)
- 19 It has no outlet. The writer may start nearly out of date (7)
- 20 Continued to irritate right joint to a degree (7)

**Another Cauliflower Triumph!**

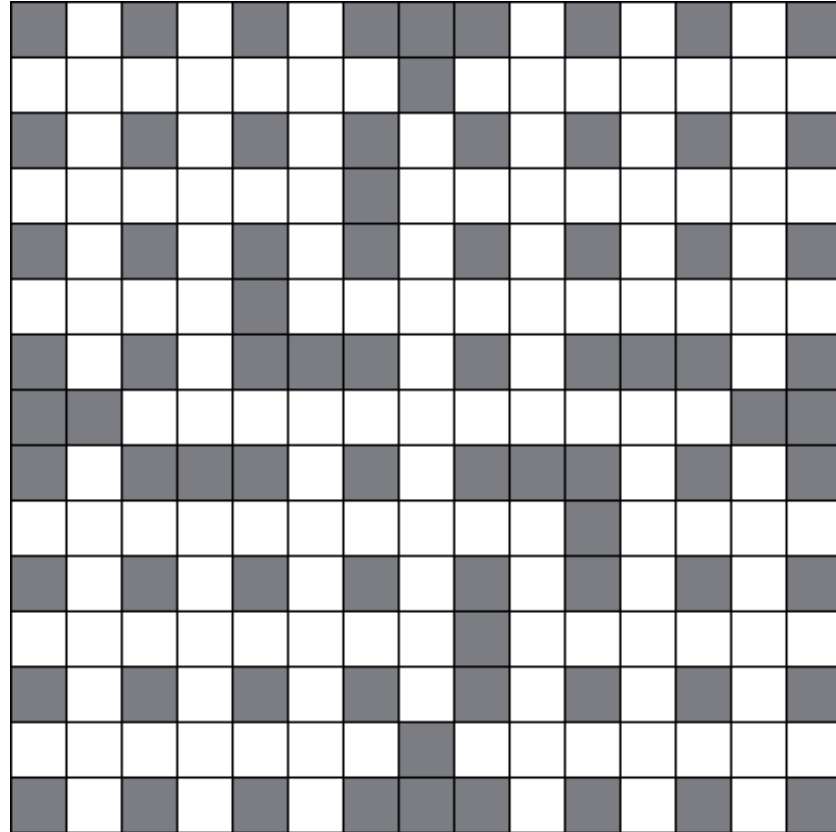
At William Ryan's comfortable Cauliflower pub on 29 November members and significant others enjoyed a day of cruciverbal conversation, conundrum cracking and cogitation over quiz questions. Our Secretary Bev Cockburn writes: "The day went off really well with one early problem – there were not enough tables or seating for our number when we arrived and I organised another table of 8 which was set up as a group arrived. In the end, there was just enough seating for everyone. The food was a great success, 4 platters on each table including king prawns with tartare sauce, shashliks, bread with ham and sundried tomatoes and spring rolls, calamari fritters etc and sauces. There were also wines on each table and everyone was very impressed. Because there was no waiting for meals and every one ate at their own pace, there was plenty of time for the puzzle and the quiz. Betty Siegman and Del Kennedy won the puzzle prize and Andrew Patterson won the quiz with Ro Ducker as runner-up. We had 5 bottles of wine as Lucky Door prizes and we gave away the Compendiums and some back Crozworlds to anyone interested. Many thanks to William Ryan for making the Get-Together another outstanding success." Margaret Davis writes: "I thought I'd just say how much I enjoyed yesterday's event. Bev had gone to a lot of trouble to make it a success and I am sure everyone was happy seeing old friends and making new ones. Her competitions had us all scratching our heads." See: <http://www.southsydneyherald.com.au/pdf/SSHDEC09.pdf>

**FADED**

In Jesso's November Slot 2 the clue for 6dn was "Easily cover the bet supplied without notice (6)", which gave rise to queries from some members. Noel has responded: "Faded in poker is easily covered." For those not of a gambling bent the SOED gives: *Fade verb trans. Gambling. Match the bet of (another player). N Amer. slang.*

—Ian Williams

<p> J A N U A R Y   2 0 1 0   S L O T   4 </p>
<p><b>AJ</b> by <i>Manveru</i></p>
<p><b>Prize:</b> <b>Tornado</b> <b>Crossword</b> <b>Pencil</b> [rrp \$77.00]</p>



Solutions begin with the given letter. Solve the clues and place them in the grid, jigsaw-wise, where they fit

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| <p><b>A</b> Siege forced Anglo-Saxon outside with shields (7)</p> <p><b>B</b> Bolt in hot form holding acceleration in two events (8)</p> <p><b>C</b> A brief sleep when Kay gets older? (6)</p> <p><b>D</b> Rowers, perhaps, need bed rest at sea to circumnavigate Australia (8)</p> <p><b>E</b> A type of clock that will tell you when bomb is ready? (3,5)</p> <p><b>F</b> Anticipated warning on course was rejected (7)</p> <p><b>G</b> Having no money saved – it can cast a shadow at times (6)</p> <p><b>H</b> marks this spot in hospital with parking located in ideal setting (7)</p> <p><b>I</b> There's no end of romantic feeling (4)</p> <p><b>J</b> Delight over mysterious rune in passage (7)</p> <p><b>K</b> Tarnished trinket, beginning to rust away, depicts young animal (6)</p> <p><b>L</b> Songbird left in trap (6)</p> <p><b>M</b> Desert revolutionary kidnaps a monarch (6)</p> <p><b>N</b> Kicking ball through opponent's legs may spice things up a bit, perhaps (10)</p> | <p><b>O</b> Hidden from sight, copper shoots Colt all around him? (6)</p> <p><b>P</b> Each cryptic clue answer contains point of understanding (10)</p> <p><b>Q</b> What happened to man on board when he crossed to the other side? (7)</p> <p><b>R</b> This will reduce the cost for going on line? (8)</p> <p><b>S</b> Servings left at trash could be used by these people (11)</p> <p><b>T</b> Model, on track to initially star in European extravaganza (5,3)</p> <p><b>U</b> Liberally applying a sunscreen on baby's bottom is excessive (11)</p> <p><b>V</b> Meat in oven is cooked with pinch of nutmeg (7)</p> <p><b>W</b> Batting easily, with English 50-50 series (4-3)</p> <p><b>X</b> Copied an unknown number (every third press-report) with Times editor (7)</p> <p><b>Y</b> Hunger has young animal losing pound and needing nitrogen supplement (8)</p> <p><b>Z</b> Spirit can be distilled from maize allegedly (4).</p> |
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**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

- Thank you for my cash prize in October – it was much appreciated. *Shelia Taylor*
- I was absolutely delighted to win my first Slots 1-5 prize last month. Thank you to all those who keep this club going so well. *Jean Barbour*
- What a great day we had at the Cauliflower Hotel. Many thanks to Bev, Patrick and the committee for organizing such wonderful entertainment puzzles and the lunch. It is always a pleasure to meet those crafty Xword setters and to catch up with other CrOZworld members. Many thanks too for my lucky door prize and the Crossword book – albeit for the booby prize. Every best wish for a happy Christmas to you all and I look forward to a puzzling New Year. *Ro Ducker*
- Many thanks for the enjoyment that the team bring so unfailingly each month. *Jim Fowler*
- Another great lot of puzzles — I hardly need to say that, do I? *Margaret Galbreath*
- My thanks for the book prizes for Slots 5 & 7 in October. *Bob Hagan*
- I found the puzzles a mixture of quite straightforward clues and some really difficult ones. *Gabrielle Leeds*
- Winning a prize for Slot 3 last month was such a buzz. That the setter was my favourite *Southern Cross* just made my day. Thank you for these great opportunities. *Glenda Lloyd*

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**Cryptic**  
by  
**St Jude**

Prizes: \$50



[2006 edn]

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**Across**

- 1 Time after victory in front of metropolis used to discover the truth (8)
- 5 Announced knight to receive leading award for becoming more fat (6)
- 10 Times when platonic stimuli are used ... (15)
- 11 ... as some lover seeks to maintain control ... (7)
- 12 ... when sucked in by reckless philander without limits (7)
- 13 Diminishing jabbering about missing jar (6)
- 15 Dressed using old sash first (8)
- 17 Prison model contained managed sector (8)
- 19 Unusual, not unknown but red-headed and sensual (6)
- 23 Lecture by don after promotion (7)
- 24 Reef made of shell and chipped coral (7)
- 26 Charity created from a sort of centre for education head (4-11)
- 27 More impetuous prince gets possessive female (6)
- 28 Beginning parliamentary review executing lengthy and thorough investigation concerning priestly behaviour (8)

