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A blow with a word strikes deeper than a blow with a sword.
Robert Burton, 1621, *Anatomy of Melancholy*, I, Sect 2.

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RENEWAL TIME! ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION:

The Executive Committee sincerely thanks those members who went to the trouble to express their views about the Cumulative Prize Schedule for 2005. We have carefully considered all of the opinions expressed and have decided to abolish the Cumulative Prize Schedule (including the Cumulative Quiz prize) for 2005. This has not been an easy decision; we fully appreciate the division in the views expressed. As a result of this financial saving, we have decided to reduce the Annual Membership subscription to only \$40 (including the Compendium valued at \$5). This is outstanding value! In 2005 we will introduce a monthly prize of \$75 to a lucky member who correctly solves Slots 1-5. We are planning to change the Slot 6 prize to 2 x \$50 and depending on the level of renewals and donations, to introduce other Special prizes in 2005. So the New Year promises to be a year full of complexity and puzzlement. Why not join in the fun? See flyer enclosed (or for those who receive e-Crozworld, page 13 with a bonus puzzle.)

As a special offer, you can sign up a new member for 2005 for only \$30. This super low sub also includes the Compendium so it will make a wonderful gift to your friends and a great Christmas present! And it will increase our membership numbers.

Don't forget about the ACC Annual Get-Together to be held at Rydges, 54 McLaren St, North Sydney on Sunday 21 November. There will be plenty of highlights! See page 9 for further details.

We have another excellent range of puzzles for you this month with all your favourite compilers. And for the quizlovers, we have one with a keyboard theme thanks to Brian Symons. Happy Crozworlding!

—Patrick

As always my thanks to everyone who sent cheery greetings on beautiful cards or scrap paper or anything in between. I am planning a visit to Sydney to coincide with the Annual Get-Together in November so hope I'll see lots of you there. The entry of the month came from Denis Coates from an Internet café in Peckham Rye in London. How's this for dedication – because of time constraints he had to send 3 e-mails to complete his entry. He achieved a perfect score! The standard of entries was again very high especially in Slots 3, 4 and 5. In fact the only "genuine" errors were in 1 & 2 plus a couple of solvers of 4 who didn't know our famous Queenslander, Hec Hogan. He won a Bronze in the Melbourne Olympics of 1956 for the 100 metres sprint. Sadly, Hec died of leukaemia in 1960 around the time of the Rome Olympics.

Slot 1: 9ac: The cryptic part of the clue appears to derive ELECTRIC from ECLECTIC instead of vice versa. A few complaints but no-one got it wrong! I was asked to interpret 10ac MIDAIR – about halfway = MID, open = AIR [verb] flight = MIDAIR. 1dn: Google supplied lots of recipes for cheese triangles (savoury appetisers) and 2dn DRY BONES is a cartoon published every Tues & Thurs in Jerusalem!!! It's also the name of the song that goes "the toe bone's connected to the foot bone" etc. Some errors were TONIC, TOWEL & YODEL (for BONES), BELL (REED), MATERIAL (RAREFIED), SOARS, HAIRY (SORRY), AGA (UGH) and spelling errors ACCORDEON, OPENER and BESSIARY.

Slot 2: GUTTER & ENTRÉE for NETTED accounted for 6 dots and VENT/VOGISHLY & MINT/MODISHLY for RENT/RAKISHLY and STUD or STAG/REASSERT for SNAG/REASSIGN eliminated more. The rest were transcription errors – RAIMCOAT, OPERATINN.

Slot 3: Absolutely no controversy. The only errors [2] were transcription ones – USUUL & EASS. Top marks, Noel!

Slot 4: We had HECTOR ROMAN & JONAS. All other errors were transcription ones – ZERO RISE, XYLENOR, ALMELUIA, ODESSEY & PUT ON A WORD.

Slot 5: All entries were correct except that one entry had WILLING for WALKING and no fewer than 7 [including some "big" names] put OF instead of ON in the 2nd last line. There were some queries about G - KERFUFFLE: layer of hay = KERF sweet = SOUFFLE take off SO leaving UFFLE. Also W - ROOTLESS - collection of books = OT in ROLE [part], ship = SS. Again everyone correct.

Clue of the Month: A large number of different clues chosen again this month – 25 in all with most coming from Slot 2. Well done, Jack. However there were 3 clues which each collected the maximum number of votes: Slot 3, 14ac and Slot 5, P and V.

Catherine Hambling

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	81	77	88	87	86	419
Correct entries	73	66	86	78	78	381
Success rate (%)	90.1	85.7	97.7	89.6	90.7	90.9
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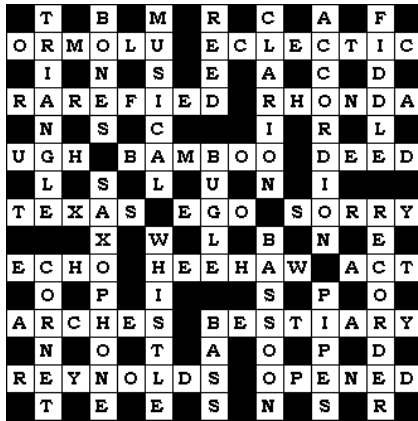
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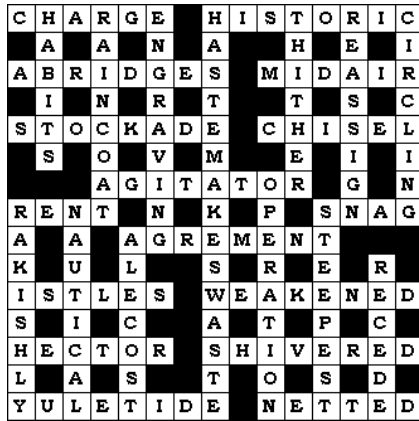
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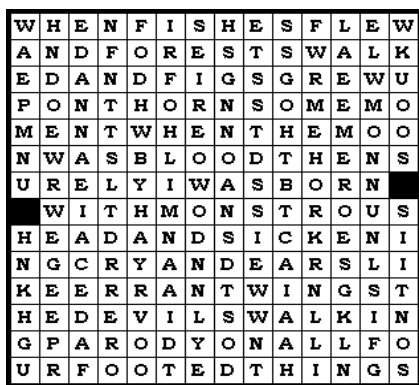
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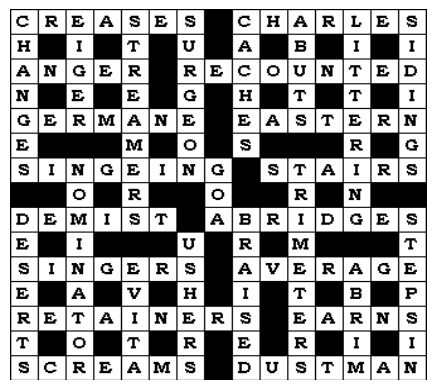
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The Donkey by GK Chesterton

Quote 1: Go ahead make my day
Quote 2: By George she's got it

MEMBERS RESULTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2004

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
AINSWORTH Y			.	.	.	
ANDERSON C	
ARCHIBALD C	
ATKINSON S	
AUSTIN A
BARBOUR J	
BENNETT B
BENNETT D	
BUTLER D
CAMPBELL G	
COATES D	
COCKBURN B	
COLE G	
COLLES J
CONWAY H	
COWAN M
DAVIDSON D	
DAVIS M	
DAY R	
DEARIE P	
DENNIS M	
EDWARD J	
EISENTRAGER D	
FOSTER C
FREELAND J
FULLER D	
GALBREATH M	
GARNER P	
GLISSAN B	
GRAINGER D	
GREENING D	
HAGAN B	

MEMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6
HAMBLING C
HOLFORD E	
HOWARD L	
HOWARD V	*
IKIN D
JERMY A
JESSOP N	
JONES D	
KENNEDY D	
KNIGHT S	
LEE C	
LEE K	
McCLELLAND C
MACDOUGALL I	
McGRATH J	
McKENZIE I	
McKINDLAY Y	
MAUNDER M	
MEEK A	
MERCER P	
NOBLE C
O'BRIEN S
O'HARA H	
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RAW M	
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RYAN A	

