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My little dears, who learn to read, pray early learn to shun/  
That very silly thing indeed which people call a pun.

Anonymous, 'Address to Children', in *The World of Wit and Humour* (1893)

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The ACC Executive Committee is more than delighted to announce that the ACC membership for 2010 has exceeded 200. The renewal rate and the level of donations to the 2010 ACC Prize Pool has been very pleasing and encouraging and we feel that this year will be another successful one for the ACC. We hope that the members and solvers will thoroughly enjoy the puzzles and quizzes kindly set for them by keen and dedicated compilers. And thanks to the generosity of members, we have some excellent prizes to be given away.

Given the impressive renewal rate of subscriptions, it is worth mentioning the huge workload of our indefatigable Secretary/Treasurer **Bev Cockburn** who has had to carry out the many tasks of banking etc but also the paperwork necessary to keep the membership records up-to-date. And the work done by our Puzzleman **Ian Williams** in the process of checking and selecting the puzzles and quizzes each month deserves to be quietly applauded. There is a lot of work done by the members of the Executive Committee behind the scenes to keep our successful Club thriving. And where would we be without the loyal assistance of our brilliant Adjudicators?

Our expert puzzler Ian Williams has selected an excellent range of puzzles and quizzes to keep you fully occupied during March. For a start, Ian has selected another fine puzzle by *Waratah* and challenging cryptics by *Virgo* and *Jesso*. We are pleased to publish *InGrid* with the ever-popular AJ titled *Handle it!* and in Slot 5, we welcome a new compiler duo *Harpists* with a hexapentagonal puzzle titled *The Overloaded Ark*. In Slot 6, *Betelgeuse* challenges all solvers with another of her admirable cryptics and in Slot 7, we have a new compiler *Crowsman* with an engrossing cryptic puzzle. In addition, we have not one but 2 Quizzes for your delectation and Steve Trollope is again organising the Clue Writing Competition which is featured on p16. It looks like another busy month for ACC solvers. Happy Crozworlding!  
—Patrick

Many thanks to those who sent me good wishes and luck at the task (pleasant) of adjudicating this month. All attempts at bribery were unfortunately knocked back on the grounds of insufficiency! Any other problematic clues not covered here can be found in Members' Comments. Many thanks to Alan Walter for his in-depth explanations of some of the curly clues! Let the slaughter commence!

**Slot 1:** The term WOGGM confused a lot of members (including me till I received the answer sheet!). Most errors occurred in 6dn (Aerials) with variations of 'airways' and other non-related terms. The other main culprit was 1dn (TUCK) with a few 'ticks' thrown in. Quite a large attrition rate here for a slot 1.

**Slot 2:** By far the biggest cause of angst and lost dots was 9ac (LYTHE) with most solvers opting for LITHE. This was a double definition clue. *Chambers* states: **lythe**<sup>1</sup> (*Spenser*) a form of lithe<sup>1</sup>. **lythe**<sup>2</sup> (*Scot*) n the pollack, a common fish of the cod family. The solution had to fit both definitions which LYTHE did admirably.

**Slot 3:** The only problem arising from this puzzle can be blamed on 26ac: Everso with EVENSO being the popular substitute while the left hand page is usually 'EVEN' this does not fit the clue which demands VERSO to give EVER SO. *Chambers* states: **ever so** very, very much, really, extremely, exceptionally, immensely, exceedingly which fits the definition EXCEPTIONALLY.

**Slot 4:** Very few errors with this puzzle, which scored the lowest error rate of all the puzzles this month.

**Slot 5:** This puzzle scored the second lowest error rate. 11ac: SOPPIER claimed a few scalps with some interesting variations on the spelling of same! Likewise various spellings of CATALYST were disallowed.

Other mistakes leading to loss of dots were the usual culprits i.e. blank squares and typos. I can only reiterate what most adjudicators including myself have said over the years "Double check every grid".

**COTM:** A very close contest between Jenny Wenham (*Ann Ass*) and Shirl O'Brien (*Southern Cross*) but Jenny gets the cigar with 2dn 'Dustpan'.  
—Col Archibald (*colinebria*)

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	95	100	103	102	94	494
Correct entries	69	60	76	90	80	375
Success rate (%)	72.6	60	73.7	88.2	85.1	75.9
Prizewinners	M Steinberger S Roulston	C Anderson V Howard	M Davis G Leeds	A Rendell	R Gardiner S Howells	from 107 members

Prizewinner: February 2010 Slots 1-5: Graeme Cole

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### Feb 1-2010

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## MEMBERS RESULTS FOR Slots 1-5 FEB 2010 & JAN Slot 7

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
ALLEN W			.	.	.	.	.	GILLIS J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	O'BRIEN E					.	.	
ANDERSON C	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	GLISSAN B						.	.	O'BRIEN S	.	.	.	.	.	.	
ANNAND H			.	.	.	.	.	GRAINGER D			.	.	.	.	.	PARSONS D			.	.	.	.	
ARCHIBALD C	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	HAGAN B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	PATTERSON A	.	.	.	.	.	.	
AUSTIN A			.	.	.	.	.	HAGBLING C	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	POTTS M	.	.	.	.	.	.	
BALNAVES J			.	.	.	.	.	HANNOUSH J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	PROCTER D	.	.	.	.	.	.	
BARBOUR J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	HARPER K	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	PROCTER M	.	.	.	.	.	.	
BARNES J			.	.	.	.	.	HAZELL N	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	PYC M	.	.	.	.	.	.	
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BUTLER D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	HULL B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	ROULSTON S	.	.	.	.	.	.	
CAINE R	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	IBBOTT B			.	.	.	.	.	RYAN A			.	.	.	.	
CALLAN A&D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	JERMY A	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	RYAN W			.	.	.	.	
CHAMPION G	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	JONES D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SHIELD A	.	.	.	.	.	.	
COATES D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	KENNEDY M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SIEGMAN B			.	.	.	.	
COCKBURN B	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	KNIGHT S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SIMONS A	.	.	.	.	.	.	
COLE G	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	KNIGHT V	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SMITH J	.	.	.	.	.	.	
COLGAN L	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	LEE C			.	.	.	.	.	SOLOMON B	.	.	.	.	.	.	
COLLINS M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	LEE N			.	.	.	.	.	SPICER L	.	.	.	.	.	.	
COOKE L	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	LEEDS G	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	STEINBERGER M	.	.	.	.	.	.	
COPLAND F	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	LOYD G			.	.	.	.	.	STOCKS J	.	.	.	.	.	.	
COWAN M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	LOBSEY V	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	STOREY N	.	.	.	.	.	.	
CROMER H			.	.	.	.	.	LORD P	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	SYMONS B	.	.	.	.	.	.	
DAVIS K	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	McADOO G	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	TAYLOR R	.	.	.	.	.	.	
DAVIS M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	McCLELLAND C	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	TAYLOR S	.	.	.	.	.	.	
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DENNIS M	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	McKINDLAY Y			.	.	.	.	.	WAITES L	.	.	.	.	.	.	
DOBELE T	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	McMANUS D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WALTER A	.	.	.	.	.	.	
DUCKER R	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	McPHERSON T	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WATZINGER M	.	.	.	.	.	.	
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FREELAND J	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	MAY S	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WILSON N	.	.	.	.	.	.	
GALBREATH M			.	.	.	.	.	MEEK D	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WILSON R	.	.	.	.	.	.	
GALLI M			.	.	.	.	.	MERCER P	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	WIMBUSH R	.	.	.	.	.	.	
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**Cryptic**  
by  
**Waratah**

Prizes: \$50



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**Across**

- 1 Firms have original gardens replaced by Henry (7)
- 7 It's fun to rumple the bed (5)
- 8 Shaft in tape recorder spat can out (7)
- 9 Unite inside Cabramatta church (6)
- 11 Royal knocked back a beer (5)
- 13 Close-up of a decorative Christmas label (4)
- 14 Prisoner Trev turned about to change his religion (7)
- 15 Douglas tree and elm start a blaze (4)
- 16 The queen chases her hat – what a romp (5)
- 17 Contract for a psychiatrist (6)
- 21 Cases that lawyers don't handle? (7)
- 22 Brag about flying kites (5)
- 23 To eat, the staff entered the Centre (7)

**Down**

- 2 Medical group: hirsute, untidy and unprofessional (10)
- 3 Aloofness of the Princess pose (8)
- 4 An old hammerhead troubled boat-builder (4)
- 5 Mum's sister chewed tuna (4)
- 6 Scale used, no learner made this seat (4)
- 9 To become different in the final term (5)
- 10 Agitated, he called Nigel and without a lie threw down the gauntlet (10)
- 12 Light repast, it's so easy (5)
- 13 Street guide for a foreigner (8)
- 18 Profligate's leaf gatherer (4)
- 19 Jot down an IOU (4)
- 20 Parramatta company stored Mexican food (4)

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Closing mail date: Thursday 8 April 2010.

