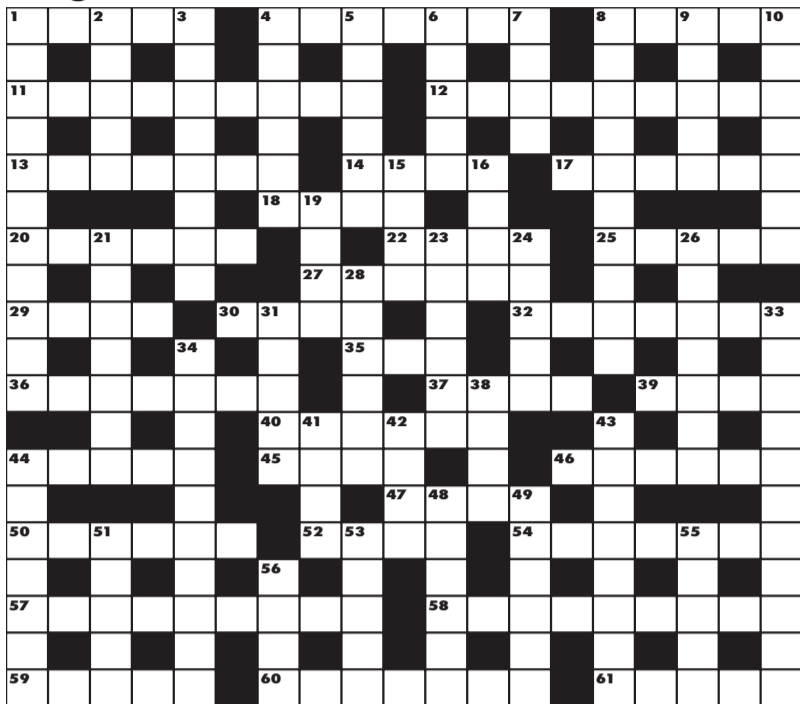


Fun stuff

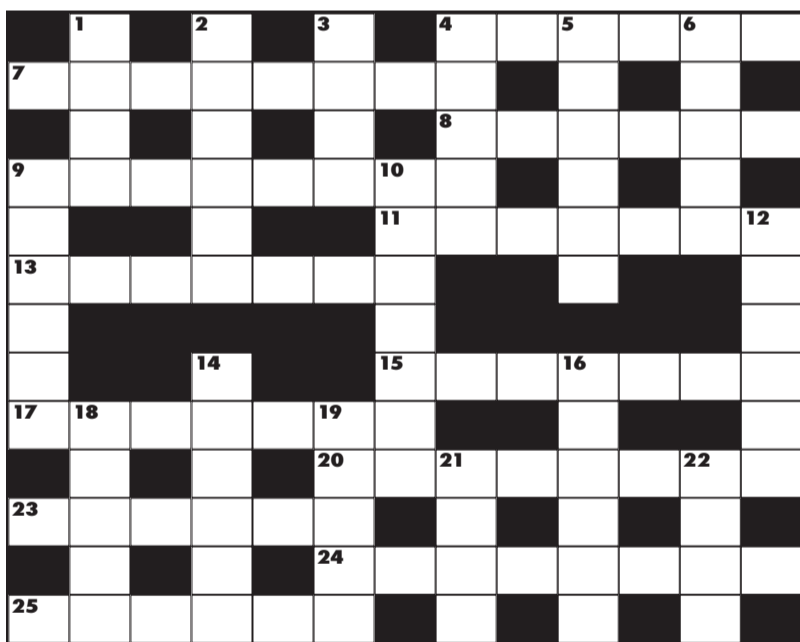
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Lodgings
 - 4 Catastrophe
 - 8 Political party
 - 11 Alias
 - 12 Masterminds
 - 13 Austere
 - 14 Inquires
 - 17 Dupe (coll)
 - 18 Departed
 - 20 Alcoholic drink
 - 22 Gossip
 - 25 Avoids
 - 27 Downtime
 - 29 Drench
 - 30 Operator
 - 32 Paring
 - 35 Intention
 - 36 Qualification
 - 37 Whirlpool
 - 39 Passport endorsement
 - 40 Stale
 - 44 Included
- DOWN**
- 1 Took back
 - 2 Musical drama
 - 3 State of calm
 - 4 Eating
 - 5 Lament
 - 6 Boldness
 - 7 Jumpy
 - 8 Flagged
 - 9 Desolate
 - 10 Tourist centres
 - 15 Faction
 - 16 Pile
 - 19 Woodwind
 - 21 Gripped
 - 23 Wounded
 - 24 Indifferent
 - 26 Merges
 - 28 Planet
 - 31 Emboss
 - 33 Forebear
 - 34 Marginal
 - 38 Colours
 - 41 Percolate
 - 42 Fasting time
 - 43 Cut short
 - 44 Takes
 - 48 Spots
 - 49 Casual top (1-5)
 - 51 Truncheon
 - 53 White
 - 55 Showery
 - 56 Curve

