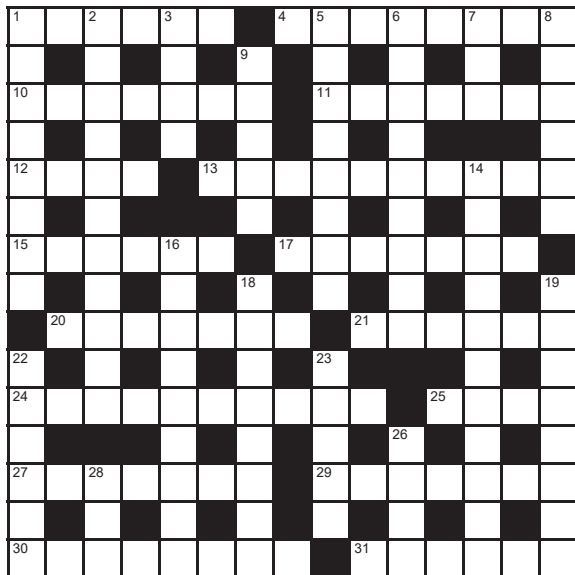


# CROSSWORD

## No. 16,463 Set by GAFF



JOTTER PAD

### An anniversary puzzle

#### ACROSS

- 1 Oil man – look out! (6)
- 4 Declining to have hot stuffed herb (8)
- 10 Bugs depicted in Cyrillic abbreviations from the East (7)
- 11 Press civic leader in state of emergency (7)
- 12 Drop sound level (4)
- 13 She plugs electrical radio telephone leads into monitor (10)
- 15 Coarse fish nets in Grangemouth first (6)
- 17 Pain overwhelms a mid-rank ancient Greek (7)
- 20 Order to rig vote to create sense of instability (7)
- 21 Arab soldiers between you and me (6)
- 24 Allotment after half a day's soaking (10)
- 25, 26 Loyal to the legitimate navy (4-4)
- 27 Match against schoolchildren (7)
- 29 Movement without its legislator is in chaos (7)
- 30 They protest against work with models (8)
- 31 Knowing offensive group of musicians (6)

#### DOWN

- 1 Damage from wear on bottom of shoe (8)
- 2 Bond maybe broken centre stage (6,5)

- 3 Height at which club members need to score (4)
- 5 Wealth but no money around mid-July (8)
- 6 Dream of arming the criminal (9)
- 7 For travellers to get around in? (3)
- 8 Maybe ducks for cover (6)
- 9 Exaltation perhaps from offers that are about right (5)
- 14 Problem with public address speakers (5,6)
- 16 Well-known for number of rubbish raised notes (9)
- 18 15 device that makes perfect soldiers' companion (3,5)
- 19 Main savers' vehicle (8)
- 22 Crazy for tipsy chocolate filling (6)
- 23 Gem of a high note at last (5)
- 26 See 25
- 28 Stop hold-up (3)

Solution 16,462

