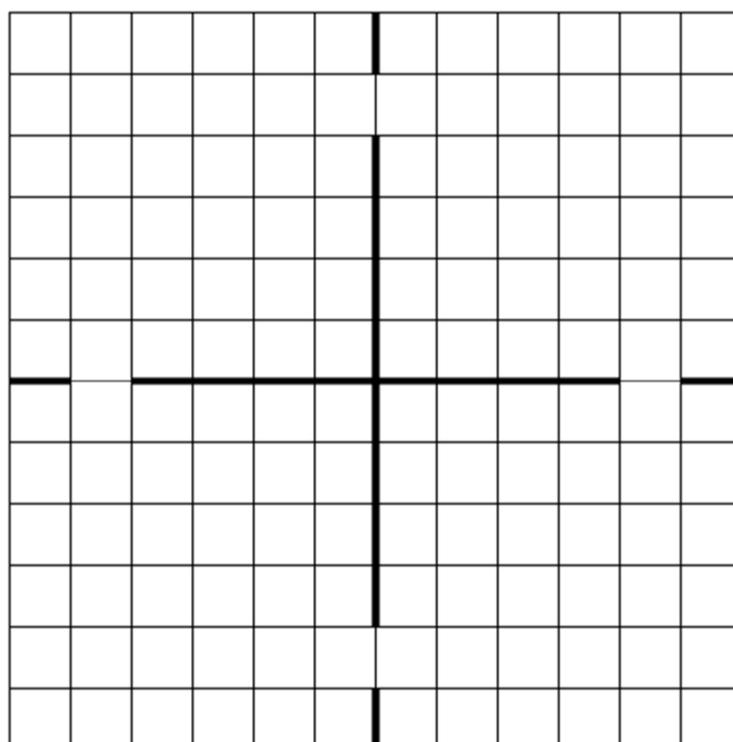


Round Robin XVIII – Tour Party by Arcadia



Quadrants start in the NW corner and move clockwise round the grid, with the direction of answers moving similarly, so Quadrant A's answers are across and down, Quadrant B's down and back, and so on. Clues for each quadrant are in alphabetical order of their six-letter answers, which must be entered where they will fit; as must the four 12-letter entries, which pay tribute to a cruciverbalist *scholar* (three words) who generally eschews *cartes blanches* (two words). Solvers should *show up* (three words) *congratulations on his achievements* (three words). Chambers (2016) is the main reference. One entry is Collins.

Clues

Quadrant A	Quadrant C
That is either end of comic aboard take off for each one	Sauce is revolting in octopus tacos
Female goats supply kids	Eton's first form feed us on last of chocolate spread
Erin somehow immersed in French first issue of <i>Loki</i>	Sole part's matching tempo
Sweeper dusted boiler	Mark, under pressure, picked up weapon
Court decision in Poland accepted Conor's first appeal	Scratching head, lioness writhes and perhaps roars
Type of music appropriate for medley	Intermittently, members of Oasis, if unhappy, ultimately turn to hard stuff?
Unusual variant of chips at <i>L'Enclume</i> for starters, served in special bowls	Fisherman essentially functions without nets
For some, privates could be gross when entering bed unclothed	Learns to accept extremely pernicious bacterial infections
Trump stops leaders of France and Spain overturning attack	Foot following surreptitious passages
Once feeling disgust at robbery, after money's taken	An indication of little ones in a delivery system?
Quadrant B	Quadrant D
Amongst Rodentia, no mice presenting social disorganisation	Earlier, undying bird caught by Hoy's lamp?
Chilled drink because Earl's entertaining (two words)	Need for one enclosure in front of base
On reflection, do try backless dress for Ed	Insular forest-dwellers Napoleon's first encountered in Elba?
Sprinkler set off in taxi?	Call to witness truncated witchcraft trial
Sue may emerge from this mistreatment	"Old South Whales" repulsed NSW citizens?
Adelaide's acacias turning silver in squalid neighbourhood	Singular biblical warrior covering head with archer's stance
Apropos of nothing, extremely eager to accept boring part	Philosophers and saints imbibing nameless restorative
One acquiring tea leaves for ship's counter	Maybe De Niro clipping a letter to portray accent?
Term for liquor – primarily one that gives upset tummy	Initially damp hay spread with this could become dehydrated
Work clothes with special fabrics	Sent to change Ebenezer Scrooge initially e.g. past, present and future

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