

Solution to Puzzle #110 – July, 2010 "Topless"

M	A	R	U	D	C	A	N	E	R	R
A	C	E	S	A	E	L	T	A	L	O
N	R	E	A	D	R	D	A	N	E	R
T	E	N	D	A	N	I	N	G	A	G
A	T	A	M	E	U	R	G	E	V	A
N	E	S	I	P	T	I	E	R	E	N
C	E	P	T	I	C	S	L	I	S	T
O	N	I	T	C	H	T	O	N	E	C
R	O	C	I	S	H	E	L	S	C	H
O	L	A	R	P	E	N	U	T	T	E
N	P	N	E	A	R	O	T	A	O	R

The omitted letters from across words (in parentheses in the list below) spell
AT THE DROP OF A HAT

Across

1. MAR(A)UD
2. CAN(T)ER
3. (T)RACE
4. SA(H)EL
5. TALON
6. READ(E)R
7. DAN(D)ER
8. T(R)END
9. ANI(O)N
10. GAGA
11. TAME
12. URGE
13. VANE
14. SIP
15. TIER
16. (P)ENCE
17. (O)PTICS
18. LISTON
19. ITCH
20. TONE
21. CROCI
22. SHEL(F)
23. SCHOLAR
24. PE(A)NUT
25. T(H)EN
26. (A)PNEA
27. ROTA(T)OR

Down

1. MAN(HAT)TAN
2. CORONA
3. CRETE
4. ENOL
5. PREEN
6. ASPIC
7. ANUS
8. ADMIT
9. TIRE
10. DADA
11. EPIC
12. SPACER
13. NUT(HAT)CH
14. HERALD
15. IRIS
16. TENON
17. TANGELO
18. LUTE
19. ANGER
20. INSTAR
21. LEAVE
22. SECTOR
23. ORGAN
24. T(HAT)CHER

Kevin Wald solved the puzzle in 30 minutes.