

# Polymath 1,000 Set by Gozo

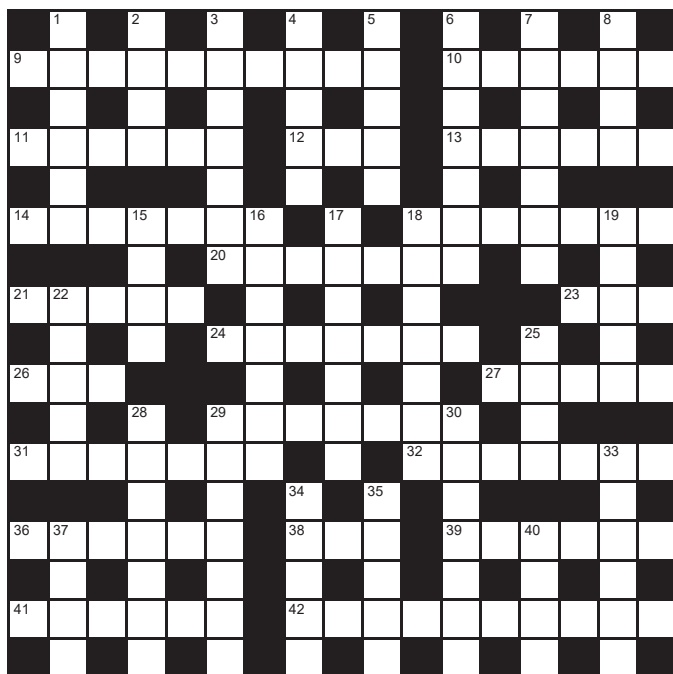
A few names familiar to regular solvers can be found among the solutions

## ACROSS

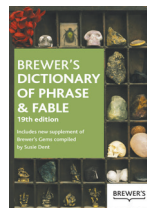
- 9 "-----" in 73", campaign combatting the outbreak of Dutch elm disease (5,1,4)  
 10 System of internet newsgroups (6)  
 11 Member of a Ugrian people of Siberia (6)  
 12 Cape ---, a long, sandy peninsula in Massachusetts (3)  
 13 Philip Marlowe, Columbo, or Cormoran Strike, for example (6)  
 14 A northern constellation, the Lizard (7)  
 18 Genus of plants including groundsel and ragwort (7)  
 20 Ill-uses, anagrammatically and literally (7)  
 21 A crude, brutish creature in *Gulliver's Travels* (5)  
 23 Largest living bird after the ostrich (3)  
 24 A non-dictionary word overlapping "Peter" in Spanish with a name Jesus gave to Peter (7)  
 26 The Thomas family's cat in Judith Kerr's children's books (3)  
 27 Their characters included, Eccles and Bluebottle (5)  
 29 Knighted Australian batsman whose final Test Match batting average was 99.94 (7)  
 31 Old hurdy-gurdy or chifonie (7)  
 32 Ancient region and modern department in the south-east Peloponnese, capital Sparta (7)  
 36 The blackfish, a large wrasse of the north Atlantic (6)  
 38 Giant extinct bird of New Zealand (3)  
 39 Middle name of Captain Robert Scott (6)  
 41 Rupture caused by muscular strain or injury (6)  
 42 Advised, as a barrister did (10)

## DOWN

- 1 ----- Highway extends from Dawson Creek to Fairbanks (6)  
 2 Roddick or Murray? (4)  
 3 Simplified version of tennis played in a four-walled court (7)  
 4 C7th Athenian statesman whose laws prescribed death for almost every offence (5)  
 5 Composer of the operas *Nabucco* and *Don Carlos* (5)  
 6 Diggers (7)  
 7 Pierluigi Collina was Fifa's "Best of the Year" for six consecutive years from 1998 to 2003 (7)  
 8 Architect who designed the Royal Mews and the Horse Guards block in Whitehall (4)  
 15 Dr John Sentamu's episcopal signature (4)  
 16 Capital of Yonne department (7)  
 17 Its county seats include Inverness, Mayo and Naples (7)  
 18 Riesling-like grape variety used for making the driest Madeira wine (7)  
 19 John, who played Mr Humphries in *Are You Being Served?* (5)  
 22 ----- propre, self-respect (5)  
 25 Ghawdex, location of the Ggantija temples (4)  
 28 Ford model, the best-selling car in the UK during the 1970s (7)  
 29 Billy, manager of the Northern Ireland's football team for two terms, 1967-71 and 1980-93 (7)  
 30 Most inferior, in poorest taste (7)  
 33 Cymbeline's daughter in Shakespeare's play (6)  
 34 Latin for friends (5)  
 35 Capital of the Mogul empire from 1504 to 1738 (5)  
 37 Province of northern Sumatra hard-hit by a tsunami in December 2004 (4)  
 40 Composer of the opera *Le Roi d'Ys* (4)



Solution Polymath 998



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