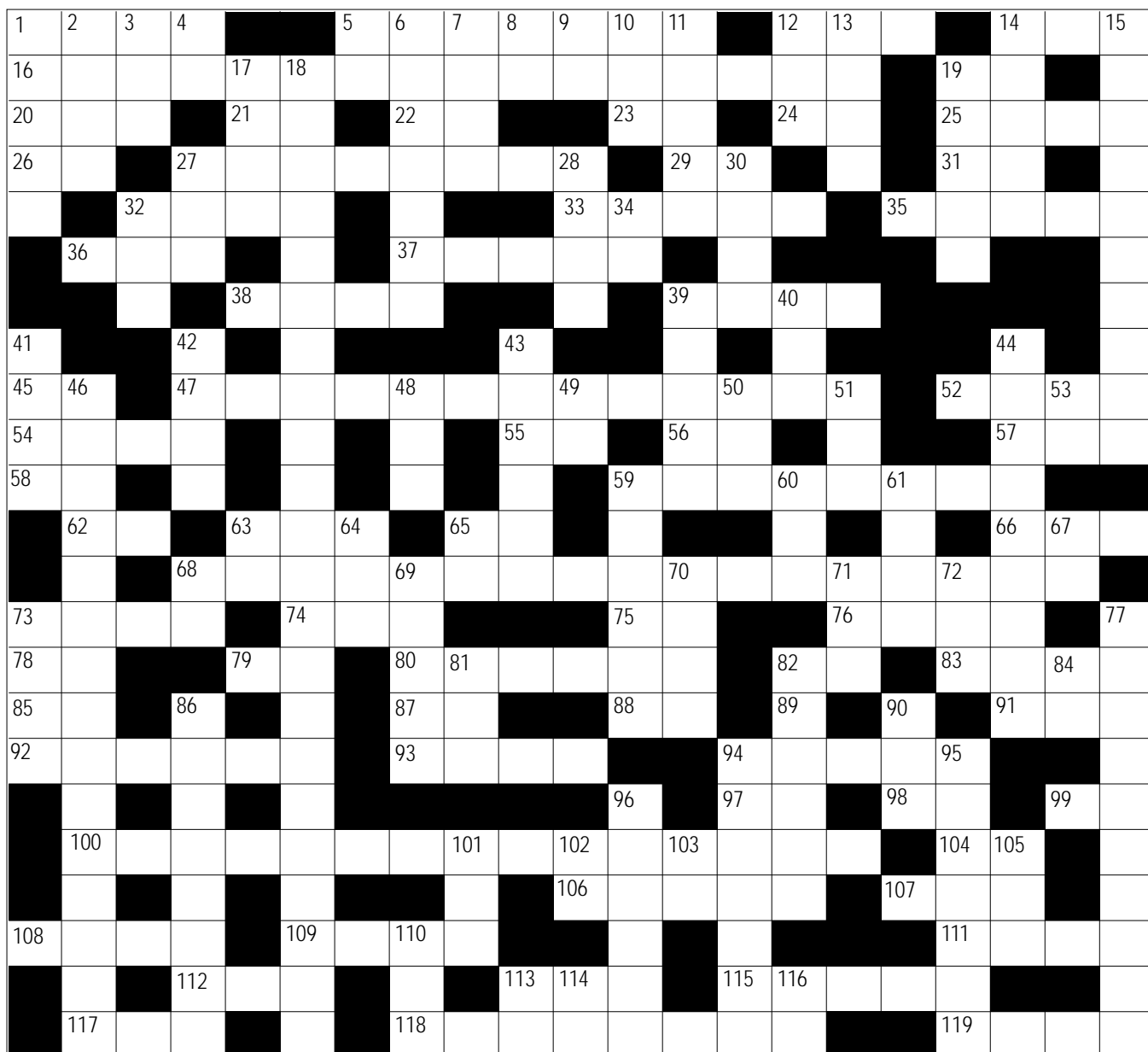


AVIAN CROSSWORD NUMBER ONE

Have fun trying to solve this cryptic crossword. Subsequent crosswords may have different themes.



Across clues

- 1 Near change for money (4)
- 5 Ben's ace not here (7)
- 12 Avocet loses letters to become top card (3)
- 14 Confused rail loses Elle to form drowned coastline (3)
- 16 *Colluricincla harmonica* (4,6,6)
- 19 Post Office finds Italian flower in Spotted Pardalote (2)
- 20 ...Wattle Bird (3)
- 21 Ten (2)
- 22 Shortened tutu (2)
- 23 Eastern Rosella starts for Queen (2)
- 24 Pitta loses inside to father, start of parrot (2)
- 25 Sibil backed off Elle in wetlands (4)
- 26 Each short in Teal (2)
- 27 Fred Ingpen started to sell diamond bird (8)
- 29 Oriental Pratincole starts over-proof rum? (1,1)
- 31 Pipit starts dividing 22 by 7 (2)
- 32 US state starts weighty religious service for silly measure (4)