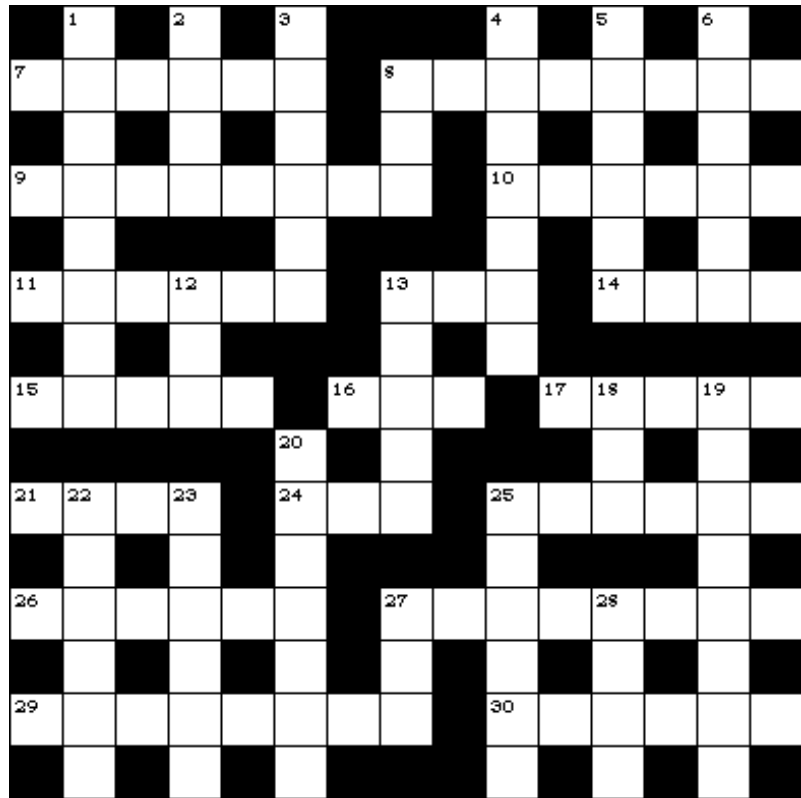
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RYAN W	
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SEALE E	
SIEGMAN B	
SKILLICORN A	
SMITH J	
SOLOMON B	
STANDARD J	
STOCKS J	
STOREY N	
SYMONS B	
TAYLOR R	
TICKLE B	
TOFONI B	
TROLLOPE S	
VERESS M	
VILLIERS W	
WAITES L	
WALTER A
WATT K	
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WILLIAMS K
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**Thematic
by
Virgo**



[rrp: \$36.95]



Down words are clued differently. All have something in common.

Across

- 7 Game tile (6)
- 8 Flying Service (3,5)
- 9 Artificial water channel (8)
- 10 Against (6)
- 11 Gallows (6)
- 13 Toll (3)
- 14 Punch's dog (4)
- 15 Avoid (5)
- 16 Watering hole (3)
- 17 Futile (5)
- 21 Mop (4)
- 24 _ _ _ West, actress (3)
- 25 Irony (6)
- 26 Erase (6)
- 27 Shortest (8)
- 29 Telephone noise (4,4)
- 30 Happenings (6)

Down

- 1 Coil (8)
- 2 Head (4)
- 3 Plague (6)
- 4 Ball (7)
- 5 Nest (6)
- 6 Beetle (6)
- 8 White (3)
- 12 Bed (3)
- 13 Lucky (5)
- 18 Wit (3)
- 19 Dirty (8)
- 20 Chinese (7)
- 22 Boll (6)
- 23 Water (6)
- 25 Money (6)
- 27 Queen (3)
- 28 Pit (4)

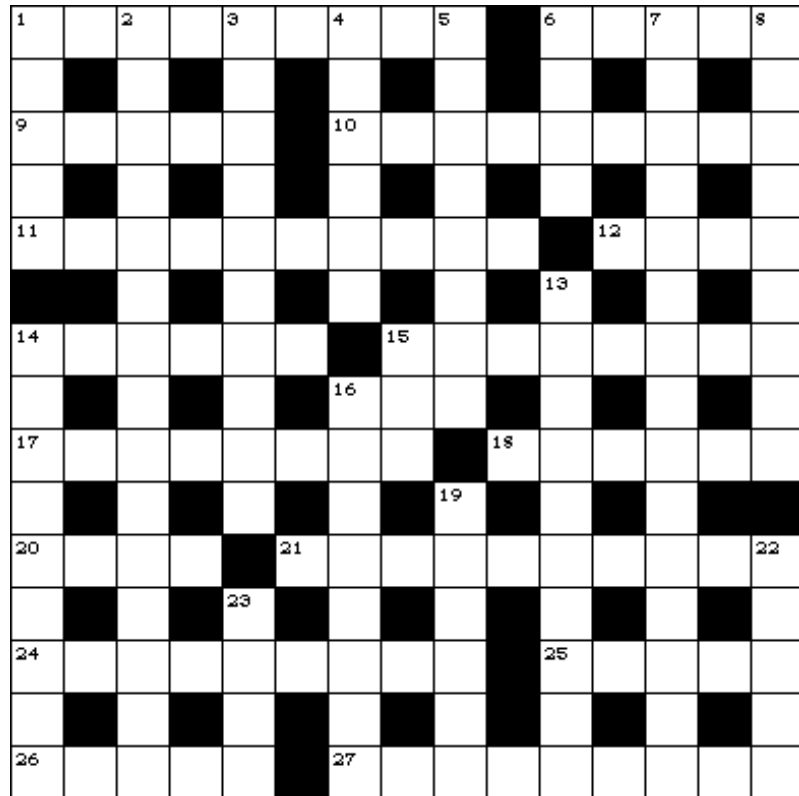
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Cryptic by Noel Jessop



Across

- 1 Except no diagram in recording glass (9)
- 6 Drain away a meadow by church (5)
- 9 Ordered back to overrun German state (5)
- 10 Putting stress on current money accepted on the third of August (9)
- 11 Carvings of cruets plus nuts (10)
- 12 Needle-case that's returned about the middle of autumn (4)
- 14 Full brother in larger mansion (6)
- 15 Dependent on notice detective cited wrongly (8)
- 16 Italian brother – far out! (3)
- 17 Without beginning to know right Italian language (8)
- 18 Chief takes in two hands for swimmer (6)
- 20 "A jar", ordered the prince (4)
- 21 Encourage and start to demonstrate skill in cornice ornamentation (3-3-4)
- 24 Gymnasium loses importance without a craft backing (9)
- 25 Young Scot in bar somewhat confused (5)
- 26 Native of Borneo, a king after some time (5)
- 27 Recruits skilled workers? (9)

Down

- 1 Infants ebb as new strain (5)
- 2 Right rent jury called out for dessert (10,5)
- 3 Crew scheme before Kansas access to ships (10)
- 4 It's a frame – you can count on it (6)
- 5 Chained a crook in a country house (8)
- 6 A woman left a lot of anecdotes (4)
- 7 Philosophy of a gentleman rising to carry fastener up one small motorway (15)
- 8 Concealed with a Greek inside, henpecked? (9)
- 13 Help some mermaid and a better half (3,3,4)
- 14 Simple creature's fighting finish as left rises against Reichenbach's force (9)
- 15 Knack of mixing tar (3)
- 16 Moved a lot, gifted sort ends oddly (8)
- 19 About prohibition article in beach shelter (6)
- 22 A number available in half the joint (5)
- 23 Kiss Gregory (4)