Cryptic

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- ACROSS**
- 4 Luxury and why it takes agreement to attain it (6)
 - 7 The educated may lie about having such luxury (8)
 - 8 This great drink has me in a trance (6)
 - 9 Give praise, keep in tune and wave (8)
 - 11 Let it draw near and it will stay here forever (7)
 - 13 Stop right there! (7)
 - 15 Or distributes them at trials (7)
 - 17 I get on late but remain in high spirits (7)
 - 20 Declared it to be as rested here (8)
 - 23 Shows the spirits which Aunt Sarah has displayed (6)
 - 24 It's that Mister Alien and his destructive little ones (8)
 - 25 Points to the lady and postpones the outcome (6)
- DOWN**
- 1 Get me in as I'm bearing it (4)
 - 2 Where Sultans have the answer for it (6)
 - 3 What a gas leak and what a story! (4)
 - 4 Anyway, that's dogma for you (5)
 - 5 Has seven cores and you're demanding more? (6)
 - 6 Goes to your head if you're a celebrity, lady (5)
 - 9 Some of your sin exposed? Bear with it! (6)
 - 10 A number of Spanish noblemen have such connections (7)
 - 12 Although mostly stapled it has fallen into disuse (6)
 - 14 Stanley has reached the north of Zanzibar and has become well-versed in it (6)
 - 16 How I grew a little creature (6)
 - 18 Permission to go (5)
 - 19 Toasts mainly in such kilns (5)
 - 21 The airs they put on in India! (4)
 - 22 Need to re-arrange your garden? (4)

Test your general knowledge

1. Who claimed 6/79 in the second innings of the Australia versus South Africa cricket Test?
2. Which Australian actor starred in the film *Avatar*?
3. Rod Taylor is recognised in which field of the arts apart from films?
4. Punter is the nickname of which Australian cricketer?
5. Who gave the Sydney suburb of Manly its name?
6. Christopher Skase owned which TV network?
7. Who captained Australia's Ashes-winning cricket team in 1975?
8. An annual Elvis festival is held in which NSW country town?
9. Who wrote the novel *Tess Of The d'Urbervilles*?
10. Who is the new coach of the Australian cricket team?
11. Who is the youngest around-the-world solo sailor?
12. Footballer Julio Baptista comes



Whitney Houston

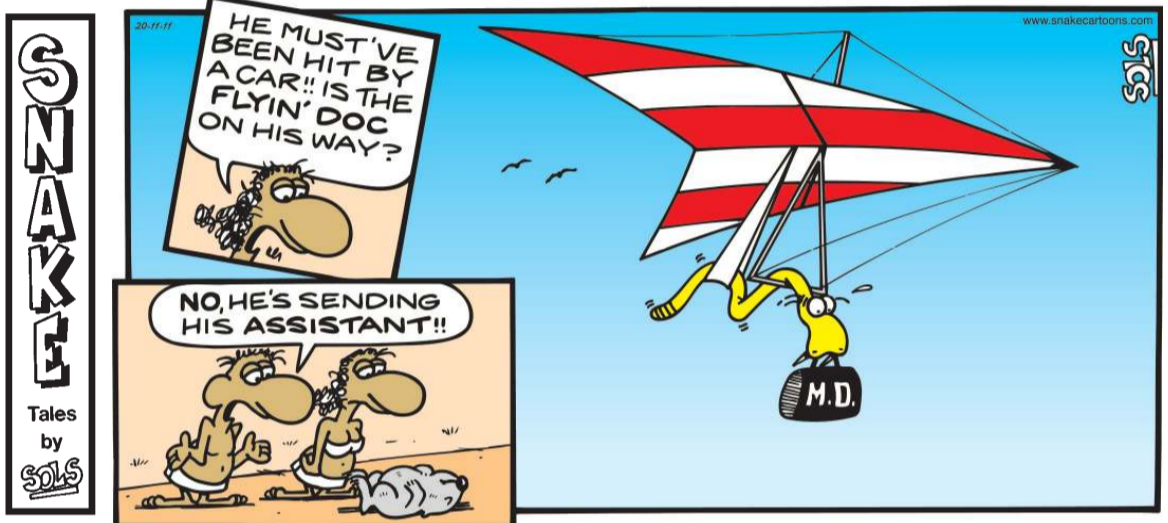


Graham Kennedy

- from which country?
13. Singer Whitney Houston was married to which singer?
14. Natalie Grinham is a world-class player in which sport?
15. Which state grows most of Australia's sugar cane?
16. Which Australian capital city was once known as Bearbrass?
17. Who wrote the bestselling novel, *The Lincoln Lawyer*?
18. Vitezslav Lavicka coaches which A-League football team?
19. Duchess of Cambridge celebrates what birthday in January?

