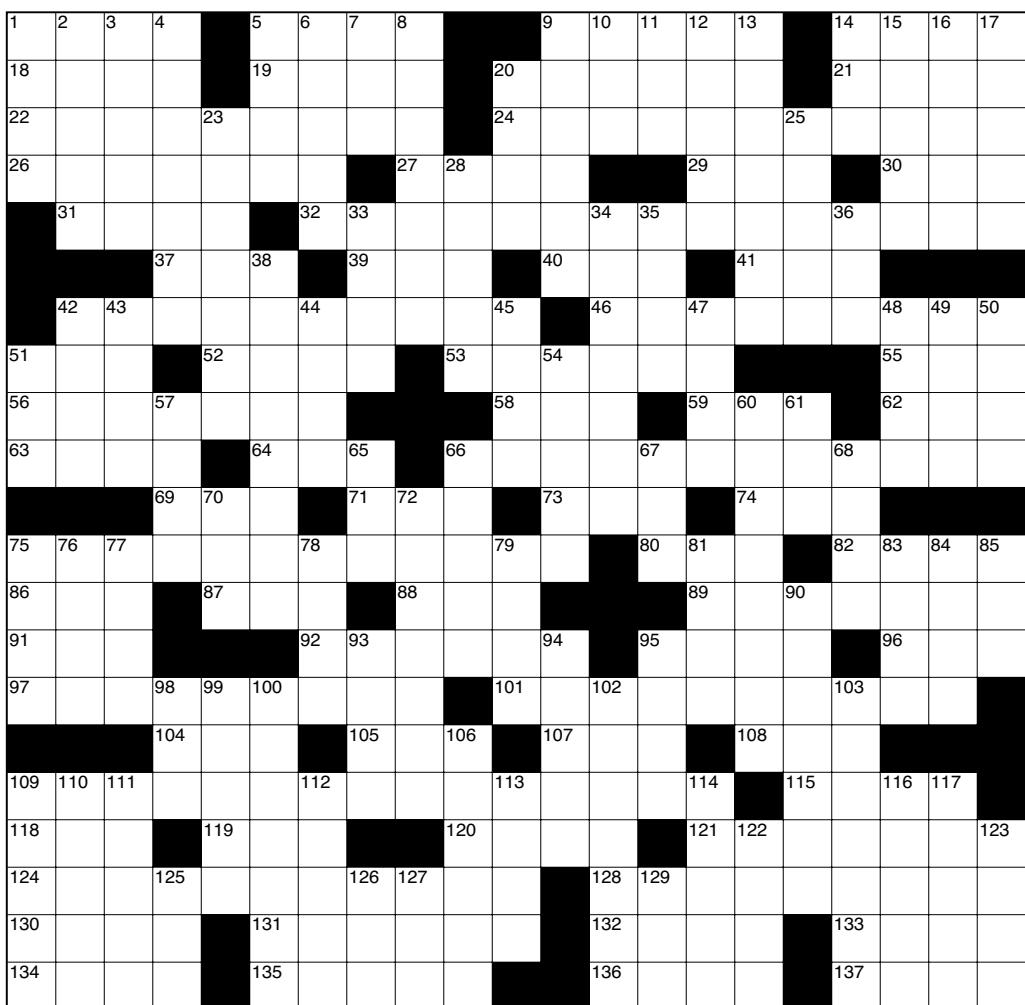


New England-Style Chatter 2

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ACROSS

1 Precarious perch
 5 Coffee coast
 9 Made crow sounds
 14 Heart problem?
 18 Where the ounce can pounce
 19 A No. 2, on the green
 20 Veteran
 21 Old mother Hubbard's son
 22 Huck Finn parodies?
 24 Bordello special?
 26 Filch a la Poe
 27 Science org.
 29 R-V center?
 30 William who wed Mary
 31 Verb in "I Am Woman"
 32 Perennial phone problem at Goats R Us?
 37 Your, in Tours
 39 Fly catcher of a sort
 40 ___ double take
 41 "___ a date!"
 42 Actress who felt empty inside?
 46 Rival whisky of Old Argyle?
 51 Guy's name or French word
 52 Have a rough night
 53 Deck a Dolphin
 55 Rex Reed rejection
 56 Family of fancy birds
 58 Written twice, a dance
 59 Distaff reference
 62 Language ending
 63 Idaho staple
 64 Moon jumper
 66 Battled Cochise?
 69 "___ drunkard"
 (Rick, in *Casablanca*)
 71 Shortened, as a dict.
 73 Capt. of industry
 74 Butt heads
 75 Sun-roof safeguard on some U.S. cars?
 80 *Vanity Fair* author's monogram
 82 *Iliad* suicide
 86 Old undercover org.
 87 Bristol break
 88 Actor Tognazzi
 89 1987 Coppola film, *Gardens* —
 91 Place with good circulation?
 92 Uses, as a futon
 95 Lovable eccentric
 96 Sit or shut endings
 97 Rollers in barracks?
 101 One-time Miracle Gro pitchman?
 104 Certain pol: abbr.
 105 Meadow
 107 Corn-eater's leftover
 108 *Lover Come Back* star
 109 What a nail feels?
 115 Car-collecting comedian
 118 Pal, to Pascal
 119 *Cinco de mayo*, e.g.
 120 Inning enders
 121 Go along with Marie Antoinette
 124 With 128 Across, good advice at the Medicine Man Ball?
 128 See 124 Across



130 African Nobelist
 131 U.K. hotspot
 132 Who-knows-how-long
 133 Bank take-back
 134 African antelope
 135 European steel center
 136 Others
