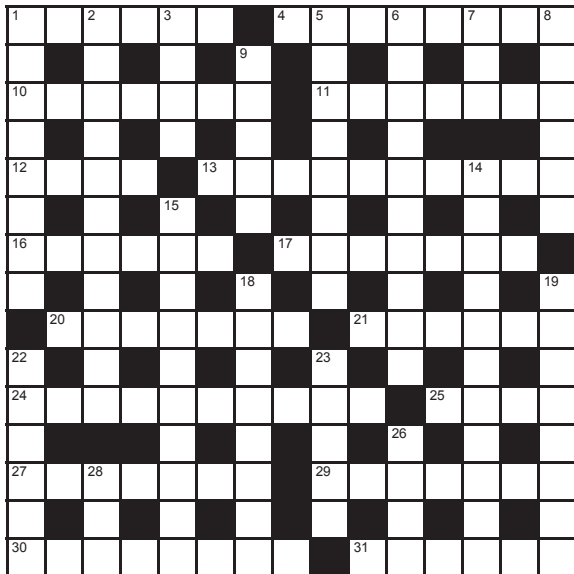


CROSSWORD

No. 15,957 Set by WANDERER



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Shooter with bad breath (6)
- 4 Old bachelor, one handling emails for tabloid recently (8)
- 10 Very difficult question from small mischievous child (7)
- 11 Sat around, wife was anxious? (7)
- 12 A figment of barmy thoughts (4)
- 13 Child recalled desire to put a stop to eating English food that's red (6,4)
- 16, 17 Close shaves, as pancreas worse after treatment (6,7)
- 20, 21 President describes one hotel to usher in classic car (7,6)
- 24 Capable of being drawn back in by largely select group before president retires (10)
- 25 Parrot from Ecuador, originally (4)
- 27 Carp about books one king needed for expedition (3-4)
- 29 Mash is ordered with one fish dish (7)
- 30 Almost spring, with shortened hours of darkness (4-4)
- 31 Hospital needed after surprisingly short, gentle stretch (6)

DOWN

- 1 Mammal hiding seed in underground space (8)
- 2 Give alternative explanation of resistance to film supporting theatre outside Bury (11)
- 3 Topless Wag – a tasty catch for someone (4)

- 5, 23 BA option, as part of MBA? (8,5)
- 6 Abrasive item Dick possibly found on top of photocopier (5,5)
- 7 Check content of abusive texts (3)
- 8 Mammal finding rhubarb outside lair (6)
- 9, 18 Film school on location before Cannes, say? Good! (13)
- 14 Very noticeable ethic agency deployed (3-8)
- 15 In brief, 100 is about the current number of inhabitants (10)
- 18 See 9
- 19 Carpet Simon had fitted? (8)
- 22 Yank regularly featuring in opus about Polish city (6)
- 23 See 5
- 26 Perhaps a key passage, we hear (4)
- 28 Nothing to be obtained from detailing River Ouse's source? (3)

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