**Down**

- 1 Escape velocity of an elk (7)
- 2 Theory Percival Lowell irrationally held about Martian valley (5)
- 3 Felon and his lad appeared embarrassed (7)
- 4 Sapling that farmer used to steer (6)
- 6 Complained of second rate irritation by boss (7)
- 7 Draw attention to stain with illumination (9)
- 8 Replaced walls where I lived? (7)
- 9 Could be irascible – that is not like a writer (7)
- 14 Carries inside and labels (9)
- 16 A French-American half-yearly publication is rare (7)
- 17 Elmer Fudd says "excellent duck" (7)
- 18 Bard's grimy Scottish sheep enclosure that is found behind church (7)
- 20 Repair and dole out after some sleep (7)
- 21 Excellent commander in chief embraces a girl (7)
- 22 Called a poisoner "The Quieter" (6)
- 25 Secret chapter pulled out and open for view (5)

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

- There were no pushovers this month and all were equally challenging. *Michael Kennedy*
- Tickled pink to receive the *Tornado* Crossword Pencil prize last month. It's a humdinger! Best wishes to Patrick for a speedy recovery. Alan Walter has made remarkable progress since his bypass in September. *Carole Noble*
- As usual I enjoyed solving all this month's puzzles. Some tough puzzles to finish the year. *David Procter*
- I found Slots 3, 4 & 5 very difficult and still not sure if correct – as some answers didn't seem correct. *Marian Procter*

**THANK YOU, Patrick**

• The Club owes a great debt of gratitude to our President for the appearance of this issue of *CrOZworld*. Despite the torture described in all its forms on page 12, Patrick has found the time, inclination and fortitude to provide us with an historically large 20 page issue. Thanks, Patrick, on behalf of all members. —*Ian Williams*

**Shirl O'Brien on the Mend...**

We are pleased to report that our favourite compiler **Shirl O'Brien** is feeling much better and is "much more positive" about her future. Shirl says that since she has been on a new medication she has been feeling and eating much better. And Shirl is looking forward to reworking some of her marvellous puzzles in 2010. We send our Warmest Wishes to Shirl and Jack and hope that they will enjoy Good Health in the New Year.







**ACC COMPILER OF 2009:** We have had plenty of crossword compilers featured in *Crozworld* during 2009. 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 2009. See p11 for the voting form.

**CLUE OF THE MONTH:** We continued the COTM in 2009 and it has been keenly embraced by the solvers. We will continue it in 2010. During 2009, the results were as follows. Sincere congratulations to **Shirl O'Brien** with 4 COTMs, Audrey Austin and John Brotherton 2 each and Jenny Wenham, Andrew Patterson, Doug Butler, Noel Jessop and Bob Hagan 1 each. Well done!

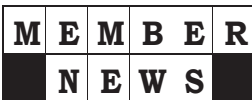
**SIGN UP A NEW MEMBER!** If you sign up a new member for 2010, the cost is only \$30. Unbeatable value! A wonderful present for your friends! We have a number of new members already for 2010! Let's make a lot of people happy by signing up your cruciverbal friends. It only costs \$30 for the whole year. Great value!

**Subscription renewals kindly received from:** Austin A, Caine R, Champion G, Chance C, Colgan L, Copland F, Cromer H, Davey J, Davis K, Dearie P, De Grys T, Evans J, Farris G, Freeman H, Glissan B, Hambling C, Harper K, Hocking A, Howat R, King S, Lee C, Lee N, Leeds G, McAdoo G, McGrath J, Martin A, Meek D, Mitchell J, Parsons D, Redwin B, Savannah, Shipway S, Smith J, Thomas E, Trollope S, Wilcox C, Wilson R and Wood J.

**Donations to the ACC Prize Fund 2010 are gratefully received from:** Robyn Caine, Gillian Champion, Chester Chance, Len Colgan, Fay Copland, Hilary Cromer, John Davey, Ken Davis, Tony De Grys, Tony Dobebe, Barbara Glissan, Hazel Freeman, Catherine Hambling, Kath Harper, Alison Hocking, Samuel Howat, Gabrielle Leeds, Greg McAdoo, Alison Martin, Judith Mitchell, Drew Meek, Andrew Miles, Beverley Redwin, Therese Savannah, Sally Shipway, Steve Trollope and Cheryl Wilcox. Many thanks for your generosity.

**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 since July 2005 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](mailto: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 your appeal to the Adjudicator is unsuccessful, you may contact the Executive Committee who will then finally determine the appeal.



**New Members:** Tony Dobebe from Norman Gardens, Qld, **Graham Brown** and **Helen Perrow** from West Wollongong, NSW (Gift Memberships from Rhonda Brown), **Len Colgan** from Warradale, South Australia and

**Jeroen Van Den Muyzenberg** from Parkwood, Queensland (A Gift Membership from David Parsons). Welcome to the Wonderful World of *Crozworlding!*

**Congratulations** to our Secretary **Bev Cockburn** who is now a great-grandmother. Bev's granddaughter Sarah gave birth to a healthy boy yesterday to be named Hayden Mark. Aren't I lucky? asks Bev.

**Puzzle adjustments:** **Doreen Jones** and **John Gillis** gained a dot for the October Slot 6 puzzle *Notables*. **Corryn Anderson** gained full marks for Quiz No 10/2009. **Corrigendum: Quiz 12/2009** The word length indicator for Question 21 is (7). **December Slot 6 by Raoul:** Members wishing to submit via email should use [wgryan@bigpond.com](mailto:wgryan@bigpond.com) rather than the address published in the December *Crozworld*.

**Brian Symons asks:** What is the hardest word to spell? Using the definition that the hardest word to spell is the one most commonly misspelled on the worldwide web amongst words used often, a survey about a decade ago found the three hardest words were: SUPERSEDE, MINUSCULE and DESICCATE. DESICCATE was the only word to be misspelled more often than spelled correctly.

**Ian Williams** liked this recent clue by **Gordius** from *The Guardian*: "Like it could bring the house down.", audibly breathes the Irishman with regret (7) SEISMIC

### The Australian Oxford Dictionary WORD OF THE MONTH

**waygoose** *n.* (pl. **-gooses**) *Brit. hist.* an annual summer dinner or outing held by a printing house for its employees. [ORIGIN: 17<sup>th</sup> c. (earlier *way-goose*): origin unknown.]

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### PRIZE SCHEDULE for 2010

Subject to the overriding discretion of the Executive Committee, the 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 Crossword Dictionary* (2007 edition) 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 selected winner each month: \$100. Cumulative slots 1-6, Jan-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 2010.

#### A Note about the Prizes for 2010

**T**hanks to the generosity of members, we are able to maintain the prizes for 2010. We are continuing with the Cumulative Prizes for the best solvers in 2010. We recognise that like most Clubs, we should reward the champion solvers with something tangible to mark this achievement. As in 2009, we will award trophies for the Club's champion solvers and each will carry a plaque setting out the details of the winner's name and the particular competition. Trophies will be awarded for Cumulative Slots 1-5 Jan-Dec 2010, Cumulative Slot 6 Jan-Dec 2010 and the top scorer for the numbered Quizzes Jan-Dec 2010. 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 2010!

**Note:** In 2010, 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 1-2009: Half 'n Half by The Eager Beaver (Bev Cockburn)**

- Slot 1 was pretty tough; knur, noyous, ratalia, bora, ettle, tymp, toluate and preterit all a bit obscure for openers. *Merv Collins*
- A relatively straightforward puzzle but enjoyable. I'm never keen on Spenser (32dn) and see no reason why he should get all his misspelt words in a dictionary. My spelling mistakes get marked "Wrong". 1ac: Don't like Empt much either. I accept its legitimacy as a word but would be better ex-empt. *Jim Fowler*
- A lot of words which were quite new to me. I hope EMPT is right – something of a guess. *Gabrielle Leeds*
- Difficult for a Slot 1, with a lot of unfamiliar words. I was not able to confirm 1ac (EMPT). *Nea Storey*
- Thanks Bev for your Slot 1 puzzle which was no pushover. *Alan Walter*
- A good start to the month, with a few new words for me: NOYOUS, TYMP, ETTLE. *Jenny Wenham*

