

DIVERSIONS

THE STYLE INVITATIONAL

Re-manes of the day: 'Grandfoals'

BY PAT MYERS

In Week 1483 we asked the Losers to "breed" any two names from a list of 100 of this year's Triple Crown-nominated racehorses...

4th place:

No-Knock Warrant x Lake Flaccid = DEAd in the Water (Frank Mann, Washington)

3rd place:

Finals Are Today x Catch Some Z's = Got Some F's (Andrew Hatzizyannis, Rockville)

2nd place and the plush toy Flesh-Eating Disease:

Catch Some Z's x I the People = Nap Bonaparte (Pam Shermeyer, Lathrup Village, Mich.)

And the winner of the Clowning Achievement:

Atom and Heave x Pig Penn = Hurls Before Swine (Laurie Brink, Mineola, N.Y.)

C-biscuits:

Honorable mentions

Let's Go Brandin' x Aunt™ = We Family (Sarah Walsh, Rockville)

CloningAchievement x All Over the Road = One to Many (Dave Matuskey, Sacramento)

All Over the Road x M*A*S*H Potatoes = Carpool Klinger (Rob Wolf, Gaithersburg)

Am Eric, An Icon x Wait, Mr. Lincoln! = Am Eric, a Cousin (Greg Dobbins, Boynton Beach, Fla.)

Atom and Heave x Re:Re:Re:Re:Re:Re: = Chain Reaction (Kevin Dopart, Washington)

Catch Some Z's x Die Happy = R.I.P. Van Winkle (Craig Dykstra, Centreville)

AlexanderTheGrape x Mr Red = Pete Rosé (Francis Canavan, Reston)

Dead Gunfighter x LiedAboutThatToo = Pushing Up Doozies (Jonathan Paul, Garrett Park, Md.)

Decoder Ring x Pig Penn = Aha! IggayAtinlay! (Harold Mantle, Walnut Creek, Calif.)

IV League x Fat Man = Prince Ton (Ward Foeller, Charlottesville)

IV League x M*A*S*H Potatoes = Cornell Potter (Rob Wolf)

Fat Man x Mona Visa = Lardo da Vinci (Rob Wolf)

Fat Man x Via Gra = Sydney Groinstreet (Kevin Dopart)

Finals Are Today x Missing Everything = I Dream That, Too (Mark Raffman, Reston)

G Whiz x Missing Everything = G Wizards (Jesse Rifkin, Arlington)

Hair on a G String x Snippetydoodah = Thong of the South (Mary McNamara, Washington; Chris Doyle, Denton, Tex.)

Heir Jordans x LiedAboutThatToo = Scion Fiction (Kevin Dopart)

House of Cords x Dumben Down = Rope-a-Dope (John Klayman, Fairfax; Laura Bennett Peterson, Washington)

House of Cords x Missing Everything = Jos. A. Blank (Rozi Slomp, Bariloche, Argentina)

House of Cords x Snippetydoodah = Snippet Doula (Harold Mantle)

I Caught a Code x The Wee Peephole = Rheum With a View (Jonathan Paul)

I the People x Erupt to No Good = I the Pimple (Chuck Smith, Woodbridge)

I the People x Snippetydoodah = HuBris (Kathy El-Assal, Middleton, Wis.)

The One Eye Love x LiedAboutThatToo = Sikelops (Brian Cohen, Winston-Salem, N.C.)

The One Eye Love x Erupt to No Good = Slyclops (Jonathan Jensen, Baltimore)

Missing Everything x Finals Are Today = Disappearing ACT (Laura Clairmont, Venice, Fla.)

MoltenJoeDiMaggio x I Caught a Code = Mr. Coughee (Matt Monitto, Bristol, Conn.; Rob Wolf)

Re:Re:Re:Re:Re:Re: x Give It Arrest = Finish It, Aretha! (Coleman Glenn, Huntingdon Valley, Pa.)

