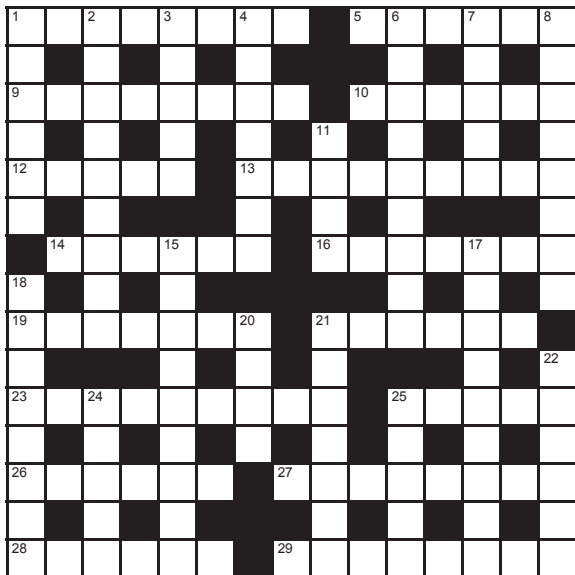


CROSSWORD

No. 15,979 Set by GOZO



JOTTER PAD

All the across solutions are thematic and lack thematic definition

ACROSS

- 1 Writing round the border (8)
- 5 Unrestrained number left (6)
- 9 Huns leaving White Russian bewildered (8)
- 10 Caught you and me in the act? No! (6)
- 12 Partners playing bridge in river (5)
- 13 New history about the Football Association. Quite the opposite (9)
- 14 Oddly, they answer to Liberal leader (6)
- 16 Got up after meal (3,4)
- 19 Individual taking new name first (7)
- 21 Dog's heart. Certainly (6)
- 23 Daughter vetted on-line ad (9)
- 25 Blue and golden odd bits (5)
- 26 Old king and offspring reported (6)
- 27 If returned without hesitation to party member (8)
- 28 Steamroller dismantled, metal components thrown out (6)
- 29 Renegotiated Hall's fee (8)

DOWN

- 1 Birds taking exercise with humorists (6)
- 2 Elected because half were fake (9)
- 3 Eyes bigger than stomach, missing starter to get thin (5)

- 4 Capable Silk led astray. Corrupted, nothing less (7)
- 6 No matter where and how you pack – whatever! (2,3,4)
- 7 Lock for a door left at church (5)
- 8 Note declares they have a will (8)
- 11 Worry about appearing in here? (4)
- 15 High priest, derided endlessly about result (9)
- 17 Kitchener may have had a hand in this (4,5)
- 18 Timeless indicators of crying that may relieve any listener (8)
- 20 Muslim ruler mentioned in the Mirror (4)
- 21 Unemployable boffin regularly on river (2,2,3)
- 22 Horticulturist's literary counterpart (6)
- 24 More pleasant at French city with a drop of red (5)
- 25 Short letter for Fritz (5)

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