**December 2-2009: Thematic by Virgo (Audrey Austin)**

- I thought Virgo was very clever getting all those countries in. *Bev Cockburn*
- I recorded no comments as I did it so it must have been good and uncontroversial. *Jim Fowler*
- Nice thematic but a few problems with definitions in the cryptic clues: 5dn: "encounter in accounts" indicates a homophone of 'meet' but 'mete' does not mean 'proper'. For that meaning, the word is also spelt 'meet'. 'Mete' means to measure (v) or a (land) boundary (n). 28dn: 'supreme' is 'best' not 'better'. Also, 'better' is a very approximate homophone of 'beta', which is pronounced as for 'beet' or 'bay' (US). If a setter wants to use such an approximation, I think it should be indicated in the clue. In 29dn there's a mismatch as ail is a verb and sick an adjective, so ail indicates sicken, not sick. *Drew Meek*
- An enjoyable themed crossword, with good clues. *Nea Storey*
- I am pretty sure 5dn is METE – but this is wrong. 'Proper' and 'encounter' are MEET. Otherwise a very enjoyable puzzle. *Brian Symons*
- Clever theme. A lapse of concentration almost resulted in 'green salad' rather than 'greek salad'. *Brian Tickle*
- Much liked your country theme answers for all across clues; thanks Virgo. *Alan Walter*
- A clever puzzle but I'm afraid I have no idea about 5dn, so it's a guess. *Jenny Wenham*

**December 3-2009: Thematic by midships (Ian Williams)**

- 13ac was great for his theme – maybe COTM. *Bev Cockburn*
- A high quality puzzle with a nice seasonal theme. Apart from having to replace a couple of blown brain fuses arising from the mere existence of "Houyhnhnm" the only other comment is re 27ac which I can't get to fit the clue – was a bit missed out [see above – IMW]? *Jim Fowler*
- Slot 3 was certainly quite a challenge. Obviously 27ac should have read "inability"! If 5dn is SHAPELIEST then I still don't understand the clue. I also presume the pronunciation of 16dn rhymes somehow with "win 'im"? *Bob Hagan*
- Not at all confident that I've managed to decapitate the 23dn gastropod appropriately. [Perfectly – could make your name for it – IMW]. For 27ac my answer seemed to mean the opposite of the definition. *Kath Harper*
- My COTM goes to 16dn HOUYHNHNM, because as a compiler I know how difficult that word would have been to clue, yet it was managed with great surface. *Michael Kennedy*
- APHASIA – I know this means INability to express thought but I can't find anything else. *Gabrielle Leeds*
- 12ac: I think Santa is the leader of Barbara Cruz and Ana rather than the follower. 27ac seems to be missing a reference to one of the As. Also, definition should be 'inability' to express thought, not 'ability' [Guilty as charged, despite following my own advice of solving the grid some time after compiling it – but not checking for typos and succumbing to the irresistible urge to then tinker with clues – IMW] 28ac: My vote for cotm, just pipping 8dn. *Drew Meek*
- 7dn: I hope my guess was right! *Max Roddick*
- Toughest Slot 3 ever! *William Ryan*
- The topical theme was cleverly done. *Nea Storey*
- Clever and fun – but 27ac clue should be 'inability'? Also please explain EMMANUEL [See Mr Walter below – Adj]. *Brian Symons*
- This felt like a Slot 6. 27ac surely should be INability to express

- thought. I took ages to get 16dn. Amazingly it is in Chambers. Must be the obscure word of the decade! *Roy Taylor*
- I really, REALLY don't understand 28ac [S(WAN)S,AS,H(women),G -Adj] and 5dn [S(HAP,E)LLEST – Adj]. *Brian Tickle*
- A very difficult puzzle to complete. 11ac: A+F+FLIC+T where F=French & FLIC = 'French policeman', hence 14's STAMMERERS = French twice. 15ac: SA+IN+T+NIC+HOL+AS. 22ac: EM+MAN+UEL where UEL is the topical feast say (YULE). 25ac needs the article 'a' preceding 'Greek' to obtain A+PH+AS+I+A where PHI = Greek character. 28ac: '7perhaps' could be omitted, answer gives S+WAN+S+AS+WIMMIN+G. 7dn: 'of' seems to be an inappropriate connective. 8dn: Clue should make a statement & not ask a question. What does 'holiday' have to do with a NATURIST? 9dn: 'sodomaschism' needs an extra 'o'. Thanks *midships* for the cleverly hidden Christmas theme. *Alan Walter*
- 'Tis the season to be jolly difficult. *Jenny Wenham*

**December 4-2009: AJ by Betelgeuse (Gillian Champion)**

- [Sorry that the "no discussion of current puzzles rule" meant that we couldn't send out corrections for Z, the clue for which was unfortunately truncated (see below), but it didn't seem to faze anyone]
- This had some good clues. Went for M as COTM but thought R clue was pretty devious. *Merv Collins*
- A high quality AJ that one has come to expect from Betelgeuse – one of our brightest stars. *Jim Fowler*
- Some interesting words in Slot 4 to add to my vocabulary. *Bob Hagan*
- Not sure of the spelling of the R solution here, but RATTLIN seems to fit the clue and the space. I extrapolated an E----R word for Z, and a word length of 7 letters, and gave it my best guess with ZINGERS. For my COTM the J clue just pipped the Y one. *Kath Harper*
- In Z: don't see how 'er' is indicated by 'the vacant' [Our apologies for a publication error – the full clue should have read "US punchlines hum and bend around the vacant ether (7)" – IMW] *Drew Meek*
- I have put in anything to make it look complete (for R, W and Z). Was the Z clue incomplete? [Yes. – Adj] *Anne Simons*
- An excellent AJ. Especially liked JOIST and BENIGN. *Brian Symons*
- XEN+O+DO+CH+IUM where 'xenium' = present. QUAD+RO+PHONY where 'quad' = close. In T 'frequently' = thickly, should be Frequent = Thick. In Z I presume 'ear' (7) has been inadvertently omitted. In M from 'river monkey' delete the letters 'very' then 'slippery' scrambles the remaining letters to give MONIKER. In this clue 'shy' indicates 'off'. Thanks Betelgeuse for a stunning AJ. *Alan Walter*
- Another tough one, but I got there in the end, though I'm not totally convinced I have the B answer correct. *Jenny Wenham*

**December 5-2009: On the Grasshopper & the Cricket by Brother Naga (Bob Hagan)**

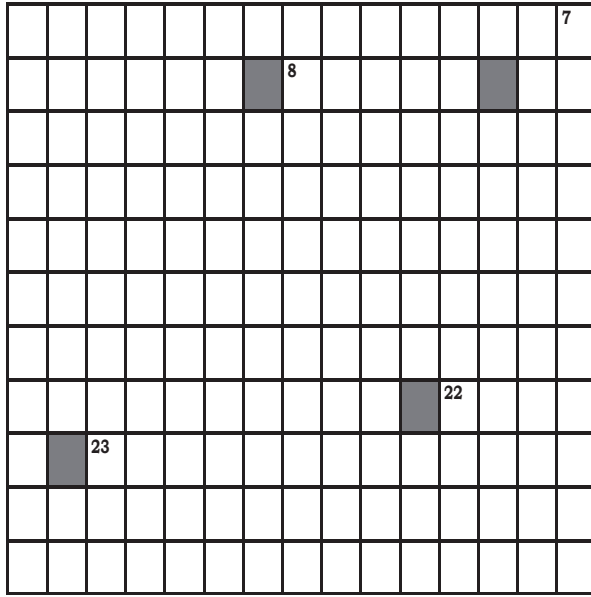
- Didn't attempt Slot 5. Not sure what it is but it's certainly not a crossword. Just a bunch of disconnected clues based on a poem. Not for me, thanks! *Merv Collins*
- Pretty hard even for #5. Some tricky clueing but, when solved, all seems fair and above board. *Jim Fowler*
- I don't enjoy this type of puzzle quite as much as the others. With no helpful cross-checks, it becomes a bit of a slog. *Margaret Galbreath*
- There are two clues using a structure that should only be applied to 'down' and not 'across' answers: In 1 (pt2) 'up' is used as an indicator of reverse order; in 14 (pt2) "on top of" to indicate 'preceding'. *Drew Meek*
- Far too hard. *Anne Simons*
- This is the first time I've managed to complete one of this type! It took a lot of time, and I was very grateful for the cross-checks provided by the list of initial letters. *Nea Storey*
- I love this puzzle variant. Much harder than you would expect. DAINTY gets my COTM. *Brian Symons*
- I have my fingers crossed for one of my answers but – right or wrong – I enjoyed the challenge. *Brian Tickle*
- Thanks Bob for your poetic puzzle. It certainly keeps one 'hopping' around & playing a fair game of dividing your clues into separate parts. Your first letters match perfectly. *Alan Walter*
- As I work my way through this type of puzzle I always think I won't finish, but I seem to end up getting there. Tough but fair, and I've learnt a new definition for 'summer'. *Jenny Wenham*