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## Cryptic by Virgo



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### Across

- 1 The Bachelor Boys had a hand in these songs (7)
- 5 Criminal zaps mug in Real Estate deals (7)
- 9 Some first preserve in order to study (4)
- 10 Buck mimics Rolf in pictures (10)
- 12 Fruit lifting right off (6)
- 13 Removes obstacle to applying sunblock (8)
- 14 Officer commanding to see you text message to Jeans tenants (9)
- 16 Mark will guard the thinker (4)
- 18 Vehicles held back in horse tunnels (4)
- 20 Heart possibly succumbs to thin materials (9)
- 23 Graphite muted backache (8)
- 24 When I say eight legs, you're initially thinking rationally (6)
- 26 Local dialect letters rule can vary endlessly (10)
- 27 Drinks rounds at the track (4)
- 28 Australian shortly rumoured to be a wealthy bird (7)

29 Bugs more than one set changes (7)

### Down

- 2 Old chair moves around in air conditioning (7)
- 3 Chain a wild animal we hear (5)
- 4 Comedian is funny and frantic (8)
- 6 After a short while, Lincoln returns to primitive life (6)
- 7 The ignorant lose direction – they're often dressed to kill (9)
- 8 Keep asking your family for vegetables (7)
- 11 Stub work surface with a sword (11)
- 15 Maori runs over little bear (4,5)
- 17 Ruby is employed at an exhibition (8)
- 19 William doubts the guys at the bank (7)
- 21 Eastern docks: Oriental sun and shadow (7)
- 22 Initially carving a little cross in caves containing calcium (6)
- 25 Separate a bit of space where you can see to read! (5)

### GENERAL COMMENTS:

- Thank you for the certificate re 'Compiler of the Year'. I'd like to express appreciation for the recognition. Roy Wilson
- Thank you for my prize for Slot 5, January. It was a lovely surprise. Claire McClelland
- Many thanks to the club for the splendid trophies and certificates for the 2009 quizzes and slot 6. Unexpected reward for enjoying myself. (I assure you it was the result of more perspiration than inspiration.) Jack Stocks
- Robert Gibbings was an Irish-born illustrator, publisher and author of delightful books. He was the first person to draw under water. In his book *Coming Down the Wye*, first published in 1942 he had this to say: "My friend Bill Mathers (Edward Powys Mathers) was known to a wide public as *Torquemada of The Observer*. Many the time I've seen him in dressing gown and bedroom slippers padding round his billiard table, turning over the pages of innumerable reference books which lay thereon." Maurice Cowan
- Patrick, it is surprising to me that you have been able to continue to produce *CrOZworld* and keep us members happy!! We are indeed fortunate to have you at the helm. Valerie Howard
- Thoroughly enjoyed the puzzles this month — just hard enough. Trish McPherson
- Many thanks to the Club for the Jan slot 2 prize – a very nice surprise! Tony Dobelev
- We were surprised and very grateful to get a prize for slot 6 from December. We hadn't read the small print so didn't twig until the cheque arrived. Thank you ACC. Alison and Dave Callan
- I wish to thank the ACC for the prize associated with the January Slot 2. Len Colgan
- Thanks for another excellent set of puzzles. Jim Fowler

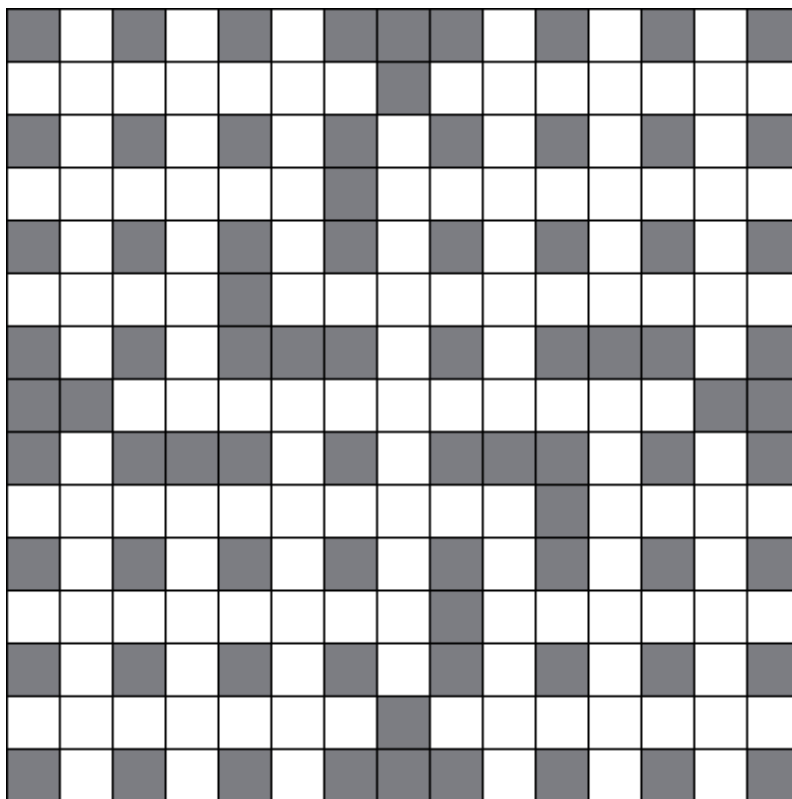




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**Handle it!**  
**An AJ**  
**by**  
**InGrid**

**Prize:**  
**Tornado**  
**Crossword**  
**Pencil**  
[rrp \$77.00]



Solutions begin with the given letter. Asterisked clues follow a theme. Solve the clues and insert the solutions in the grid, jigsaw-wise, where they fit.

- A** Greed for Polynesian drink made with grain (7)
- B** Heads into the Everglades after stream yields mineral (8)
- C** \* (11)
- D** Partially sealed a door where it met the lower wall (4)
- E** Recording company heads crush to relocate (8)
- F** Fickle outcome over band has us all atremble (10)
- G** Old money for these familiar birds (7)
- H** Worker has one hat for the bar (8)
- I** \* (4)
- J** Airline carries two sloths as part of a game (3,4)
- K** Omar uses potassium instead of sulphur on this crop (6)
- L** Glens a recipe for this dish (7)
- M** Soprano adds colour for royal engraver (11)
- N** Meat done differently for the parasite (8)
- O** Covering cache for the glut (10)
- P** Swing over the nickel family cup (8)
- Q** Cheque written for yen becomes sticky (7)
- R** \* (6)
- S** Shot missile from the teacher (7)
- T** \* (6)
- U** Biased organisation on show (6)
- V** Propose verb with neuter confusion (7)
- W** First place getters change direction for sausages (7)
- X** \* (6)
- Y** Talk incessantly about ratty first engagement (6)
- Z** God catches bird with tourmalines (8).

**EXTRAS ...**

• A special Thank you from Thérèse Savanah:

To be sure, To be sure!

Happy as a little Larry I am,

Excited as well to win a book prize,

Receive therefore my sincere thanks.

Encouraged by such thoughtful gesture,

Solving the clues will become much easier.

Ergo, from now on, I will try "harder" my very best.

• Thank you for my prize cheque of a few months ago, for which I apologise most sincerely. I spent the whole amount on "potted colour" from my local garden centre which looked wonderful to my gardener's eyes as I arranged them artistically in random nooks and crannies. They are still flowering well and should continue for the next few weeks. All in all, one of the best bloomin' 50 bucks I've ever spent!

*Yvonne Ainsworth*

• Thank you so much for the \$50 cheque for slot 3 January 2010.

*Anne Rendell*

**Slot 4:** Because we've just come back from NZ and it gave me a laugh, nominating clue K (KETCHUP) in AJ by Virgo, for COTM.

*Glenda Lloyd*

**Slot 5:** Some very clever clues, I especially liked 2dn, 7dn & 27ac. But have no idea about 13dn and I look forward to explanations for 20dn and 11ac [see p16 for Explanations].