What's in a name? from Mike Potts

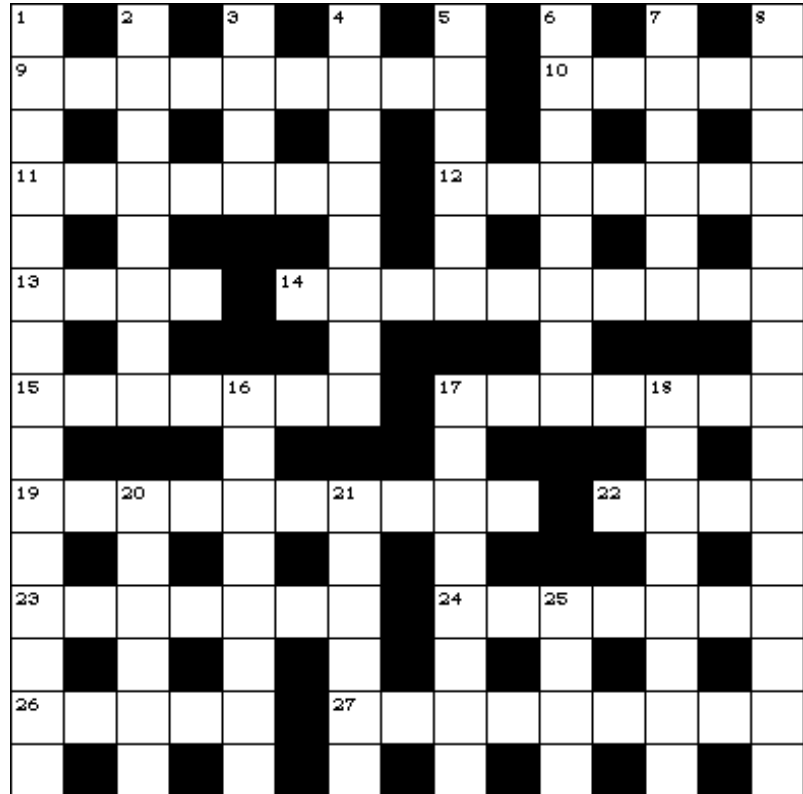
The medal winning Olympic runner, Picabo (pronounced Peek-A-Boo), is not just an athlete, she is a nurse. She currently works in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) of a large South African metropolitan hospital. However, she is not permitted to answer the telephone while she is at work. It simply caused too much confusion when she would answer the phone and say: "Picabo, ICU".

Lost in Translation: Electrolux, a Scandinavian vacuum manufacturer, used this ad in the U.S.: "Nothing sucks like an Electrolux."

When Kentucky Fried Chicken entered the Chinese market, to their horror they discovered that their slogan "finger lickin' good" came out as "eat your fingers off".

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**Cryptic
by
Southern
Cross**



Across

- 9 Penalties observed differently in the country (9)
- 10 French article has amended "Rover's Restraint" (5)
- 11 Gemstone found in Queensland (7)
- 12 Idiot gets most of this for nix (7)
- 13 Space further back, I hear (4)
- 14 I had to follow father home – drunk. That's all settled (4,2,4)
- 15 They say the Colonel's inside – the crackpot! (3-4)
- 17 For this reason, stinger spreads around the state (American) (7)
- 19 Those appearing first for breakfast might not get what we'd want (5,5)
- 22 Barney gets very noisy after it returns (4)
- 23 Where table-napkin is placed to extend beyond the edge (7)
- 24 Not exactly sober, copper comes in somewhat hazy (7)
- 26 Tribal name has disappeared – that's a moral (5)
- 27 Painfully stiff theatre music arrangement roughly set aside (9)

Down

- 1 Payment for being there on 14th February, 1966? (10,5)
- 2 Speak volubly about the general in partly enclosed verandah (5-3)
- 3 Where many people are found to be incontinent? (4)
- 4 Attend to spirited psychological play (4,4)
- 5 Aperitif supplied by agreement? (6)
- 6 Transcendent boost after mountain climbing (8)
- 7 German approval needed to rub one out in N.T. settlement (6)
- 8 The object of Jason's search – or scam? (3,6,6)
- 16 Plan to be off around the end of May with champion – wherever! (3,5)
- 17 Plots with mineral aggregates being a health risk for long-term patients (8)
- 18 Being everywhere at once in buy-out? I give up! (8)
- 20 Sound reflection again concerning US communication satellite (2-4)
- 21 I am to take leave and hand over (6)
- 25 Additional exercises maybe? (4)

XWORD REFERENCE BOOK from Alan Walter

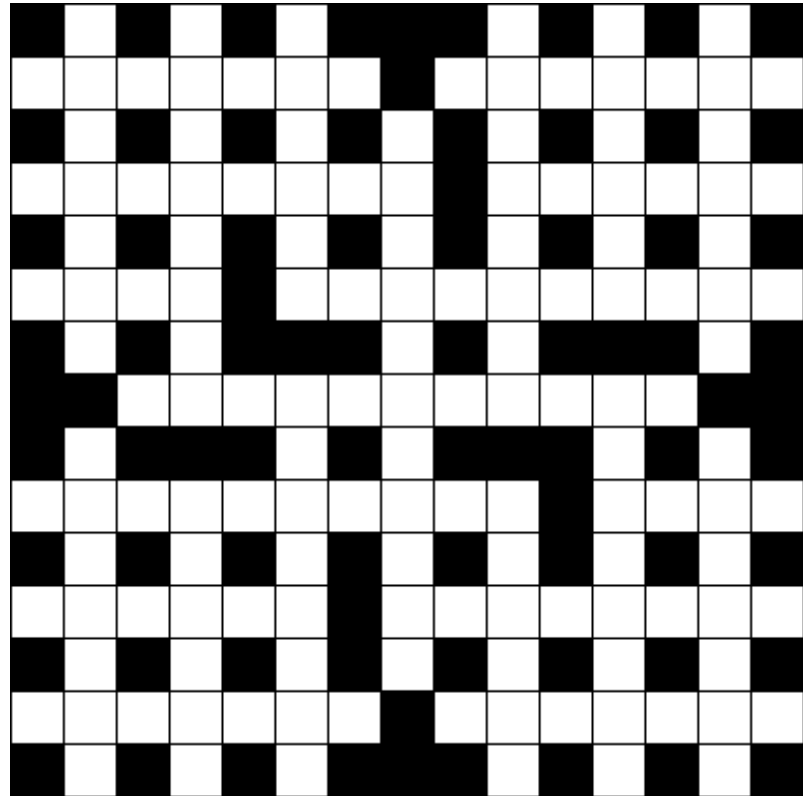
• **CROSSWORD DICTIONARY** published by Geddes & Grosset ISBN 1 84205 1105 Cost £14-95 (rrp Aust \$19-95). Contains 3 letter words to 15 letter words alphabetically listed from p7 to p397, 4 to 13 letter anagrams alpha listed from p399 to p480. Overall this dictionary comprises around 45,000 words, very clearly printed and spaced. This book has the advantage of a hard cover.

• **PHRASEOLOGY:** 'Once in a Blue Moon': A Blue Moon is the second Full Moon in a single calendar month. It cannot occur ever in February as it holds 29 days as a maximum & the moon's cycle is 29.5 days. Blue moons occur about 41 times/century or every 2.4 years.

Alan Walter

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AJ
by
Timid Terrier



The letter before each clue is the first letter of the answer.

- A** Branch of the fighting services to display a weapon (3-3)
- B** The wild feline serval (4-3)
- C** Polite Scottish John an American citizen (8)
- D** Class in the Linnaean system for five hundred and ten English CIA (7)
- E** Enzyme measure begins under laboratory supervisor in Norway (7)
- F** Tuck girls are honeyeaters (10)
- G** Minor problem with sticky material on church (6)
- H** In the Arthurian home circle (6)
- I** Nicest Sunday spoiled by small insignificant people (7)
- J** Judge has a New Zealand coin (4)
- K** Royal to find fault with crustacean (4-4)
- L** Tanned animal skin from rear part of sea-turtle (7-4)
- M** An unbroken expanse; a condition for central mountain mass (6)
- N** Animals have unsophisticated animals (6,5)
- O** Large-eared old Nerita's mistreated (7)
- P** Plate-like small (Scottish) neck muscle (8)
- Q** Weaver-birds in Quebec meadows (7)
- R** Diamond lady with flower (4,4)
- S** Pouch colour not to be violated (6)
- T** Abnormal white ran sea-bream (8)
- U** Partiality of United Nations likely head (10)
- V** Patch up Victoria's insurance company (4)
- W** Bird (snowy) I reported (8)
- X** King returned a five dollar bill for silver coin (7)
- Y** The old zone for one girl of an Armenian sect (6)
- Z** Element has first obstacle of French old anode (7)

