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And don't confound the language of the nation  
With long-tailed words in *osity* and *ation*.

John Hookham Frere, 1817-18, *The Monks and the Giants*, Canto 1, 6.

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**RENEWAL OF SUBSCRIPTIONS!**

**W**e are pleased to announce that we have managed to maintain the Annual Membership subscription for 2010 at only \$40. However, if you elect to receive *e-Crozworld* rather than the paper copy then the sub is only \$35. We believe that this is outstanding value! And it is due in large part to the generosity of the many members who donated to the 2009 Prize Fund. Thank You! 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*, p13 of this issue) together with some useful information for renewing members for 2010. We have continued the special offer whereby you can sign up a new member for 2010 for only \$30. Just a reminder that we distribute \$6000 in cash prizes per year plus more than 60 book prizes. In order to maintain that plentiful level of prizes, we hope you will be more than generous with your donation to the ACC Prize Pool 2010.

Don't forget about the ACC Annual Get-Together to be held at William Ryan's charming Cauliflower Hotel in Waterloo, Sydney on Sunday 29 November. Like last year, there will be plenty of highlights! See page 6 for further details.

Ian Williams has another brilliant selection of puzzles for you this month. Your favourites *Jesso*, *Virgo*, and *Southern Cross* are included along with the well-respected *Pindar* who has contributed another fine cryptic in Slot 5. In Slot 4 your favourite AJ has become an JA and the compiler is none other than the masterly *midships*. In Slot 6 *stroz* has devised a themed puzzle for your ongoing delight. Puzzleman Ian Williams has cast his expert eye over it and made helpful suggestions but the overall responsibility remains with the compiler! For the Slot 6 winner we have a marvellous prize: the latest edition of the *Australian Collins Dictionary*. Worth winning! Happy Crozworlding. —Patrick

**T**hank you for all the nice cards and letters: it does make the adjudication more enjoyable. There were a few enquiries for RIDER in Slot 3 'Redone' (or red one) = RED + I; reading = R all reversed. (Thank you Jenny). The third homophone in Slot 5 12/2 was purposely used by Roy as it was the only one where both the definitions were 'birds'; all the others were different. (This clue was queried by a number of members). Roy was kind enough to send me the explanation above. (Thank you Roy). Transcriptions errors and 6 blank spaces lost dots for some members. Thanks to Ian for his help with adjudicating.

**Slot 1:** Only 10 errors in this puzzle DAHLI LAMA (2) AND DALLI LAMA (2) for DALAI LAMA. OCARENAS and OKARINAS for OCARINAS.

**Slot 2:** No major problems; just a couple of CARDINAL DOINGS for CARDINAL POINTS, a SMALL BOOTS CAMP and a STEEL TOOTH COMB for SMALL-TOOTH COMB and INPUT, IMPUT for IMPOT. Three letter words occasionally create problems this time. O-A lost 2 members their dots. *Jesso's* puzzle received 22 votes from 11 clues.

**Slot 3:** LEGIT (Sanctioned short = legit) (run = leg it) was the word which caused the most trouble, LIGHT (10) and LIGIT. PROJECTOR had various answers PRORECTOR (3) PROTESTER and PROTECTOR. Some members gave this a miss but those that did it praised the clueing. 7 clues were nominated with WITCH being the best with 4 votes.

**Slot 4:** One clue that claimed more members in this puzzle was YWIS: YAIR (18) YTIS (3) YAIS and YHIS were some of the answers. JOBOBAS (2), JOHOBAS, JOJOBABE and JOJOBABH. The AJ is a popular puzzle with some of our members.

**Slot 5:** This was another puzzle not attempted by everyone, though those who did thought it a great challenge. INDIAMAN (7) for INDIAMEN was a common mistake: the clue and definition are plural. ELLEN/AIDEN (7), AIDAN/ELLAE and DINAR/ALLIE for ELLIE/AIDIN were some of the other mistakes and SEA-RIM had many different variations.

**COTM:** 24 clues from 42 members were nominated this month. The winner was *Jesso's* CARDINAL POINTS with 6 votes, *Ann Ass* was a close second with WITCH (4) followed by NIGGARD (3). —Joan Smith

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Puzzle No.	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Entries received	117	109	101	111	100	538
Correct entries	107	97	84	76	67	431
Success rate (%)	91.5	89	83.2	68.5	67	80.1
<b>Prizewinners</b>	J Gillis M Davis	A Barrett Y Ainsworth	S May M Dennis	D Meek	I MacDougall D Kennedy	from 117 members

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**Prizewinner: September 2009 Slots 1-5: Pat Garner**

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### Sept 1-2009

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BROTHERTON J	.	.	.	.	.	.
BUTLER D	.	.	.	.	.	.
CAINE R	.	.	.	.	.	.
CALLAN A & D	.	.	.	.	.	.
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COPLAND F	.	.	.	.	.	.
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DEARIE P	.	.	.	.	.	.
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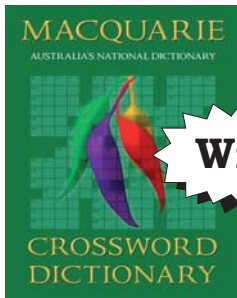
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STANDARD J	.	.	.	.	.	.
STEINBERGER M	.	.	.	.	.	.
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by  
**Jesso**

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**Across**

- 1 Polishing (7)
- 5 Spheroidal (6)
- 9 Market-place (5)
- 11 Bright advertisement (4,4)
- 13 Prizes (6)
- 14 Rodent (3)
- 15 Corporation (5)
- 16 Flat (4)
- 17 Icons (5)
- 18 Willy-willy (4,5)
- 22 River in Europe (4)
- 23 Staining (6)
- 26 Nymph of Paradise (5)
- 27 More illustrious (6)
- 30 Cereal substance (4)
- 32 Agreeing (9)
- 34 Stomach upset (5)
- 35 Breezy (4)
- 36 Spells (5)
- 39 Bitter vetch (3)
- 40 Scattered about (6)
- 41 Opera text (8)
- 42 Confuse (5)
- 43 Rots (6)
- 44 Balance (7)

**Down**

- 1 Israeli leader rising with soldier working around old city (3-6)
- 2 A state characterised by flowery rhetoric at academy (7)
- 3 Tins reworked this month (4)
- 4 Choked Georgia, viceroy and media boss (6)
- 5 Not written in yellow aluminium (4)
- 6 Lewdly wild crook in a tree (7)
- 7 Month 10 on rig not finished with one kind of reasoning (1,6)
- 8 Slackens when canvas stands left out (5)
- 10 Almost hung up an animal (3)
- 12 White key not acquired (7)
- 19 Sailors lurking around hospital — wild goats! (5)
- 20 Sweat out rising school leader in ease, say (5)
- 21 Fool one spot about another (5)
- 24 Catch half-open drum (7)
- 25 Triumphant honour to sink in a hidingplace (5,4)
- 28 Sword belt; plain one found in church (7)
- 29 One bet apiece on state branch (4-3)
- 31 Grazed by a point with half an edge (7)
- 33 More inquisitive senior disturbance (6)
- 34 Checked out about south credit centre (5)
- 37 Aims to send first to last (4)
- 38 Measure fell short (3)
- 39 Amounts of work in Royal Grammar School (4)

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<b>Cryptic</b>  by  <b>Virgo</b>


