DENIZENS OF THE DEEP

STEVE KAHAN
Hollis Hills, New York

Put on a recording of Handel’s Water Music to stimulate your gray matter for this one. Hidden among the words listed below are twenty creatures who spend all or a good part of their lives under water. To bring each to the surface, issue a replacement for one of the letters present and transpose the ensuing collection. As an illustration, UTTERS would turn into TURTLE after “L” displaces “S” and permutation is performed. Best of luck in your SEARCHES (which would eventually become SEAHORSE when “O” transplants “C”!)

1. ANTERIOR 11. MURALS
2. BAILOUT 12. NAMETAG
3. CALYPSO 13. OSPREY
4. COLORIZED 14. PARIAGHS
5. COPIOUS 15. PINHOLE
6. GLADIATOR 16. POPOVERS
7. GLAMOUR 17. RANSOM
8. IMPISH 18. REAPPLY
9. MARMALADES 19. SANITARY
10. MOUSSE 20. SOBERLY