*Jan Wood*

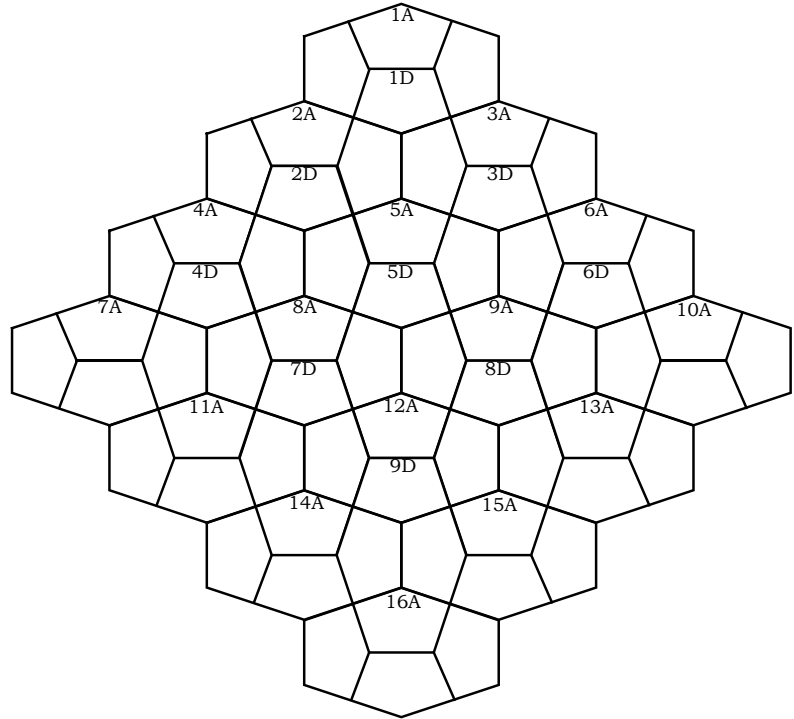
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**The Overloaded  
Ark by  
Harpists**

Prizes: \$50



[2006 edn]



The diagram comprises 16 horizontal (across) and 9 vertical (down) four-letter words following a consistent theme. The words are not defined in the clues. The answer letters may fit either clockwise or anti-clockwise in the grid. The 28 perimeter letters may be formed into 5 similar words, and one that may apply to many of them, each of which (in no particular order) is clued below, again without definition. The perimeter letters are clued into words only to assist solvers and the words will not be adjudicated.

**Across**

- 1 It stopped at the President's desk
- 2 No thanks, Taurus!
- 3 Rejoicing about energy ...
- 4 ... derived from dessert you reported
- 5 Nazi icon – was bar missing?
- 6 Shows old-style pants in Psalm 42 ...
- 7 Lisa the monkey?
- 8 Arrant nonsense!
- 9 Cat with connections, we hear ...
- 10 ... Am I correct in saying it's a tree dweller?
- 11 From boulder to sad roué
- 12 Twisted reed
- 13 Hit a six?...
- 14 ... Back up, Master
- 15 Himalayan resident turns in your hat
- 16 Edwardian writer on wine

**Down**

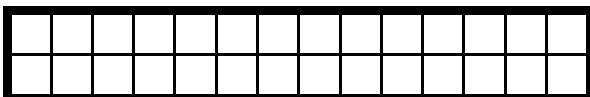
- 1 Anyone we hear too much, we hear
- 2 Turned up at the outskirts of Kakadu
- 3 Keep moisture in or out
- 4 Slipper machine?
- 5 In a taxi, Bexley isn't far
- 6 Roy was confused by a kiss
- 7 Subterranean causeway
- 8 With most, the tail-ender
- 9 River country

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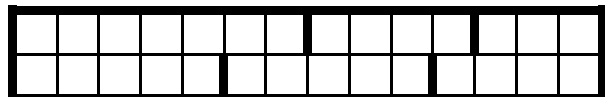
- Bucking Cajun mount (7)
- Boss of the harem ... (4)
- ... turning over girl ... (3)
- ... to Greek character sport ... (5)
- ... is alright with one other Greek character... (5)
- ... for old city's Salvation Army (4)

**Grid for entering perimeter letters** – for assistance only

**Letters**



**Words**



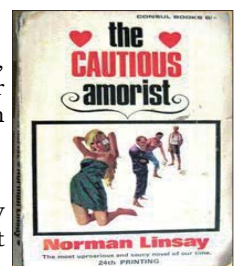
**Compilers' Profile:**

**Harpists**

Harpists represent a new compiling duo — Max Roddick and Ian Williams. Max's cruciverbonym *Aeolian*, under which he has compiled many puzzles for the Club, provided the "inspiration" for the name. Our puzzle editor's heritage provided the second string to our harpish reference. For a third, despite his Scottish surname, Max also has Welsh blood running through his veins. Iechyd da i chwi yn awr ac yn oesoedd.

**From Doug Butler:**

"I am fascinated by spelling errors. Not the chalkboard variety but really public ones perpetrated by experts. The more expensive and egregious the better. I don't think I'm alone and reckon we could support a regular spot. Whether or not, here's a beauty. And it was the 24th printing!"



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## Cryptic by Betelgeuse



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### Across

- 1, 9 Proponent of early music insanely mounts rocks of ice (7,2,7)
- 6 Knock back cappuccinos having that special bang! (5)
- 9 See 1ac
- 10 One that made one risky speculation, but left off following university (7)
- 11 The French football amateur returns with a halo (5)
- 12 Admittance to function included steak (9)
- 13 Macbeth greeting the whole shower (3,4)
- 14 Implement illegal enterprise (6)
- 16 Strangely elate with Australian old rhythmic patterns (6)
- 18 Dulls one consumed in work society (7)
- 22 Changing direction, Margaret runs out with something to adjust the pitch (6,3)
- 24 Monkey with bearing of sober Scot (5)
- 25 See 4dn
- 26 Lax, late entering? Indeed! (7)
- 27 Resting place often first a small island (5)
- 28 Kind of juice to ingest, (anonymously!) in a sordid bar (9)

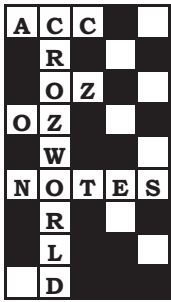
### Down

- 1 River basin receives a flower (7)
- 2 Ferment in Port Salut a put-off. It is on the nose (7)
- 3 Swing the large Ms Black when tea is nearly finished (9)
- 4, 25 Great vehicle, not for example unmanageable, contained skilfully tuned works by J S Bach (3,4-8,7)
- 5 Gamble on licking playing technique (7-8)
- 6 See 15
- 7 Disgusting chant in 14 (7)
- 8 See 15
- 15, 8, 6 dn Debussy's work issues a free shot at pudding, we hear (9,6,5)
- 17 Plants acceptable in the records (7)
- 19 Big wave from fellow standing in a tailored suit (7)
- 20 Secret cipher includes page with an emblem of authority (7)
- 21 Cladding cutback in small firm (6)
- 23 Time of Bizet's summer cycle to romantic Tunis (5)

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**SUBSCRIPTION RENEWALS FOR 2010:**

Ainsworth Y, Cross G, Kitto J, Martin J, Potts M, Reeves V, Thomas M, Vnuk M, Watson B, Watzinger M, Window D and Zucal H.

**DONATIONS TO THE ACC PRIZE FUND 2010 ARE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED FROM:**

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**Macquarie Dictionary** has announced **shovel-ready** as the *Word of the Year* 2009 from the new words selected for inclusion in the annual update of the *Macquarie Dictionary Online*. There were thousands of visitors to the dictionary website in January, drawn by the user survey which closed on Friday 29 January 2010. Go to [www.macquariedictionary.com.au](http://www.macquariedictionary.com.au) for more information. The overall winning word was selected by the Macquarie Dictionary Word of the Year Committee chaired by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Sydney, Dr Michael Spence. The Committee's choice of *Word of the Year* for 2009:

**shovel-ready:** adjective (of a building or infrastructure project) capable of being initiated immediately, as soon as funding is assured. Susan Butler – Editor, *Macquarie Dictionary* said: "The Committee felt that this word was associated with one of the major preoccupations of 2009 — how to avoid a recession. Shovel-ready projects were worthy to receive money from the economic stimulus package because they could provide jobs immediately. It was therefore a word that was topical as well as one that provided a graphic mental image." The Committee would like to give honourable mention to:

**cyberbully:** noun (plural cyberbullies) 1. a person who bullies another using email, chat rooms, social network sites, etc. -verb (t) (cyberbullied, cyberbullying) 2. to bully (another) in this way. Also, cyber bully, cyber-bully. -cyberbullying, noun

**tweet:** verb (i) 1. to post a message on the social network site Twitter. -verb (t) 2. to post such a message to (someone). -noun 3. such a message.

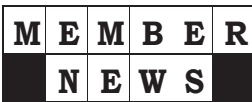
**heritage media:** noun media, as print newspapers, television, etc., which, although strong and influential in the past, are thought to be losing viability in the face of changing methods of communication. Compare social media.