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**Across**

- 1 A weak mind shuffles to points in the faded light (7)
- 5 Mess from whisking egg with lard (7)
- 9 Please raise your heads and ask questions (3)
- 10 Ludicrous letter skips ruins. Kid bolted (7)
- 11 Ignore a bad leg, chin tail etc. (7)
- 12 A medical man returns for the finale (4)
- 13 Cover? Sure can in plan (9)
- 15 Gossip put about in footwear (7)
- 17 Radical? Aye! Drag in the old measurement (7)
- 19 Roundabout obscure — a bit mean (7)
- 21 Lake in ache. My, it's magic! (7)
- 23 Chesty wag just an inch Labor (9)
- 25 Fixed early yesterday it can be an eyesore (4)
- 28 Stir etc, in a jar and divide by three (7)
- 29 Recollected go with Delta and crowd (7)
- 30 Listen carefully to Spike (3)
- 31 Treason all sorted out for the politician (7)
- 32 Bid not strictly for feed (7)

**Down**


- 1 Refers to a variety of credits (7)
- 2 Clio and Delta considered it (5)
- 3 Bale out at the island (4)
- 4 Capitals without a square at sea are unique (7)
- 5 A day without a horrible line (7)
- 6 Soothsayer makes a rhyme with Borge (5)
- 7 Fruit may be wet behind the ears with a joke at the end (9)
- 8 Former meter worked to the very end (7)
- 14 Adds sound to cutter (4)
- 16 A Siam born source of a sweet delight (9)
- 18 Music from stone! (4)
- 19 Bush administration of right — but only in top to tail USA (7)
- 20 Hurricane game or challenge for the tongue (7)
- 21 Al Gore likes to start dancing at a lively tempo (7)
- 22 Battering an eyelid, Delta gave in (7)
- 24 Welsh in 100 degree temperature (5)
- 26 An Egyptian King or mentor (5)
- 27 A sport for gents only — ladies forbidden initially (4)

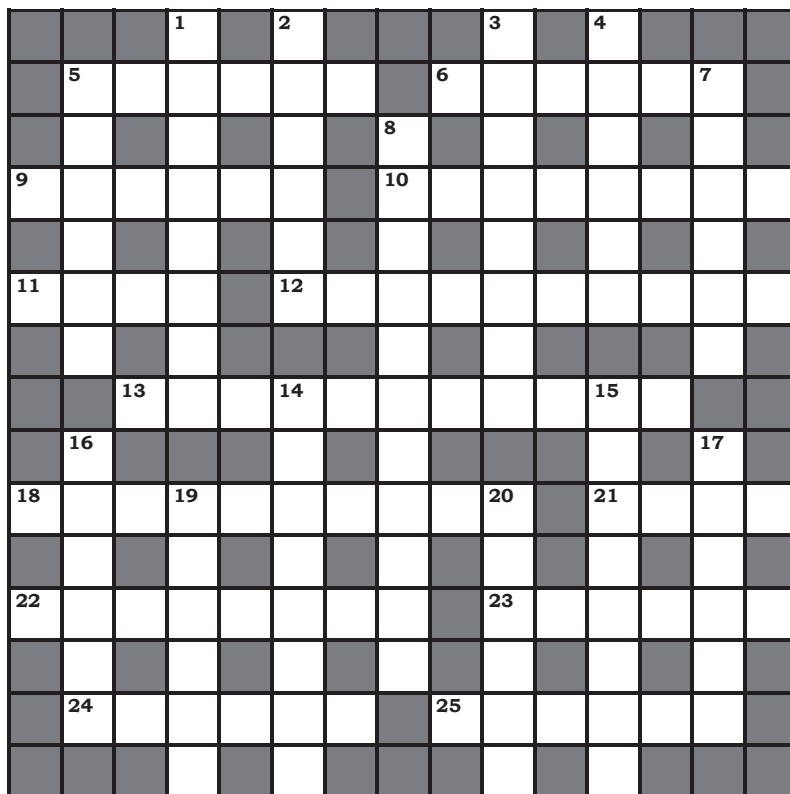
**Explanations for September grids where provided by setters (Thanks to Joan, Jenny and Roy)**

**Slot 1 Half 'n Half Timid Terrier Down:** 1 admit + te + d, 2 p + reserve, 3 hidden, 4 fee + l, 5 ra + coon, 6 hidden, 7 aid + e, 8 ra(is) in, 9 dit(-c)h + e + r, 12 anagram, 17 alarm + clocks, 20 r + eel, 22 er + red der<, 23 anagram, 26 double definition, 28 oc + arinas sounds like arenas, 29 initial letters, 30 s(t)able, 31 i + n + site sounds like site, 33 ab + sorb (bros<), 36 anagram, 37 hidden, 38 ra< ar + ts, 39 anagram.

**Slot 3 Ann Ass Across:** 1 FOR+ESTERS, 6 W+ITCH, 9 I+CL in NUDE, 10 STA in DINT, 11 anag WITS TED, 12 LIED+OWN, 13 PRE+SS+GANG, 15 ruDE MURal, 16 OP+TIC, 19 MA in A TAR in CAN, 22 ELECT+OR, 23 RENE+WAL(k), 25 (con)TR-ACHE-A(cts), 26 IV in D-RING, 27 foR A KERbed, 28 anag SHOW TRENT. **Down:** 1 F+AIN'T, 2 RE+CLINE, 3 F in SHUT + IS, 4 MEN in ED, 5 IS rev + DELIGHT, 6 WEND around E+ST, 7 OOR reversed in TEAM (for 'inside' read 'in side'), 8 IT in HAND + RUN, 13 JE in PROCTOR, 14 anag SECTARIAN, 17 anag TREK HAD, 18 CATCH 'ER, 20 MA-(a)NNI(e)-SH, 21 AWH in RIDE, 23 RED+I+R reversed, 24 LEGIT(imate).

**Slot 5 Praxis Across:** 1 S(ong)/M\*A\*S\*H, 5 ac/U/test, 11/32 homonym, 12/2 homonym, 13 on/co/Ming, 15 anag, 16/18 homonym, 19 ear/a/Che, 24 see (rev) around toil, 25/25D homonym, 27 le(f)t, 28 DD, 30 hi/CC/a tee, 31 ell/ie, 33 re/anag/re (rev), 34/29 homonym. **Down:** 1 SC/once/D, 3 cap following snow\*, 4 lock under hem, 6 con/Crete, 7 til/th, 8 en/beef (rev)/led, 9 anag (mariners - RN), 10 T/ras/K - Australian singer Diana, 14 anag, 17 ther(Tim - rev)e, 20 homonym, 21 mi/anag, 22 est/anag/E Am spelling, 23 t/ingle, 26 Aid/in.

