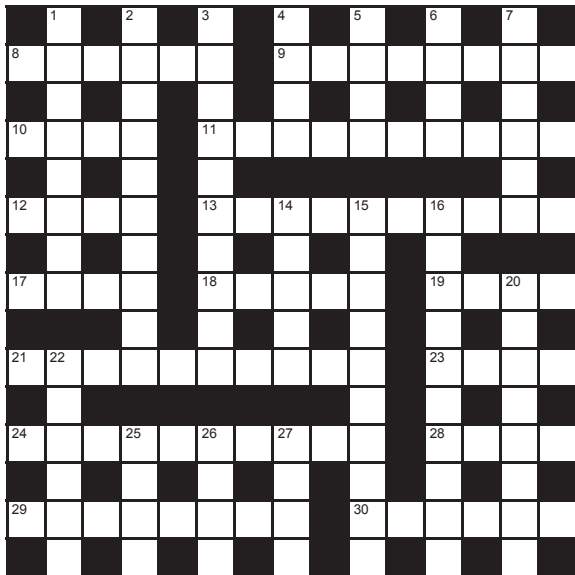


# CROSSWORD

## No. 15,956 Set by JULIUS



JOTTER PAD

### ACROSS

- 8 Entirely independent new group getting platinum from Africa (2,4)
- 9 Sport embraced by all across Europe (8)
- 10 Composer moving contents out of Brondesbury Road (4)
- 11 Aristo breaking bread with old Madame Cholet after cycling? (10)
- 12 Julius is in Delaware a bit (4)
- 13 It's a stick-up job (4,6)
- 17 Independence movement taking afternoon break (4)
- 18 Royal beard treatment carried out by daughter, 19? (5)
- 19 Lothario found in belly of Nordic sea-monster (4)
- 21 Rich American pursuing Miranda's father (10)
- 23 Wasting a billion in two instalments, ruin Dutch football side (4)
- 24 Patience? I manage recovery, initially being in non-responsive state (5,5)
- 28 Get her away from 8's falsetto (4)
- 29 Victoria (the Queen) & Albert (husband) gallery (8)
- 30 Pop a question that's a bit unclear (6)

### DOWN

- 1 Final year note about work by Keats (8)
- 2 Pray to God Herod pulls round (4,4,2)

- 3 Waving baton is cue for leader of orchestra (5,5)
- 4 Smooth, slippery rock enclosing lake (4)
- 5 Old coins stripped from holy city in Israel (4)
- 6 Dickens "ordinary"? Idiot! (4)
- 7 Get away from it all on England's southern headland (6)
- 14 Fast or, at first, slowly? (5)
- 15 Like Lord Copper to continue to obstruct the legal profession (5,5)
- 16 Knight making a dash, clutching precious grail (3,7)
- 20 Running amok, Ruth Gordon bought it here (8)
- 22 He gets up for work, often burdened by shingles (6)
- 25 Goodness regularly seen in Miss Mary? (1,3)
- 26 Probabilities of party upset gutted Democrats (4)
- 27 City head office office office? (4)

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