

ANSWERS AND SOLUTIONS

KICKSHAWS Dave Morice

Wordplay From Down Under (August) The animals are COUGAR and JOCKEY

Parking Meter Covered NO PARKING RESERVED STALL

Conundrum Using BEING to CRUEL as a simple substitution cipher, CREULE is decoded as BENIGN

The Cheaters of Mars The first line is an anagram of Bella Lugosi, and the second of Ed Wood

BANANAGRAMS 7 Edmund Conti

tersely, restyle	reaction, creation	epics, spice
felt, left	spectrum, crumpets	Gerald, glared
poetaster. operettas	master, stream	vote, veto
pinos, penis		

THE FERRY RIDE William Webster

Daily, Debra embarked on the Pelican Island Ferry. The sizeable ship was named Pelican Isle, ferrying many riders with their cars, trucks, trailers, bikes. The ship used cetane fuel, she'd learned from the crew's chief, Mister Train.

The wheelman castoff, breaking from the shore, leaving the landside. Nearby was the fireboat. Undersea were seaweeds. Speed boats raced headlong, one with two water skiers trailing. They outraced each other.

The ship was steady. It plied the calm waters with grace.

There was seaplane service, too--cost more. Debra'd used it at times on holidays. The sweeping views were worth it. There were two pilots; on the right seat, one charming fem.

Today was hot, still. Debra sought the shady side, not the sunlight. There was table service, al fresco. She leant against the backrest. The more athletic were rambling the broad open spaces ondeck.

During Debra's travels, she'd regarded many others.

Craig Billson was at the rail. He had the darndest habit with cigarets, thus was not eating.

There was Leona, the loner, the sad one.

Pearl Diver, with scuba gear. Pearl'd been rescued once; however, it could not deter the spirited gal.

Laird Fisher, with big reels for tuna. She spoke with the large bearded man.

"Laird, what others are best--lungfish?"

"No codlings."

"Um--yeh, I've had it."

"Albicore, luncker, grouper, bluegill. I've been abroad for gilthead," Laird was telling the alert miss.

"One demanding sport!"

They saw the plane now, when it sped past at low altitude.

"Deplane!" one teenager cried, with laughters, recalling the TV show from years ago.

Seagulls came near, darting for the bread scrap cast for them.

The new waitress, Marian, attended the lithesome redhead. The sun glinted on the waitress' nametag at times.

When Debra'd been served iced tea, she said, "Oh, dear, I'd noticed the tea is cool, not iced."

"Oh, I'd not noticed."

Marian miswrote the price, totalled wrong.

Two ladies were eating tacos, tamales.

However, Debra desired sweet things. When ashore, she'd head for the bake shop, where Rosalie'd made danish, strudel, donuts. Just today, she told herself.

THE PERSIAN VERSION Leonard Ashley

1 scimitar 2 julep 3 checkers 4 chess 5 checkmate 6 tiger 7 lilac
 8 khaki 9 shawl 10 scarlet 11 paradise 12 seersucker 13 mummy
 14 lemon 15 divan 16 spinach 17 caravan 18 salamander 19 arsenic
 20 bazaar 21 azur 22 roc 23 taffeta 24 jasmine 25 shah