

Cryptic Crossword Group

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Lured by mince pies, nine members met to continue working through the different clue types – this month's clue type being 'letter switch clues'.

We commenced with a warm-up of 14 not so easy anagrams and 6 hidden clues including a couple of hidden with reversal thrown in for good measure!

The warm-ups have become progressively more difficult – all of today's clues were taken from crosswords in the Sunday Times – and took over half an hour to complete.

We then moved on to letter switch clues where 2 words differ from each other by one or more letters – moving one or more letters produces another word, the SOLUTION.

e.g. Fish move south along the coast (3,5)

Definition = FISH

Indicator = move...along

S (south) is moved to the right in THE COAST = SEASHORE

Solution = SEA HORSE

After working our way through 10 more letter switch clues, we broke for refreshments before tackling another Times quick cryptic crossword provided by Tim.

Our next meeting at the Guide HQ Birch Road is on Wednesday 10th January at 2pm

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