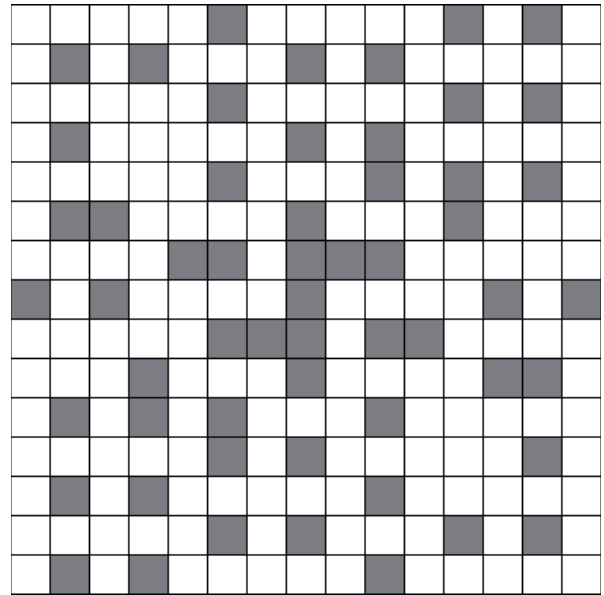
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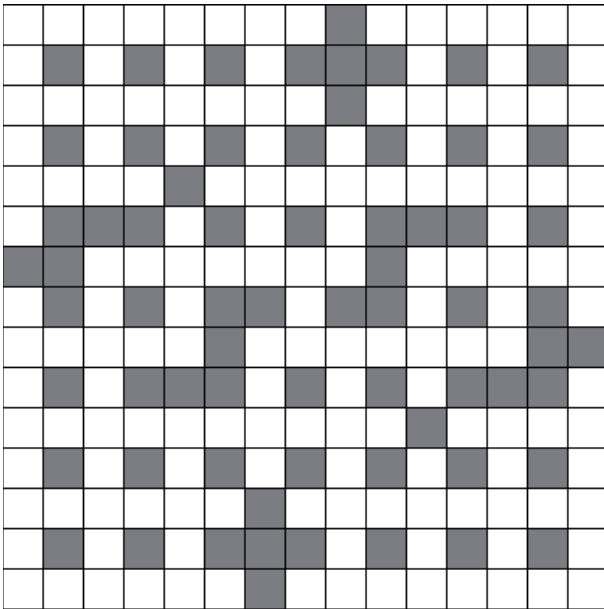
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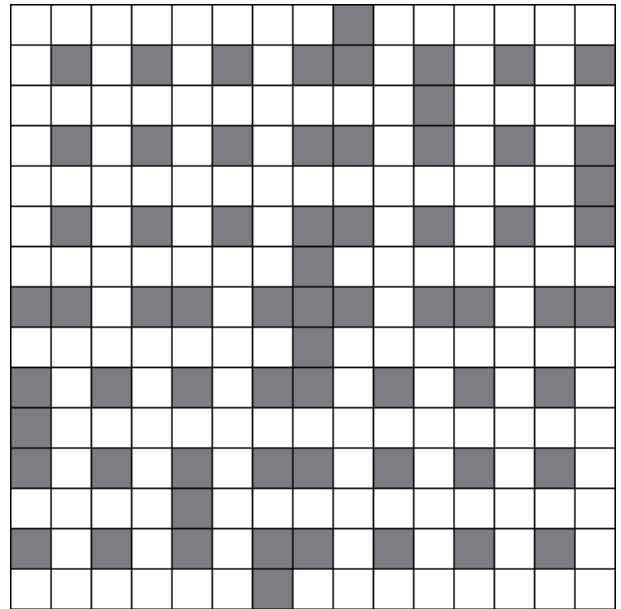
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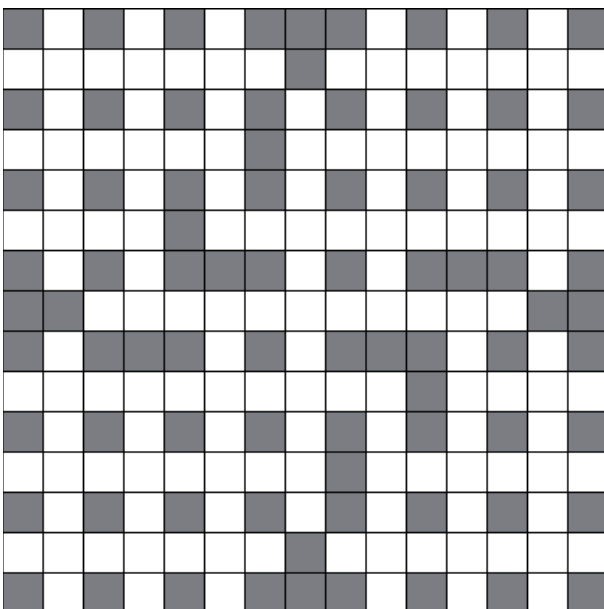
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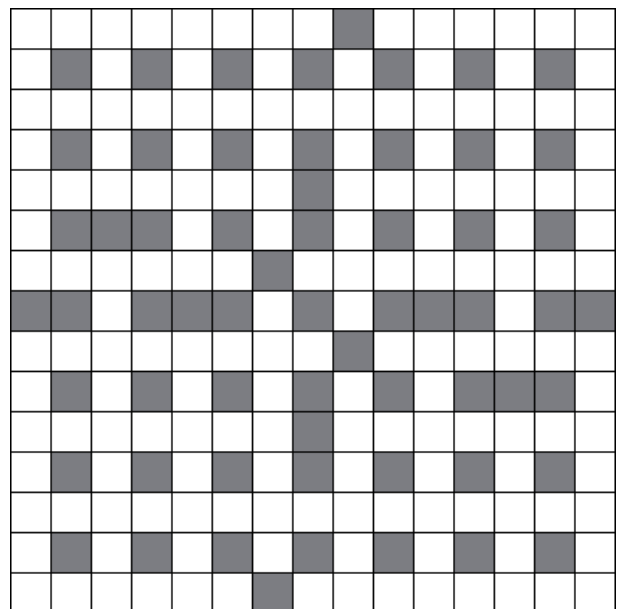
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Clue of the Month .....

ACC Compiler of the Year .....

**November 6-2009: Eightsome Reels by zinzan (Andrew Patterson)**  
**Entries: 59. Correct: 41. Success Rate: 69.5%.**

**Winners: Warren Allen and Robyn Wimbush. Congratulations!**  
**Adjudicator's Comments:**

I really enjoyed putting this puzzle together. I recalled *Praxis'* effort from a couple of years ago and how interesting it was to solve so I thought it was time for another. Members generally did pretty well but there were two problem areas (apart from the usual typographical stuff). 15-MINKCOAT drew a couple of MATTCOATS and 34-NUMERACY had several variations. Thanks to all those who sent entries at this busy end of the year.

**Explanations:** 1- (HE,CARPED)\* 2- MACH1,N,E-----S 3- S(L)ICKNESS 4- (DRIBBLE)\*+U 5- BLANCHE D'(alpuget) 6- (MACHINE)\*,N 7- NICK,NAME 8- DO,MINI,C,A 9- (STUDENT)\*+E 10- BLUES,TE(a)M 11- (MANS,BELT)\* 12- (F/P)IGMENTS 13- FI(GMEN)TS 14- C(ATM,IN,T)S 15- M(INK,CO)AT 16- REQUI(R/T)ED 17- QUIT+(SEEM)\* 18- (ESTEEMS)\*,(fou)R 19- PER,SPIRE 20- FI(NEAR)\*TS 21- CA(L,MAN)TS 22- (ONE,CLAIM)\* 23- --QU-- --AR-- --TI-- --LE- 24- dbl def 25- H(tongue),S,TEN 26- PENT,A,C-L-E- 27- C,LEANERS 28- CARE+(A,MAN)\* 29- S---Y,CA,MINE 30- 'IM,H(prince) 31- dbl def 32- CATCH(I)ER 33- S,CREAMER 34- NU,ME,RACY 35- TH(E/R)ASHES 36- (AS,RICHES)\* 37- REAM ENDS?