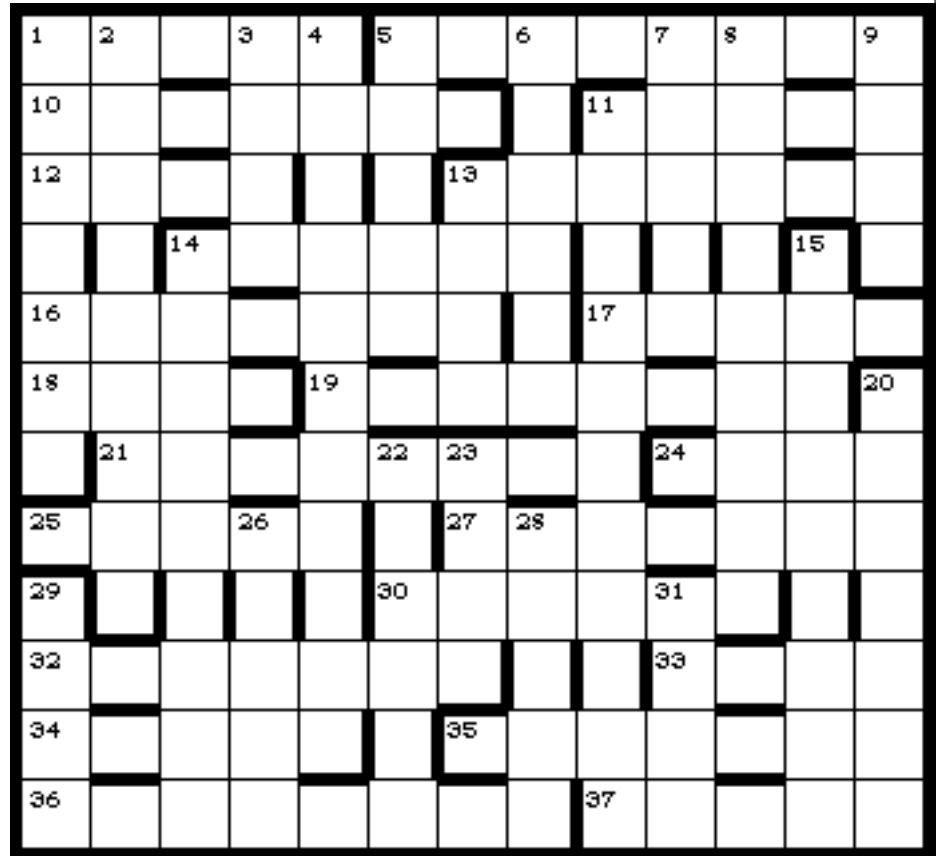
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What the ...?
by
Praxis

Prize:
The
Chambers
Dictionary

[1998 ed
rrp \$100]

Unclued lights contain a quote, along with the author's name, from *The Oxford Book of Quotations*. On solution, reference to the said publication will identify to what the author was referring. Enter below.



Answer:

Across

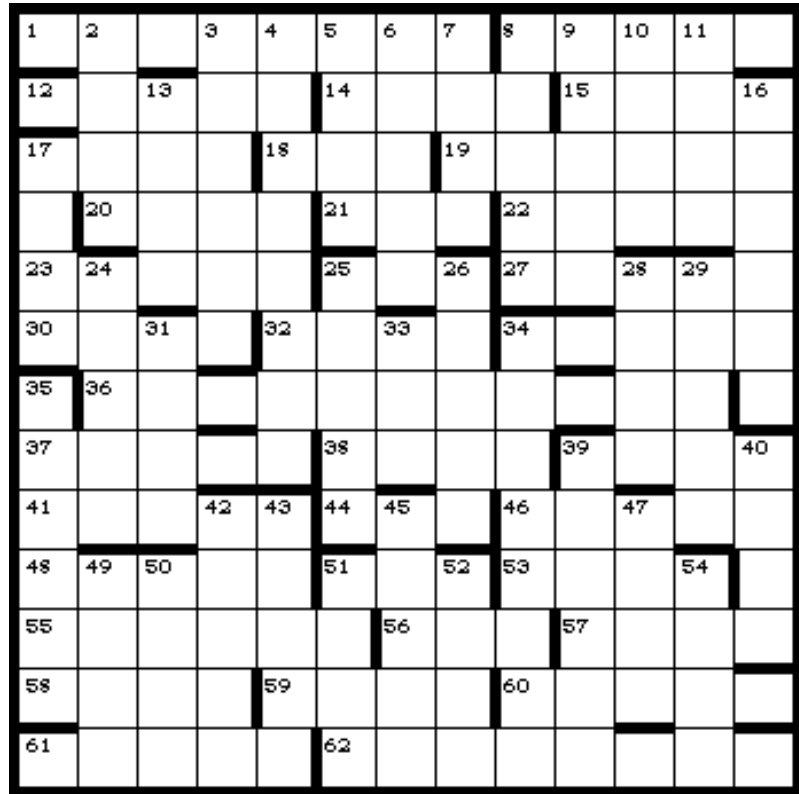
- 1 Tense! Arab's on board with old leaders! (5)
- 5 Cane's harvested before tax on stock (8)
- 10 (7, two words)
- 11 Female's withdrawn, Jack helps with recovery (5)
- 12 Close city street (4)
- 13 (7, two words)
- 14 So, Ike worked on day off (6)
- 16 (7)
- 17 Class for example, broke octet's heart (5)
- 18 Lose odd German name for Saaremaa (4)
- 19 (8, two words)
- 21 Ambassador's state backed tower's heritage (8)
- 24 Restrains odd characters in toilets (4)
- 25 By six, everyone's back in the house (5)
- 27 Wife accepted work training cleaners (7)
- 30 Log book's kept by chronologist (6)
- 32 Girl has boy starting to talk the lingo (7)
- 33 You said Muslim ruler returned Biblical object (4)
- 34 Victorian resort turned over recruit (5)
- 35 UNO arranged with 18 to be free (7)
- 36 (8, two words)
- 37 Nick's back having kicked up the heels! (5)

Down

- 1 A long stemmed glass for the big feller (7)
- 2 Voyager requires berth on vessel? (9)
- 3 Riot over bread (4)
- 4 Maurice, after fresh aspect, will need 2 (11)
- 5 Even the French rose up against past president (5)
- 6 Fuse helium into the nucleus (6)
- 7 Slave run into rainforest (5)
- 8 Drier mangled shirt belt (9)
- 9 Some play better once beaten (4)
- 11 (11, two words)
- 13 Secure English port? (4)
- 14 Eliot lifted fish short way to scale (9)
- 15 Contrarily, dam's starting off deep (9)
- 20 Aged contracting p-problem, died as expected (7)
- 22 Drunk, Greek character's a nut (6)
- 23 Miss in love picked up boy (4)
- 26 Ground's turned over; about fifty beds (5)
- 28 Signs submariner's back on course (5)
- 29 Plan to fish river (4)
- 31 Earl fixed up debt occasioned in Bacchic frenzy (4)

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Fight by Red One



Asterisked clues have definitions only and are all connected. The remainder of the across clues all contain an extraneous word (always more than 3 letters), the initial letters of which spell out a pertinent phrase which will lead to a hidden word in the grid which should not be there. **This 5 letter word is to be highlighted.** There is one French word and punctuation may mislead. All answers are in *Chambers*.