 137 Goddess of discord

DOWN

1 Reading aid
 2 "Peace ___ profession"
 (*Dr. Strangelove* sign)
 3 Film or phone preceder
 4 Turkish treat
 5 New Zealander
 6 Shaggy ape, briefly
 7 The best, briefly
 8 Poe's Lee
 9 Store sign
 10 Commotion
 11 Typist's stat: abbr.
 12 Edit, sometimes
 13 "___ under the apple tree ..."
 14 Tirana's land: abbr.
 15 Stevens or T. Nelson
 16 Mandel or Morris
 17 "The ___ near ..."
 20 Spoken
 23 1992 World Series champs
 25 Singer Springfield
 28 Chief monk
 33 Rice U. team
 34 Penalized amount
 35 Paw

36 Animal you can sit on
 38 Display to good advantage
 42 Cherokee, for one
 43 Son of Rebecca
 44 Capital on a fjord
 45 Baylor University's city
 47 Binet-Simon, for one
 48 Crude org.
 49 Express-lane requirement, often
 50 Bended part
 51 Previous records?
 54 Cut of beef
 57 Nest-egg guarantor: abbr.
 60 Insurance city
 61 Ecol.-minded entity
 65 Route
 66 Pre-osculated princes
 67 Start of many questions
 68 Latin verb
 70 Grocery store: abbr.
 72 "... devil and the deep ___"
 75 Pear variety
 76 Stamp ctr.
 77 ___ large (hasn't been caught)
 78 Cabbage or moolah
 79 Not too receptive
 81 Early keyboard synthesizer
 83 Enlist in
 84 Dustin's *Graduate* costar
 85 Illiterate John Hancocks
 90 Black bomber
 93 *Winnie ___ Pu*
 94 Sleep time, in Stuttgart

95 Market-watching cable channel
 98 *Of Human Bondage* author's initials
 99 Takes to heart
 100 Henry, in Hermosillo
 102 Ohio college town
 103 Vision supervision
 106 12
 109 "It ___ Be You"
 110 Love in Paris
 111 Like a julep
 112 Bank-job scores
 113 Litigant
 114 Sharpens
 116 Title giver
 117 Giraffe's cousin
 122 Della, to Perry: abbr.
 123 Early grandson, in the Bible
 125 Rented outfit
 126 Man of Steel emblem
 127 Summer, in Lyon
 129 Mortar mixer

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