Re:Re:Re:Re:Re:Re: x I Caught a Code = Re:Morse (Jeff Contompasis, Ashburn; Stephen Dudzik, Olney)

Resting Rich Face x



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New for Week 1491: The add biz

Arbyss: The deepest part of the stomach, reserved for two Giant Roast Beefs, large Curly Fries and a chocolate shake. (Danny Orgonek)

Auntiques: That crocheted tea cozy and the scented stationery. (Deborah Guy)

Santagism: A form of threatening mind control that parents practice on their children every December. (Lawrence McGuire)

Empress > Temptress: Someone who keeps luring me in with the illusory hope of winning a prize. (Steve Glomb)

The Style Invitational has had a [your noun here]-load of neologism contests in which you change a word, name, etc., by one letter — adding it, dropping it, moving it. But rarely if ever in the past 1,490 contests have we done an add-only one.

Submit up to 25 entries at wapo.st/enter-invite-1491 (no capitals in the Web address). Deadline is Monday, June 13; results appear July 3 in print. June 30 online.



The alligator back scratcher. Felt pretty scratchy!

Winner gets the Clowning Achievement, our Style Invitational trophy. Second place receives a back scratcher made from a dried alligator hand, complete with four long claws.

Other runners-up win their choice of our "For Best Results, Pour Into Top End" Loser Mug or our "Whole Fools" Grossery Bag.

one of our lusted-after Loser magnets, "A Small Jester of Appreciation" or "Close, but Ceci N'est Pas un Cigare." First Offenders receive only a smelly tree-shaped air "freshener" (FirStink for their first ink).

The Style Conversational: The Empress's weekly online column discusses each new contest and set of results. See this week's, published late Thursday, June 2, at wapo.st/convi1491.

LiedAboutThatToo = Resting Mith Face (Stephen Dudzik) Says Nobody x M*A*S*H Potatoes = SilenceOfTheYams (Karen Lambert, Chevy Chase)

Via Gra x AFL-CIA = Amor Perfect Union (John Hutchins, Silver Spring)

Why a Derp? x Mona Visa = Duh Vinci (J.D. Berry, Springfield)

Wine and Jeez x LiedAboutThatToo = Pinotchio (Karen Lambert)

Downton Crabby x Fat Man = Quarrel and Hardy (Pamela Love, Columbia)

Downton Crabby x Finals Are Today = Downton Crammy (Jeff Contompasis)

AlexanderTheGrape x Downton Crabby = AlexanderThe Grape (Jeff Shirley, Fairfax; Rob Wolf)

Let's Go Brandin' x I the People = Le Tat C'est Moi (Duncan Stevens, Vienna, Va.)

Catch Some Z's x G Whiz = Rip Van Tinkle (Lewis Lesansky, Burke)

Catch Some Z's x LiedAboutThatToo = Fake Snooze (Tom Witte, Montgomery Village)

Catch Some Z's x Wine and Jeez = I Need a Napa (Lee Graham, Reston)

CloningAchievement x Heir Jordans = Be Like Mike (David Letizia, Pinehurst, N.C.; Richard Franklin, Alexandria)

Con Yak x Why a Derp? = Oxye Moron (Jonathan Hardis, Gaithersburg; Kevin Dopart)

Dead Gunfighter x Re:Re:Re:Re:Re:Re: = Wild Bill Hiccup (Matt Monitto)

Decoder Ring x The Wee People = Ovalteeny (Joanne Free, Clifton)

Fat Man x Mr Red = Chris

Crispy (Jesse Frankovich, Lansing, Mich.)

Die Happy x Sweeney Toad = Die Hoppy (Steve Glomb, Alexandria)

Die Happy x Re:Re:Re:Re:Re:Re: = Die Yappy (Kate Sammons, Ashburn)

Erupt to No Good x Into the Hoods = Mount St. Hellions (Perry Beider, Silver Spring)

Heir Jordans x IV League = ER Jordans (Beverly Sharp, Montgomery, Ala.)

Lake Flaccid x Sharp Dresser = Droopy Drawers (Steve Smith, Potomac; Chris Doyle)

LiedAboutThatToo x Catch Some Z's = Bull Dozer (Jeff Contompasis)

M*A*S*H Potatoes x Diapercussion = KP Doody (Danielle Nowlin, Fairfax Station)

M*A*S*H Potatoes x Mr Red = Major Burns (J.D. Berry; Stephen Dudzik)

Missing Everything x IV League = Dazed & Transfused (Frank Osen, Pasadena, Calif.)

