



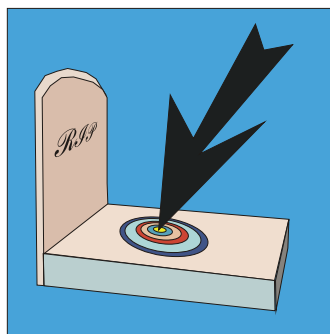
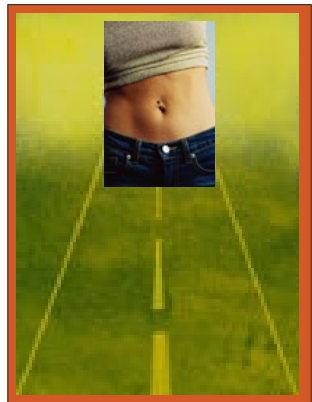
Continuing from December Clues 1-27 are in only a suggested order. There are 4 additional visual clues (unassigned)

Thank you for coming along Happy Christmas!

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December

Sirius



Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
1 22 d 311 d Average position of line	2 22 aw Wise men at beginning of century produce terrific, inexplicable phenomena (5)	3 25 aw Donor broke down repeatedly when he walked her home, when her heart stood still. His name was Bill! (As Crystal reported) (2,3)	4 26 aw Ray began 'Light amplification by the stimulated emission of radiation'. Very coherent! (5)	5 27 aw Judy had her way with splendid jaundiced fellow in this fantasy land(2)	6 28 aw Diddley's first to give short corporal bouquet (1,1)	7 30 aw Culture on trial reveals race issue (1,1)
8 31 aw Doctor returns to give certificate (1,1)	9 33 aw 3,11,1 aw Fielder beyond cover has little part to play (5)	10 34 aw Kind of giraffe to manage a constant endorsement (5)	11 35 aw Oh Boy! For whom the pipes, the pipes are calling (5)	12 23 d Extremely bright ventriloquist's Christian community? (6)	13 29 (first letter of Nov 27) Flashy kind of car at one with Victor (1)	14 32 d Confused rat lives in sin to try hard to pass through muslin congregation (6)
15 24 d Newton's proposal to gain the heart of the masses (6,2,7)	16 36 d Knocked down cellar? (7,8)	17 36 aw Riverside deposits? (5)	18 39 aw Knock back lager in royal style (5)	19 40 aw Baggy Jeff, fresh from Newcastle, lost top pace ending in Scotland. What a nutter! (5)	20 41 aw How a sleepy acquaintance might acknowledge another? (3,2)	21 42 aw 'Enry used one to nail man with feet of Clay (5)
22 44 aw Period of extended play before burst of Scottish irritation (5)	23 45 aw The Spanish left Ethel in charge of moral principle (5)	24 46 aw Card sharp embraces love and gives brief appreciation: 'Tommy's rubbish!' (5)	25 37 d Denied gun in desperation (7)	26 43 d Loiterer goes after Minnie perhaps by Cab? (7)	27 38 d Male (feline) with speech impediment withm bird with pie (9,3,3)	28
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