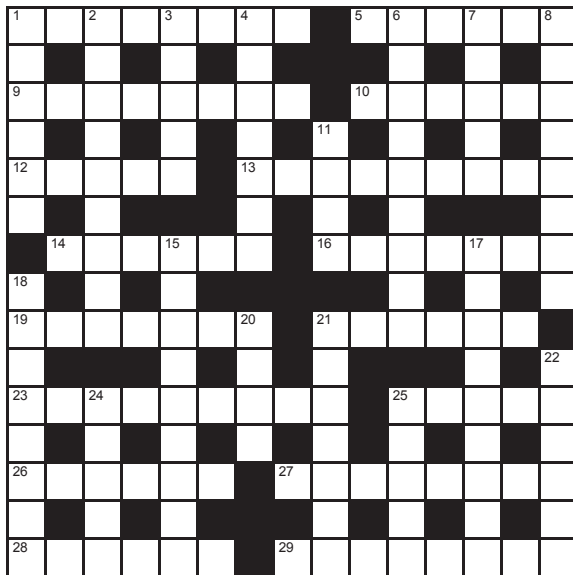


# CROSSWORD

No. 15,810 Set by CRUX



**JOTTER PAD**

## ACROSS

- 1 Socialist, a good sort, wouldn't apply to Oxbridge (8)
- 5 A lodge that's possibly pre-Roman? (3-3)
- 9 Leading lady from the upper classes, most likely (4,4)
- 10 A short La Scala production made her name, appropriately (6)
- 12 Cancel almanac, it has omitted article (5)
- 13, 25 Replace, at all costs, her right to a theatre seat (9,5)
- 14 A team's mutterings to the ref? (6)
- 16 Jerome and Eric get trapped wind (7)
- 19 Like some rare coins, possibly, or a wallflower! (7)
- 21 English name associated with love-charm (6)
- 23 Hurry up and get dressed properly (4,5)
- 25 See 13
- 26 Beginning or end of samurai spirit (6)
- 27 Guaranteed to give meaning without it (8)
- 28 What little birds do, loudly, on the window-sill, say (6)
- 29 Engine is not broken up for scrap (8)

## DOWN

- 1 Except for west weather surprisingly warm again (6)
- 2 Identified disease doctors initially agonised about (9)
- 3 Genuine, good-hearted and majestic (5)
- 4 They're supposed to encourage vegetables (7)
- 6, 25 Unsocial hours working in the cemetery? (9,5)
- 7 Pussycat's shipmate when young (5)
- 8 Becomes discouraged when couples follow diets, oddly (8)
- 11 Scot's taken up the fiddle (4)
- 15 Teed off with pain, being unable to stand (9)
- 17 Over-emotional displays, often amateur (9)
- 18 Start the game without Hector? (5-3)
- 20 Face heads of department in actual lessons (4)
- 21 Exorbitant tip (7)
- 22 This is one at home to put in the picture (4,2)
- 24 Female duck not recorded (5)
- 25 See 6