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<h2 style="margin: 0;">Cryptic by Southern Cross</h2>




**Across**

- 5 Aligned, though fighting (2,1,3)
- 6 Guarantee included with a voucher (6)
- 9 Charged over right to be poor (4,2)
- 10 Using a lever after university revolt (8)
- 11 Pulpy food to get the huskies going? (4)
- 12 Man of letters, sick at heart, twice spotted in N. Qld (5,5)
- 13 Resting before buzzer signals classroom competition (8,3)
- 18 Ruby possibly teams up with fire-lighters (3,7)
- 21 One commercial vehicle having a terrible reputation in Russia? (4)
- 22 The man on either side of the woman about to spell trouble (8)
- 23 Minister to be present (6)
- 24 Son brewed beer to be bought (2,4)
- 25 Correct treatment? (6)

**Down**

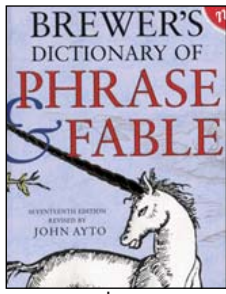
- 1 Bounty for some, privation for others (8)
- 2 Member rises over nothing, twice referring to anti-aircraft gun (3-3)
- 3 Project is finished with remodelling of The Ghan (8)
- 4 Greek character lies about breakfast food (6)
- 5 Cretan flier in space vehicle guarded by a single American (6)
- 7 Monica is said to manage well (6)
- 8 A papal document makes the battier a Spanish hero (11)
- 14 A midnight visit possibly delayed – everybody after a key (4,4)
- 15 Letters from stipe upset Darcy (8)
- 16 Improvise fashion party (4,2)
- 17 Exclude French Marshal from the punch-up (6)
- 19 Reserved for Mussorgsky? (6)
- 20 Ghosts with sunglasses? (6)

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

- Thank you Patrick and all who compile *Crozworld*. I look forward to receiving it more than any other mail (mostly bills!).  
*Cathy Jones*
- I was really disappointed to miss the July gathering, but it was good to hear that it was such a success, and I certainly hope to be there next year. But what a lovely surprise, on returning home, to open my *Crozworld* and find the cheque and certificate for slot 6. Many thanks to Patrick and the Club. It's great fun to do the puzzles and I'd like to thank all the clever compilers, adjudicators and other "behind-the-scene" workers who make all this possible.  
*Robyn Caine*
- I was delighted to win the August Slot 6 prize. *The Oxford Crossword Dictionary* is a marvellous prize and well worth winning. Also, it is a very useful book not only for crossword solvers but for compilers.  
*Shirl O'Brien*
- I am thrilled but amazed to have won the August slots 1-5 prize. I often don't complete all 5 crosswords but I am getting better. There are usually 2 or 3 tricky clues and it is frustrating to get a crossword wrong just because of one clue. August certainly had some difficult clues. In September slot 2 *Jesso* had me stumped by 1dn until finally the penny dropped. Hopefully I've done OK this month too. Thanks to all the setters and adjudicators.  
*Hilary Cromer*
- Many thanks for the cheque. With the puzzles getting increasingly tough – a reward for my perseverance?? A wonderful surprise!  
*Verna Dinham*
- Thank you for my August prize cheque which has brought me a *Chambers* dictionary and *Confidence*, which as a nervous newcomer to the ACC, I really need.  
*Rosemary Gardiner*

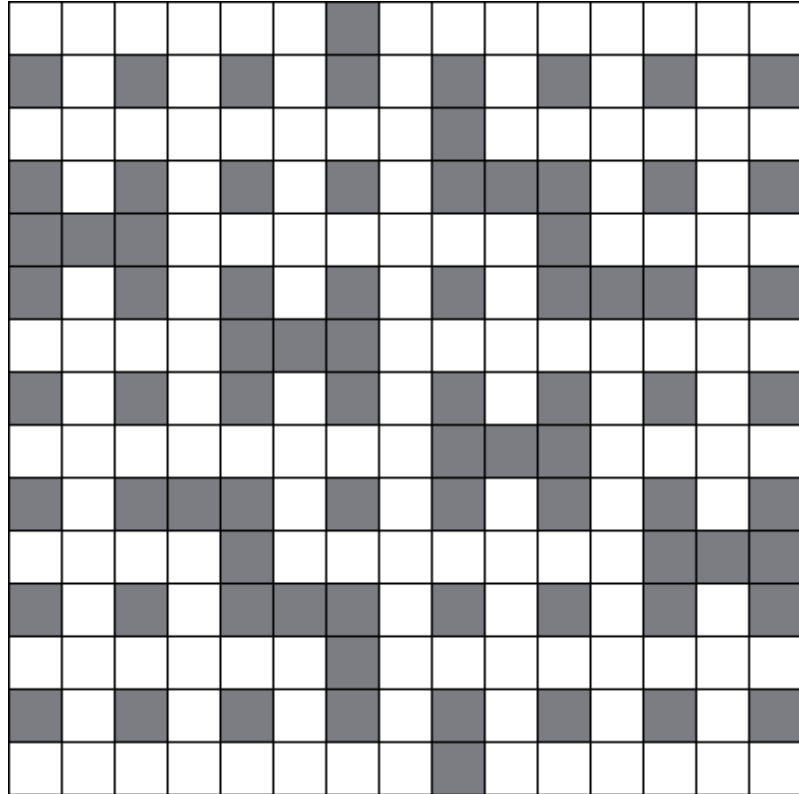
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## JA by midships



[rrp: \$69.95]

Solutions **end** with the given letter. Fit them jigsaw-wise where you can. Two solutions are not in *Chambers* but will be found in the SOED.





- A** Note well! It may represent a State (8)  
"Disorganised" may serve as an anagram indicator (2,3)
- B** Backward young fellow is a tearaway (3)
- C** Record played at curtailed musical event (4)
- D** As a youthful success, one might fly – or pretend to (5-3)  
In Eire, diaphragm designed for the deaf (7-8)
- E** Endless Burr sequel turned into ludicrous imitation of the original (9)
- F** A game of – of logical returns (4)
- G** Ironing late in the day (7)
- H** Sing of a headless beast for most of the big number (10)  
Religious person may accompany Hyde in fun recital (4)
- I** Emmet, I find, is in opposition (4)
- J** Islamic vigilantes' dog taken in, eaten last bone (6)
- K** Cooker may take from effort (3)
- L** Round and round the world (6)
- M** Treatment of mental disease caused by extra-terrestrial belief (8)
- N** US descendant, embracing God, hears the trumpet call (7)
- O** Failure of grain prices not right with company (6)
- P** Neat trip over a primrose (6)  
Will scoff at privileged American plant layer (4,4)
- Q** Gershwin put a question to the country (4)
- R** Farmworker's strong punch (8).
- S** Scot's revivals are responsible for a disreputable house at each side of the stage (9)  
See schooners in NSW as spectacles? (10)
- T** Ringing about boy worker (8)
- U** Place of Mali eunuchs (4)
- V** Delivered foul cuisine in European capital (4)
- W** Patron Saint of the Royal Navy? (6)
- X** Resilient fabric for the most recent former wife? (6)
- Y** Supporter is friendly, but has no power (4)
- Z** Pains mentioned by CPS (5)

### 2009 GET-TOGETHER AND HAVE FUN!!

The ACC's Annual Get-Together will be held at William 'Raoul' Ryan's charming Cauliflower Hotel, Waterloo, Central Sydney on Sunday 29 November 2009 commencing at 11:30am. William says: "It is South Sydney's most famous pub, a lovely place, established 1836, five minutes walk from Green Square Station and 10 from Central. Parking is plentiful. It has a wonderful bistro with delicious meals at bargain rates and drinks at pub prices. It will be a lot of fun and we can discuss all manner of things cruciverbal!" There will be plenty of the Club's best known personalities in attendance. Why not come along and say 'hello'? Pay on the day. We will have some prizes to give away and there will be a fascinating Quiz. Looking forward to meeting up again.