—zinzan (Andrew Patterson)

**Solvers' Comments:**

- Highly entertaining – many thanks. *Bill Alston*
- I really enjoyed this one. I have had a couple of goes at compiling these and always fall in a heap with them. I liked your clues especially 19 and really struggled with 29, 37, 9 and 16. Thank you for plenty of entertainment *Jean Barbour*
- Yet another challenging and enjoyable puzzle 'with a difference'. Thank you. *Robyn Caine*
- Greatly enjoyed doing this complicated puzzle – it must have taken ages to compile. *Gillian Champion*
- Great puzzle – I'm exhausted just writing it out. *Fay Copland*
- Thank you for a splendid puzzle. We haven't had one like this for quite a while and I really enjoyed it. *Margaret Davis*
- Overall a splendid and testing Slot 6! *Tony DeGrys*
- Very good – I really enjoyed this. *Jill Freeland*
- A very clever puzzle; ones like this must be very difficult to compose. They are very enjoyable to do though. *Margaret Galbreath*
- I can only imagine the time it took to compose this! *Pat Garner*
- Thanks for the enjoyable puzzle, had my head spinning! *John Gillis*
- It certainly made me reel a bit. An enjoyable trip however, with some very good clues. *Bob Hagan*
- I'm no great dancer but I think I've mastered your eightsome reels – not without considerable effort, however. Thanks for a very satisfying puzzle, well worth the effort. *Kath Harper*
- I really enjoyed this puzzle, *Zinzan*, and it was a good brain workout. *Susan Howells*
- I don't recall being able to solve a complex Slot 6 without having to resort to references before now. It was quite refreshing. I did confirm SYCAMINE once I had finished but otherwise I didn't move from the lounge chair. Good fun! I liked PERSPIRE, NUMERACY, CLEANERS and THRASHES particularly. I don't recall having any problems justifying the answers so well done on that count too! *Michael Kennedy*
- What a good puzzle. You had my head spinning, as I turned this way and that in Eightsome Reels. It was such fun. I loved IMPRINTS and NICKNAME. Thank you. *Gabrielle Leeds*
- My brain hurts! *Pat Lord*
- A really excellent puzzle. I don't think we've had many of this format recently. So, more please. *Iain MacDougall*
- Well crafted puzzle! *Ian McKenzie*
- Very clever puzzle. Liked 19. *Trish McPherson*
- My head's in a SNIP, or do I mean SPIN? I know it's not PINS or NIPS. Oh DARE . . . er . . . DEAR! *Carole Noble*
- Thanks for a great puzzle. *David Procter*
- Thanks for your cleverly crafted puzzle. Particularly liked

CLEANERS and CHESTNUTS.

*Jack Stocks*

- Thanks for a challenging & enjoyable puzzle. Especially liked BLUESTEM, REQUITED, PERSPIRE and CASHIERS – but could not justify the 'R' in SEMESTER. *Brian Symons*
- What a great puzzle! You have managed to fill the grid without resorting to a lot of weird and wonderful words and you have constructed some great clues. The one that nearly slipped by 'cashiers'. I didn't see why they 'get ready'. It was only when I was filling my good copy that I remembered that 'ready' is slang for money. *Brian Tickle*
- What a workout! My mind is still REELING. Seems as if I 'eight some eels' because of all the twisting. *Alan Walter*
- Thanks for a very challenging puzzle. I really enjoyed it. My outstanding favourite clue was No 5, which would have got my vote for COTM if it had been in a slot 1-5. *Jenny Wenham*
- Great to see you've applied your skills to another genre of puzzle. Loved the clues, especially 12 & 13 and still get a chuckle when I think of the 'zealous cardiothoracic surgeon!' *Roy Wilson*
- At first I thought I would never complete it, however, a few rainy days and all the squares are filled. *Jan Wood*

**Clue Writing Competition No 1/2010:**

Write a clue for the word **JEOPARDY (8)**. 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](mailto:steve.jt@bigpond.net.au) Closing mail date: Friday 5 February 2010. Book prize.

**ON THE MEND...**

Many thanks for your kind thoughts and lovely Cards on the occasion of my open heart surgery on 20 November. Since my 'escape' from hospital my recovery has been a case of one day forward and two back. I looked up the word 'torture' in the *Thesaurus* and found 14 verbs and 17 nouns all of which applied to me! Closest were, 'crucify', 'martyr', 'rack' and 'torment' in the verbs and 'agony', 'hell', 'laceration', 'martyrdom', 'misery' and 'pain' in the nouns. However, the experts tell me that in a few weeks this will all be behind me and I will be feeling 100% so can look forward to an improved lifestyle post-op. Hope so. Once again, thanks for your kindness.

We send our best wishes for a speedy recovery to **Alan Walter** who has also undergone bypass surgery recently and to **Bob Hagan** who has not been enjoying perfect health lately.

—Patrick Street

**VALE DAVID FULLER**

We were deeply saddened to hear of the untimely death on 14 December 2009 of ACC member **David Fuller** aged 65. David joined the ACC in February 1995 and was an excellent solver winning quite a few of the Slots 1-5 prizes along the way. He was a regular attendee at the Victorian Get-Togethers and always had a funny story to tell when called upon.

14 months ago David was diagnosed with the most aggressive of all brain tumours — *glioblastoma multiforme* — and he underwent surgery to have it removed. David valiantly and courageously fought this tumour with determination and good humour. David — a Yorkshire man from Leeds — was a Man of Many Parts: a vibrant, witty, exciting family man who excelled in every way. He was a performer extraordinaire, community-minded leader and an inspiring family man to his wife Gabriel and their four dynamic children. His life was celebrated in front of hundreds of mourners on 18 December in a Farewell Ceremony befitting his stellar career. It was an unforgettable occasion. We send our sincere condolences to Gabriel and Loving Family.



## Quiz No 1/2010

by Virgo



## Quiz 1/2010

### Actors by Virgo.

Solve the anagrams to reveal a total of 9 female and 7 male actors. The initials of the solutions to Part 1 and Part 2 will each form the names of two additional actors with word lengths of (7,9) and (10,6) respectively. In each Part the solutions are given in alphabetical order of the given name.

Send your entry to Audrey Austin, 35/55 Carter Road NAMBOUR Queensland 4560. e-mail: [audreyaustin@bigpond.com.au](mailto:audreyaustin@bigpond.com.au) Closing date 5 February 2010. Book Prize.

### Part 1

- 1 A man's ladder (4,7)
- 2 Sun's ice angle (4,8)
- 3 Next king also (4,8)
- 4 A no word builder (5,9)
- 5 Noon and Dr Cool (6,7)
- 6 Is mental and out (6,8)
- 7 Noonday miler (7,5)
- 8 His fern panel (5,7)

### Part 2

- 9 I then saved (5,5)
- 10 Ray Leith to blaze (9,6)
- 11 Bunny tellers (5,7)
- 12 Navy car nits (5,6)
- 13 A duty kept (5,4)
- 14 Short car rebel (6,7)
- 15 North lies aye (7,5)
- 16 Old Morant (3,6)

### Bonus Quiz January 2010

#### Those Magnificent Men (and Women) in their Flying Machines by Jack

Many flying machines have been named and some of those names appear below. One (unnamed, but closely associated with one flyer) is referred to by registration number only. The task is to name the person associated with each machine. (One person is listed by screen name not birth name.) Answers are alphabetic by given name. Send your solutions to Jack Stocks 15 Azure Court, Dundowran Beach QLD 4685 or by e-mail to [jillandjack@westnet.com.au](mailto:jillandjack@westnet.com.au) Closing date 5 February 2010. Book prize.

- 1 Old Bessie, the Fire Horse (6,7)
- 2 Jason (3,7)
- 3 de Spin (7,6)
- 4 Karohi (4,7)
- 5 The Messenger (5,7)
- 6 Southern Cross (7,9,5)
- 7 Spirit of St Louis (7,8)
- 8 L'Oiseau Blanc (7,9)
- 9 Glamorous Glennis (7,6)
- 10 Golden Eagle (3,7)
- 11 P3061 (7,5)
- 12 Red Devil (5,6)
- 13 Blue Bird (5,7)
- 14 Spruce Goose (6,6)
- 15 The Ethiopia I (6,6)
- 16 Hindenberg (4,7)
- 17 Croix du Sud (4,6)
- 18 The Heart's Content (3,8)
- 19 Kookaburra (5,8)
- 20 L'Etoile Filante (5,8)
- 21 Lulu-Belle (4,7)
- 22 The Bat (5,7)
- 23 Old Yeller (6,6)
- 24 Myth Too (screen name) (6,5)
- 25 Bud Light Spirit of Freedom (5,7)
- 26 Boomerang (3,8,5)
- 27 The Firecracker (4,6)
- 28 Winnie Mae (5,4)

**Bonus:** Two of these persons later married.

- A** What was their popular nickname (3,6,11), (1pt) and  
**B** the name of their flying machine (5,5), (1pt)

### Results of Quiz No 11/2009

#### Captured Animals by *The Busybodies* (Bev Cockburn and Carole Noble)

**Entries: 38. Winner: Joan Smith. Congratulations to all solvers!**

**Results: 30:** W Allen, R Caine, P Dearie, B Foott, R Gardiner, B Glissan, C Hambling, S Howells, A Jermy, C McClelland, T McPherson, A Miles, D Procter, J Randall, A Simons, J Smith, M Steinberger, J Stocks, B Symons, B Tofoni, A Walter, J Wenham, N Wilson and R Wimbush. **29:** C Anderson, A Austin, P Garner, T de Grys, K Harper, P Heath, D Meek, J Pearce, M Procter and Nea Storey. **28:** G Cole, H Freeman, V Howard and C Wilcox.

