

## Solution to Puzzle #136 – September, 2012 "Face Card"

<b>J</b>	K	N	I	F	E	R	E	S	O	N
A	T	E	V	A	L	I	S	E	M	A
N	O	T	O	I	L	S	O	M	E	V
A	N	E	T	R	O	T	W	E	R	E
P	R	E	S	S	W	H	E	N	B	L
E	E	D	H	I	<b>J</b>	E	R	S	O	U
S	E	L	O	N	E	R	S	T	U	M
P	F	O	U	N	T	E	D	E	N	B
L	A	S	T	E	D	V	O	I	C	E
A	L	T	E	R	E	A	R	N	E	R
N	O	D	D	Y	B	L	A	C	K	<b>J</b>

The letter sequence **JACK** (in parentheses in the list below) must be compressed into one square, as shown above by a red **J**.

### Across

1. **(JACK)**KNIFE
2. RESONATE
3. VALISE
4. MANO
5. TOILSOME
6. VANE
7. TROT
8. WERE
9. PRESS
10. WHEN
11. BLEED
12. HI**(JACK)**ER
13. SOUSE
14. LONER
15. STUMP
16. FOUNT
17. EDEN
18. BLASTED
19. VOICE
20. ALTER
21. EARNER
22. NODDY
23. BLACK**(JACK)**

### Down

1. **(JACK)**ANAPES
2. PLANKTON
3. REEF
4. ALONE
5. TEED
6. LOST
7. DIVOT
8. SHOUTED
9. FAIR
10. SINNER
11. YELLOW **(JACK)**ET
12. DEBRIS
13. THERE
14. VALE
15. SOWERS
16. DORA
17. SEMEN
18. STEIN
19. COMER
20. BOUNCE
21. KNAVE
22. LUMBER**(JACK)**

Kevin Wald solved the puzzle in 25 minutes.