

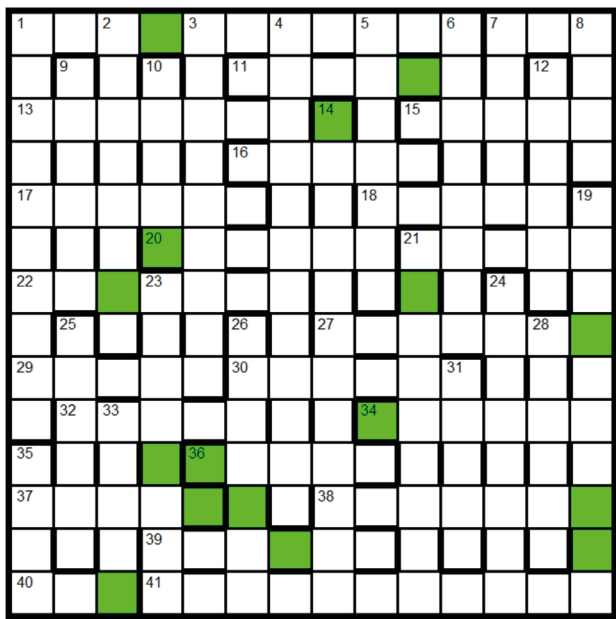
Crossword

2589: Oddly

stumps out

by Doc

The unclued lights (one of two words, two singletons and four pairs) are of a kind in green.



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- 1 Fair blood relation in awful surroundings hardly seen (4,7)
- 7 Equipment for Bell, Athey and Trescothick initially (3)
- 13 Light US railroad truck is a timeless barrow boy's truck (7)
- 15 Head of Government in control when in office? (5)
- 16 Oil hostilities cut short by mufti's decree (5)
- 17 Show criminal the cooler! (6)
- 18 Repaired snare and nets (5)
- 21 Crazy baby's John (5)
- 22 Some problem (piracy) for Honduran currency (7)
- 27 Cryptically cast mimes (4,3)
- 29 Arcade piece is just for show (5)
- 32 Letters for the sextons' rooms (5)
- 34 Criminal neologist? (6)
- 36 One on the case? (5)
- 37 Fabulist finds river and waters ebbing (5)
- 38 Nothing to do with hearing about an African flower (7)
- 39 Buck is surrounded by others (6)
- 40 Head over heels, finally fall in love (3)
- 41 Relating to posture of adult involved with Titian (11)

- 3 Old style win not unknown in a battle (9)
- 4 Disheartened actor has worried cricket captain and jazz artiste (5,7)
- 6 You're probably surprised when they go up (8)
- 9 Soldier – one in WW1 battle (6)
- 10 Order English dictionary (concise version) (5)
- 12 Gives out, say, two directions about the way (6)
- 14 It's good Santa fussed and resisted (5,7)
- 19 Overwrought doctor eats richly (10)
- 21 Checked security of secretary having antagonised online (9)
- 23 Request that God divides wealth (8)
- 26 First to finish soccer body's exam (7)
- 28 Network recognition is rude, sadly (4-2)
- 33 Support found in Eritrea seldom (5)

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Down

- 2 Offended in speech to Church – signs of disorder (8)