#### GENERAL COMMENTS:

- Again a challenging lot of crosswords, but fun. Had trouble with Slot 5 until I woke up to homophones. Slot 6 is an absolute BRUTE – still battling with it! Slot 7: once I worked out the theme word it became easier. Anne Simons
- I thought this month's Slots 1-5 were well graded, getting more and more challenging as they went, without intruding on Slot 6 territory. Max Roddick
- Fellow members may be interested to know that I won *The Times'* Clue Challenge again a couple of months ago with "Breaking news: KO and title for one who 'floats like a butterfly'" [TWINKLETOES]. Many thanks for the Clue Writing Competition prize last month. I greatly enjoyed reading through the *Chambers gigglossary*, a section of witty, and at times perverse, dictionary definitions, eg. "Calcium – What chalk and cheese have in common". Highly recommended. John Brotherton

O C T O B E R   2 0 0 9   S L O T   5
<h2 style="margin: 0;">Cryptic</h2> <p style="margin: 0;"><i>by</i></p> <h2 style="margin: 0;">Pindar</h2>
<b>Prizes: \$50</b>


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**Across**

- 1 Expecting such a pause? (8)
- 9 Create confusion after introduction of renowned alien and others (8)
- 10 Place in the country where most of the enemy lie buried (6)
- 11 A theory that is about to catch on produces strife (10)
- 12 These mice keep half hidden (4)
- 13 Loopiest brother produces popular fiction (10)
- 16 Small-talker can be a persistently annoying individual (7)
- 17 Chicken feed comprising seed and fruits (7)
- 20 Infuriate English expats harassed about time (10)
- 22 Type that is said to be in demand (4)
- 23 American officer renting small room, say (10)
- 25 Little devil to take out and spoil (6)
- 26 Outshone in bedraggled, sad get-up (8)
- 27 Formally leaves when neon lights are off, perhaps (5,3)

**Down**

- 2 Extremely spacious bed accommodates the odd maiden (8)
- 3 Rebellious group of wild girls rule at first (10)
- 4 Said to change part of church decoration (10)
- 5 With a will, try and eat somehow (7)
- 6 A hundred hang around for a fix (4)
- 7 Trick whereby Satan almost presides over church (8)
- 8 Fortune tellers in a haze about friends? Quite the contrary (8)
- 14 Finished consuming, or still at it? (10)
- 15 Vistas of territories with numerous primates (10)
- 16 Leave quietly with sword drawn, say (5,3)
- 18 A truism I rework for a tasty finale (8)
- 19 With women around, regiment goes on the rampage (7)
- 21 Quite relaxed in a plague! (2,4)
- 24 So, my self-esteem is about right (4)

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

- Thank you for my gift membership. Hope I can live up to the standards and don't lower the success rate! I'm finding the puzzles very challenging especially this month's Slot 6. It took me a week to realize that the AJ puzzle words started with the Clue Letter!!!! That helped me with this month's AJ! I recognise some Member names from the old *Sydney Morning Herald* Subscription Puzzle days when I did the Expert Puzzle.... *Manveru* for one .... rarely did I manage to beat him/her timewise. (A very nice him Pat). Thanks again Bob. *Pat Lord*
- Please say a big THANK YOU to our Club for the lovely prize I received last month. What a great Club – to get Prezies for simply having a good time! *Del Kennedy*
- Please pass on my sincere thanks for the wonderful *Dictionary of Phrase & Fable* which arrived last week. I'm sure I'll get many hours of enjoyment from it. *Ted O'Brien*
- My thanks to the club for my slot 1 book prize. Another dictionary for my collection – great! *Peter Dearie*
- WOW! WHAT A CLUB! I can't believe I got another prize! Thank you so much for my Slot 6 cheque. (In conscience, I must share it with Rob Wimbush, who told me about Scotch Bonnets, but we will drink CROZ "cheers".) Thank you again. *Dale McManus*
- Another month of challenge and reward from our wonderful *Crozworld*. The Christmas in July lunch, at The Royal Oak, was a great occasion, thanks to Patrick. This was a first for me, but I hope it will not be my last. I was lucky enough to win a prize, a book of Cryptoquips, and I have worn out my *Frixion* pen in solving them. *Gabrielle Leeds*

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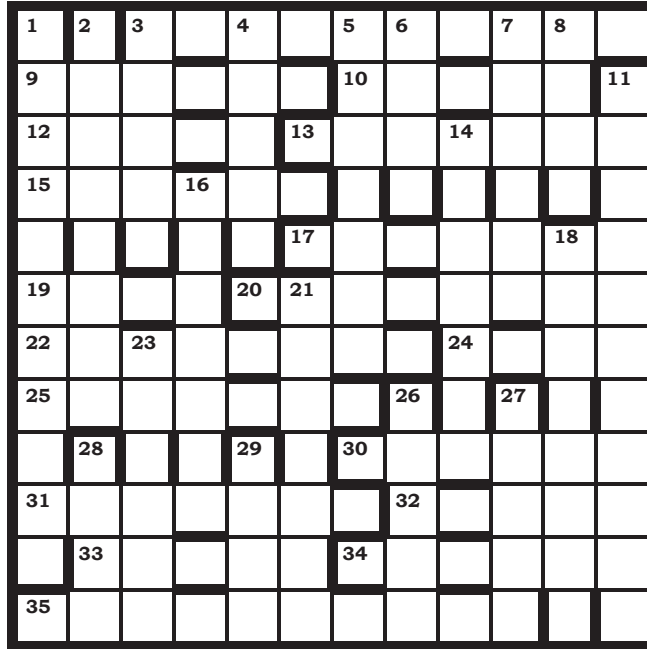
## Notables by stroz

### Prize:

**The Collins  
Australian  
Dictionary  
in Colour**

[rrp \$85.00]

The following clues are for answers all of a kind to be entered appropriately where no clues are given: *Informator choristorum* (1525); Rout; To govern, Britannia!; the Glee Maiden; Haydn's Wife; Wordless Songs; Levantine scale and The Imps of Loudun. The unchecked letters of the unclued answers may be arranged as: CROCK DPP PINS MR \_\_\_\_\_. Solvers are invited to fill the blank, placing the answer (another of the same kind) in the first space provided below the grid. A number of clues (less than ten) contain a misprinted letter in each which, when taken in clue order will spell out another answer of the same kind which should be inserted in the second space provided below the grid. All answers to normal clues are in *The Chambers Dictionary* 11<sup>th</sup> ed.



\_\_\_\_\_ (unchecked letters)  
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### Across

- 9 Say Hi! to an old saint (6)
- 12 Previous notification finds short bass in order (5)
- 13 Is singer Cele a native Indo-European? (7)
- 15 Secondhand market in respect of peace in Gippsland (6)
- 17 Faces back to spies when placed wrongly (7)
- 19 Final bits of letter has no date (4)
- 20 Hard water belt – a tobogganist's sound admission? (3-5)
- 22 "Not me," said Marshal, containing crude argot (8)
- 24 Target green light, Bert (4)
- 25 "Three Weddings and ..." three sages return in threescore (7)
- 30 Plants for Ms Robson and Cybele (6)
- 31 Hit Honour decorated; the Queen backing jeans (7)
- 32 Flood-prone forest causes a hole in satellite (5)
- 33 Shellfish yield from Number A (5)
- 34 Name revealed to Moses by husband in heavy trouble (6)

