Farewell: Solution


The theme is the SEA SHANTY "SPANISH LADIES" whose third verse describes a voyage from USHANT (a French island at the extreme south-western end of the English Channel) to SOUTH (S) FORELAND (a chalk headland on the Kent coast where there is a famous lighthouse), passing by several other LANDMARKS on the way. The ROUTE starts at USHANT, passing by SCILLY, (the) DEADMAN, RAME HEAD, START, PORTLAND, WIGHT, BEACHY, FAIRLIGHT, DUNGENESS, and finally anchoring off S. FORELAND. Clashes in the grid give the names of the various landmarks (which are generally either headlands or islands, sometimes with lighthouses) in approximately their correct geographical locations, to be indicated in the completed grid with first and final letters in the cells where they occur. The puzzle's title is derived from the first line of the shanty: "Farewell and adieu to you fair Spanish ladies".

Unclued Entries and Locations of Clashes


## Clashes

44a / 26d: USH / ANT
36a / 30d: SC / ILLY
20d / 31a: DEAD / MAN
21d / 25a: RAM / EHEAD
32d / 31a: ST / ART
27a / 28d: PORT / LAND
34d / 33a: W / IGHT
29a / 8d: BEACH / Y
24dv / 22a: FAIR / LIGHT
17a / 9d: DUNG / ENESS
15a / 10d: S FOR / LAND

## Derivation of Answers and Entries

| No. | Clue | Derivation | Entry | Extra Letter/ Clash |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Across |  |  |  |
| 1 | Unclued |  | SEA SHANTY |  |
| 8 | Italian sport's pitch rejected by Tito Gobbi? | BARITONE - TONE | BARI | S |
| 11 | Clergyman discarding what's reportedly sea salt | CURATE - C | URATE |  |
| 12 | According to Gnostics, power of God exorcising daemon's Lord and Master | DAEMON - (D and M) | AEON |  |
| 13 | Come round at intervals in preference to encountering dog | RE CUR | RECUR | P |
| 14 | Outlaws baiting some Gujarati traders | BANS around ANY (=SOME) | BANYANS | A |
| 15 | Endures frost and blazing sun at the outset | S (FROST AND)* | STANDS FOR | S FOR |
| 16 | Believer endlessly casing Troy is Achilles' man | THEIS(t) around T | THETIS | N |
| 17 | Brief flood overwhelming northern hill initially swamps weasel cats | (DELUG(e) around (N DUN)) S(wamps) | DELUNDUNGS | DUNG |
| 19 | Unclued |  | ROUTE |  |
| 22 | Girls test the revamped illuminations in Mayfair, say | (GIRLS TEST THE)* | STREETLIGHTS | LIGHT |
| 25 | Numskull's ancient prayer taking an hour | BEAD around (ONE H) | BONEHEAD | EHEAD |
| 27 | Malt liquor consumed by reserve firemen? | RES around PORTER | REPORTERS | PORT |
| 29 | Learner twice ejected from avant-garde health club amenity on seafront | (HEALTH CLUB)* - (L L) | BEACH HUT | BEACH |
| 31 | Classical French architect - artsman extraordinaire! | ARTSMAN* | MANSART | MAN / ART |
| 33 | Ed's fixed member in rowing boat | MP IN EIGHT | EMPIGHT | IGHT |
| 35 | Posited missing sailor's deserted | ABSENT - AB | SENT | I |
| 36 | Tableau incorporating Titian's original Daughter with Bouquet | (SCENE around T) D | SCENTED | SC |
| 37 | Displays velocity and volume of respirable gas | AIRS PACE | AIRSPACE |  |
| 40 | Advocates independent politician's swearing involving extremes of behaviour | (I POL) in BAR | BIPOLAR | S |
| 41 | Hop about with workmate retreating about a foot | OP< LAD< | PODAL | H |
| 42 | American range incorporating hot receptacle for charred remains | (A SPAN) around H | ASH-PAN |  |
| 43 | Growing out, having eaten extravagantly | EATEN* | ENATE |  |
| 44 | In brief outburst, she is highly sentimental | SHE in GUS(t) | GUSHES | USH |
| 45 | What stops citizens ignoring standard? | (citiz)ENS IGN(oring) | ENSIGN |  |


