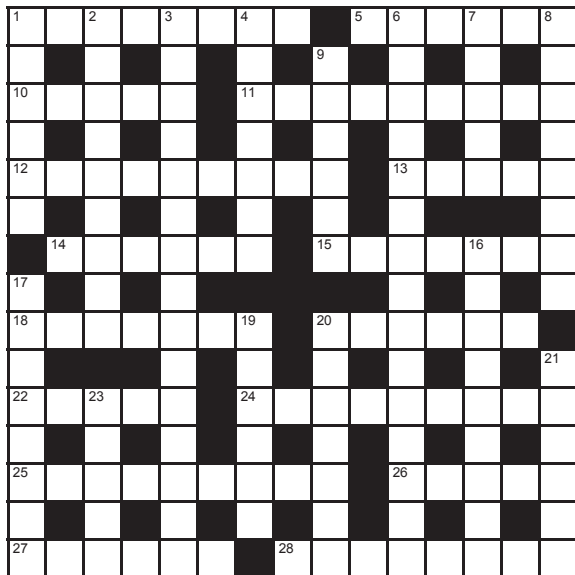


# CROSSWORD

## No. 16,355 Set by MUDD



JOTTER PAD

### ACROSS

- 1 Put in symbols, made fishy? (8)
- 5 Begging on the throne? (6)
- 10 Large rodent, timid baby dropping tail (5)
- 11 Poop deck only starts flooding in for old monster (9)
- 12 Intense state of activity in terms of cricket? (9)
- 13 Conservative kept in check after U-turn, less despicable (5)
- 14 Top calculation a little bit short (6)
- 15 Ideal partner the missus left, it's inferred? (2,5)
- 18 Article confiscated by coppers, as punishment (7)
- 20 Nipping sideways possibly, cross (6)
- 22 Isle in better state (5)
- 24 Slowly move beyond something worthless in flier (9)
- 25 Cold water as beer, gin rum! (6,3)
- 26 Au naturel on camera, scrawnier backsides bony? (5)
- 27 Unsuccessful flankers tackled by prop, score (6)
- 28 Test said to bring about a feeling of repugnance (8)

### DOWN

- 1 Bird clocked nuts (6)
- 2 Ready when derailed to change ticket (3,6)
- 3 Round Isle of Man I tripped - in time? (4-11)

- 4 Merlot regularly passed around, it is not for everyone! (7)
- 6 Safe and natural cracks under capital in Sacramento, this crack potentially unsafe (3,7,5)
- 7 As Sanskrit and Urdu in mind, I concentrated (5)
- 8 Cause adopted by cadet, a renegade going the other way (8)
- 9 Milk in baby feeder for Victoria and Albert, perhaps? (6)
- 16 Blow a gasket while following West Indian round block (2,7)
- 17 On counter, room key (5,3)
- 19 Dictation of two letters, superfluity (6)
- 20 Bit of butter in range, cut for bread (7)
- 21 Care to attack (6)
- 23 Bits seen as thong pulled up (5)

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