**head-nodder:** noun a supporter of a politician or other media figure who stands beside them in the frame of a television shot and nods his or her head in agreement with what the speaker is saying. -head-nodding, noun

**roar factor:** noun Sport the influence that a home crowd has on a referee or umpire in making adjudications. [from the roar of protest from the crowd at a perceived infringement by a player]

**petrichor:** noun a mixture of natural oils and terpenes released by eucalypts which, when washed by rain into watercourses, is a signal to fish, invertebrates, etc., that the season is sufficiently wet to support breeding. [Greek petros stone + ichor fluid; coined by Australian geochemists Richard Grenfell Thomas and Isabel Joy Bear in 1964]

The People's Choice Award is derived from the voting on the website which closed on the 29 January. The clear winner was: **tweet**. For a full list of nominated words and their definitions, go to [www.macquariedictionary.com.au](http://www.macquariedictionary.com.au)



**New Members:** **Margaret Buch** from Camp Hill, Queensland, **Judy Spicer** from Horsham, Vic (a Gift Membership from Lynne Spicer) and **Rosemary Durrell** from Culburra Beach, NSW. Welcome to

the wonderful world of *Crozworlding!*

**Vale Ron O'Rourke.** We were saddened to hear of the death on 15 February 2010 of long-time member **Ron O'Rourke** from Forster, NSW. Ron was one of the ACCs top solvers and won numerous prizes over the years. He also attended some of the Get-Togethers in Sydney and was a cheerful, lively personality who will be missed by all who knew him. We send our sincere sympathy to his loving wife Joan and Family.

**The Australian Oxford Dictionary**

**WORD OF THE MONTH**

**Coxcomb** *n. archaic* an ostentatiously conceited man; a dandy. Coxcombry *n.* (*pl, -ies*). [ORIGIN: variant of **COCKSCOMB**, originally (a cap worn by) a jester.]

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**Bonus Quiz March 2010**

**EXIN by dB (Doug Butler)**

EX and IN are opposites. Right? Like EXCLUDE and INCLUDE. Well here's some exceptions. The clue pairs may not be in EX/IN order. Some clues are indicative rather than accurate definitions. The answers are in alphabetical (if you ignore the prefix) order. All are in *Chambers* 1998 ed. (those cited as Shakespearean and Spenserian are so indicated). Send your entries to Doug Butler. PO Box 303 Oaklands SA 5046. e-mail to [d.butler@internode.on.net](mailto:d.butler@internode.on.net)

Closing mail date: 8 April 2010. Book prize.

1	tax	conservatism	(8)
2	down	steady	(9)
3	head (noun)	graft	(6)
4	strip	alive	(9)
5	but	eat	(6)
6	adulterant	starting	(9)
7	tax	cut	(6)
8	arousing	arousing	(8)
9	beard (Shakesp)	add	(9)
10	appended	building	(10)
11	pardon	thump	(6)
12	push	conservative	(5)
13	show	block	(7)
14	cut	fly	(6)
15	stretch	try	(6)
16	death	dip	(10)
17	demand	twist	(9)
18	removal (Spens.)	plead	(7)
19	remove	fussy	(9)

**February 1-2010: Half and Half by zinzan (Andrew Patterson)**

• I had to do a little research for some of the medal winners – clever to work so many references to the winter Olympics into the clues and solution. *Nea Storey*

• I enjoyed the theme. Probably quibbling but as far as I can comprehend 9ac – En Garde is not actually a stance but a call to attend to the battle. Also re 4dn – Zali Steggall has won 2 medals – only one in the Winter Olympics but this was not specified. Needed quite a lot of resources/research for a Slot 1. *Jim Fowler*

• Fun, but a tiny hint about the theme might have lessened the shock of encountering such weird creatures as a WOGGM or even a MO. *Kath Harper*

• Presumably 'MO' = modus operandi & 'WOGGM' = Winter Olympic Games Gold Medal 4dn. Should have the word 'GOLD' added to the medal tally as Zali Steggall in 1998 at Nangano won a bronze medal, she won Australia's 1<sup>st</sup> Alpine World Championship Gold Medal in 1999 at VAIL, Colorado. This puzzle was a challenging Slot 1 puzzle. *Alan Walter*

• A challenging puzzle though a bit tough for a Slot 1. I was struggling until 12dn and remembered Steven Bradbury winning the Gold Medal at the 2002 Winter Olympics. The theme then was a great help. I was going to ask for an explanation for 'SKELETON', but heard about the Skeleton Downhill on the news last night. *Joan Smith*

• I think I can understand the clue now though MIKE = M? (yes MIKE is phonetic alphabet for M: C) *Graeme Cole*

• Excellent puzzle. 19dn COATS: I do not understand why 'at home' is included in the clue. *Doreen Jones*

• My only reference material on the "WOG" consisted of two stamps issued to congratulate WOGGMs in 2002. These gave me two of the answers! I am assuming that 17ac does not refer to the Scone Bagpipe Orchestra or the Stroud Jazz Orchestra, so am hoping SSO is OK. I didn't consider this puzzle suitable as a Slot one. *Peter C Dearie*

• Is the average solver expected to know what MO and WOGGM mean? Not in my various dictionaries. I have a vague suspicion that various sports are the key to some of the clues and that MO means a proponent of a sport identified as a WOGGM. (If so, I should get a dot for this discovery alone). This iffiness makes the solutions ever more iffy in particular. 1dn: What's a downhiller? 6 & 7dn: One way down the mountain? 14dn & 21/20dn. Especially the latter is a complete guess and probably a wrong solution. *Tony De Gry*

**February 2-2010: Cryptic by The Posers (Bev Cockburn and Joan Smith)**

• Nice puzzle. 29ac: each definition should have a different etymological origin, in general. 25dn: the word "sheep" is wrongly placed. Better is "Indeed note old give birth to young, like sheep". *Len Colgan*

• Generally pretty good with some hard allusions and definitions (25dn particularly so). Spenser should be banished from the dictionary. The idiot couldn't spell so why perpetuate his ignorance. *Jim Fowler*

• Why make 9ac an obscure word when wonderful clues can be constructed around LATHE or LITRE? Neither ENACTMENT or EXACTMENT works for 27ac. Am I missing something? [Chambers gives ENACT as "act the part of" then MEN + T (IVR). It gives ENACTMENT as authority, so command in the military sense seems a reasonable definition. IW] *Doug Butler*

• Renitency – another new word to, reluctantly, add to my lexicon. *Kath Harper*

• 2dn: JITTER = FLUSTERED in an American way [TAP = BUG (as in phone tap or bug)]. 13dn: (reverse) STOD+GIN+ES+S. 17dn: Sappers = RE (Royal Engineers). 5dn: N = Knight (in chess) HI+N+T. 4dn: SALTCELLAR a surprise answer. Thanks to The Posers for an entertaining Slot 2 puzzle. *Alan Walter*

• 5ac: HOPSACK – 'hop' is not a synonym for 'trip' but "to make a trip". 27ac: ENACTMENT, I'm taking a punt on this one as I don't quite get it. *Doreen Jones*

• 1dn reminded me of a game devised if I recall correctly by one of "The Goodies", called "Phoo" played on horseback on a very large table! A well clued puzzle. *Peter C Dearie*

**February 3-2010: Cryptic by Southern Cross (Shirl O'Brien)**

• Lots of good clues. 21ac: doesn't work. 5dn: there is no precise definition. Should be "10 possibly – it makes one powerless to feel or act", or similar. *Len Colgan*

• Some tricky clues here: 1ac, 2dn, 5dn. I'd like to vote for 1ac (Yo-Yo Ma) as COTM – never thought of 'playing' a yoyo on one

string! Clever anagram in 'must age twice'. *Tony Dobe*

• As ever, excellent clues – several were contenders for my COTM vote. *Nea Storey*

• As good as they get from Shirley with some great clues. *Jim Fowler*

• I find cross-references between clues irritating at times, but these were both clever and solvable separately. *Kath Harper*

• 1ac: YO-YO-MA is a famous Asian cellist. 10ac: MUST AGE AGE (anag) = STEAMGAUGE. Thanks Shirl for another sterling puzzle. *Alan Walter*

• An enjoyable puzzle as usual. Particularly liked 15 & 17ac and 3 & 6dn. *Joan Smith*

• Beautiful clues as usual. *Doreen Jones*

• This was by no means a push-over and took a while to complete. Good clues though. *Peter C Dearie*

• 5dn would have been a good clue in my opinion, if it left out "or act" and put in "more powerless to feel", powerless to feel = numb not number. *Roy Taylor*

• I was troubled by 'palamino' as I'd only encountered the more standard 'palomino' spelling, but the clue seemed to work so in it went. *Kath Harper*

• T' "The off" broadcast = THE'RE AWAY stated = THEREAWAY (9). Thanks Audrey for a thought-provoking enjoyable AJ. *Alan Walter*

• A reasonably straightforward AJ. Thanks Audrey. *Joan Smith*

• B (Bilberries)? (Anag of 'BRIBE RELIES' minus East = E.) H (Horseback)? Anag of BEAR SHOCK Requires seat is I imagine a saddle which is generally required if on horseback! T (THEREAWAY)? (see Alan's comments: C) *Graeme Cole*