### Down

- 4 Spenser's chilly hut but modestly with Henry for 150 (5)
- 5 Greater judge takes in contest (7)
- 6 A Book of original Finnish stook (4)
- 7 Will's wink – leave off gladioli fashion (6)
- 8 Security agent finds Van very good student (4)
- 14 Rather fast new driver in smash up galore (7)
- 16 Slender Lance when romance takes not a let (7)
- 18 Brazilian waterways produce fish in sepia natter (8)
- 21 A match for jerks in a person who shows promise (7)
- 23 Philistine gets mag torn when in drink (6)
- 26 Nearly 50, plus one, Bill relating to the flank-bone (5)
- 27 "Well done! Well done!" from the supporter Violet (5)
- 29 Tony touching – it's concerning (2,2)

**Post  
Solution  
to:**

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395 Canning St, North Carlton Vic 3054  
e-mail: [pstreet@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pstreet@bigpond.net.au)  
Closing mail date: 13 November 2009.**





**CHAMBERS DICTIONARY:**

**CHAMBERS**, the Edinburgh-based dictionary company has announced plans to close its offices. Chambers Harrap Publishers, the Chambers Dictionary publisher, said all 27 staff were expected to be affected. It is planned Chambers titles will be moved to London to be managed by Hodder Education. The news marks the end of a 200-year association with Scotland for the dictionary. Managers said they could not find a buyer for Chambers titles. It is planned parts of the business, Chambers and Harrap,

which publish bilingual dictionaries, will be separated. Both have been hit by the steep decline in sales of dictionaries and reference books, with many people now getting information via the internet. The market for dictionaries and reference books in print has been in decline for some years and Chambers have been trying to find a buyer. Chambers was established almost two centuries ago in 1819, by brothers William and Robert Chambers and in 1867 it published its first dictionary — the *Chambers Etymological Dictionary* — before publishing the *Chambers English Dictionary* five years later. A spokesperson for Chambers said that the digital revolution meant people were moving away from printed reference books and going online where information was generally free. "This migration affects newspapers and book publishers alike and it is a sad fact that what may be good for the consumer has a major impact on people who earn their living in publishing," he added. Under the proposals responsibility for Chambers' titles would shift to Hodder Education in London, while discussions are taking place about transferring responsibility for Harrap's titles to French publishers Larousse.

— <http://news.bbc.co.uk>

**Quiz 8/2009 Reel Women by Virgo (Audrey Austin).**

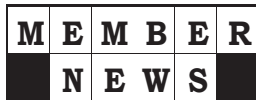
**Entries: 41; Correct 32 (78%). Solutions see p12.**

**Winner: Jan Wood. Congratulations!**

**Results:**

**22 correct:** W Allen, P Dearie, V Dinham, P Garner, B Glissan, C Hambling, V Howard, S Howells, B Hull, B Ibbott, A Jermy, C Jones, G Leeds, G Lloyd, C McClelland, J McGrath, I McKenzie, T McPherson, C Noble, S Pinder, D Procter, M Roddick, M Steinberger, J Stocks, N Storey, B Symons, B Tofoni, A Walter, J Wenham, C Wilcox, R Wimbush and J Wood. **21:** B Cockburn, R Gardiner, J Haste, Y McKindlay, A Miles, B Siegman, A Simons and J Smith. **20:** B Foott.

**Adjudicator's comments:** Most entrants expressed their great appreciation of Audrey's quiz, some even giving comments on their enjoyment (or in some cases otherwise) of the movies in question. The quiz stands out, perhaps, as having a very small number of incorrect answers (10 in total), although I found the usual crop of typos. Do proof-read your entries, gentle readers! Most problems occurred with #10 with a number of variations on the theme of "Mommie Dearest". #19 "Lady with a lamp" also caused a share of difficulties where, despite the (3,4,4,1,4) indication, some entrants insisted on entering "The Lady with the Lamp" – see right. *Kay Williams*



**New Members:** We extend a warm welcome to **David Petterson** from Nedlands, WA, **Jill Twells** from Launceston, Tas (A Gift Membership from Elaine Roomes) and **John Hannoush** from the ACT. Welcome to the

Wonderful World of *Crozworlding!*

**Puzzle Adjustments: Bonus Quiz July 2009:** Jenny Wenham had a perfect score for this quiz.

**Crozworld August 2009:** Alternative answers accepted.

**SLOT 1: STRAP/STROP**

Correct: A Miles, M. Procter, L. Cooke and J. Barnes.

**SLOT 5: MALEMUTE/MALAMUTE**

Correct: C. Hambling, G. Champion, B. Ibbott, P. Dearie, L. Cooke, R. Wimbush and A. Miles.

**Corrigendum September Bonus Quiz What's old money worth? By Kaycee.** The missing word length indicator in Question 7 Impressive peer is (5). Apologies – and we thought that we'd checked it and checked it. Can only put it down to anticipation of our holiday (now a distant dream). *Kay Williams*

**Letter from new member Moya Galli:**

The day I received the package of cryptic 'stuff' I was so excited, now I am excited again and I haven't acknowledged or thanked anyone. Partly because I am overwhelmed, having a busy time so haven't given it enough attention. However I see lots of pleasure here. I don't see myself competing or contributing and I hope that is OK. Noel Jessop, pleased to see he is still active. I met him at Tanilba Bay years ago, he gave me his book and I met him because his name appeared with his puzzle in *The Bulletin*, why is it unusual to know the setter's name? My neighbours mentioned the name: I recognised it and had to meet such a VIP. Thank you Bev. Should I be thanking someone else? I feel I know you. Regards, Moya Galli

**The Australian Oxford Dictionary**

**WORD OF THE MONTH**

**aspergillum** *n.* (*pl.* **aspergilla** or **aspergillums**) an implement for sprinkling holy water. [ORIGIN: Latin.]

*The Australian Oxford Dictionary*, Second Edition, 2004. Edited by Dr Bruce Moore. \$115.00 ISBN 9780195517965

**Quiz 10/09 QUE SERA SERA by Brian Symons.**

Definitions are given. All answers end in -que. Answers are in order of word length. Where answers are of equal length, the order is alphabetical. Send your answers to Brian Symons, 1 Kookaburra Place, Grays Point NSW 2232 e-mail [bms65@bigpond.com](mailto:bms65@bigpond.com). Closing Date: 13 November 2009. Book prize.

- 1 Small ship
- 2 Spanish native
- 3 Soup
- 4 Exclusive group
- 5 Place of worship
- 6 Doltish/obscure
- 7 Oral film
- 8 Off-colour
- 9 Necklace
- 10 Sole
- 11 Old relic
- 12 Flamboyant style
- 13 Card game
- 14 Indirect
- 15 Small shop
- 16 Judgemental analysis
- 17 Aura
- 18 Balletic posture
- 19 Ludicrous imitation
- 20 Bizarre
- 21 Island
- 22 Country
- 23 US city
- 24 Dance club

## September 1-2009: Half 'n Half by *Timid Terrier* (Joan Smith)

- An entertaining Slot 1 puzzle. Thanks Joan. Great to warm up on. *Alan Walter*
- A nice Half 'n Half from our Not-So-*Timid Terrier*. A very versatile compiler. *Margaret Davis*
- If you have never encountered a "ridiculous fish dance" (20dn), I recommend viewing a Monty Python sketch which featured this. *Peter Dearie*
- Great collection of clues. Thanks TT. *Mal Cockburn*