20. Feminist Louisa Lawson was the mother of which writer and poet?
21. Wiggle Jeff Fatt wears what colour?
22. Which party did our fifth prime minister Andrew Fisher lead?
23. Prime Minister Billy Hughes was expelled from which party in 1916?
24. Which US film is regarded as the first "talkie"?
25. Nellie Melba died in which year?
26. Newspaper proprietor Robert Packer was which forebear of James Packer?
27. Who wrote the poem *The Man From Snowy River*?
28. Australia's Jack Crawford was the world number one player in which sport?
29. What was Graham Kennedy's long-running original TV show?
30. Which team won golf's 2011 President's Cup?

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THIS DAY IN HISTORY

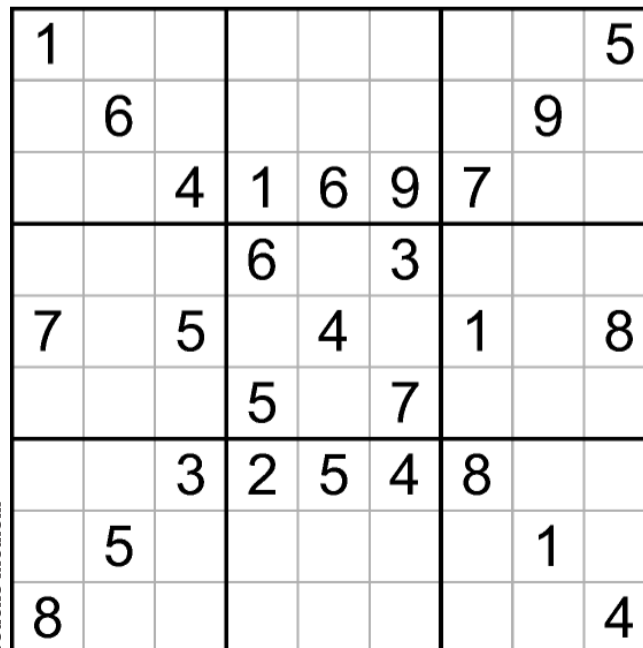
Today is Sunday, November 27, the 331th day of 2011. There are 34 days left in the year.

- 1582 - William Shakespeare marries Anne Hathaway.
- 1703 - Coastal storm in England takes estimated 8,000 lives.
- 1889 - Sydney's Town Hall, begun in 1868, is officially opened.
- 1941 - Australia's HMAS Parramatta is sunk by a German submarine in the Mediterranean near Tobruk.
- 1967 - Israeli forces raze Arab buildings in the Gaza Strip and on the West Bank in response to Arab attacks while the return of some Arab refugees from the east bank to the Israeli-occupied West Bank resumes.
- 1975 - Ross McWhirter, co-editor and compiler of the Guinness Book of World

- Records, is shot dead by Irish Republican Army gunmen at his home.
- 1990 - John Major is elected prime minister of Britain; Australian Treasurer Paul Keating says Australia is in recession.
- 1991 - Angry mob attacks top Khmer Rouge leader in Phnom Penh.
- 1992 - Rebels who try to take over Venezuela by bombing the Presidential Palace are defeated by troops 12 hours later.
- 1999 - New Zealand's Labour Party under Helen Clark wins a general election, ousting the National Party after nine years in power.
- 2007 - Asbestos campaigner Bernie Banton, who was at the centre of a protracted battle for compensation from building products giant James

- Hardie, dies of mesothelioma, aged 61.
- 2008 - Australian soldier Lieutenant Michael Fussell, 25, killed by an improvised explosive device while on patrol in Oruzgan province in Afghanistan.
- 2009 - Florida authorities say star golfer Tiger Woods is slightly injured in early morning car accident outside his mansion, the start of one of the swiftest descents ever in public esteem for a major celebrity after reports emerge of serial marital infidelity and lead to a divorce from his Swedish wife Elin Nordegren.

Today's Birthdays: Bruce Lee, Chinese-American actor (1940-1973); Jimi Hendrix, US rock guitarist (1942-1970); Troy Corser, Australian motorcyclist (1971-).



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HOW TO PLAY

To solve this puzzle each 3x3 box, each row and each column must contain all the numbers from 1 to 9.
Solution, tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com
Solution published tomorrow

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Yesterday's Solution

6	1	3	5	7	4	8	9	2
5	9	7	3	2	8	4	6	1
8	4	2	9	1	6	7	5	3
9	8	1	4	5	7	2	3	6
3	5	6	8	9	2	1	7	4
2	7	4	6	3	1	5	8	9
7	2	5	1	6	3	9	4	8
1	6	8	7	4	9	3	2	5
4	3	9	2	8	5	6	1	7