**Answers:** 1. buoyANT, 2. scrAPE, 3. LASSie, 4. deBATE, 5. forBEARance, 6. eBULLient, 7. CAMELLia, 8. sCATter, 9. sCOWl, 10. commanDEER, 11. DorDOGne, 12. IcELANDer, 13. skEWER, 14. kingFISHer, 15. outFOXed, 16. maGNUm, 17. scapeGOAT, 18. sHAREd, 19. maHOGany, 20. fLAMBoyant, 21. dandelION, 22. guacaMOLE, 23. FlummOXed, 24. sPIGot, 25. sPUMAnte, 26. bRAMble, 27. bRATwurst, 28. seTIGERous, 29. WOLFram, 30. kaYAK.

**Alternative answers:** 1. pleasant, vibrant, radiant (not as good but deserves a tick), 12. Irelander, Zeelander and Hielander, (good enough!), and 14. flycatcher and guineafowl (perfectly acceptable).

**Adjudicators' Comments:** There were several very inventive answers for 28 – toothbrush (with 'rush' as an animal?) and broomstick (with 'roo' as the animal!), also 'walrus-like', 'hispidered', 'shagginess' and 'malevolent' nor could we accept 'jerepigo' for 25 because although a wine, it is not sparkling, sorry. Other errors included 'cyclamen' for 7, 'diversely' for 10, 'eyra' for 14, 'calamander' for 19, 'ounce' for 23, 'pupunha' for 26 and 'seal' for 28.

**Members' Comments:** All solvers seemed to enjoy our quiz and most comments reflected this. A few thought it tough and the most difficult answer was 28, 'setigerous' with 12 errors. Thanks from us both for your entries and good wishes for Christmas and the New Year. We wish you all a very safe and happy Christmas and a healthy, happy 2010.

—*The Busybodies* (Bev Cockburn & Carole Noble)

**November 7-2009: AJ – Are we there yet?** by *InGrid* (Jean Barbour)

**Entries 63. Correct 52. Success Rate 82.5%. Prizewinner: Robyn Caine. Congratulations!**

**Correct:** W Alston, C Anderson, H Annand, J Balnaves, J Barbour, B Bennett, R Caine, D Callan, G Champion, B Cockburn, M Collins, L Cooke, F Copland, M Cowan, M Davis, P Dearie, A DeGrys, R Ducker, J Fowler, P Garner, M Galbreath, B Glissan, B Hagan, J Hannoush, K Harper, A Jermy, D Jones, G Lloyd, P Lord, C McClelland, I MacDougall, I McKenzie, T McPherson, J Martin, D Meek, A Miles, C Noble, R O'Rourke, A Patterson, D Procter, M Procter, J Randall, A Simons, Joan Smith, B Solomon, J Stocks, C/N Storey, B Symons, B Tofoni, A Walter, J Wenham, R Wimbush and J Wood.

**Adjudicator's Comments:**

This puzzle seemed fairly easy for most solvers and the entries were plentiful. No real problems except for Noot instead of Noon. Most of the other issues were typos. Thank you to everyone who took the trouble to solve this one and for all your lovely cards and comments. —*InGrid* (Jean Barbour)

**Solvers' Comments:**

- Putamen was a new word for me – thanks for the great clueing. *Bill Bennett*
- The theme was a mystery until I got Saudi Arabia, and then I was on my way. I particularly liked doctor as an anagind in the C clue and isn't Yeggmen a strange word for burglars? *Bev Cockburn*
- I don't think it fair to make one of the 11 letter words in this grid an unclued one. I am sure I am not the only one who likes to get those two in early. (I only noticed that I had done that after it was issued and I agree that it makes it that much harder. I probably wouldn't do that again. Cheers: *InGrid*) *Margaret Davis*
- The Gogo answer reminds one of the advert for Shannon's motor insurance as in Gogomobile. *Jim Fowler*
- Thanks for another great puzzle – although in relation to the theme, it's more "wish I was there" than "are we there yet?" *Kath Harper*
- It was lovely to have another AJ in the month. *Ann Jermy*
- YES WE ARE. To infinity and beyond. (How did you know that I am a Buzz Lightyear fan??? —*InGrid*) *Iain MacDougall*
- Thanks for the trip to the Middle East. Most enjoyable and done from one's armchair. *Carole Noble*
- Thanks Jean for a challenging puzzle. Imaret, hiddenly and eviternity were all new words for me. *Brian Symons*
- Hope we are now there! Should this be described as the T puzzle? (being Middle Eas- t -ern). *Alan Walter*
- The last time I heard "are we there yet" we were not heading for any of those exotic locations! *Robyn Wimbush*

**Solution to November 2009 Slot 7**

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**Results of Bonus Quiz November 2009.**

**Australian Smilies by Sinbad** (Graeme Cole)

**Entries 53. Winner: Pat Lord. Congratulations!**

**Results: 20:** W Allen, S Atkinson, B Cockburn, M Galbreath, K Harper, P Heath, S Howells, B Ibbott, A Jermy, G Leeds, G Lloyd, P Lord, C McClelland, T McPherson, A Miles, C Noble, M Procter, J Randall, J Smith, M Steinberger, J Stocks, B Tickle, A Walter, J Wenham, C Wilcox and R Wimbush. **19:** R Caine. **18:** C Anderson, H Annand, P Dearie, B Foott, H Freeman, R Gardiner, B Glissan, C Hambling, A Hocking, V Howard, D Jones, A Martin, F Martin, J Martin, S Roulston, B Siegman, A Simons and L Waites. **17:** P Garner and B Tofoni. **16:** A Austin, A DeGrys, S Knight, N Storey, B Symons and N Wilson.

**Answers:** scraped, cold, tram, two, mad, sugar, lower, burnt, chook, there, game, meaner, sharper, goat, geraniums, one-armed, chain, steaks, straw, scrub.

**Setter's Comments:** Thank you for responding to my quiz and for the cards and positive comments. Many members said that it was a lot of fun and gave a few laughs. The main problems were 1 & 8 (SCRAPED & BURNT respectively) and 12 & 13 (MEANER & SHARPER respectively). My reference was *The Australian Slang* by Bill Hornadge. Apparently, Henry Lawson, in 1896, set the standard (of similes) when he observed of a certain character that "...he was meaner than a goldfield Chinaman and sharper than a sewer rat", but I understand why it can be argued that the answers for 12 & 13 be interchanged. —*Sinbad* (Graeme Cole)

**Solvers' Comments:**

- Re No. 16: Was clever and difficult. *Brian Symons*
- Another version is: "he's as busy as a one-armed paper-hanger in a strong wind". *Nea Storey*
- 16 does really leave you wondering how the taxi driver would react. *Alan Walter*
- Thank you for your innovative quiz using delightful quotes and sayings with clever anagrams for the answers. *Bev Cockburn*
- Headless chooks and hairy goats – both familiar to me back in the twenties, as often used by my parents to reprimand the behaviour of their two daughters (us). Two-bob watches were known as Woolworth's watches "nothing over 6 pence in this store" – short-lived! *Sonia Atkinson*
- Thanks for the timely reminder that ageing has its advantages – you can remember a lot of these old expressions without having to Google! *Kath Harper*
- What a great set of Oz colloquialisms and what a vivid 'language' Strine is. *Margaret Galbreath*
- Isn't our Australian language rich in idioms! *Barb Ibbott*
- Excellent title; it really had me smiling. *Gabrielle Leeds*
- Love these old sayings and we should use them more often. *Glenda Lloyd*
- This was much better than a poke in the eye with a burnt stick! *Andrew Miles*
- I'd forgotten about some of these; good to see them back in use. *Margaret Steinberger*
- I've learnt a few new sayings. I did wonder for a while what I was going to do with those geraniums. *Jenny Wenham*
- I can remember at school my teacher used to call similes "smilies". *Peter Dearie*
- A novel and interesting puzzle. *Catherine Hambling*
- I really enjoyed the humour of these Aussie sayings. *Doreen Jones*
- They weren't all familiar to me, so there were a few laugh-out-loud moments. *Alison Martin*
- Not too easy and not too hard – just the way I like it! *Audrey Austin*

**Results of the Clue Writing Competition: Nov. No 6/2009.**

**Write a clue for MATURE (6).**

**Adjudicated by Steve Trollope.**

Definition of mature from *Chambers On-line Dictionary*

- Noun 1 fully grown or developed
- 2 having or showing adult good sense, emotional and social development, etc
- 3 said of cheese, wine, etc: having a fully developed flavour
- 4 said of bonds, insurance policies, etc: paying out, or beginning to pay out, money to the holder
- 5 formal carefully or thoroughly thought out
- Verb 1 to make or become fully developed or adult in outlook
- 2 said of a life insurance policy, etc: to begin to produce a return.