The Very Model! x Missing Everything = Heidi Klumsky (Stephen Gilberg, Silver Spring)

Sharp Dresser x Says Nobody = Nice Sweater Vest! (Leif Picoult, Rockville)

Downton Crabby x Mona Visa = Leonardo da Pinchy (Jesse Rifkin)

Am Eric, An Icon x Lake Flaccid = Laylo (Jon Gearhart, Des Moines)

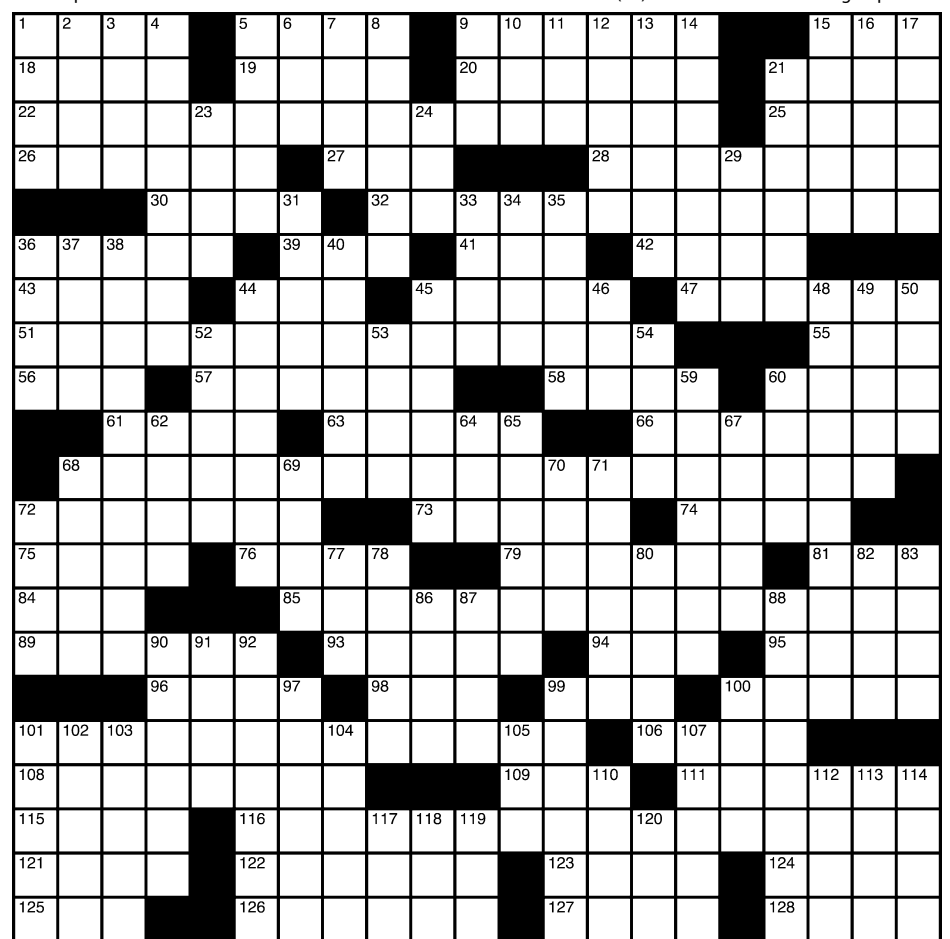
Wonderful Tonight x Resting Rich Face = Hobotex (Rob Huffman, Fredericksburg)

Still running — deadline also Monday, June 13: Our contest for songs about the news. See wapo.st/invite1490.

