

SEASONS GREETINGS 7 by ECLOGUE

1	O	A	S	E	S		S	S	U	B	D	U	E	D		S	A	S	C	I							
		I	F	M	B	17	S	18	O	P	H	19	T	A	A	S	N	20	E	21	M	P	A	T	H	Y	
22	G	R	I	M	I	E	R	R	O	23	A	R	M	E	T	N	A	24	A	B	25	M	A	P	S		
		26	F	L	A	N	N	L	O	W	E	R	S	D	E	S	T	R	U	28	C	T	S				
29	V	A	L	E	D	S	E	F	31	I	N	U	I	T	R	I	I	N	S	U	R	E	D				
		33	R	E	V	E	R	S	I	E	I	L	S	O	34	E	T	N	A	E	T	E	L				
35	P	E	R	E	R				36	T	R	A	S	H	E	R	Y			37	R	E	D	A	N		

The message from extraneous letters spells "SUPERNATURAL BEING NEARLY RAN BACK", while ELF is omitted from the 10 remaining solutions. One ELF has however sneaked back in and is highlighted in the above solution.

Across

S 1 oases ; ASSE(S)* after O

6 S(ELF)SUBDUED ; BUSS< + DUE + D

U 14 asci ; A + C(U) in SI

P 17 soph ; SO + P(P)H

E 20 empathy ; PATH in MY following (E)E

R 22 grimier ; GRIM + I + ER(R)

N 23 armet ; ARM + E(N)T

A 25 maps ; initials ; M(A)APS

26 FLANN(ELF)LOWER ; FLANN + LOWER ; Ref. Flann O'Brien

27 S(ELF)DESTRUCTS ; (STUD CRESTS)*

T 29 vale ; VALE(T)

U 31 Inuit ; (UNION S(U)IT)* less SON*

R 32 insured ; S(R) in INURED

A 33 reversi ; (IS + R(A) + EVER)<

L 34 etna ; initials ; (L)ETNA

B 35 pere ; hidden ; JUNIPER (B)ERRY

E 36 trashery ; (H(E)R REASTY)*

I 37 redan ; DA in RE(I)N

Down

N 2 airfare ; I(N) in AR + FAR + E

3 S(ELF)FILLER ; FILLE in SR

G 4 emma ; (G)EM + MA

5 S(ELF)BINDER (7) ; BIN in REDS<

6 S(ELF)PROFIT (7) ; IF< in SPORT*

N 7 showier ; (HERO WI(N)S)*

8 BARR(ELF)ULS (7) ; BAR + RUL(e)S

9 DAMS(ELF)ISH (7) ; MAS* in DISH

E 10 used to ; SUED(E)* + TO(es)

A 11 enterer ; TE(A)R in RENÉ<

R 12 density ; (I'D SENT(R)Y)*

13 S(ELF)ABUSER (7) ; SAB + USER

L 14 ATM ; initials ; AT(L)M

15 S(ELF)HATRED (7) ; HARDEST*

Y 16 cypsela ; (CLAY ESP(Y))*

R 17 sens ; SEN + (R)S

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A 18 orles ; ORLE(A)NS less N

N 19 taenia ; TAEN + IA(N)

B 21 matin ; (B)INT* including A, M

A 24 arna ; R(A)N in AA

C 28 cute ; (C)UT in CE

K 30 eve ; V in E(K)E