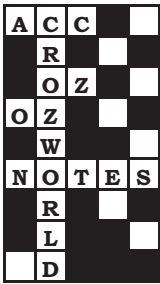
Across

- 1 *Central European (8)
- 8 *Abuse (5)
- 12 House-fly genus, a scum bag crawling around (5)
- 14 Legionnaire soldier marches over the French sticky clay (4)
- 15 Undesirable man one conceals soon (4)
- 17 Unique person, eligible, single with some riches (4)
- 18 Stroke puss first – a part tabby actually (3)
- 19 *Dye (6)
- 20 Never percolate coffee ends in sauce pan initially (4)
- 21 Excellent slang we cannot hear without a doctor (3)
- 22 Great lizards! – I'll shortly be in American fuel (5)
- 23 Rabbi is able, eh, to measure Hebrew (5)
- 25 Everybody work back willing or unwilling *bon_*, *mal_* (3)
- 27 To supply with final university English exams (5)
- 30 Short cape needs turning before a call to public prayer (4)
- 32 Endless exile travels about Malaysian holm-oak (4)
- 34 Patience for example unravelling a rope if it gets twisted (5)
- 36 *From overseas (11)
- 37 Sharp rocky edge – tear around end of range (5)
- 38 Old coin without a fluid toothpaste tube (4)
- 39 *Ink used in printing (4)
- 41 Relaxes if there is stress about topless nymphet (5)
- 44 Eastern philosophical and psychological programme largely part of the west (3)
- 46 Attend! Short vacation and see Venice (5)
- 48 Let in everyone damn it! Throw out characters with no name (5)
- 51 *Heavens (3)
- 53 Scots grandchild died before reed organ stop (4)
- 55 Old coin is genuine a bawbee without measure (6)
- 56 Island located in Maitland's estuary (3)
- 57 One with skill, ay, right in Sydney (4)
- 58 Bird exists in the never never (4)
- 59 Formerly it follows early literary death (4)

- 60 I'm swallowing foreign coin – nausea in low part of small intestine (5)
 - 61 *Befitting a queen (5)
 - 62 *Thrilling (8)
- ### Down
- 2 Even proudness goes quickly (4)
 - 3 Shield Indian inside station boundaries (6)
 - 4 *Gem (8)
 - 5 Mild oath when I'd inhaled a lot of gas (4)
 - 6 Raleigh loses his head for a change (5)
 - 7 Make a fine fist of it (4)
 - 8 Turn informer with bare bottom to burn on the surface (5)
 - 9 Leading, for example, excluded romance language (5)
 - 10 *Plant (4)
 - 11 Chiefs throw out gown and old garment (4)
 - 13 Beheld with Scottish eyes in two directions (4)
 - 16 Feature with a new cubic mineral (6)
 - 17 Back across the steamship goes finding whale (4)
 - 24 *Represented in engraving etc. by horizontal lines (5)
 - 25 Young man in earth space in wood (5)
 - 26 Compel payment before deed (5)
 - 28 Reject Mr Kelly if he turns up with an unknown (4)
 - 29 Of substance found in mammalian waste preserved in pure alcohol (5)
 - 31 Back water flowing over second placed beverages (4)
 - 33 Bird seen on NSW highway standing back with no head (3)
 - 34 Pertaining to area of medical sciences or the short relation of the ear (8)
 - 35 Fish grow old at the filling station (6)
 - 39 *Metallic element (6)
 - 40 *Service (4)
 - 42 Skin disease aint bad around third toe (5)
 - 43 Mac's short lists fall on sword (5)
 - 45 Scots disperse a skilled reformation not led (5)
 - 47 Learning sounds like the community rules (4)
 - 49 A Spanish peso for cut coarse woollen fabric (4)
 - 50 Relating to where metals are dug in my confusion (4)
 - 51 *Coburg perhaps (4)
 - 52 That thing in the old yellow-hammer (4)
 - 54 Small case found if one vehicle reverses (4)

Post
Solution
to:

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GET-TOGETHER AND HAVE FUN: The ACC's Annual Get-Together will be held at Rydges Hotel, 54 McLaren Street, North Sydney on Sunday 21 November 2004 commencing at 11:30am. We have booked the Boardroom on the 12th floor and the cost of the Luncheon is only \$35. The Streets will be coming from Melbourne, the Hamblings from Brisbane and the Hagans from Goulburn. Why not come along and say 'hello'? There will be plenty of books on sale and we will have a few prizes to give away. Why not come and join in the fun?



COMPENDIUM: *The Crozworld Compendium* Vol 5 will feature a large number of previously unpublished puzzles and Quizzes compiled by members of the ACC. There will also be prizes to be won. In addition, the solutions to all of the puzzles published in volume 4 of the *Compendium* and the names of the prizewinners will be included. If you would like to order extra copies of this exciting publication please add \$5 per copy (inc p&p) to your renewal subscription. See flyer enclosed (or e-Crozworld on p13).

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Quiz No 5-2004

The Qwerty Quiz by Brian Symons.

Send your entries on a separate sheet to: Brian Symons, 1 Kookaburra Pl, Grays Point NSW 2232 or by email to: brian_symons@bigpond.com.au
Closing mail date: Friday 5 November 2004. Prize: \$60.

Like it or not we are living in the information age and the keyboard is ubiquitous. So this quiz is about the standard typewriter/computer keyboard. If you can answer all these questions I guarantee your keyboard skills will have improved not one jot, but perhaps you won't care so much. First a couple of general questions:

- (1) What is the most frequently used key on the keyboard?
- (2) Who was the first famous author to present a typewritten manuscript to a publisher? (4, 5)

Now let's look at the letters:

- (3) What is the name of the dot on the lower case i? (6)
- (4) What capital letter is missing from this group O I X ?
- (5) Here is a list of letters b,f,h,k,l,p,s. Which of the following letters can also be added to it u,v,w,x,y,?
- (6) Using only the letters in the typewriter's top row (q to p) 4 common ten-letter words can be typed —perpetuity, proprietor, repertoire and?
- (7) These two words exemplify a problem with typewriters that computers try to address. What is it? supercede, innoculate
- (8) What three keys sound like English rivers?

Next the numbers:

- (9) Where should the number 9 go in this sequence 85417632?
- (10) How much is 6!?

It's the turn of the symbols:

- (11) What is the name of this symbol ~ ? (5)
- (12) Do you like the apostrophe? What English word contains 3 apostrophes? (hint: think mainly, deeply)
- (13) What symbol's name ends with itself?
- (14) Who introduced in 1540 the + and - signs and later in 1557 the = sign to mathematics. (6,7)
- (15) Maybe you like the backspace key to correct all your errors. Starting with the word SPARKLING, backspace (ie remove) one letter at a time, each time leaving a new word (no mixing of letters). In what order are the letters removed? Now for some puns: What single key can complete these sentences?
- (16) *Crozworld* always likes to welcome a new ____.
- (17) When Philippoussis won his Wimbledon semifinal the ABC commentator said "I'm going courtside to ____".
- (18) The traveller and his heavily laden ass arrived at the river bank. The river was swollen and the current fast. So he decided not to try to cross as he did not want his ____ and some lateral thinking:

(19) What single key can be inserted several times to make the following couplet rhyme? There was an old farmer and he was deaf as a post.

(20) If A is for 'orses and T for two and X for breakfast and M for sis, what letter is for relief?

Lilian Crane

We were saddened to hear of the recent death of our member **Lilian Crane**. Lilian, of Budgewoi, NSW, joined the ACC in July 1994 and was a keen and successful solver. She attended some of the Get-Togethers in Sydney and will be greatly missed. We send our sincere condolences to Lilian's loving family.

Puzzle Adjustments: Eva Seale gained dots for August slots 1, 4 and 5. Wendy Villiers gained a dot for Slot 4 and lost a dot for Slot 2. Yvonne Ainsworth gained a dot for Doug Butler's Elementary Cryptogram in July 2004.

A special **Thank you** to **Maurice Cowan** and **Peter Dearie** for their kind donations to the ACC prize fund.

Quiz No 4 Results.

"What do you know, Sport?" asks *The Beast*.

Entries 26. Prizewinner: Joan Smith. Congratulations!

24: V Dinham, D Greening, A Jermy, J McGrath, C Noble, S O'Brien, R O'Rourke, D Procter, J Smith and A Walter.

23: B Cockburn, C Hambling, J Stocks and B Symons.

22: C McClelland and T O'Brien.

21: A Austin, J Colles, M Procter and N Wilson.

20: J Standard. **19:** L Waites. **16:** B Solomon and I Watts.

15: V Howard and S Knight.

Adjudicator's Comments:

From a total of 26 entries 10 were awarded full marks. No 14 had "backpack" (5). This was disallowed as the clue indicator shows two words in the answer whereas dictionary references show it as one word. The same for No 18 "horsepower" (3). Also in 18, "grass court" (2) was deemed unacceptable as tennis had already been indicated (11). Most problems came with No 3 "nursery cannon", which is the billiards shot so perfected by Walter Lindrum that the rules were changed to give his opponents a chance. Many thanks to those who submitted entries and for the kind remarks and cards enclosed.

