

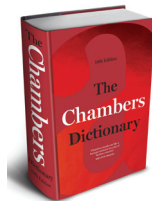
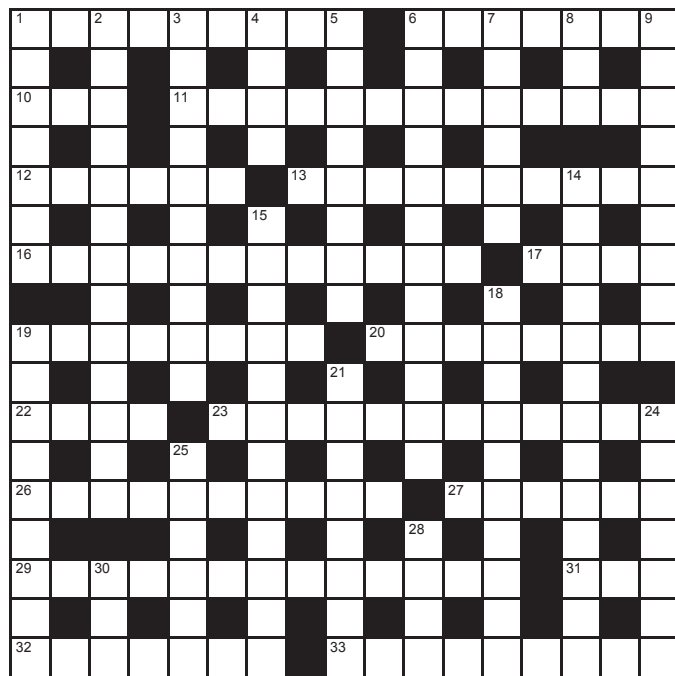
# Polymath 992 Set by Aardvark

## ACROSS

- 1 Revolving structure used to change theatrical scenes (9)
- 6 "Gentleman Jim", early world heavyweight boxing champion (7)
- 10 Spirit distilled from fermented sugarcane juice or molasses (3)
- 11 Gap in the myelin sheath of a nerve fibre (4,2,7)
- 12 ----- Park, former home of Cardiff City FC (6)
- 13 Morbid fear of contracting a disease (10)
- 16 Craze for imitating Oriental porcelain by lining the vessel ornately (12)
- 17 Roman name for the city of Chester (4)
- 19 French inventor of a pioneering electronic music synthesiser (8)
- 20 Device for regulating pressure, such as in an aircraft (8)
- 22 City in western Saudi Arabia (4)
- 23 Arenaceous bank off the coast of Deal, Kent (7,5)
- 26 Ballet dance involving three performers (3,2,5)
- 27 North American peak, formerly called Mount McKinley (6)
- 29 Midlands town, birthplace of the occultist Aleister Crowley (10,3)
- 31 The god of war in Norse mythology (3)
- 32 Old triple-time dance like the galliard (7)
- 33 A distance between racehorses of less than one length (5,4)

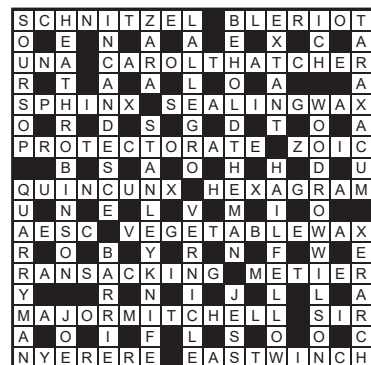
## DOWN

- 1 Edible plant related to the carrot (7)
- 2 Novel structured in episodes, literally "with drawers" (5,1,7)
- 3 Actress who played Beth Gallagher in the film *Fatal Attraction* (4,6)
- 4 Small, brightly-coloured, Caribbean, insectivorous bird (4)
- 5 Style of karate with aggressive, staccato movements (8)
- 6 Caustic, poisonous, crystalline compound, also called phenol (8,4)
- 7 Basic Spanish hut or huts, especially for travellers (6)
- 8 High Priest at Shiloh in the Books of Samuel (3)
- 9 A shrewish woman, characterised in morality plays (9)
- 14 Fortification built on a sandstone crag in Cheshire (7,6)
- 15 Very large monitor lizard of some Indonesian islands (6,6)
- 18 Rock star who married Penny Lancaster in 2007 (3,7)
- 19 Woman acting as a foster-mother to children on a kibbutz (9)
- 21 ----- disease, a degeneration of the adrenal cortex (8)
- 24 Minute, blackish, gregarious, two-winged fly (7)
- 25 Aristocratic Italian family who ruled 15th century Florence (6)
- 28 City whose main airport is Gardermoen (4)
- 30 Racecourse which hosts the Scottish Grand National (3)



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