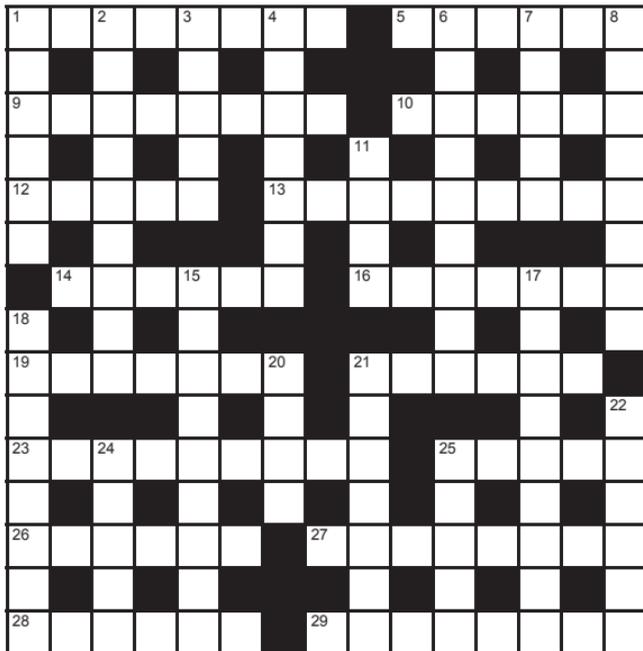


CROSSWORD

No. 16,139 Set by PETO



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Support needed by team coming from behind (8)
- 5 Strange boy's most likely to succeed (4-2)
- 9 Rule throughout after peacekeepers leave (3,5)
- 10 Mock additional information on European Union act (6)
- 12 Seconds away from guard's admission (5)
- 13 Books on playing well on the earliest of artificial grass (9)
- 14 Unpretentious headdress with a hint of severity for wife (6)
- 16 An indicator of rum times? (7)
- 19 Consequence of celestial body's tail disappearing revealed earlier (7)
- 21 Stamina shown by Pole in race? Just the opposite (6)
- 23 Fuss about poet receiving award (9)
- 25 Haul round (5)
- 26 Earl mostly calm about bit of noise affecting horses (6)
- 27 Disinclined to speak of it with Bill going into shock (8)
- 28 Starter for ten about the beginnings of Russia's eastern expansion (6)
- 29 Volunteers to split control with the Queen's servant (8)

DOWN

- 1 Bound to get second class degree (6)
- 2 Against reaching absolute limit (9)
- 3 Turn out theatrical productions ultimately getting to the top (5)

- 4 Ted, nine, to play part of Gnasher (7)
- 6 Virtue shown by sailor, sent up by soldier (6,3)
- 7 Donuts regularly consumed by South American composer (5)
- 8 Issue raised after a refusal to get going by midday (8)
- 11 Uncertain a short time after losing head (4)
- 15 Utter rubbish at first about breaking spring (9)
- 17 A fight to reverse complete change of policy (5,4)
- 18 Able to be experienced by prisoner on island (8)
- 20 Departure times appearing on it after the introduction of electricity (4)
- 21 Gonad damaged during extremely bizarre sexual practice (7)
- 22 Black eye for pop singer reportedly boxing at home (6)
- 24 Get up on stage (5)
- 25 Country hotel popular in California (5)

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