

March  
2017  
Extra  
Puck  
Sirius

1. March Extra Competition

The March Extra competition with a Middlemarch themed grid by Sirius and clued by Puck was won by Max Jackson of Oxford. Excellent solving!

This was a challenging puzzle as befits an Extra. Puck managed to include a large number of references to Middlemarch (possibly based on Coventry) by George Eliot (honoured by the statue in Nuneaton – see title photo). The difficulty of clues was increased by multiple definitions and several subtractive anagrams. The photo was laterally inverted for reasons of composition rather than any cryptic message.

