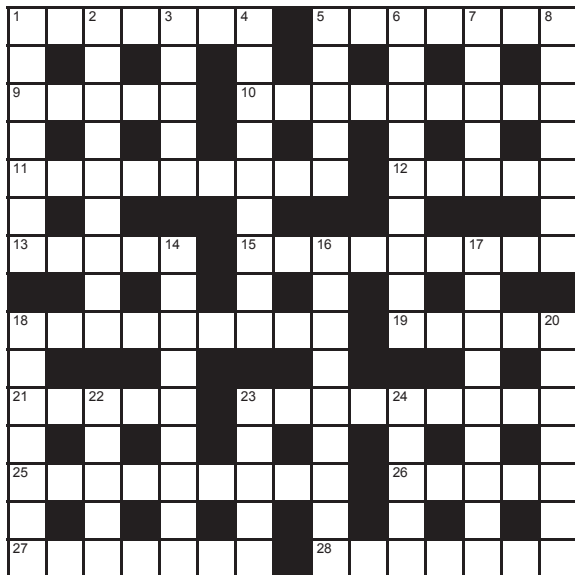


CROSSWORD

No. 15,908 Set by ALBERICH



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 A pest's not the first problem for garden plant (7)
- 5 The best conducted Brahms and Liszt (7)
- 9 Regularly aboard that vessel (5)
- 10 New member's no pervert (9)
- 11 Victor breaks brassy bust (9)
- 12 Three times I carry uniform for all the players (5)
- 13 Article by young woman is unsuitable (5)
- 15 Unsatisfactory conclusion is displeasing (9)
- 18 Determine beforehand - smart clothes or red pants? (9)
- 19 Drink some cappuccino after knocking it back (5)
- 21 Divorce, swapping partners? Surely not! (5)
- 23 Penny gets in secret supply, being far-sighted (9)
- 25 Sailors from Irish port proceed on a twisty course (9)
- 26 Somebody should hold power, I suppose (5)
- 27 Song with finale about woman Theseus abandoned (7)
- 28 Forbidding person's standards? (7)

DOWN

- 1 American artist and writer wants a coffee (7)
- 2 Son missing risky horse sports? Riding was part of it (9)
- 3 Hold up a retail outlet (5)
- 4 State of Maine's not changing (9)

- 5 Turn to bigwig upon whom everything depends (5)
- 6 Chap needs a medicine, being unable to move (9)
- 7 Most insignificant start for Leyton Orient (5)
- 8 Sound as a bell after long eating in moderation (7)
- 14 Resistance force in south of France is caught unawares (9)
- 16 Nun flew off, having picked up live spider (6-3)
- 17 One covers for magazine including summary that's inaccurate (9)
- 18 Dash out of hospital with a remedy (7)
- 20 Cruel Cockney said to be naive (7)
- 22 Italian scorer exaggerated, avoiding extremes (5)
- 23 Quietly encourage removal of undesirable elements (5)
- 24 Could be Coco Chanel on vacation getting personal (5)

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