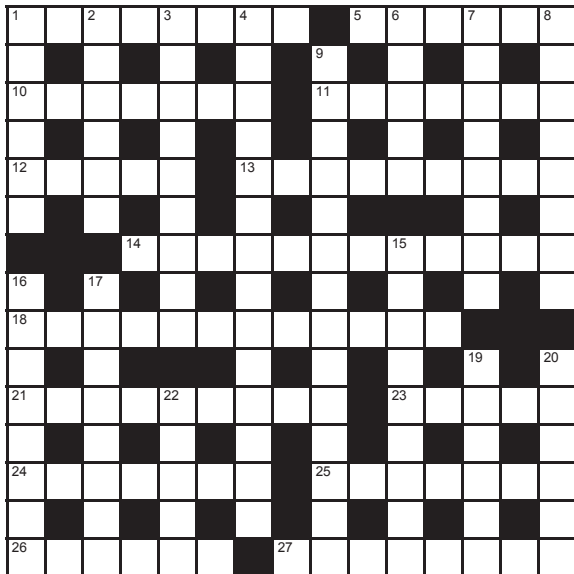


CROSSWORD

No. 16,223 Set by WANDERER



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Pieces of paper needed for this? Not right (4,4)
- 5 Not the ultimate second-class form of money (6)
- 10 Which doctors ignored case for home birth? Clots! (7)
- 11 Ignorant female facing conflict online (7)
- 12 Old man has upset former Turkish officer (5)
- 13 Puzzling time in charge, unevenly managed (9)
- 14 On St David's Day, iffy palmist entertains English group having its ups and downs in Europe (8,4)
- 18 Explosive devices incorporated in French journals? (12)
- 21 The sound of fairgrounds: pointless theme (9)
- 23 Soldiers' wretched time, retreating (5)
- 24 Perhaps satellite organisation has small part for middle daughter (7)
- 25 Put out again by note written by children (7)
- 26 German male who's trying to lose weight? (6)
- 27 Fool Year 1 with an Aramaic dialect (8)

DOWN

- 1 Firm with courier arrangements (3-3)
- 2 Football team favouring set plays (6)
- 3 Pardon setter – a good anagram's first in a bit (4,5)
- 4 May Heath Robinson provide examples of these peculiar machines? Some, initially (5,9)

- 6 Song Paul Simon composed – no No.1, you said (5)
- 7 A large number try and fail somehow, in a cunningly deceptive way (8)
- 8 Work out tax required, without hesitation (8)
- 9 "Do behave!" "Two of us are married in this threesome" (parts of speech) (9,5)
- 15 Roving eye? Flirt admits heading for cheap thrill (9)
- 16 Some calm water philosopher thought about deeply? Not half! (8)
- 17 Small capitals current in poor quality writing (8)
- 19 Small trees destroyed by a bison (6)
- 20 Ill humour observed, consuming discontented chum (6)
- 22 Joint area of responsibility when cycling around (5)

Solution 16,222

