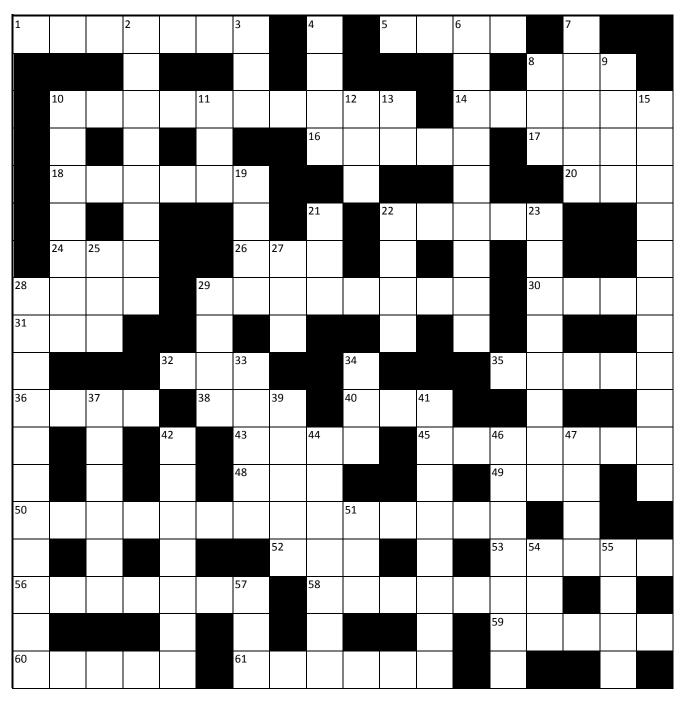


# Vic Skeptics FEBRUARY 2019 Crossword

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### **Standard clues**

### **Cryptic clues**

#### **Across**

	Observed trend of alteration to weather patterns over time	Ice Malt	2 words; [7], [6]	
5	See 22 Down	See 22 Down	-	
8	Nocturnal flying mammal	Bather at the beach. In the end	[3]	

		get rid of her for a paddle	
10	Frameworks of identifiable elements which give form and stability	Trust curse to create framework	[10]
14	Bull sign	Ring sounds like bull	[6]
16 & 18 Across	Permanent trump suit of 22 cards in a tarot deck	An ajar macro for 22 trumps	2 words; [5],[6]
20	Attachment to an object for opening, handling, or identification	Table without French definite article	[3]
22	<b>Acid</b> , aka Vitamin B9	Foreign Office, Romans 51:100 makes food acid	[5]
24	Prompting signal	Take a tip from copper and 2.71828	[3]
26	Eggs	A rose without direction – a bit fishy.	[3]
28	Groups	Tess arranged tennis games.	[4]
29	See 12 Down	See 12 Down	-
30	Cooked mixture of flour and fat	Cooking ingredient sounds like a street in France	[4]
31	Employ	Abuse without a sailor could be utilised	[3]
32 & 21 Down	Generic term as frequently abbreviated for non-orthodox healing practices	Shook up malted is big business	2 words; [3], [3]
35	Competitive recreation	Take south and left for a bit of fun	[5]
36	Filled tortilla	Thank corporation for Mexican dish	[4]
38	Social ingénue	Short female beginner	[3]
40	Skeptical shorthand for pseudo- science	Romantic pursuit sounds magical	[3]
43	Succulent plant traditionally used in herbal medicine	Aluminium, Old English, provides herbal treatment	[4]
45	Simulated medical treatment intended to deceive the recipient	Pale cob strangely feels better	[7]

48	Biological fluid container	A bag a kilo short is still a container	[3]
49	Species division into male or female	Measures height of the sun, but get rid of time and the insect to give gender.	[3]
50	Adherent to the founding principles of his or her faith	VIP guests follow the unspoiled character of the land for dogmatic religious believer	[14]
52	Disc Operating System	A measured amount of medicine without end will work the system	[3]
53	Comparative Fraction	A food allowance without end will give the proportion.	[5]
56	Hellenic	Urn style?	[7]
58	Augur, seer, haruspice	Dropsy chicken has means of knowing	[7]
59	(Originally) Treat for alcohol or drug dependence; now widened to include dubious, unnecessary practices	_ ,	[5]
60	Dismissive shoulder movement	Quiet! The mat's at the end. So what!	[5]
61	Fish sign	Geometric ratio runs into balance lacking aluminium – a bit fishy	[6]

### **Down**

2	Event attributed to divine intervention	Marcel is pushed to establish divine intervention	[7]
3	Immature newt	Split without chlorine for a young Newtonian?	[3]
4	Standard, model or pattern regarded as typical	An average sort of bloke	[4]
6	Study of heavenly bodies in the belief that they influence earthly events	Character determined by twisted stray logo	[9]
7	Fortune-telling with a 78 card deck	Thanks decay, it's in the cards	[5]

8	However; On the contrary	However take back, the bath	[3]	
9	Light volcanic rock	Bantu factory contains limestone	[4]	
10	Meetings for receipt of spirit messages	Norse ancestors hold spiritualist meetings	[7]	
11	(slang) Swindle, fraud	Steering the ship is a trick	[3]	
12 & 29 Across	Thermo-auricular Therapy by its common name	Otological combustion ?	2 words, [3], [8]	
13	The Jesuits (abb)	Practicing casuistry or equivocation?	[2]	
15	Chiropractic term for perceived problems with the spinal column	Dubious manipulation seems to be a product of low illuminance	[11]	
19	Halo	Laura latterly is all aglow	[4]	
21	See 32 Across	See 32 Across	-	
22 & 5 Across	Confidence trick	Mall miff is just smoke and mirrors	2 words (hyph) [4], [4]	
23	Dorsal protective shield, e.g. in lobsters and tortoises	Vehicle moving quickly for protective covering	[8]	
25	Australian invention (abb) called a pick-up truck in US	A chute without a start can still carry a load.	[3]	
27	First cardinal number	Phone without acidity level is not many	[3]	
29 & 42 Down	Communication technique where information is elicited without the subject's awareness	Colin is fearful when his fortune is told	2 words, [4], [7]	
33	Playfully annoy	Brew to the South East an annoyance	[5]	
34	To be in debt	Power without Public Relations leaves a debt	[3]	
37	See 1 Across	See 1 Across	-	
39	Lacking in flavour	Putting 50 into the music group could make it rather insipid	[5]	
41	The Serpent Bearer	Mixing huic soup for snake carrier	[8]	
42	See 29 Down	See 29 Down	-	

44	Cephalopod mollusc	So cut op for marine creature	[7]
46	Straddling	A long step gets you across	[7]
47	Egress	A former IT worker makes a way out	[4]
51	Hoofed mammal of the genus Equus	Arsenic and sulphur could take one for a ride	[3]
54	Playing card with one pip	Current to earth for airman	[3]
55	Abundant metal element	Out of the woods? Use this.	[4]
57	Textile's texture	Greek god going back for 40 winks	[3]

## **SOLUTION**

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