• 'B' word BILBERRIES is a clumsy clue. 'R' is a great clue. My COTM "T" I do not understand this clue if indeed THEREAWAY is correct. *Doreen Jones*

• I was under the impression that 'Cupolas' were dome-shaped structures (and they are) but Macquarie gives 'tower-like' as well. The Y clue mystified me until I realized which Hardy Virgo was referring to. He's in my Macquarie too. A good puzzle. *Peter Dearie*

• A good challenging AJ. *Roy Taylor*

• A good puzzle. I particularly liked 2dn and 13dn (clever use of "change"). However, the definition in 4dn could be improved using "Excluded queen, one exposing another's homosexuality" or similar. *Len Colgan*

• I thought some of the clues pretty devious at the time but now they're solved some look a little less so. 19ac Synthesis took a while to get but 20dn 'one going from left to right!' meaning '1 Across' still looks (cleverly) devious! *Tony Dobe*

• Some really good clues plus a few dodgies. (Always presuming that my answers are correct) I can't get the logic for 7dn and 20dn. Also cannot find (14dn) a "pender" – must be a bit sus! *Jim Fowler*

• Some tricky clues here. 'Model' as an anagind in 5dn was clever. 15ac had to be YAKUT but I'd love an explanation. 20dn escaped me altogether though I guessed at HOSTAGE. 2dn: Stand-up comic = DUSTPAN made me chuckle but 19ac SYNTHESIS was a gem and my COTM. *Doug Butler*

• Took quite a while for your 'stand-up comic' to get me to the punchline – obviously I'm not familiar enough with the implement required. *Kath Harper*

• 20dn had me for a while. MASSage = HOSTage and "victim of one going from left to right!" is the definition i.e a victim of 1ac (Kidnapper) not 1dn (Jane Marple)!!!! *John Gillis*

• 6ac: HISPANIC= Mexican - HIS=Panic (grass). 15ac: Talk=YAK+UT=about -abo. 13dn: CA+TAL(L)Y+STS, TALLY=account. CASTS = companies. Promotes = CATALYSTS. 20dn: MASS+AGE = HOSTAGE = Victim of kidnappers. L part of 1ac gives 'right' answer, although this clue had no proper definition and a double wordplay which makes it an improper cryptic clue. All in all a good cryptic: thanks Ann Ass(et). *Alan Walter*

• Very challenging puzzle. Especially liked 1 & 5ac & 7dn. 11 & 13ac & 21dn were guesses, unsure of the cryptic part. Not quite onto Jenny's wavelength yet. *Joan Smith*

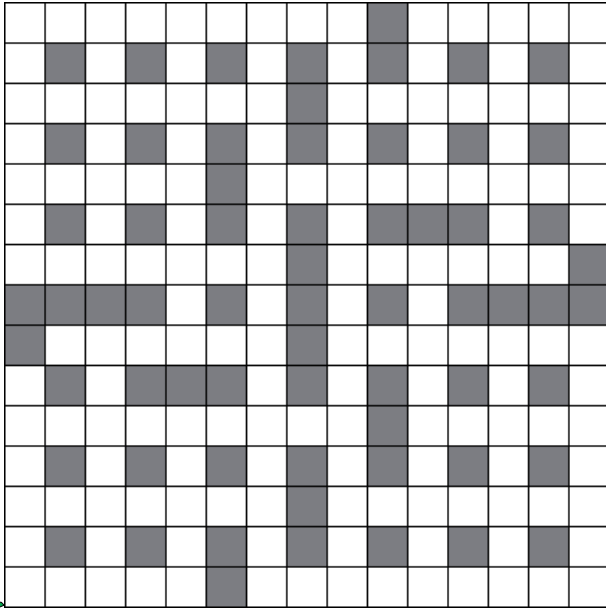
• I have a number of concerns/queries with this puzzle. Maybe some of the members or your comments may explain them. Viz. NITPICK – hyphenated? (Clue should have been a hyphenated length indicator 3-4: C) (Macquarie has NITPICK as one word: IMW]



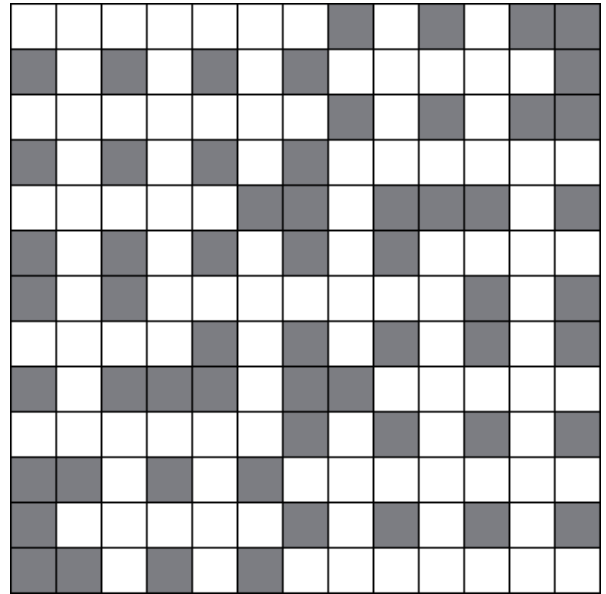
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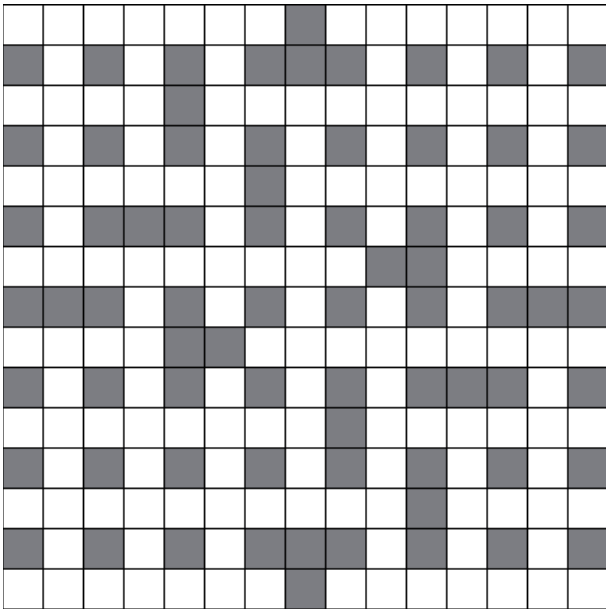
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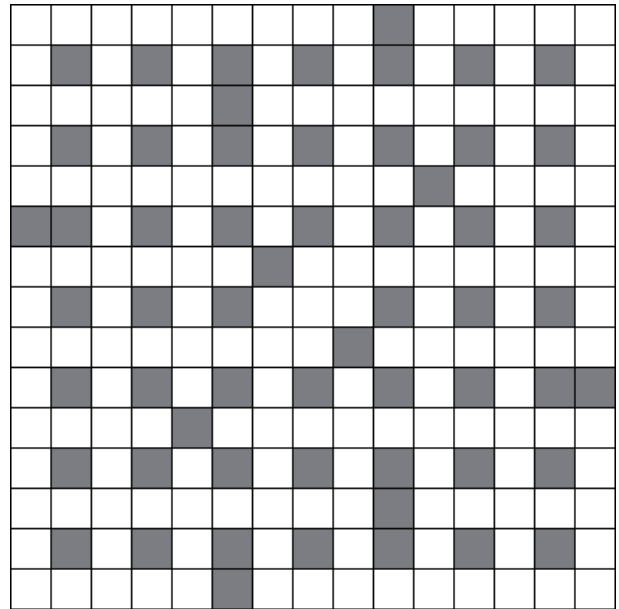
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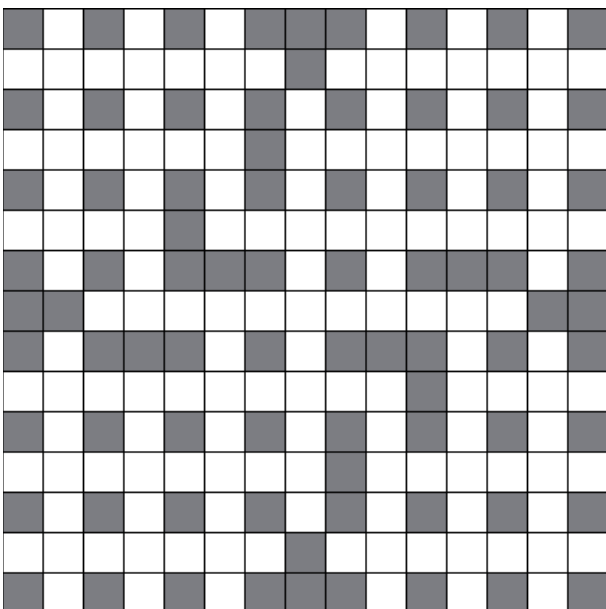
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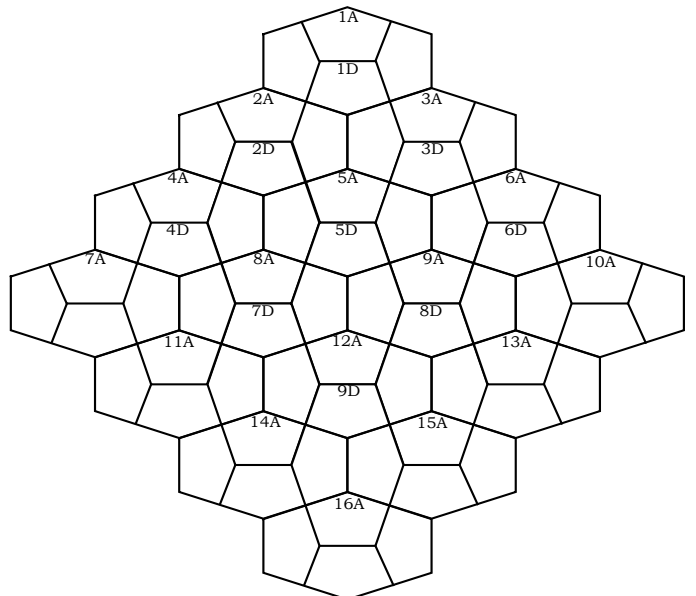
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Clue of the Month .....

