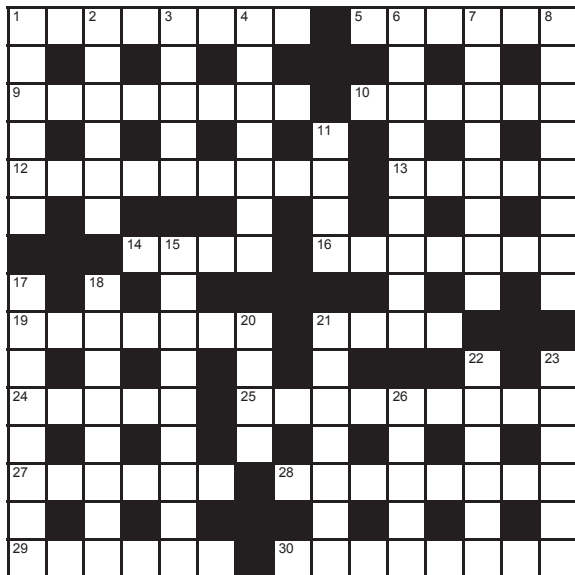


CROSSWORD

No. 15,708 Set by SLEUTH



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Men do it haphazardly around start of weekend in leisurely period? (8)
- 5 Garden tools in section of a deck (6)
- 9 Evasive – like a mule? (8)
- 10 Body noted for rings gives a second backing performance (6)
- 12 Traditional works sold by companion with retired gents? (3-6)
- 13 Take minute out of wood in river (5)
- 14 Parking put by very large hotel that's top-class (4)
- 16 Praise a demand in speech (7)
- 19 Having a complaint, woman in Kentucky is a misery (7)
- 21 Assured piece of topical mimicry (4)
- 24 Man serving in pub dispensing a litre shows reason (5)
- 25 Put another way, bore apt to follow first signs of roguish excess? (9)
- 27 Return of help at small sports venues (6)
- 28 Use authority wrongly to withdraw facility for taxis (4,4)
- 29 More organised inspector enters area of stand (6)
- 30 Representative of order and greed man unleashed (8)

DOWN

- 1 See supporting extremists in dispute: autocratic type (6)
- 2 Word I supply to encapsulate eccentric principally? (6)
- 3 Bring up religious books and film as subject (5)

- 4 A lot about leader of right-wing party in female novelist (7)
- 6 Republican bound by agreement I term not quite feasible (9)
- 7 Odd patrol behind rear of crowd making percussive sound (8)
- 8 Condition in Asian region, it's said, and European capital (8)
- 11 Excuse accepted by couple amazingly (4)
- 15 Aim to be free of prejudice? (9)
- 17 Doctor likes list I put out – showing range of abilities (5,3)
- 18 Idle sort has to carry gallon in half of Italian island (8)
- 20 English is excluded in long tale (4)
- 21 Medical case in part of spacecraft (7)
- 22 Arab arranged to tour Arizona in charitable fair (6)
- 23 Jeer abusively man, clerk that's awkward right away (6)
- 26 Priest upset in excessive amount becomes tipsy (5)

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