—Kev Layton

Answers:

- 1 Slam dunk (basketball); 2 Back pocket (Aussie Rules); 3 Nursery cannon (billiards); 4 Bobby Simpson (cricket); 5 Final whistle (multiple); 6 Water jump (steeplechase); 7 Trap-shooting; 8 Corporate box (multiple); 9 Hammer throw; 10 Squash court; 11 Pat Cash (tennis); 12 Hand ball; 13 Reserve bench (multiple); 14 Five iron (golf); 15 Half-back (rugby league); 16 Fly-half (rugby union); 17 Table tennis; 18 Mouth-guard (multiple); 19 Corner flag (multiple); 20 Vic Patrick (boxing); 21 Fly-fishing; 22 Penalty corner (hockey); 23 Skin diving; 24 Peter Pan (racing).

Members Comments:

- Thanks for a good brain teaser of a puzzle. *Claire McLelland*
- You certainly chose a very topical theme — nevertheless it took ages to complete. *Catherine Hambling*

[Comments continued on page 12]

September 1-2004: Cryptic Thematic by Virgo (Audrey Austin)

• A really good thematic but 10ac? L is not 'centre field'.

Brian Symons

• 9ac appears to be improperly clued if the answer is ECLECTIC. [see Adj. Comments. CH]. 28ac ARCH as an adjective = 'principal' which cannot be pluralised so if ARCH here implies the noun 'principal' then this usage is Shakespearean & should be indicated for ARCHES.

Alan Walter

• A tough opener. Some of the down clues were very tricky. Don't really know how TRIANGLE and CHEESE connect. [see Adj. comments. CH]

Jim Colles

September 2-2004: Cryptic by Jack (Jack Stocks)

• A very interesting cryptic. NETTED I especially liked.

Brian Symons

• Thanks Jack for a challenging puzzle. 3dn was a more than slick clue for RAINCOAT! 5dn was the shortest definition for the longest answer. 6dn 'The king-hit' equates to THE-R-HIT scrambled to THITHER.

Alan Walter

• Slot 2 should have been a slot 7 at least!! Maybe it's my imagination, or old age creeping on, but I find some of the newer compilers' clues very ethereal and hard to come to terms with as far as Afrit's injunction is concerned.

Col Archibald

• Jack's come up with a ripper here. Are Slot 2's getting harder, or am I getting thicker?

Jim Colles

• I only solved the last 3 or 4 answers by going through a book of word lists – my least favourite way of solving puzzles. Such a contrast to Noel's puzzle.

Peter Dearie

• This is the toughest I've encountered in this slot. Can 17ac be STUD? We really ARE getting racy! [No we're not, see solution! CH]

Doug Butler

• This puzzle should be a No 6. It is far too difficult for No 2. Some of the clues are very clever but there are plenty of nasties and several dodgy ones. I didn't enjoy it. [Editor's comment: Irene, when you say that several clues were 'dodgy', it leaves the solvers and the compiler none the wiser. You should say which clues in your opinion were 'dodgy' and why. Also, by the use of the word 'dodgy' do you mean 'difficult', 'unsound' or 'dishonest'? (See *The Macquarie Dictionary*)]

Irene Watts

September 3-2004: Cryptic by Noel Jessop

• An enjoyable cryptic thanks Noel. 24ac: Can't see the need for ? as *Chambers* defines a SET-TO as a 'hot contest'! 25ac: Back to find = D+E+EP + S+OUT+H where SH = quiet. 15dn LIT+T+LET+OE where T+OE = kick. 22dn The trickery here is to take UNLESS meaning subtract UN from UNUSUAL to obtain USUAL. The clue needs ! rather than ?.

Alan Walter

• 10ac: Intriguing to think that a LARVA could be a GHOST!

Max Roddick

• I thought Noel had a beaut puzzle with so many good clues it was hard to pick the clue of the month.

Ron O'Rourke

• The expected array of clever but solvable clues from Noel, making a very satisfying puzzle.

Jim Colles

• Difficult but a good puzzle with reasonable and legitimate clue from Noel.

Irene Watts

September 4-2004: AJ by Southern Cross (Shirl O'Brien)

• Thanks Shirl for another good AJ – GOBLINS & STOP were my favourites.

Brian Symons

• Your AJ was much appreciated. In clue Q if the answer is QUITTER does QU+I+T equate to Qld Uni of Technology with one in? If so the QUT seems to be an abbreviation used in your state & not indicated in club reference dictionaries.

Alan Walter

• As much a delight just to read Shirl's clues as to solve them!

Max Roddick

• *Southern Cross* in peak form, I thought, which means a superb AJ. Though I'm not clear about the H clue. [You didn't watch enough TV in your youth, Jim – remember *Hogan's Heroes*! CH]. I remember Hector H coming 3rd in the 100 metres at the 1956 Melbourne Olympics, the closest we're ever likely to get, it would seem.

Jim Colles

• An enjoyable, normal alphabetical, always my favourite. Shirl always serves up something good.

Irene Watts

September 5-2004: Double Acrostic by Aeolian (Max Roddick)

• Who is *Aeolian*? (see above. CH) This is the best double acrostic I've ever seen anywhere. Some of the clues – eg NEWSHAWK, KERFUFFLE, YELLOW, CINNABAR & KRUMMHORN are wonderful.

Brian Symons

• I loved slot 5 – we learned that poem at school!

Audrey Austin

• A splendid double acrostic *Aeolian*. Shame that you have mistranslated MORN as MOON. [I queried Alan on this & he quoted Cassell's *Anthology of English Poetry* p398. I have no printed version but all references I accessed on the Net used MOON. CH; *Editor's Note*: The word 'moon' is quoted in *The Oxford Dictionary of Quotations* 5th ed, p210, in *The Oxford Book of English Verse*, 1250-1918, Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch ed, p532, and the *Collins Albatross Book of Verse*, Louis Untermeyer ed, 1960 at p532. It's a 'shame', Alan, that you did not research this matter more thoroughly before making this comment.] Clues H & X appear not to be cryptic. You should indicate the existence of some non-cryptic clues in your preamble. Clue F should say 'Mozart works number' to derive K in NEWSHAWK (*Editor's note*: According to *Chambers*, 'K' is the abbreviation for Köchel the person who catalogued Mozart's works. It is not a 'number']. In clue O: KRUMMHORN = KR+U+MM+HO+RN. Clue S answer EPAGOMENAL was a stagerer! Shall recall this every Feb 29th!

Alan Walter

• I've always thought that Chesterton was unduly hard on donkeys. Some of them are quite pretty little animals & the bray is no worse than many other animal noises. Of course he did it to contrast the donkey with its rider and so exaggerated, I do realise.

Margaret Galbreath

• This was one of the hardest Acrostics I can remember and, therefore, very pleasing to get done. But I reckon the honorable donkey deserves more respect than it gets from this piece.

Jim Colles

• I'm not too keen on Acrostics, partly because writing them up, transferring letters etc. is so hard on the old eyesight. However I enjoyed meeting with Chesterton's poor old Donkey again. A clever poem with humour and pathos.