| 46 | In review, sum up English mythical prose | (ADD E)< | EDDA |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Down |  |  |  |
| 1 | Hitch lifts in vehicle heading north for dormitory town | RUB< in BUS< | SUBURB |  |
| 2 | Klee's last love imbued with abstract art's divine inspiration | ((kle)E O) around ART* | ERATO |  |
| 3 | Swelling you once found after recurrent case of tetanus | T(etanu)S< YE | STYE |  |
| 4 | US picture-house not showing Top Gun to older folks there | (t)HEATER | HEATER |  |
| 5 | Lens distorting crown of subject's head | ENS* S(ubject) | NESS | L |
| 6 | In the Highlands, slay creature skirting a traditional paddock there | TOD around A | TOAD | A |
| 7 | Callous diplomat abandons innocent | HEARTLESS - HE | ARTLESS |  |
| 8 | Miscreant buys teapot in Land's End, maybe | (BUYS TEAPOT)* | BEAUTY SPOT | Y |
| 9 | Regrets being seen outside haunt of vice and ultimately - amorous vulgarity | (RUES around DEN) (amorous)S | RUDENESS | ENESS |
| 10 | Country hotel trashed by hardline criminal | HARDLINE* - H | IRELAND | ELAND |
| 12 | Cordial Australian is in demand | A (IS in NEED) | ANISEED |  |
| 15 | Fortune-teller's reading for one supporting lad | SEE R <br> (one of the "Three R's") | SEER | D |
| 18 | Cutting grass, spot a little fluttering Australasian bird | (SPOT - POT) (A LITTLE)* | SITTELLA |  |
| 20 | Like restless spirits, mostly in subjection before the day | UNDE(r) AD | UNDEAD | DEAD |
| 21 | Notice dandy turning up where dudes may board streetcars | (SPOT SMART)< | TRAM STOPS | RAM |
| 23 | Feel discontent on Tiree | RE PINE | REPINE | I |
| 24 | Blonde US agent arresting idiot | FED around AIR-HEAD | FAIR-HEADED | FAIR |
| 26 | Honour Byzantine saint, showing reverence | OBE SAINT* | OBEISANT | ANT |
| 28 | Birds and animals essentially block signposts | (AND (ani)M(als)) in LARKS | LANDMARKS | LAND |
| 30 | Billy, cycling in scruffy Aussie's aboriginal sack | DAG around BILLY "cycling" | DILLY BAG | ILLY |
| 32 | Upright tablets of stone recalled the Bard's evil? | ST EALE< | STELAE | ST |
| 34 | Squeeze queen into van | R in WING | WRING | W |
| 38 | Stable having no supply of food possibly woke pair of horses | (STABLE - TABLE) PAN | SPAN | E |
| 39 | Perhaps Saudi Lord and King? | CAR D | CARD | S |

## Additional Notes

1. There are a number of different versions of "Spanish Ladies", and there are as many variations of the precise names and spellings of the "landmarks" as there are variants of the song (for example, "Rame Head" is sometimes "Ram Head", "The Deadman" is sometimes "The Dodman", sometimes "Dover" is used instead of "Fairlight", etc.). In this puzzle I have used the names and spellings I use myself when I sing this song, and all these can be found from internet (or songbook - ) sources (one source is Wikipedia - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spanish Ladies - but there are several others). I hope that it won't be too difficult for solvers to confirm the puzzle-derived names from information readily available on the internet or elsewhere.
2. Wikipedia, of course, informs us that Spanish Ladies is a Naval Song rather than a Sea Shanty. Whilst this is probably true, it is nevertheless often referred to as a sea shanty, and I hope the description is close enough to make the unclued entry at 1 acceptable.
3. The route to be drawn in the grid is, of course, only approximate, since in reality the landmarks are seen by the sailors from the ship as it passes up the English Channel, rather than actually passing through the named locations.

This map shows more precisely the geographical locations of the landmarks:

4. If desired, the puzzle may be made easier by enumerating answer lengths rather than entry lengths.