14dn: SUS/PENDER is 'PENDER' a word? I can find no reference to 'PENDER' in any of my dictionaries at all. *Chambers* states 'PEND' to hang, as in a balance, to impend. I think that 'PENDER' may be a tad of poetic licence! **C)** *Graeme Cole*

• 20dn: HOSTAGE? "going from left to right"? I'm looking forward to the explanation. (See Alan Walter's comments: **C)** *Doreen Jones*  
 • I thought the top right hand corner would defeat me, but progress was made after ditching "Aztec" at 6ac and substituting 'panic' for 6dn. "Poor trey" does not equal 'Portray' in my book. For 27ac GG is not equivalent to horse unless a homophone is indicated. A possible alternative would be "It's sauce to keep Queens representative soaking wet (that is it's a cheek to leave the Governor General standing in the rain). 4dn's clue should read "excluded Queen- exposer of another's homosexuality". As it stands the answer should be "outs". *Peter C Dearie*

• 9ac: INST for now and ANT in brownstone housing? 20dn: If 'hostage' is right I don't see the connection with 'massage'. *Tony De Gryz*

**January 6-2010: Symmetry by Child's Play (Brian Symons)**

**Entries: 66. Correct: 60. Success Rate: 91%.**

**Winners: Audrey Austin and Pat Lord. Congratulations!**

**Adjudicator's Comments:**

Many members seemed to enjoy a different grid. Thanks for the kind comments, some of which are mentioned below. There were few problems as seen by the high success rate. No one got the grid wrong. Some explanations were requested. ADUMBRATION (A + DUMB + RATIONALE minus ALE). SWINEHERD (anagram of WHEN RAISED minus A with COOK as the anagram indicator). CYNIC (sounds like scenic) WASHDAY (WAS—used to be + H—hot + DAY – the time of one revolution). METAL SPIKES (He and I represent Helium and Iodine ie non-metals). Mistakes included SWANSHERD, RIGHTHANDER, which makes 8dn impossible, and ADMAN: very clever but not quite right. **—Brian Symons**

**Solvers' Comments:**

- ROSETTA is a splendid clue. *Michael Kennedy*
- Particularly liked METAL SPIKES, ADUMBRATION and ATMAN. *Bev Solomon*
- I thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of putting in the black squares and the clues. *Ro Ducker*
- Many thanks for a great puzzle with just the right degree of difficulty and challenge, good clues and that extra zing of the grid. *Jim Fowler*
- Thoroughly enjoyed your puzzle. Tricky grid and interesting words. *Roy Wilson*
- Particularly enjoyed ROSETTA. *Jeremy Barnes*
- A stunner. *Alan Walter*
- I haven't done this much colouring in since kindergarten. *Carole Noble*
- Loved this puzzle – an impeccably weighted slot 6. *Andrew Miles*
- Most enjoyable. *David Grainger*

**The Philosophy of Ambiguity**

- I went to a bookshop and asked the sales assistant, "Where's the self-help section?" she said if she told me it would defeat the purpose
- What if there were no hypothetical questions?
- Is there another word for synonym?
- Whose cruel idea was it for the word "lisp" to have "s" in it?
- What do you do when you see an endangered animal eating an endangered plant?
- Would a fly without wings be called a walk?
- What was the best thing before sliced bread?
- One nice thing about egotists: they don't talk about other people
- One tequila, two tequila, three tequila, floor
- Atheism is a non-prophet organization
- If man evolved from monkeys and apes, why do we still have monkeys and apes?
- Is Santa so jolly because he knows where all the bad girls live?
- Where do forest rangers go to "get away from it all?"
- If a parsley farmer is sued, can they garnish his wages?
- If a turtle doesn't have a shell, is he homeless or naked?
- How do they get deer to cross the road only at those yellow road signs?
- Does the little mermaid wear an algebra?
- Do infants enjoy infancy as much as adults enjoy adultery?
- If you try to fail, and succeed, which have you done?
- Why is it called tourist season if we can't shoot at them?
- If you spin a person from the orient in a circle three times, do they become disoriented?

**Solutions to Bonus Puzzles January 2010 p20.**

**Quiz No 1: The A to Z of Coming and Going by The Eager Beaver (Bev Cockburn).** Abba, Bursitis rub, Cain, a maniac, Deified, Evil Olive, Flee to me, remote elf, Gnu dung, Hannah, I prefer pi, Jar Raj, Kayak, Lion oil, Mega gem, Now I won, O J nabs Bob's banjo, Pa's a sap, Qazaq, Reviver, Senile felines, Tahiti hat, UFO tofu, Viv Wassamassaw, Xanax, Yo Banana Boy, Zeus was deified, saw Suez.

**Quiz No 2: Fractured Phrases by Virgo (Audrey Austin).**

Ad Hoc, Ad nauseam, Aide de camp, Au revoir, Bon jour, Bon vivant, Boudoir, Bruin, Claire de Lune, Coup de grace, Esprit de corps, Felo de Se, Hors de combat, Hors d'ouvres, Infra dig, Lettres de cachet, Mal de mer, Nom de plume, Pas de deux, Pax in Bello, Pro Bono, Raison d'être, Savoie Faire, Sotto voce, Timbre poste.

**Quiz No 3: Hoarse talk by Anne Simons**

Arabian, Blaze, Bridle, Brumby, Clydesdale, Chestnut, Dressage, Gallop, Girth, Groom, Halter, Hock, Mane, Mews, Neigh, Pony, Pacer, Rump, Socks, Stable, Stirrup, Thoroughbred, Trotter, Whip, Withers.

**Solutions to Bonus Puzzles January 2010, pp17-19.**

**January Bonus Puzzle No 1: Cryptic by Jesso**

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**January Bonus Puzzle No 2: AJ by Virgo**

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**January Bonus Puzzle No 3: Cryptic by Betelgeuse**

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<b>Cryptic</b> by <b>Crowsman</b>
<b>Book</b> <b>Prize</b>

**Across**

- 1 Why boxing bighead lost from punch on the nose (6)
- 4 Given drink, carried on! (8)
- 10 Jane, perhaps, has bath before bath salts – a logical contradiction! (8,7)
- 11 Controversial lawyer, one taking unhealthy extra drink (9-6)
- 12 Limited time for expression (4)
- 13 Scout group has just light cut roll with precise filling (4,6)
- 16 Argus, for example, cracked whips well (10)
- 17 21 raised complaint (4)
- 20 Not hearing warning – stop environmental harm! (2-13)
- 22 Front of ship rolling and tossing with everyone inside being hesitant to act (15)
- 23 Clean sound, seeing it is inside (8)
- 24 Big-timer has delay retracted in part of the subcontinent (6)

**Down**

- 1 Authority coming from Hitler’s speech, maybe (7)
- 2 Act of defiance brings in replacement by ministerial appointment (15)
- 3 Lacking much strength, an insect is held up by another (6)
- 5 Imprecisely numbered, put the men in new order (9)
- 6 Old Iranian having some Chinese blood embraces one (8)
- 7 Consolidating broad productivity, Indian banker is through experimenting (15)
- 8 Dull outsiders support Left over Right (7)
- 9 I withdrew from simple scheme (4)
- 14 Aspidistra, having died off, frustrated honey collectors (9)
- 15 Hasty permit – “One’s residence can make soup” (8)
- 16 Nasty people have blue over unbegun tables (7)
- 18 DNA overturned by a Latin nation (7)
- 19 Scrub shopping area mid-week (6)
- 21 Clout 17 back (4)

Not all words will be found in *Chambers* or *Macquarie*

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**Closing mail date:**  
**8 April 2010**

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## Quiz No 3/2010

## Quiz 3/2010



by **Brian Symons**

### Rules Shmools Quiz by Brian Symons.

We all learnt at school "i before e except after c". All of the required words break this rule — in fact one breaks it twice! Word lengths are given and the answers are in alphabetical order. Send your answers to Brian Symons, 1 Kookaburra Place, Grays Point NSW 2232. e-mail: [bms65@bigpond.com](mailto:bms65@bigpond.com) Closing mail date: 8 April 2010. Book prize.