Sixteen clues were submitted this month, as shown below. Once again a very tough decision because of several excellent clues, most notably the 3 clues relating to fertilizer/fertiliser/compost with nitrogen removed and time added, the clue relating to the Old Vic actor and the one relating to the old RU team. However the winner this month by **Peter Dearie** is

**Back in Peru tamarillos ripen**

I thought this was a very good example of a reversal clue when I first saw it. However when I looked up tamarillos in Google, I found the following comment in several different sites :

**"The tamarillo is native to the Andes of Peru"**. I then realised what a superb clue this was. Not only was it an excellent cryptic clue in its own right but the clue was also geographically and horticulturally correct. To develop a clue of this type must be extremely satisfying for the compiler, including the country, the fruit and a word reversal in so few words. I hope that Peter does realise that tamarillos come from Peru !

For the guidelines which I have used to determine the winner see the March 2006 *Crozworl*d. I have written each clue to identify the **definition (in bold)** and the *indication (in italics)*, then underneath I have added some comments.

**Grown-up mix: tea with rum!**

A simple clue with 'grown-up' meaning MATURE and 'mix' being the anagind indicating an anagram of tea and rum. The clue is made interesting because of the punctuation splitting the indicator.

**Ripe Victor ham?**

'Ripe' leads to MATURE and 'Victor ham' indicates an actor (ham) by the name of Victor, ie Victor Mature (used in several other clues below).

**Fertilizer lacking nitrogen takes time to ripen**

'Fertilizer' is MANURE lacking N (nitrogen) and taking T (time) leading to MANURE (ripen).

**Old RU team routed**

'Old' is MATURE and 'routed' is the anagind indicating an anagram of RUTEAM. This clue suggests a sporting context which would tend to mislead the solver.

**"Old Vic" actor?**

A very similar clue to one of those above, but this time leading to

thoughts of the Old Vic Shakespeare company and therefore to actors such as Sir John Gielgud and Sir Laurence Olivier. I doubt that Victor Mature ever appeared at the Old Vic. Who would believe that you could make a valid cryptic clue from 3 words using only 11 letters?

**Given time, fertiliser without nitrogen will produce a return**

Very similar to the clue three above but this time the definition refers to the meaning of MATURE in an insurance policy context.

*Smelly compost loses nitrogen, but give it a bit of time, it will mellow*  
Another clue similar to the one directly above.

**Back in Peru tamarillos ripen**

MATURE is included in the indication in reverse order and also means 'ripen'.

**With creationism, finally universe with no origin reveals age**

The final letter of 'creationisM' plus 'nATURE' without its origin, meaning 'age'.

**Old friend you are said to be taken in by**

The indication gives MATE (friend) with UR taken in, all meaning 'old'.

**Mother! You sound mixed up – be your age!**

'Mother' gives MATER which has U added and 'mixed up' indicates an anagram. However the policy of ACC is that we do not accept indirect anagrams, ie if an anagram is used, the letters must be included in the clue. The clue would be valid if the first word were MATER.

**Winning actor upsets admirer losing a letter**

I feel that this clue is really a double indication clue, ie there is no definition of the answer, just two parts which contain a guide to the answer. 'Winning' has to be converted to Victor and then an actor called Victor has to be identified to get the answer of MATURE. The second part has 'admirer' meaning 'amateur' losing a letter and 'upsets' leads to an anagram of MATEUR. This clue again includes an indirect anagram and is therefore unacceptable.

**Develop a blend of rum and hot drink**

'Develop' means MATURE and the indicator is an anagram (blend) of RUM and TEA (a hot drink). Once again this is an indirect anagram.

**Rug, you said, about to ripen**

MAT plus U plus RE (about) leads to MATURE (ripen).

**Age must add to character; no exception**

The indication leads to M (must) plus NATURE (character) minus N (no), but I can't find a list of abbreviations where M is accepted as meaning 'must'.

**Tops of most Apollo tomatoes turn almost all red and are ready to pick**

The indication leads to MAT (tops, or first letters, of 'most Apollo tomatoes') plus U (turn) plus RE (almost all RED). A very clever because Apollo is a variety of tomato.



**At the Get-Together: Bev Cockburn, Ian Williams and David Stickley. Photo: Courtesy South Sydney Herald**



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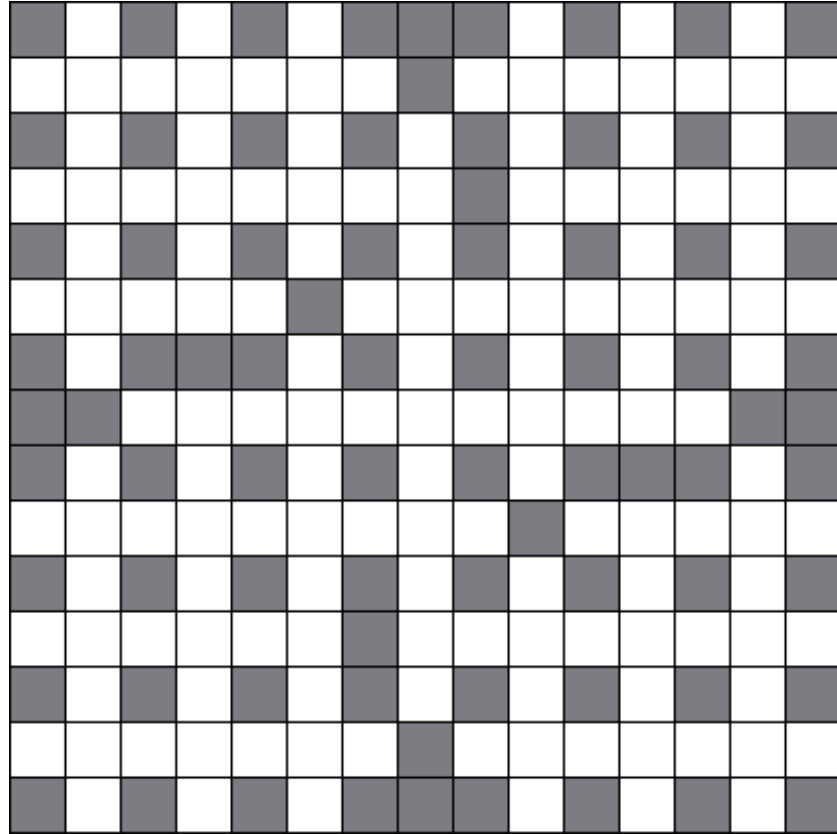
- 1 Georgia, indisposed to go on a road, crossed part of a canal (8,3)
- 7 Distant return of service (3)
- 9 Uncontrolled crook under no doubt? No rot! (9)
- 10 Successful visit to all bases dwelling – right! (5)
- 11 A kind of bowl to discard with hesitation (7)
- 12 Her Majesty appearing in county balls (7)
- 13 Extract from the French in a plot (5)
- 14 Imitating a bird language at midnight (9)
- 17 State clear about money returned by church district (9)
- 19 Airspeed detector to tip over (5)
- 20 Fossick from Latin piano learning (7)
- 23 Wistful – writes four epistles first (7)
- 25 Darling, that woman’s in the Channel Islands (5)
- 26 Psychiatrist takes fish around Royal Society and church (9)
- 27 Beginning to pour in hold (3)
- 28 One thousand dollars to preserve that hole in the ground (5,6)

**Down**

- 1 Stuck heads on gold leaf under emerald and diamond (5)
- 2 In a gamble, small backing to win is neither here nor there (2,7)
- 3 Huge lad twisted about and expressed mirth (7)
- 4 Unguided moss-troopers surrounding the French (9)
- 5 Box to put in cutaway sides (5)
- 6 Some Kyoto hero after shellfish (7)
- 7 Sheep that’s in the China grass (5)
- 8 Prudence put one government hospital in the woods (9)
- 13 Spread a prize flower (9)
- 15 Current forum leading old Greek character ... a radical (9)
- 16 Any critic working in complexity (9)
- 18 Book about accepted good acting (7)
- 19 For a year preserve return with each remedy (7)
- 21 Lyric to Apollo – an ape version (5)
- 22 Roan wallaroo on a place where Ned held sway (5)
- 24 Alien leading dynasty man (5)