## September 2-2009: Cryptic by *Jesso* (Noel Jessop)

- Thanks for your enjoyable cryptic Noel. Some clever clues eg 22ac: Club to ring in (7) = BAT+TING where 'in' = BATTING. 19dn: Haulin' up tightwad (7) = DRAGGIN' entered as niggard. In 20dn Who was Cleombrotus? (Cleombrotus was a Spartan king who led the allied Spartan-Peloponnesian army against the Thebans in the Battle of Leuctra: JS). *Alan Walter*
- OREGANO for COTM! *Max Roddick*
- I have not been able to locate Cleombrotus but as Leuctra is there backwards in the clue and the Spartans and Thebans fought there I assume he belonged to one of them. (See comments above which I found on Google: JS). *Jesso* can still surprise us, can't he? *Margaret Davis*
- Tough for a slot 2, but well clued, though I have no idea who Cleombrotus is. (See comments above Peter: JS). 18 ACROSS GETS MY cotm. *Peter Dearie*
- 13ac had me puzzled, as I kept thinking of a FINE toothcomb. *Nea Storey*
- Another marvellous puzzle from Jesso. I liked 18ac Cardinal Points – it gets my COTM. *Mal Cockburn*

## September 3-2009: Cryptic by *Ann Ass* (Jenny Wenham)

- Some difficult clues. 3 with misleading indicators. 12ac: LIE-DOWN should be (3-4) or (3,4). 28ac: NORTH-WEST should be (5-4) and 7dn: TEA ROOM should be (3,4). 'Inside' needs '!' 11ac: 'Outwits' is not the same as 'out wits' so clue needs '!'. 5dn: A clever clue: Window is up, please (9) SI + DELIGHT. Also 13dn: PRO+ JE + CTOR where JE = first person in France. *Alan Walter*
- Plenty of think-twice clues. *Max Roddick*
- I have RIDER at 23dn but am not at all sure about it. (see adj. comments: JS). *Margaret Davis*
- 23dn: This is a hard-to-understand convoluted clue. If I am correct with RIDER, ie. (See adj. comments: JS). *Doreen Jones*
- I reckon 3dn to be one of the most baffling clues I have seen in a long time. For 12ac, my dictionaries only list lie down or lie-down, so clueing it as a seven letter word seems misleading. 24dn also had me puzzled for a while – "Legit" as the answer means that the definition is "short sanctioned". *Peter Dearie*
- 11ac: does outwits = outwits? I note that last month Alan Walter commented that 'heartbreaking' ≠ heart breaking and suggested that an exclamation is needed to indicate trickery for the clue to be fair; Similarly 7dn 'inside' and 'in side'; 24dn: legit doesn't mean run, leg it does. 8dn: I don't understand how 'hit' is indicated by 'keep it under control'. 23dn: don't understand how "Redone reading over" is a second for rider. *Drew Meek*
- I particularly enjoyed Jenny's clues; all concise with a good surface reading. Keep it up, Jenny. *Roy Wilson*
- Many excellent clues here. Nos 6, 13 and 26ac and Nos. 5, 6 and 21dn were all strong contenders for my COTM vote. I finally decided on 5dn (Window is up, please) for its delightfully misleading simplicity! *Nea Storey*
- Not easy but some wonderful clues. 6ac WITCH gets my COTM. *Doug Butler*
- (Actually an excellent puzzle) but re 23ac is Rene a Frenchman? Kermit is definitely a frog. The clue holds together nicely but I do query Rene. [Fairly frequently used in English broadsheet crosswords to represent a Frenchman, especially since the genesis of "Allo 'Allo'" - IMW]. *Jim Fowler*
- Quite a tough Slot 3 with some (IMHO) unusual words as answers and in the clues themselves. Took some mind twisting to understand them. *Mal Cockburn*
- I thought that Slot 3 was excellent, containing a number of contenders for COTM, including 11, 16, 19 and 25ac, and the very clever 14dn, *Detect sectarian violence*. But, for me, best of all is 22ac, *The chosen, or the chooser*. *John Brotherton*

## September 4-2009: AJ by *Virgo* (Audrey Austin)

- Lovely AJ thanks *Virgo*. The J clue needs amending. JOJOBAS are 'desert shrubs' so the definition should indicate the plural. JO+JOB+A+S. JOS is not the correct spelling for a type of 'burning stick' which correctly should be JOSS, & hence inappropriate. *Alan Walter*
- The N-word clue "Volatile rock pile starts heaving..." had me vainly chasing volcanoes – but how else could you clue a word with PHTH in the middle? Well done *Virgo*! *Max Roddick*
- The J clue seems faulty – but probably it's me that is faulty. (Also queried by other members: JS). Otherwise a very good AJ. *Brian Symons*
- My favourite every month and this was no exception. YWIS had me stumped for a while. *Margaret Davis*.
- "J" clue: is there an "S" too many in the cryptic part? (Read Alan's comments above: JS). *Doreen Jones*
- If the answer to the J clue is "jojobas", a plural needed to be indicated, and also an indication that "joss" loses an "S". If it's not "jojobas" then it's got me beat! *Peter Dearie*
- YWIS; *Chambers* penultimate listing for the penultimate clue! Almost gave up, but I found it at last ... (almost). So many really clever clues, I was very slow to get NAPHTHA and FIXEDLY. *Dale McManus*
- I: I don't think this clue has a satisfactory surface readability. Also I couldn't find a reference for tg= type genus or for t= type or for g= genus; so I think there should have been an indicator for initial letters to be removed. J: The definition part of the clue is singular but the answer is plural. Also the burning stick is 'joss' and nothing in the clue indicates dropping a letter. 'A task somehow' is a secondary anagram. K: I don't think this clue has a satisfactory surface readability. N: *Chambers* indicates pile ≠ nap. I don't understand the function of 'rock' in the clue. W: I don't think this clue has a satisfactory surface readability or definitions for the answer. Y: This clue is just a cunningly worded definition. For an obscure word, I prefer a clue (such as an anagram, hidden word, etc) that can help solvers to the answer. *Drew Meek*
- The "J" word – Jos is not in my vocabulary. Joss is. Ywis is certainly strange or ywis, certainly is more common. *Jim Fowler*
- Not quite sure about the J clue. I've got Jojobas, but don't know where the 's' comes from. (Many members queried this clue: JS). *Mal Cockburn*
- From Slot 4, my horizons were expanded by encountering *ywis* for the first time! *John Brotherton*