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|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 even if (6)                       | 14 bowing (9)                |
| 2 an elder (7)                      | 15 nightgown (8)             |
| 3 a colour (5)                      | 16 competent (10)            |
| 4 janitor (9)                       | 17 amino acid polymer (7)    |
| 5 stoop (5)                         | 18 materialize (5)           |
| 6 touchy (6)                        | 19 an animal (8)             |
| 7 top to bottom (6)                 | 20 physics e.g. (7)          |
| 8 more scandalously interesting (7) | 21 apprehend (5)             |
| 9 optical toy (12)                  | 22 type (7)                  |
| 10 Olympic event (6)                | 23 body part (4)             |
| 11 recurrent theme (9)              | 24 uncanny (5)               |
| 12 understatement (7)               | 25 the spirit of the age (9) |
| 13 district (13)                    |                              |

### Bonus Quiz Results January 2010

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

**Entries 11. Winner: Trish McPherson. Well done!**

**Results: 30:** Pat Garner, Barbara Glissan, Susan Howells, Trish McPherson and Joan Smith. **29:** Andrew Miles and Jenny Wenham. **28:** Beverley Cockburn. **27:** Robyn Wimbush. **26:** David Procter. **22:** Peter Dearie.

**Answers:** Amelia Earhart, Amy Johnson, Anthony Fokker, Bert Hinkler, Beryl Markham, Charles Kingsford Smith, Charles Lindbergh, Charles Nungesser, Charles Yeager, Don Cameron, Douglas Bader, Harry Butler, Hilda Hewlett, Howard Hughes, Hubert Julian, Hugo Eckener, Jean Mermoz, Jim Mollison, Keith Anderson, Marie Marvingt, Milo Burcham, Percy Pilcher, Robert Hoover, Sheila Scott, Steve Fossett, Tom Campbell Black, Tony LeVier, Wiley Post. Bonus: A: The Flying Sweethearts. B: Black Magic.

#### Setter's Comments and Paraphrase of Solvers' Comments:

Thanks to all who persevered with a testing exercise. All who submitted seemed to enjoy researching and learning about these intrepid pioneers. Hopefully others have also enjoyed recalling and searching out some of their fascinating achievements.  
—**Jack**

#### Quiz No. 1/2010 results: Actors by Virgo (Audrey Austin)

**Solutions: 1.** Adam Sandler **2.** Alec Guinness **3.** Alex Kingston **4.** Blair Underwood **5.** Donald O'Connor **6.** Imelda Staunton **7.** Leonard Nimoy **8.** Ralph Fiennes: Douglas Fairbanks **9.** Edith Evans **10.** Elizabeth Taylor **11.** Ellen Burnstyn **12.** Nancy Travis **13.** Patty Duke **14.** Rachel Roberts **15.** Shirley Eaton **16.** Tom Arnold: Bernadette Peters.

**Scores: 18:** B Cockburn, P Garner, B Glissan, S Howells, A Jermy, G Leeds, A Miles, C Noble, D Procter, B Symons, A Walter and J Wenham. **17:** C McClelland.

**Prize-winner: Brian Symons. Congratulations!**

#### Members' Comments:

- I needed to give my mind a workout after all the pre-Christmas activities. I enjoyed guessing some of the names and discovering they were really actors after all. *Bev Cockburn*
  - What a great quiz! I found some of the anagrams fairly easy and others were so difficult. Imelda Staunton was very hard to solve. However that is the way it should be. Thank you and more of the same please. *Gabrielle Leeds*
  - Thanks you for your actors quiz – a fun way to while away some festive hours. *Margaret Steinberger*
  - I hope the New Year brings happiness, good health and of course more movie quizzes like this. Thankfully I like movies. *Barbara Glissan*
  - I attach my solution to this brain teaser. Not being a film buff, I found some of them quite hard. I admired the way you worked in the two extra answers to the original quiz. *Pat Garner*
  - Many thanks for an 18 star puzzle. These anagrams were very challenging to solve. *Alan Walter*
  - Here is my entry for your very difficult quiz – but enjoyably challenging. *Brian Symons*
  - Enjoyed this quiz – Some of them took quite some unravelling!
  - The two additional answers were very helpful in solving it. *Andrew Miles*
  - Thanks for a fun quiz. It took me quite a while to find some of these answers. *Jenny Wenham*
  - Once again I enjoyed your quiz. Some of the names I am not familiar with, so hope they are correct. *Claire McClelland*
  - Please find my answers to your anagram quiz which is a beauty. *David Procter*
  - I found this quiz quite challenging. Some of the combinations of letters looked most peculiar. I formed them into some very interesting names before discovering their real identities. *Susan Howells*
- Adjudicator's Comments:** Not that many entries but a near 100% success rate! Thanks to everyone who attempted what seemed to be a challenging quiz, and thanks too for all your good wishes for 2010. A very happy New Year and successful solving to all our brainy and persistent club members!  
—**Audrey Austin**

**January 7-2010: Cryptic by Pindar (John Brotherton)**

**Entries: 65. Correct: 57. Success rate: 88%.**

**Winner: Brian Tickle. Congratulations!**

**Adjudicator's Comments:**

There was a high success rate for what was intended to be a fairly challenging puzzle. The one minor problem area was 1dn SHTUMM. I confess to using the spelling that I am familiar with, but, on checking, found it only in *Chambers*, where I see that it can also be written as SHTOOM, SCHTOOM, SHTUM and STUMM. Unfortunately, the versions offered by four solvers – SHTUMB, SHTUME, SUTHMM and SHTUMN – fell outside the range of acceptable alternatives. The only other significant error was (were?) the three TRAPESE(S) that swung into view. One solver questioned whether EXCUSE was indeed a synonym of ALIBI. My COED tells me that "... in the 20<sup>th</sup> century a new sense arose with the meaning 'an excuse': this is still regarded as incorrect by some traditionalists". Another solver queried the 25ac clue: "Complain about the French club" for B[LE]AT. (I confess that this mild syntactical 'trickery' annoys me at times too!) —**John Brotherton**

**Explanations:**

**ACROSS:** 1. Crook (anagind) cheats + s 5. (l)aud(i/a)ble 9. anag – uncoil the 10. so-nic(e) 11. anag – made + t 12. statu(e) + tory 13. spy = shadow; case = cabinet 17. a "gag" 21. anag – gorilla + t(h)a(t) 24. A + lib + i 25. b[le]at 26. over[ex + er]t 27. anag – alter + (o)ne(s) 28. steps-on

**DOWN:** 1. anag – shut + m + m 2. anag – nectarous 3. e+Chi[d]na 4. European = Swiss: cast = roll (dice, etc.) 5. an era = reversed 6. Dis + brut(e) reversed 7. ban – j + o 8. anag – spy + centr 14. cheer + less 15. need[Ines]s 16. two meanings of scramble (by air and land!) 18. "right on" v "write on" 19. a "gag" 20. bitten v bittern 22. anag – gel + i.e. 23. t[r]oll

**Solvers' Comments:**

- Thanks for an enjoyable puzzle. I particularly liked 3dn, 10ac and 24ac. *Gillian Champion*
- Good one! *Merv Collins*
- Thanks for your puzzle – it was very rewarding. I particularly liked "scramble" and "stepson" – they had me thinking for a while. *Jeremy Barnes*
- Enjoyed this puzzle very much, and especially "shadow cabinet". *Bill Bennett*
- Thanks for an enjoyable puzzle. *Robyn Caine*
- Thanks for an excellent cryptic. Absolutely loved 28ac. It would have been the COTM if it had been in the 1-5 slots. *Bev Cockburn*
- Thanks for providing a Slot 7 puzzle for the start of 2010 which didn't entail going online to seek answers. 2dn SHTUMM is an unusual word! ARENA and DISTURB were difficult to solve, and both I found hard to fully justify. I like STEPSON and TROLL. Looking forward to more of your puzzles in 2010. *Graeme Cole*
- Thank you for creating a well-clued puzzle. *Peter Dearie*
- Thanks for a no nonsense, honest to goodness, good ol' fashioned crossword (That is a compliment btw). No dubious definitions and no clues that only work backwards from the answer. Good stuff. Thanks. *Jim Fowler*
- I really enjoyed this. One quibble. "excuse" is really not a synonym of "alibi". Otherwise great. (See comment above.) *Margaret Galbreath*
- Thanks for your great puzzle. *John Gillis*
- A most enjoyable Slot 7. You obviously took the time to make the clues read well. *Bob Hagan*
- Thank you for this interesting puzzle... I enjoyed it. *Catherine Hambling*
- Thanks for an enjoyable puzzle. *John Hannoush*
- Thanks for an enjoyable and quite challenging puzzle. It's a relief to have a Slot 7 without a set of additional instructions nearly as long as the clues themselves. *Kath Harper*