Irene Watts

From Doug Butler: I used Google to find out more about Umberto TOZZI, an Italian singer/songwriter. Rather than exercise my very rudimentary knowledge of the language, I tried their 'Translate This Page' function. This is what it produced:

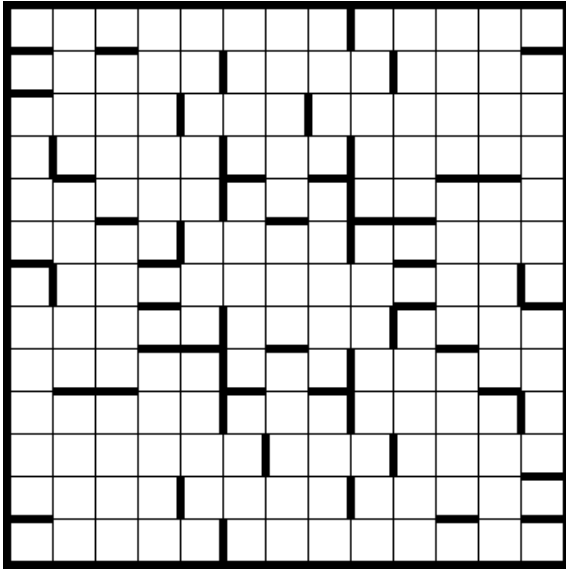
Umberto STOCKY is been born to Turin 4 March of 1952. In 1968, to 16 years, it enters in the "Off Sound", a group of the young that love music. To Milan Adrian Pappalardo knows with which form a group of thirteen elements that turns for all Italy. Of 1977 she is "I love to You", between the most famous brani than STOCKY that salted to the first place in classify and seven months remained you, stracciando every record of sale. 1978 are the year of "You" and 1979 are the time perhaps of what happening of Pieces represents the piu large: "Gloria". This brano, resumed and interpreted from Laura Branigan, door the STOCKY name of Umberto beyond the ocean. (After that it becomes incomprehensible. Translators relax, your jobs are safe for a long time yet!)

Send solution to: Doreen Jones
89 Second Ave, Rossmoyne WA 6148.
Closing mail date: Fri 5 November 2004.

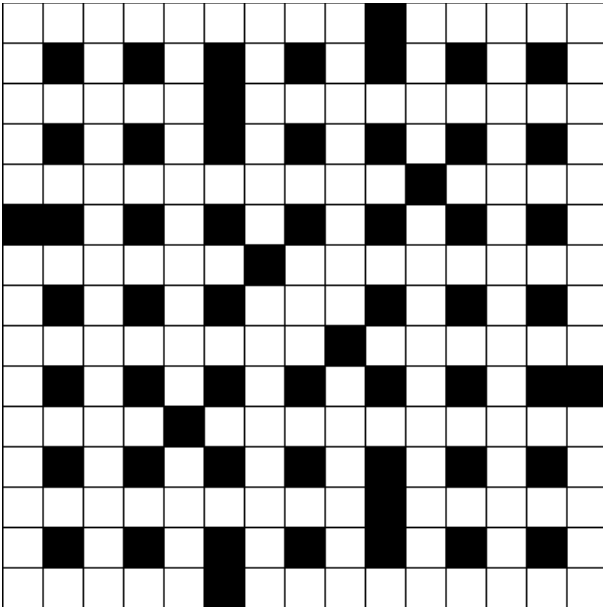


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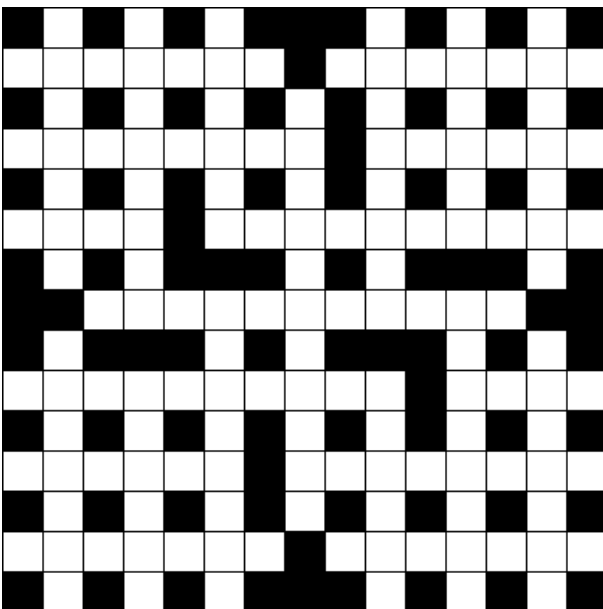
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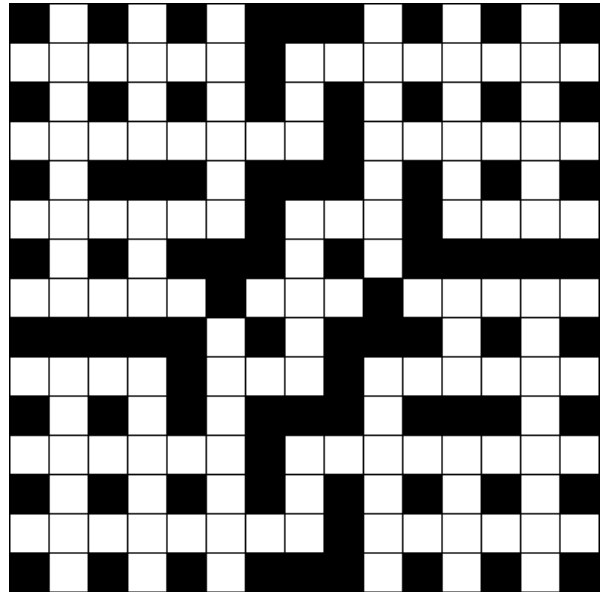
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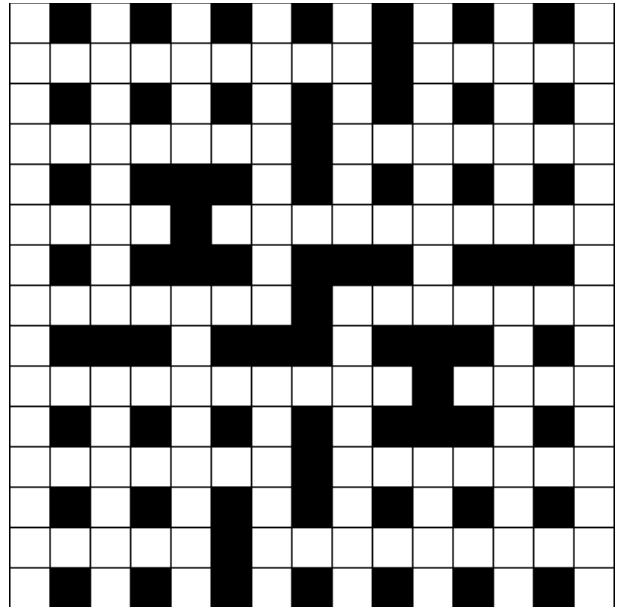
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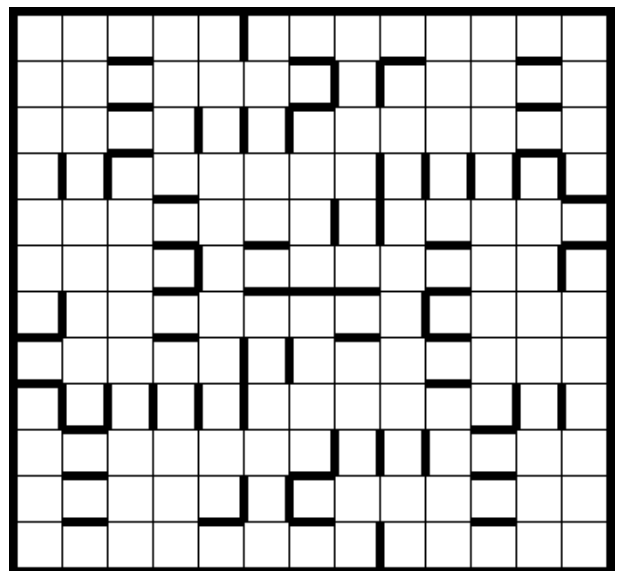
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Answer:

Clue of the Month

August 6 2004 – A Fair Cop by Cactus (Jim Colles)

Entries: 27. Correct: 20. Success Rate: 74%. Prizewinner: Marian Procter. Congratulations!