## September 5-2009: Cryptic by *Praxis* (Roy Wilson)

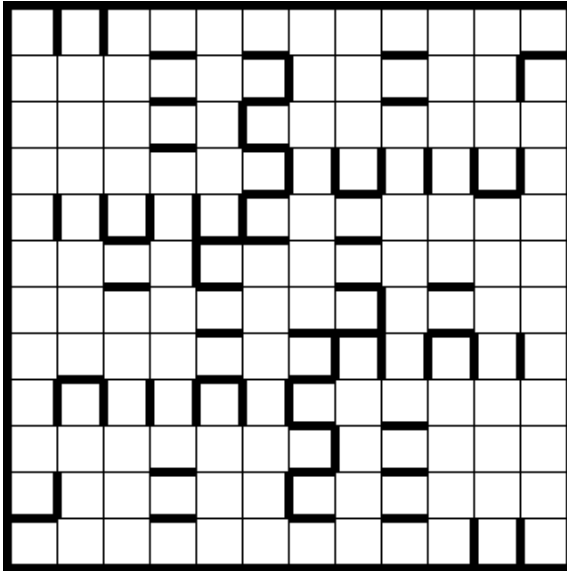
- Superb Ximenean Cryptic thanks Roy. 9dn took a while to rationalise: Delete R & N from MARINERS. Rearrange to obtain SEA-RIM. Ensure 12ac is spelt MINER not MINOR. *Alan Walter*
- SOL-RIA (if that's right) was a teaser. (Sorry Max SEA-RIM was the correct answer – anagram of mariners minus RN: JS). *Max Roddick*
- Excellent as usual and the lovely LEFT gets my COTM. However to be consistent the other homophone clue, 12/2 would seem to require MYNA/MINOR? *Brian Symons*
- My favourite Ximenean did us proud again. Roy always introduces me to one new word, at least. This time it was HICCATEE. *Margaret Davis*
- The clue for 30ac is correct in a broad sense, but I would have preferred "reptilian" to "amphibian". An ingenious use of homophones for the theme. *Peter Dearie*
- *Praxis* up to his usual standard, with an interesting theme. 12ac seems to have an extra level of homophone as the clue is 'child' and the answer is 'miner' not 'minor'. (see adj. comments: JS). *Drew Meek*
- Couldn't quite get 31ac, but having just seen the (wonderful) movie *Up*, plumped for ELLIE [quite correctly - ELL + IE: IMW]. *Doug Butler*
- 26dn: my sources have Aydin – not Aidin. But who knows with these foreign types?! [Well spotted, Jim - my Times monster has *Aydin* as a Turkish province but *Aidin* in Turkmenistan: IMW] *Jim Fowler*
- Really enjoyed this puzzle. I'm confused about 12/2 myna/miner – no mention of a someone who works in a mine unless I've missed the point? (See adj. comments: JS). *Mal Cockburn*



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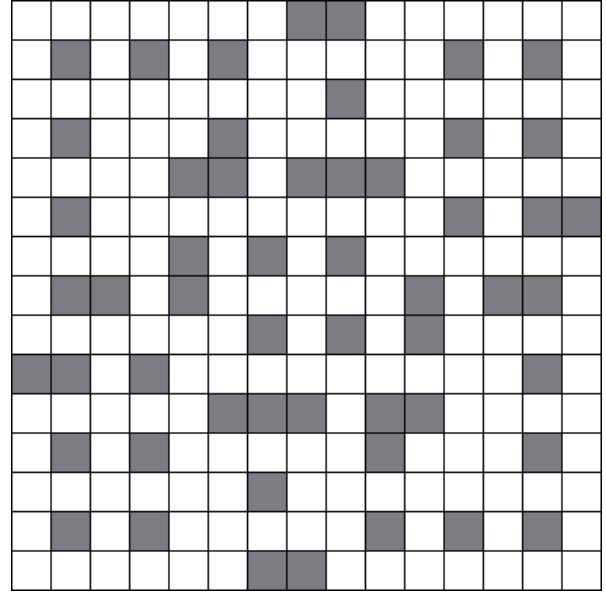
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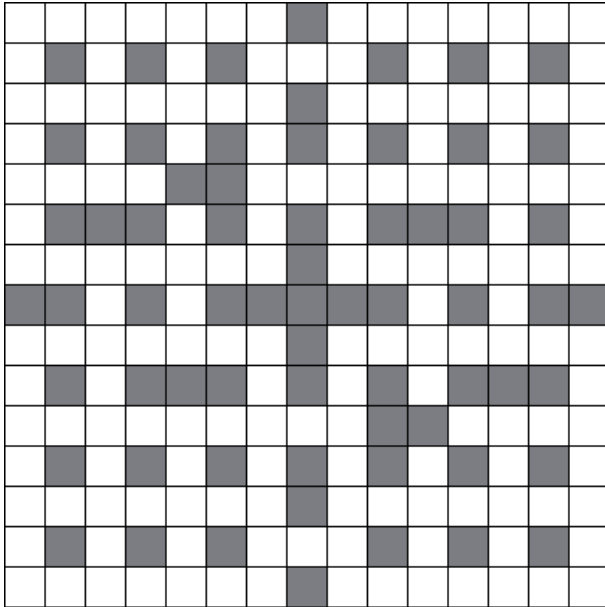
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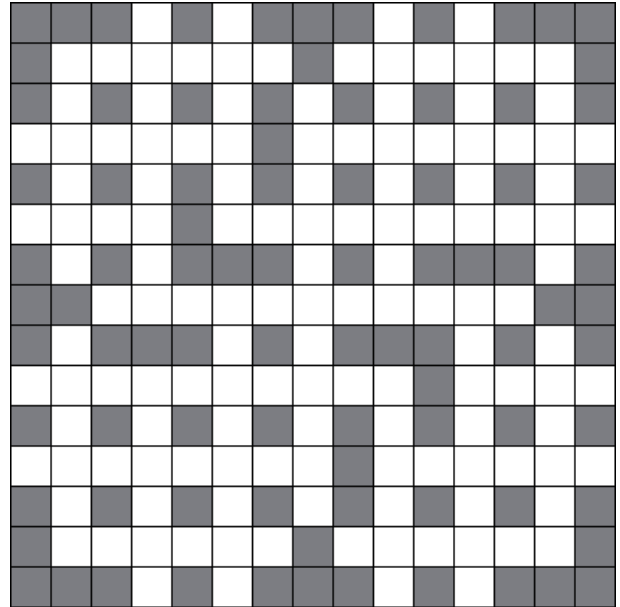


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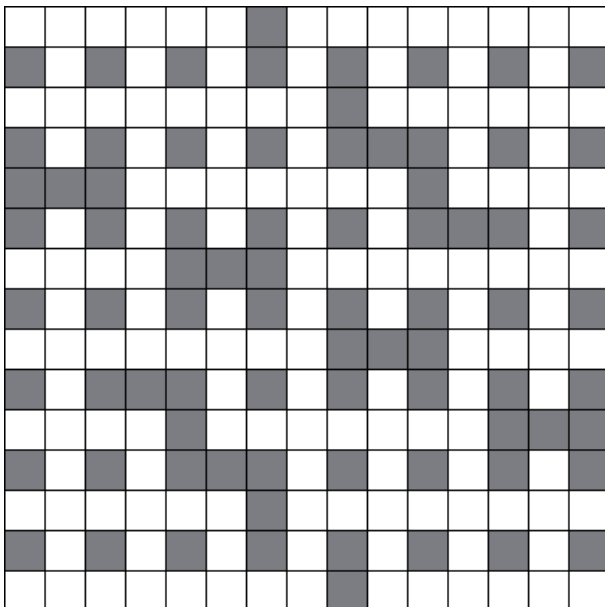
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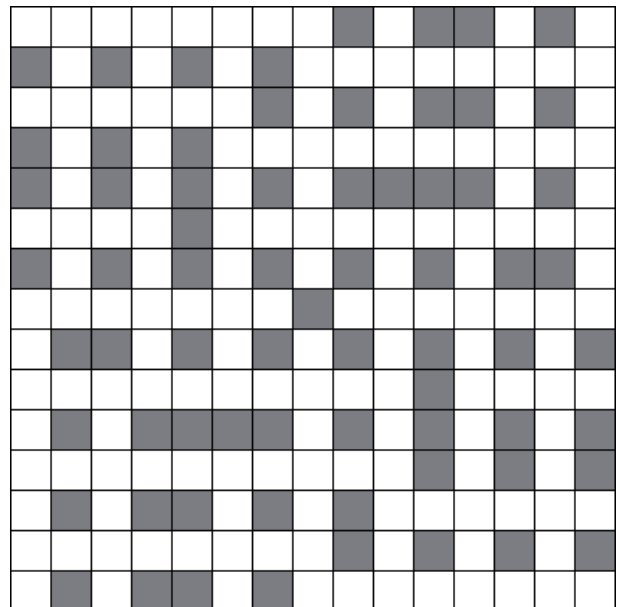
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## August 6-2009: Bused by Jack (Jack Stocks)

