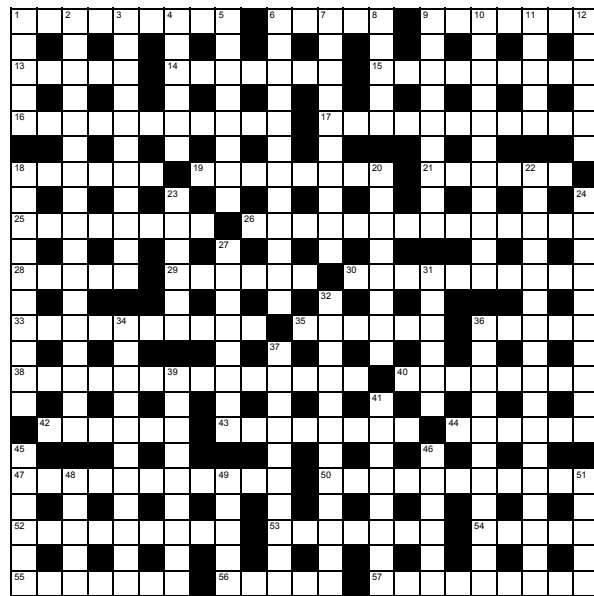


## Across

- 1 Exceptional JDE in running for prize, maybe (9)
- 6 Rogue about with special group (5)
- 9 Fragrant downhill sees first couple bowled over and fall behind (7)
- 13 Pale as man with nervous face (5)
- 14 Land left to European peninsula (7)
- 15 Philosopher created a stir with "Love and let free" (9)
- 16 Be aware of fewer plays, even without reason (11)
- 17 Pioneering politician could, with Zen, shun male condemnations (5,6)
- 18 Agreement to attempt getting hold of grub (6)
- 19 Give up on cure and endlessly 'new' remedy (8)
- 21 Most boring doctor ties knot (6)
- 25 Invite trouble when twisting fork into odd characters (3,3,2)
- 26 Holy men offer peak experiences in the Cape? (6,8)
- 28 Arranges for nasty rot to be confined to smalls (5)
- 29 Turn around trendy Green (6)
- 30 I am in favour of holding ridiculous raise for concert organiser (10)
- 33 Behind backdoor, alien protects indigent in Gauteng town (10)
- 35 AA jog to rehearsal? (3,3)
- 36 Escape to avoid length of war (5)
- 38 *The Hooting Keg* is a source of fun (6,2,6)
- 40 Banter about mean support (8)
- 42 American top city returns woolly mammal (6)
- 43 Used cat (lion) reject - leads to calming influence (8)
- 44 Maximally a second street will go round original town (2,4)
- 47 Left her oddball circle to consume steak (11)
- 50 Linen has edge turned over with soft patients (11)
- 52 Straightened out authentic one? Good end to debate (9)
- 53 Get-togethers are very cold - I assume lambskin slippers at first (7)
- 54 Stay-in-bed story I disown ultimately (3-2)
- 55 Bridge - grand case of lunacy covered in flashy pieces (7)
- 56 Donate a select piece in support for artists (5)
- 57 Campaigners - those with interests to change leader? (9)

## Down

- 1 Collect as a service (5)
- 2 Singer-songwriter made kennels and hok error? Ja! (8,9)
- 3 Happy to have debts? That's questionable (11)
- 4 Sign claimed us regularly as substitute (2,4)
- 5 Carved head into the stem - the withered ends (8)



- 6 Transfer onwards to vehicle and railway, on behalf of dependant (5,7)
- 7 Sign of the end. The end? All 'end of clock' nonsense (5,5)
- 8 Message me about trouble (5)
- 9 Undressed refreshment of thin sauce? (6-3)
- 10 Fans then surprise us with "It's SA - just different!" (11)
- 11 Note hidden in cat emblem (5)
- 12 Providing colour to Passing Out speech (6)
- 18 Record shows clan framed, managed by lawyer (10)
- 20 Always veer off to revitalising Rome (8)
- 22 Swaggering sightseers lose fun with superior attitude (4-13)
- 23 Look over one offer with lust (6)
- 24 When kind chaps finally exhibit collection (10)
- 27 Gear deliveries to everything small (8)
- 31 Grass about heartlessly not being hired (6)
- 32 According to standard bridge, piety camouflages discard, peace follows Hearts (12)
- 34 Dine around tree alongside meandering Niger, getting extremely high (3-8)
- 36 Loud tirade about friend grabbing one desperately (11)
- 37 Clothing for star has red mixed oddly for sisters (10)
- 39 South African batter made by granny - said female extremely rusty (4,5)
- 41 Turn cold with everyone at attendance check (4,4)
- 45 Looks down on ship loading last troop vessel (6)
- 46 Back with your smells, lad - to the river! (6)
- 48 Lus for roasted halloumi and lemon avocados for starters (5)
- 49 Improper pub nude used now and again (5)
- 51 Evil American cavity (5)