L.A. TIMES SUNDAY PUZZLE

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- "MOCKTAILS" BY DOUG PETERSON
ACROSS
1 Stick in a nest
5 Box set elements
9 Arctic jacket
15 Zilch
18 Very, very
19 Informal pricing words
20 "Starsky & Hutch" Ford model
21 Miffed
22 ROB ROY
25 Like items at a garage sale
26 Dependable
27 Zen garden carp
28 Writing to
30 Submit, as a tax return
32 MIMOSA
36 "Here's a Quarter (Call Someone Who Cares)" singer
39 Lenovo products
41 Org. with Red Wings and Blue Jackets
42 Prompt giver
43 Word on Irish stamps
44 Longtime label for Elton John
45 Ice cream measure
47 Secret meetings
51 STINGER
55 Contented sigh
56 Decimal base
57 Squid kin
58 Venerable British school
60 More, in adspcak
61 Marry, as metals
63 Gossip blogger
66 Pelican, for one
68 SIDECAR
72 Shade provider
73 Calyx part
74 Head for the terminal
75 NASA go-aheads
76 Gyro bread
79 Linked (up)
81 Zilch
84 Not post-COSMO
85 POLITAN
89 Respiratory cavity
93 Dull sounds
94 Pt. of ERA
95 Sinusitis-treating MDs
96 "Sad to say ..."
98 Quaint "before"
99 Tool in the Portland Timbers logo
100 Specialized jargon
101 MANHATTAN
106 Extinct flightless bird
108 Priced to sell in a store
109 "Shea Butter Baby" R&B singer
111 Check out quickly
115 Pop diva who recorded the ABBA cover album "Dancing Queen"
116 GRASS-HOPPER
121 Coop layers
122 "Pride and Prejudice" novelist
123 Social sci. major
124 Modest acknowledgment
125 Surgery ctrs.
126 Duplicitous
127 Back of the neck
128 "The Great British Bake Off" co-presenter
129 Fielding
130 DOWN
131 Pulls behind
132 "Are you serious?"
133 Small landmass
134 Started to mag persistently
135 Rush into a relationship?
136 Trial nun
137 Basmati
138 Supporting role in construction?
140 Shade provider
144 Confident
145 Pattern in a marble rye
146 Poker prize
148 Sending up
149 Dawdle
150 Roe source
152 Some shirts
153 Freelance detail, briefly
154 Bouquet
159 Financial
21 Hot and muggy
23 Exchange words?
24 Up to, casually
29 Longtime Disney CEO
31 Home of Disney's World Showcase
33 Never again
34 "Easy there!"
35 Rush into a relationship?
36 Trial nun
37 Basmati
38 Supporting role in construction?
40 Shade provider
44 Confident
45 Pattern in a marble rye
46 Poker prize
48 Sending up
49 Dawdle
50 Roe source
52 Some shirts
53 Freelance detail, briefly
54 Bouquet
59 Financial
60 Microsoft console
62 In-flight figs.
64 Letters on some pumps
65 Shoe retailer owned by Amazon
67 Came ___ burrito filling
68 New Zealand native
69 Energy bar brand with a rock climber in its logo
70 James of "Elf"
71 Decisive point
72 Storybook bear
77 Pic that's costly to remove
78 Sign of health burn
80 Carried on
82 Really digging
83 Nudnik
86 Fling
87 Mental flash
88 Concentrates (on)
90 Novelist Dorothy who created Lord Peter Wimsey
91 Heaps
92 Northernmost South American capital
97 Winter resort course
99 Oscar winner
100 Yemeni port
101 Chip to dip
102 Bygone anesthetic
103 Small songbirds
104 Admission of defeat
105 ___ Geo Wild
107 Express a view
110 Ancient Peruvian
112 Ultra-low-carb diet, for short
113 Good-sized plot
114 "bye 4 now"
117 Fundraising org.
118 Shriek
119 "___ more bright ideas?"
120 RNC group



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Answers to last week's puzzle below.

HOROSCOPE

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Happy Birthday | June 5: You are an energetic person who has a genuine interest in others. You like to get involved and be part of the scene.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Go gently when dealing with children and young people to avoid disputes and difficulties.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) By nature, you're a people pleaser. You don't like to rock the boat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're not casual about money. Something to do with your possessions, the possessions of someone else or your responsibilities for kids or a social occasion might create a problem for you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Courtesy and patience are how to handle difficulties with family members, bosses, parents and authority figures.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Dealing with others is challenging. You might have a public argument. Relax. It's hard to avoid this because people (including you) are touchy, especially about criticism.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Feelings of control and suspicion of others might be prominent today because the moon is opposite your sign at odds with Saturn in your own sign, and both of these are at odds with Mercury. Yikes!

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Steer clear of politics, religion and racial issues because these discussions will be impossible. People are opinionated and ready to challenge anyone who disagrees with them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) Be careful, because conflict with others, a prevailing sense of irritability and an intolerance of others' opinions might not only lead to disputes, but worse — these challenges could create an accident-prone day for you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) Be patient with co-workers and daily contacts to keep the peace. In fact, it might be wise for you to go your own way or "hide" to avoid melodrama and difficult encounters with others.

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