**Entries 85. Correct 49. Success Rate: 58%.  
Prizewinners: Bob Hagan and Trish McPherson.  
Congratulations!**

### Solvers' comments:

- I have put SIGMA for 24dn but I'm not sure of the cryptic significance. *Peter Dearie*
- 1ac had me somewhat bused. I feel it could be *bush cook* or *bush co-op*. Have decided on cook as co-op would be hyphenated and this was not indicated. *Barb Ibbott*
- A very appropriate theme! It took me a while, but couldn't really pick out a single clue that was especially difficult. The one that took the longest was the Hungry Tiger, which turned out to be totally logical. *Margaret Galbreath*
- My impulsive LOCAL for Slim tickled me until I realised LIMIT was hiding there. *Dale McManus*
- I was certain 15ac was P I LOT and 1ac FIRM which had me bused in the top LH corner. Liked OPOSSUM – very clever. *Graeme Cole*
- I liked BUSHED. 23ac (POINTS) took ages and may still be wrong. *Robyn Wimbush*
- A very good crossword. Now I am bused. *David Procter*
- Not an easy crossword but I think I got there in the end. *Ann Jermy*
- Thank you for the #6 – most enjoyable. *Ron O'Rourke*
- Having been a drummer in a bush/square dance band, I am embarrassed to admit 20dn took so long to fill in. *Jan Wood*
- Thanks for an enjoyable 'bush' cryptic. I thought POINTS was an exceptional clue *Brian Symons*
- Thanks for your good Australian puzzle. *Doreen Jones*
- Enjoyed the puzzle. Generally well constructed clues. Particularly liked BETTER OFF and BABEL. Thought the secondary indicators for AZALEAS and BASKETS were not as good as other clues. *Drew Meek*
- Thanks for your 'BUSHED' puzzle. Nearly became Bushwhacked a few times. Prefix **bush** to COOK, BROTHER, BAND, DANCING, NURSE TELEGRAPH and BRIGADE. *Alan Walter*
- Such a simple BUSH but it took a while before the 'bough broke'. *Yvonne Ainsworth*
- An enjoyable beat around the bush. *Roy Taylor*
- An excellent puzzle. I find Australian themed puzzles difficult – not being Australian born. *Margaret Davis*
- A fair challenge. Not too sure of the connections with 'bused' though. *Denis Coates*
- I was bushwhacked for a while finding the theme. TELEGRAPH gave me great pleasure to solve. *Ted O'Brien*
- Really enjoyed this. "Bused" had me bused until I found NURSE and BRIGADE. *Shirl O'Brien*
- Thanks for an innovative puzzle. I was nearly 'bused' when I had completed it. OPOSSUM gave me the most trouble and DANCING was difficult. My favourite was GROSSER. *Bev Cockburn*

### Adjudicator's Comments:

Thanks for the cards and well wishes. Hope the good feelings for this *bush*ranger continue after seeing the results of what turned into a more testing puzzle than expected. 23ac proved to be the great undoer. Items of news? Items=points (*Chambers*) and literally 'items of N E W S' are (cardinal) points with the "?" to indicate a bit of chicanery. (Actually expected a rash of resubmissions after Noel's almost identical clue for CARDINAL POINTS this month.) DOINGS, SOUNDS, TOPICS, and ROUNDS could not be justified and accounted for many lost dots. BAND (banned) and BARD (barred) were both accepted for 26dn but COON and CO-OP or COOP were not accepted for COOK in 1dn (despite being able to be derived from the indicator), as they could not be confirmed as genuine BUSH ----- expressions. One typo AFFLORESCE for EFFLORESCE, otherwise the rest of the clues were completed accurately by all who submitted. —Jack (Jack Stocks)

### Explanations of August Slot 6

**Across:** 1 Bush COOK: 3 double definition (DD): 10 Bush BROTHER: 11 RO (I) STER: 12 Anag 13 ale anag +TED:15 Hidden word (HW) 16 anag bet effort: 18 SPEED + WELL:21 BABE + L: 23 DD - N E W S = POINTS: 25 phonetic grocer: 27 A (B) ID + IN + G: 28 A + anag LAZE - E + anag SEA: 29 DEMO + GRAPH + Y: 30 HW. **Down:** 1 DD: 2 OPOSSUM pun: 4 TURN + TABLE: 5 Bush NURSE: 6 Bush BRIGADE: 7 anag One Goth: 8 anag: 9 T (H) R + EAT (ref to The Hungry Tiger of Oz): 14 anag for fleeces: 17 Bush TELEGRAPH: 19 HW: 20 Bush DANCING: 21 anag: 22 B (ASK) ETS as basketball: 24 anag: 26 Bush BAND.

**Solutions To Quiz No 8/2009 by Virgo:** 1. The Seventh Veil 2. Hilary and Jackie 3. Gorillas in the Mist 4. Evita 5. Her Majesty Mrs Brown 6. The Hours 7. Monster 8. The Sound of Music 9. The Miracle Worker 10. Mommie Dearest 11. Lady Sings the Blues 12. Born Free (or Live Free) 13. Funny Girl (or Funny Lady) 14. L.A. Confidential 15. Fly Away Home 16. The Unholy Wife 17. Anna and the King 18. Love Me or Leave Me 19. The Lady with a Lamp 20. Coal Miner's Daughter 21. Young Bess 22. Scandal.

### Crozworld Compendium 2009

We will not be publishing a Crozworld Compendium for 2009. Ian Williams, our puzzle set-up person has informed us that he does not have a sufficient stock of puzzles and quizzes to fill the Compendium. He wants to reserve his stocks for publication in forthcoming issues of *Crozworld*. Don't forget that if you would like to submit a puzzle or Quiz, kindly contact Ian.

### The '& lit' clue explained:

Every crossword clue should contain a definition (literal or veiled) of the required answer. In a cryptic crossword it should also contain a cryptic indication of that answer. Occasionally the clue can be phrased in such a way that the definition and the cryptic indication are one and the same. This type of clue was christened by Ximenes '& lit' which is short for 'and literally so' or something of the kind. One way of looking at such a clue is to read it twice, the first time seeing it as a straight definition, the second time as nothing but a cryptic definition.

### Examples:

1. What's tea passed round in? (5) Answer: CHINA. Explanation: CHA = tea, is 'passed round' = IN. And what is tea passed round at tea parties? CHINA.
  2. No fellow for mixing (4,4) Answer: LONE WOLF. All four words serve as both a definition and a subsidiary indicator. The words 'for mixing' are an anagram indicator of the words 'No fellow' but the whole clue indicates that the answer is someone who does not mix with others, that is, a lone wolf.
  3. I'm one involved with cost (9) Answer: ECONOMIST
  4. What could give bang out at sea? (7) Answer: GUNBOAT. The phrase 'at sea' suggests confusion and is a good anagram indicator (or anagind).
- The '& lit' type of clue can also be a 'hidden & lit' such as: Part of it 'it an iceberg (7) Answer: TITANIC. The answer is hidden in the clue which when read as a whole is a definition of the answer.
- Another type is the 'initial & lit such as: Leaders of various individual congregations (alternatively rector sometimes) (6) Answer: VICARS. 'Leaders' are the first letters and the whole clue leads to the answer.

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