



No 25,826 set by Araucaria

Across

- 1 Thrower thrown into former heaven (5,5)
- 6 Indefinite number repeated – about £1000 – for amateur sport centre (10)
- 13 Motorist's message with flower (3,6)
- 14 Sunday opening with French pontiff and cardinal smoothed over (11)
- 15 Make a face and be sick – over here best? (3,4)
- 16 Unoriginal opening to short story (5)
- 17 Sadly I 38 with 35 Sicilian raised as 27 (7)
- 18 Beast (American) that doesn't go to sea (4)
- 19 Girl keeping granmie in Malaysia (6)
- 20 Kept being precipitated, holding space traveller (8)

- 23 I'm sure there were plots to be formed to cover up stealing the gold (10,8)
- 29 See 38
- 30 Cocktail mixer like this during another day (6,4)
- 31 Direction of the 7 16 with one extra variant, including nearly clean baby dressed in leather (4,7,2,1,4)
- 35 Nothing for one in preliminary selection – haven't had it for ages! (4,4)
- 38,29 31: leave London for the West Country (6,10)
- 40 Member without water supply due? Well I'm blowed! (4)
- 43 Cat for newspaper girl, a cheap toy (3,4)
- 44 Just arrived in store – hopeless situation (2-3)
- 45 Retiring for good, pupil leaves English school for African capital (7)
- 46 Blitz ending, the wise talked about witticism on one visit in relation to infectious disease (11)
- 47 Most science fiction with coarse, slightly twisted cover is given a terrible time (9)
- 48 Greek play, sly one, exposed layers of feminism (10)
- 49 Indulgence in unsuitable liquor – note, it didn't shorten his life! (10)

- 4 Pioneer in the air or 6.50 Grade correct (7,6)
- 5 Novel heroine goes topless in Greek city (7)
- 7 When beginning to bury time? (6)
- 8 Competent to have return of one penny rather than pound fully covered (3-1-3)
- 9 Sovereign dropping sovereign (first one) at shops (7)
- 10 Queen of 7 16, being solitary, didn't finish one (8)
- 11 Heart of the country cares about dead American city (8)
- 12 Householder is French, carrying load (8)
- 21 Quizmaster doctoring around hospital unknown (6)
- 22 One with the skill to break the ice (6)
- 24 Reptile taking first persons' flower (6)
- 25 Disapproval shown to ex-president should bear fruit (9,4)
- 26 Cross between husky and Labrador in space? (6)
- 27 Opera of the second class, hardly original, going over the edge (8,4)

- 28 Very little space for food – I thrash wildly about (5,7)
- 32 Rules about fish in byroads? (8)
- 33 Match for 17 flourished at last in the window (8)
- 34 Almost loveless marriage within tribe – directions for closing stages (8)
- 36 Put Christmas back for 10's man (7)
- 37 Sun on tree should cheer one up (7)
- 39 God takes suffering with style (7)
- 41 Low-down ornament showing insect eating up deer (6)
- 42 Jug fully given to prejudice (6)

Solution No. 25,825

