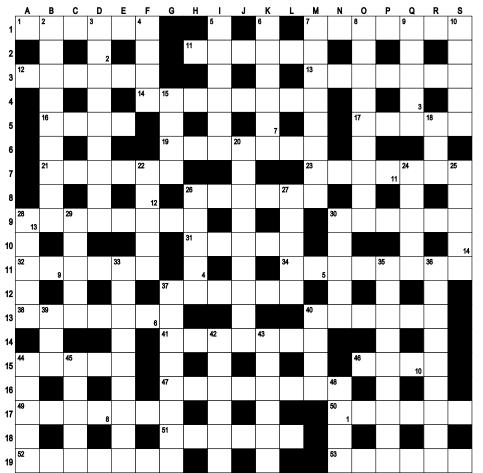
## **Cryptic 2023-02**



## Across:

- 1 Makes sense when Dad IDs cup without lids (4,2)
- 7 Bear found beneath green light (7)
- 11 Not at all old-fashioned, Dawn took back Ed (6)
- 12 What's left behind by Earl with bad taste (6)
- 13 Spooner says, "no dates for gifts" (7)
- 14 Divide trophy with half of Angola (8)
- 16 In conclusion, the answer being so! (4)
- 17 Quarter engaged in profits on treehouses (5)
- 19 That bub ran a place where you might get into hot water (7)
- 21 Naked panelist dancing with foreign types (6)
- 23 Mike leaves rambling emails to shutin (7)
- 26 Messenger of Ra arrested by bore (6)
- 28 Utter, "I love Zac desperately!" (8)
- 30 Buzz from extremely staunch critic (6)
- 31 Getting up, there are goals I'm never going to start (5)

- 32 Speculation about hero lost amid the borders of Turkey (6)
- 34 Cheat death somehow without any tea? What a pain (8)
- 37 Country singer George is very strict (6)
- 38 Fancy tinsel having a bit of color pattern (7)
- 40 Spoiled, hot mother's a famous skeptic (6)
- 41 No fire blazing? No, quite the opposite (7)
- 44 Pastor Derek has a reservation (5)
- 46 Theodore gave up perfume for you long ago (4)
- 47 Until now, chart-topping idol took a little time (8)
- 49 Braggart elitist traded lithium for gold, half off (7)
- 50 Odd notion is why I'm inside with the last bit of hummus (6)
- 51 Angry reprimand: "Careful about dropping clubs!" (6)
- 52 Evens out purse he intends to be spruced up (7)
- 53 Knock-off sites posing behind initial disguise (6)

## Down:

- 2 Reckless criminal ropes dead bats (9)
- 3 Mostly shy with a silly grin at the French paradise (7-2)
- 4 A sweet chick in every way (4)
- 5 Blue dog of a sort climbs up in bed (6)
- 6 Take a stand against topless priest entangled with original sin (6)
- 7 Lowball a quantity of rounder bidets (8)
- 8 Loud noise covers you entering bar at a restaurant, perhaps (6,3)
- 9 Gathered notes about important ceremonies (5)
- 10 Jonah's kids staggered to a watering hole (5)
- 15 Spheres at the fringes of ornamental shrubs (4)
- 18 Aristotle had a little one (3)
- 20 A big storm, Archie! Run in a panic (9)
- 22 Rowdy son, standing on yard, embraces first idea (5)
- 24 Funny thing when Anne and Mark made out (5)
- 25 Moderator tries leaving cemeteries in a mess (5)
- 26 Tenderness from each ear tingling internally (5)
- 27 Airplane trip doesn't start without a lot of weight (5)
- 28 Decides 5-0 on fix-up (5)
- 29 Bored by mediocre performance of batter's achievement (5)
- 30 Hit hard, short man taken by ship to hospital (5)
- 33 Confused senior carries dog to see 33D for example (9)
- 35 Matriarchs excitedly spilling tea in comfy places (9)
- 36 Entertainers like Tess wrapped in tubes (9)
- 37 Put down top from traffic signal, Ed (8)
- 39 Heart of Thor becomes a black, sticky substance (3)
- 40 Only half of tortures are wrongdoing (4)
- 42 Prospective Reverend said, "chew coat?" (6)
- 43 Shame-faced and leaderless? True, and not quite complete (6)
- 44 Every other townie jumps to gain an advantage (3-2)
- 45 Buzz about flying robot (5)
- 48 Short revolutionary captured by blonde woman (4)

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