- Thanks for your excellent puzzle. *Doreen Jones*
- Thank you for your high-quality cryptic crossword. I found this more challenging, but no less satisfying, than your previous offering but perhaps this was deliberate. I really enjoyed the simple, but elegant SHADOW CABINET, as well as MATED, ARENA, ENCRYPTS, RIGHT ON, and ALIBI. My only quibble or perhaps question is for BLEAT. My reading of the clue doesn't unequivocally state that 'club' should be about 'the French', but that is just my interpretation.

- Some very good clues here, I thought. 12ac, 4dn and 19dn were very enjoyable. *Gabrielle Leeds*
- Most enjoyable, especially liked STATUTORY and CONTROL CENTRE. *Andrew Miles*
- I enjoyed your puzzle very much, and if it had been eligible your STEPSON would have got my COTM. *Carole Noble*
- Many thanks for your challenging and intriguing puzzle. 21ac was a favourite. *Ted O'Brien*
- I enjoyed this, especially AUDIBLE, CHEERLESS, STATUTORY, ARENA (which often crops up and it's difficult to think up another clue). Keep up the good work in 2010. *Shirl O'Brien*
- I hope 1dn is okay because I couldn't see that spelling anywhere. *Andrew Patterson*
- Thank you for giving us a challenging cryptic crossword and I hope to see more of your puzzles. *David Procter*
- Thoroughly enjoyed your puzzle. A pleasure to solve! *Max Roddick*
- Have enjoyed both puzzles you've set now. Thank you... Thought STEPSON very clever, but CONTROL CENTRE best. *William Ryan (Raoul)*
- Thank you for your enjoyable puzzle. *Bev Solomon*
- This was hard work, and enjoyable... SHTUMM is an impressive word! *Roy Taylor*
- Thanks for a great puzzle. "Shtumm!" Love those Yiddish words. Also loved 28ac "Crushes relative" = STEPSON. Hadn't thought of that before. *Brian Tickle*
- Thanks for your interesting cryptic puzzle. *Alan Walter*
- Great job! *Robyn Wimbush*
- Thanks for your puzzle, I enjoyed it. Favourite clue was 19dn. *Jan Wood*
- Thank you for this thoroughly enjoyable puzzle. Excellent clues with a good surface reading. *Roy Wilson*
- An enjoyable puzzle, though it took me a while to get started. There seem to be quite a few truncations, both beginnings and ends. I always find these a bit tough to solve. I can't work out 10ac. I've entered SONIC (travelling at the speed of sound) but haven't got the second. I particularly liked 28ac STEPSON and 5dn ARENA. Thanks for your contribution to the club. *Jenny Wenham*

**Solution to January 2010 Slot 7  
Results see p2 column 7**

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## Results of the Clue Writing Competition: No 1/2010.

**Write a clue for JEOPARDY (8).  
Adjudicated by Steve Trollope.**

Definition of **jeopardy** from *Chambers On-line Dictionary*:  
**Noun** Danger of harm, loss or destruction (His job was in jeopardy due to the takeover)

US law the danger of trial and punishment faced by a person accused on a criminal charge

**Etymology:** 14c: from French *jeu parti* a divided or even (ie uncertain) game.

Eleven clues were submitted this month, as shown below. This month there were no standout clues, but the winner is **Jittery outsiders capture big cat without large risk** by Len Colgan.

I chose this clue because it is an example of 'playing fair' — an essential requirement of a Ximenean clue: it has no superfluous words and most importantly it tells an extremely interesting story. The outsiders are understandably jittery when faced with the close approach of a leopard, but they are not really at risk because the big game hunter has the experience to capture it without much risk to the outsiders or to the big cat. Well done! Len.

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

*Jittery outsiders capture big cat without large risk*  
The indication is JitterY outsiders = JY surrounding (capture) LEOPARD minus L which all leads to a risk (JEOPARDY). This is a very good clue meeting all the requirements of a Ximenean clue at the same time as telling an interesting story.

*In Paris I made a parody of danger*  
The indication leads to JE (the first person singular pronoun in French) plus an anagram of PARODY.

*Dopey jar breaks in danger*  
'Breaks' is an anagram indicator (anagind) for the letters of DOPEYJAR leading to JEOPARDY. It is a correct clue but it doesn't make a lot of sense — compare it with the first clue.

*Tried once for exposure?*  
'Double jeopardy' is a legal concept that prevents anyone being tried twice for the same crime. Therefore in its indication, this clue proposes that being 'tried once' is single jeopardy or simply 'jeopardy'. The definition is 'exposure'.

**In danger of conviction, Jo prayed frantically**  
The indication is an anagram of JOPRAYED with 'frantically' being the anagind. This is another good clue which also leads to an interesting story.

*"O.J. raped young piece — what a menace!"*  
This clue has an indication which is an anagram of OJRAPED plus Y (indicated by Young piece). Here 'piece' is to be read with its colloquial meaning of 'a young woman'. The clue's initial reading refers to the well known OJ

Simpson, although rape is one of the few crimes that he has not been accused of. However the clue does not include an anagind, although it would not have been difficult to add an adverb to the indication which could have enhanced the reading of the clue whilst also suggesting an anagram.

**Game trophy final led by Jim, firstly removing big cat's head**  
'Game' refers to the TV quiz game "Jeopardy!" The indication leads to Y (trophy final) plus J plus LEOPARD with the Y being led by the other letters. 'Jim' refers to Jim Corbett, a renowned hunter of man-eating tigers and leopards in India.

**"Danger! Wild animal to be decapitated in July"**  
The indication leads to a decapitated LEOPARD (again) which is to be placed in July. However I am unable to identify JY as an accepted abbreviation of July — compare the first clue which uses 'jittery outsiders' to solve the problem.

*In Paris I often opened a normal day without a risk of insecurity*  
JE plus O (Often opener) plus PAR (normal) plus DY (day without 'a'). This is a very good clue with no superfluous words.

*The crook raped Joy — danger!*  
'Crook' is an anagind indicating an anagram of RAPEDJOY and all meaning 'danger'.

*Stupidly rape Jody and get risk of conviction*  
In this clue 'stupidly' performs the task of the anagind. As happens so often I type in the clues in the order they were received and I get two clues which are almost identical next to each other. Coincidental? Well that's the next word to write a clue for!

**Clue Writing Competition No 2/2010:**  
Write a clue for the word **COINCIDENTAL (12)**. 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: Thursday 8 April 2010. Book prize.

### Explanations for February solutions where provided by setters (Thanks to Andrew and Jenny)

**Slot 1 Zinzan. Down:** 1 ddef, 2 ddef, 3 (tank,is)\*,g, 4 ddef, 5 ddef, 6 ddef, 7 ddef, 11 tomb,a, 12 (br/c)adbury, 14 camp(l)in-, 16 -s kia rea-, 19 c(o)ats, 21/20 b(eggs,m,it)h, 23 ddef.

**Slot 5 Ann Ass. Across:** 1 dbl defn, 6 (his)PANIC, 9 IN+TAN inside ST, 10 CUR+AT+OR, 11 SOP+PIER, 12 HER+O+I+NE, 13 C-ON+D-ENSOR, 15 YAK+(abo)UT, 16 anag A SCOT, 19 THE in SYN+SIS, 22 anag LEAKING, 23 LESS+ON+S, 25 S-TIP-END, 26 anag FEARED, 27 GG in SOY, 28 RUNNER+SUP. **Down:** 1 ref Miss Marple, 2 anag STANDUP, 3 CH+ALI+CE, 4 OUT+ER, 5 anag CAR IN CASH, 6 homophone POOR TREY, 7 NI-TPI-CK, 13 TAL(l)Y inside CASTS, 14 SUS+PENDER, 18 S(ici)-TATE-LY, 20 HOST+AGE, 21 SH+OWERS, 23 NED+AL reversed, 24 anad SPORT.