<p> J A N U A R Y   2 0 1 0   B O N U S   2 </p>
<p><b>AJ</b> <b>by</b> <b>Virgo</b></p>

Solve the clues  
and place the solutions,  
jigsaw-wise, where they fit



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| <p><b>A</b> Raise Hell at the first sign (5)</p> <p><b>B</b> Plague returns in a live debacle (7)</p> <p><b>C</b> Seer Mama and Sun god (9)</p> <p><b>D</b> Fights with swords and pistols — the foolish used lances initially (5)</p> <p><b>E</b> It may stretch back in deficit sales (7)</p> <p><b>F</b> A touch of ennui, but only in the foot — most amusing! (8)</p> <p><b>G</b> Liquid in soil? Throw rag under tower without hesitation (11)</p> <p><b>H</b> Rock Hudson's dogs (6)</p> <p><b>I</b> Murdoch's head start gains nationality (5)</p> <p><b>J</b> Wild things in fast cars (7)</p> <p><b>K</b> List years of shipping dues (7)</p> <p><b>L</b> Vocabulary of leading lady, a former idol (7)</p> <p><b>M</b> Mary and son repaired bricks (7)</p> | <p><b>N</b> There is no requisite for a bend in the sewers (8)</p> <p><b>O</b> Submerge even more wheel parts! (9)</p> <p><b>P</b> A game with a top misheard! (8)</p> <p><b>Q</b> No New Guinea squad exploited Australian trees (9)</p> <p><b>R</b> Crafty leaders start to dress and again prepare to mount (8)</p> <p><b>S</b> Steed roving about loading and unloading hold (11)</p> <p><b>T</b> Hird across the chest! (6)</p> <p><b>U</b> It's less attractive starting unless slaphappy girl has final score (6)</p> <p><b>V</b> Very no-no do nothing — it's magic (6)</p> <p><b>W</b> Ladylike, trembling, may now hold one hand (7)</p> <p><b>X</b> Vessel takes a powder back to Continental market (5)</p> <p><b>Y</b> Yes, Queen! Steady composition for rock song (9)</p> <p><b>Z</b> Athlete, the last to peak possibly? (7)</p> |
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**Across**

- 1 Almost chicken about arranging green book cover for early prints (9,6)
- 9 Lime and tonic, see! No, second cocktail – get rid of it! (9)
- 10 The Spanish man is not hot at this card game (5)
- 11 Crawling back into a rough clump of trees for protective cover (5)
- 12 Fashionable quarters, an antidote to feeling unsafe (8)
- 14 A kind of Melville book that lacks direction? (4)
- 16 Possibly merit a NATO food allowance (4,6)
- 18 Balanced, unbalanced? Heaven produces new ecstasy in the religious (4-6)
- 19 Rumoured to be seminal yield (4)
- 21 Absurd church height – a characteristic of modern society? (4,4)
- 22 River and lake bird (5)
- 25 Lady with reflux loses advantage after every substance found in garlic (5)
- 26 Only the unorthodox need adlib at evensong (9)
- 27 Wheels go round, round. Not so loud? Nothing to worry about! (10,5)

**Down**

- 1 Brain is dismal subject (4,6)
- 2 With excitement, not hard to produce bird song (5)
- 3 Sounds through a horse’s nose, it’s said (6)
- 4 Rigorously analyse test in a military body. (7,2,6)
- 5 Rub emollient on muscle at the back of the feet and make running a lot smoother (6,3,6)
- 6 One way to take in common salt lacking a sturdy ship (8)
- 7 Glib talk about a composer is unrestrained (9)
- 8 Ungrammatical saw starter? (4)
- 13 Chaos, re unlisted interruptions (10)
- 15 Old composer unfortunately loses his appeal (PS has expired) (9)
- 17 Compound dreadful pain threshold when dose runs out (8)
- 20 Like fellows getting around centre of capital? (4,2)
- 23 Quiet sound for a Hindu God (5)
- 24 Smack revolting midge (4)

## Additional quiz 1: The A to Z of Coming and Going by *The Eager Beaver*.

Derive palindromes associated with the following clues. Punctuation should be ignored.

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| <b>A</b> Popular singing group (4)              | <b>N</b> At once I came first (3,1,3)                    |
| <b>B</b> Massage of inflamed fluid sac (8,3)    | <b>O</b> Simpson takes Robert's instrument (1,1,4,4,5)   |
| <b>C</b> Abel's brother, a nutcase (4,1,6)      | <b>P</b> Dad's stupid (2'1,1,3)                          |
| <b>D</b> Exalted (7)                            | <b>Q</b> Kazakh language journal (5)                     |
| <b>E</b> Bad girl (4,5)                         | <b>R</b> Stimulant (7)                                   |
| <b>F</b> Escape here, isolated imp (4,2,2,6,3)  | <b>S</b> Old cats (6,7)                                  |
| <b>G</b> Animal waste (3,4)                     | <b>T</b> Island chapeau (6,3)                            |
| <b>H</b> Biblical mother of Samuel (6)          | <b>U</b> Soy curd flying saucer (1,1,1, 4)               |
| <b>I</b> I'd rather have a Greek letter (1,6,2) | <b>V</b> Short boy or girl (3)                           |
| <b>J</b> Disturb old India (3,3)                | <b>W</b> City in South Carolina (11)                     |
| <b>K</b> Eskimo canoe (5)                       | <b>X</b> Short acting drug (5)                           |
| <b>L</b> Feline lubrication (4,3)               | <b>Y</b> Hi fruit fellow! (2,6,3)                        |
| <b>M</b> Huge diamond (4,3)                     | <b>Z</b> Greek god was exalted, espied canal (4,3,7,3,4) |

## Additional quiz 2: Fractured Phrases by *Virgo*.

Deduce the following common Latin and French words or phrases from the following tongue-in-cheek clues. The solutions are in alphabetical order. Solvers are warned that each clue is indicative of a possible interpretation of the foreign phrase and may bear no direct relation to its solution.

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| <b>1</b> A wine commercial (2,3)                                      | <b>13</b> Fight for entrees (4,2,6)                      |
| <b>2</b> 20. Commercial-induced sickness (2,7)                        | <b>14</b> Horses hooves (4,1'6)                          |
| <b>3</b> Help with tents (4,2,4)                                      | <b>15</b> In lodgings (5,3)                              |
| <b>4</b> French leave (2,6)   | <b>16</b> Perfumed letters (7,2,6)                       |
| <b>5</b> A fine how do you do(3,4)                                    | <b>17</b> A bad mother (3,2,3)                           |
| <b>6</b> Someone who would rather be a good liver than have one (3,6) | <b>18</b> Another name for a feather in your cap (3,2,5) |
| <b>7</b> Room for improvement (7)                                     | <b>19</b> Father of twins (3,2,4)                        |
| <b>8</b> Making beer (5)  | <b>20</b> Freedom from indigestion (3,2,5)               |
| <b>9</b> The lady in the moon (6,2,4)                                 | <b>21</b> A fan of U2's lead singer (3,4)                |
| <b>10</b> Mow the lawn (4,2,5)  | <b>22</b> A reason to live (6,1'4)                       |
| <b>11</b> Embalming fluid (6,2,5)                                     | <b>23</b> Our fair Saviour (7,5)                         |
| <b>12</b> Found drowned (4,2,2)                                       | <b>24</b> In a drunken voice (5,4)                       |
|   | <b>25</b> A wooden fence support (6,5)                   |

## Additional quiz 3: Hoarse talk by *Anne Simons*.

Answers are in alphabetical order.

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| <b>1</b> Heard in chivalrous tales? (7) | <b>14</b> Animal cries (4)                     |
| <b>2</b> Short jacket (5)               | <b>15</b> Said "No!" (5)                       |
| <b>3</b> Show indignation (6)           | <b>16</b> Beer glass (4)                       |
| <b>4</b> Capital footballer (6)         | <b>17</b> Go over backwards (5)                |
| <b>5</b> Carlton Draught (10)           | <b>18</b> Found in white rum punch (4)         |
| <b>6</b> Old gag (8)                    | <b>19</b> Hose (5)                             |
| <b>7</b> Frock time... (8)              | <b>20</b> Steady (6)                           |
| <b>8</b> ...at old dance (6)            | <b>21</b> Cup (7)                              |
| <b>9</b> Sounds like a waste (5)        | <b>22</b> Out-and-out cash account (11)        |
| <b>10</b> Office for G-man? (5)         | <b>23</b> Pig legend? (7)                      |
| <b>11</b> Brake? (6)                    | <b>24</b> Parliamentary disciplinarian ... (4) |
| <b>12</b> Wine (4)                      | <b>25</b> ... Reg languishes (7)               |
| <b>13</b> Sound of the sea (4)          |  |