Solvers' Comments:

- There have been many wonderfully devious puzzles over the years, but this one would be hard to top! I've wrestled for days with 12,12,9 instead of 11,11,11, and with the second quote having two p's, but suddenly my geologist neighbour (no cryptic experience) has come up with a second quote that fits, and I find that PRAISED becomes RAISED, PUSHERS becomes USERS, and Bob's your uncle!! (More than rocks in your neighbour's head, Shir!) *Shirl O'Brien*
- BY GEORGE YOU'VE MADE MORE THAN MY DAY! What a doozy! It's a real knockout with pitfalls in every clue and two great punchlines. A spectacular effort. (This is all too much. I can't handle it.) *Alan Walter*
- Congratulations on an excellent puzzle. The best Slot 6 in years. (No! No! This can't go on.) *Audrey Austin*
- AAAAGHH! (Phew! That's more like it.) *Carole Noble*
- I'm sending my solution but no quotes! Had fun with the crossword but decided that trying to work out two mixed up together quotes is a total waste of time and effort. It would be better to have something more solvable. *Corryn Anderson*
- * Wow! What a weird and wonderful puzzle – a real brain bender. (Easy for you, Catherine.) *Catherine Foster*

Cactus Chatter: Am surprised that the quotes caused problems, as I thought they'd be well enough known to be easy to get from the puzzle title. "Go Ahead Make My Day" (Dirty Harry, Cop in *Sudden Impact*) "By George, She's Got it" (Henry Higgins, *My Fair Lady*). Some solvers thought the directions unclear as to which letter was required from the 'changed' definitions, but the requirements were consistent for each group, with each letter coming from the word not entered in the grid. The possible alternative answer of Pushers for 22dn was unintended, as I didn't think of it at the time. My alternative definitions in their groups are as follows:

1. Changed: (G)reases, Re(m)ounted, German(y), (G)ingers, (O)verage, (D)etainers, Dustm(e)n, Strea(k)ers, (T)idings, (D)ominator, Steps(o)n. **2 Added:** Charl(i)es, (H)anger, (Y)earns, Charge@s, (G)eiger, S(t)urgeon, C(o)aches, (G)littering, Go(y)a, Trime(s)ters, Des(s)erts. **3. Removed:** (E)astern, Sing(e)ing, St(a)irs, De(m)ist, (A)bridges, Scr(e)ams, (A)butts, (B)raised, Us(h)ers, (E)vita, (A)brim.

Thank you to those hardy solvers who who took time out from the Olympics to tackle this concoction. *Jim Colles (Cactus)*

Quiz No 4. Members Comments continued from page 9:

- In my family I'm known as the most uninterested in sport member of the team, so you've achieved a remarkable goal — you've got me intrigued! *Ted O'Brien*
- Really loved the concept. *Bev Cockburn*
- This quiz was a very testing run down and much appreciated. No 3 "plant (7,6) ball" caused a great deal of deliberation. Was it "plant (kingdom, species, disease, perfume, habitat etc)? How did any of these connect to "ball" (rubber, volley, squash, tennis, soccer, basket, hockey etc)? None of these worked until I tried plant nursery and cannon ball! Nursery cannon was a new billiards term for me, thanks to *Chambers Dictionary*. Quite a blast to discover this! Many thanks for a challenging and enjoyable quiz. *Alan Walter*
- I had a mental block with this one. Thanks for the puzzle and looking forward to more of your acrostics. *Joan Smith*
- Thanks to Jack's doggedness we're keeping our fingers crossed. It was a good quiz. Playing around with words is much more fun than looking up facts — I don't worry about those mostly unless they concern music. Thanks for the fun! *Shirl O'Brien*
- Something different. I enjoyed it! *Joan McGrath*
- Thanks for the quiz — I always enjoy them. You have a great sense of humour that you seem to work into all your puzzles. It is most appreciated. *Ron O'Rourke*
- I have compiled a few like this myself; some have appeared in *Crozworld* but none, I suspect as difficult as yours. The type of puzzle is called Linkwords, and mentioned in a play I wrote and hope to produce with a Drama Group. I had most problems with your No 3 clue. There are so many types of ball — cotton, butter, basket, etc, all with 6 letters. The clue for No 12 could lead to "line ball" as well as "hand ball" and should be considered allowable. Vic Patrick (No 20) would not have been easy to get for the newer members either. (If you had trouble with No 3, join the club! "Line ball" didn't bob up and surprisingly, there was only one miss for No 20. KL) *Audrey Austin*

SOLVERS' ESSENTIALS continued: From Ann Jermy: Doug Butler's AxWord. **From Audrey Austin:** 1. The Franklin Chambers Concise Crossword dictionary. This is hand-held battery operated available from Dick Smith Electronics for about \$80. 2. The New Comprehensive A-Z Dictionary compiled by Edy Garcia Schaffer. 3. Chambers Backwords. 4. The World Book Dictionary two vols. The easiest definitions to understand. Well laid out. 5. The Readers Digest Word Finder. Has the most synonyms. **From John Standard:** Since my student days over 55 years ago I have had a succession of Chambers dictionaries ("Big Reds"). However, when it comes to crossword solving I find The Australian Crossword Dictionary by Ursula Harringman — a fairly cheap and unpretentious paperback, produced in Australia — to be very useful and superior to some more expensive offerings.

SOLUTION to CHESS GAME PROBLEM: 1. Ktf6! Qf6 2. Qf8#. Prizewinner: Daphne Greening. Congratulations!

E-LODGMET: Ian Williams has kindly offered to take over the management of e-lodgment entries in future. Many thanks for taking on this pleasant task, Ian. From this month, kindly send your e-lodgment entries to Ian whose e-mail address is: ianw@webone.com.au

GENERAL COMMENTS:

- Thanks again Patrick, for all you do on the club's behalf. I was delighted to read Heather Zucal's kind remarks and I'm sure she expresses the sentiments of all our members. *Roy Wilson*
- I never cease to be amazed by the depth and variety of the puzzles our members provide to challenge and amuse us. But all of these challenging puzzles would be nothing without the persistence of the Editor and his helpers. I'm so grateful for all you do for us, Patrick. Life without *Crozworld* would be so much impoverished, yet we all know it must take a Herculean effort at times to keep going. *Shirl O'Brien*
- I can't get interested in Slot 6 anymore, the main reason being I can't do them. But I do feel deprived. *Aileen Skillicorn*
- My thanks to the club for my slot 3 prize last month — much appreciated. *Peter Dearie*

Crowsworlders flock together: Doug Butler organised another successful lunch for the South Australian members on 18 September. The lunch was attended by nine local members and friends at The Bakery in North Adelaide. Our Secretary Bev Cockburn joined the party as well as her son Mal who is a keen member of the Club. One of the highlights was the exchange of books in 'plain brown wrappers', in which members brought a book (pre-loved or new) of interest to word enthusiasts, and took away some else's donation. There were some interesting selections — from Taoism via logic to sport. If you would like to see some of the members in attendance, visit the ACC website and click on News. *Joan Clayton*

**Bonus Puzzle by
Southern Cross**

Across

- 1 A spell of bowling makes actors dull (8)
- 5 Greek character and I returned to the bar for a meal of sorts (6)
- 9 The servant, at home ... (8)
- 10 ...knows intuitively there are five of them (6)
- 11 Bolts made by sailors hoodwink detectives (8)
- 12 Aboriginal right, say, to detain soldier from noble Italian family (6)
- 14 A divine spirit is seen in the first woman to preach the gospel (10)
- 18 A safe place in the west? (10)
- 22 Restrict worship, without any ado (6)
- 23 Suggestive of benefit being swallowed by cost of accommodation (8)
- 24 Rest fitfully after late exercises (6)
- 25 Grace has to make a speech after a month (8)
- 26 Trim the tree (6)
- 27 Ed to trap wild, four-footed creature (8)

Down

- 1 Doh? Could be, to the listener, an expression of disappointment (2,4)
- 2 She's upset after foolish men become entangled (6)
- 3 CO must change procedure (6)
- 4 They need aqualungs to be different under the outside covering (4-6)
- 6 One's after a name-change for these plants (8)

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- 7 Suggestion to replace the "d" in India's emblems (8)
- 8 Communications in disarray a long time afterwards (8)
- 13 I've to follow worker north-east at the double for snakebite treatment (10)
- 15 Unmarked second car smaller? (8)
- 16 Joggers possibly could have nearly half of Toowoomba shaking in fear (8)
- 17 He's not prepared to speculate, though coasting around (8)
- 19 Pass on our flag (6)
- 20 A politician, after a month, has to do a bunk (6)
- 21 Minister to be present (6)



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