- 33 Marsupials making money for economic region? (5) ^{KS}
- 35 Noisy (mineral seeker) rings a bell? (5)
- 36 Nodding Tern starts to agree (3)
- 37 Perch on a rooster (5)
- 38 Snow field sounds bit like a fern (4)
- 39 Butcher Bird, Currawong, Teal or Shrike Thrush? (4)
- 45 Old Brolga starts river in Siberia (2)
- 47 Wall or Yeo sell mixed form of Crimson (6,7)
- 52 Big team confused (4)
- 54 Two carolling magpies or butcher birds perhaps (4)
- 55 Steal from Robin (2)
- 56 Start to Bee Eater (or not to Bee-eater)? (2)
- 57 Late one kept in a long time (3)
- 58 *Oriolus flavocinctus* shortened by Peter Allan? (2)
- 59 Observe raptor? (3,5)
- 62 Stereo radio (1,1)
- 63 Recede from Egret, Brolga and Bristlebird (3)
- 65 Simon, if you want to call me, call me .. (Albatross?) (2)
- 66 Worker makes short work of Pipit (*Anthus*) (3)

68 O'Pedder Strait late confused (8,9)
 73 Short contact for carefully worded Canberra tea (3)
 74 Uneven (3)
 75 Tern has printer's measure (2)
 76 Luce (4)
 78 Measure every second tern (2)
 79 Not out (2)
 80 and 13 down Arid area talk (6)
 82 Sante ... (2)
 82 Tea for three in Rio? (2)
 85 Short Road Runner? (2)
 87 Printer's measure (M & Ns) (2)
 88 See 55 across (2)
 91 Sun (3)
 92 Close North East Gate (6)
 93 Does this waterbird trump at bridge? (4)
 94 Wedgetailed Eagle has big, sharp ones like Santa (5)
 97 Officer Commanding (1,1)
 98 315 .. Safaris (1,1)
 99 Graduate in albatross? (1,1)
 100 Rot pared drummer confused 94 down (3-6,6)
 104 Alcoholics Anonymous join Automobile Association (1,1)
 106 Washing detergent initially put right even every nice feather (4)
 107 Lose 100 from cold Williamson's emus (3)
 108 Whistling bird flown to test political waters? (4)
 109 Regal Parrot rules (4)
 111 Rainbow Lorikeet hurt Miss Munz (4)
 112 Past (3)
 113 Recent (3)
 115 Tatts... (5)
 117 Unhappy (3)
 118 Bedpan for dark bird (8)
 119 Duck needed by Treecreeper? (4)

Down clues

1 Get real confused losing 64 across (5)
 2 A real loss, Elle gives ground (4)
 3 Red Capped Robin (3)
 4 Big apple in many emus (1,1)
 5 Now RN, it was raven's station in Melbourne (1,1)
 6 Did pitbull attack tern in outer SE Melbourne? (7)
 7 Sounds like food for a Butcher Bird (4)
 8 Eastern Egret? (1,1)
 9 Northern Territory (1,1)
 10 Revolutionary attacked cheeps... (3)
 11...what a mistake! (5)
 12 Poisonous snake ate A Superb Parrot (3)
 13 Short stalk (4)
 14 Hooded bird? (5)
 15 Raven, Magpie, Pelican, Shelduck or John Williamson? (10)

17 Confused alpine kiss (4)
 18 Horse paddocks tanned, stupid (10,6,6)
 19 Dicky Bird? (5)
 27 Fashion upset Daffy Duck (3)
 28 Not as much Lesser Frigate Bird
 30 Use a tea pot (4)
 32 Extinct bird loses mother across river from Echuca (3)
 34 Right honorable politician starts short
 39 *Podiceps* or *Polioccephalus* or *Tachybaptus* (E-berg up)
 40 Peel quiet and find an aquatic animal (3)
 41 Extinct bird of Mauritius (4)
 42 In computer memory by ten bitterns (4)
 43 Initially only ride in over logs early (and name call) (6)
 44 Rainbow...(plural) (9)
 46 Polish twin railway tracks and get a wetland line (4-6,4)
 48 Wise night bird (3)
 49 Knot in Tern (2)
 50 Meadow end of chocolate shop (3)
 51 Scientific Mallard started airline before Ansett (1,1,1)
 53 Topknot Pigeon (2)
 59 and 96 down Wonderful 100 across (6)
 60 Final blue wren duded (3)
 61 Silver or Pacific *Larus*, it doesn't matter (4)
 63 Extra Terrestrial (1,1)
 64 93 across bird in dark starts a new card rubber (3)
 65 *Atrichornis* starts out being a Scrub-bird (2)
 67 Forty five degrees (1,1)
 68 Striated Thornbill starts street party (1,1)
 69 Death or deaf counting birds it's eaten? (5)
 70 Reverse Etna and up the... (4)
 71 Highest card for a Ruff... (3)
 72 ... and about in the bush, bird watching (3)
 73...with mixed 10R (4)
 77 Money lass starts with doll (6,4)
 81 *Dromaius novaehollandiae* (3)
 82 Brown or grey car catching 96 across ... (6)
 84 Ten: a Misubishi 4WD (2)
 86 Solid cranium for a water bird? (8)
 90 Rufous Bristle Bird loses start of dawn (3)
 94 Centre merges with Fitzgerald (7)
 95 Welcome or Dusky Wood... (7)
 96 See 59 down
 101 Start of a chicken as Peg gives in (3)
 102 Quiet, quiet (1,1)
 103 About Reah losing its end (2)
 105 Much a Dollar Bird can lose inside, about nothing (3)
 110 Most of non-breeding plumage lost (3)
 113 Some Night Herons may migrate to New Guinea (1,1)
 114 Impolitely, what did you say (2)
 116 Alternatively, door ends raptor (2)