

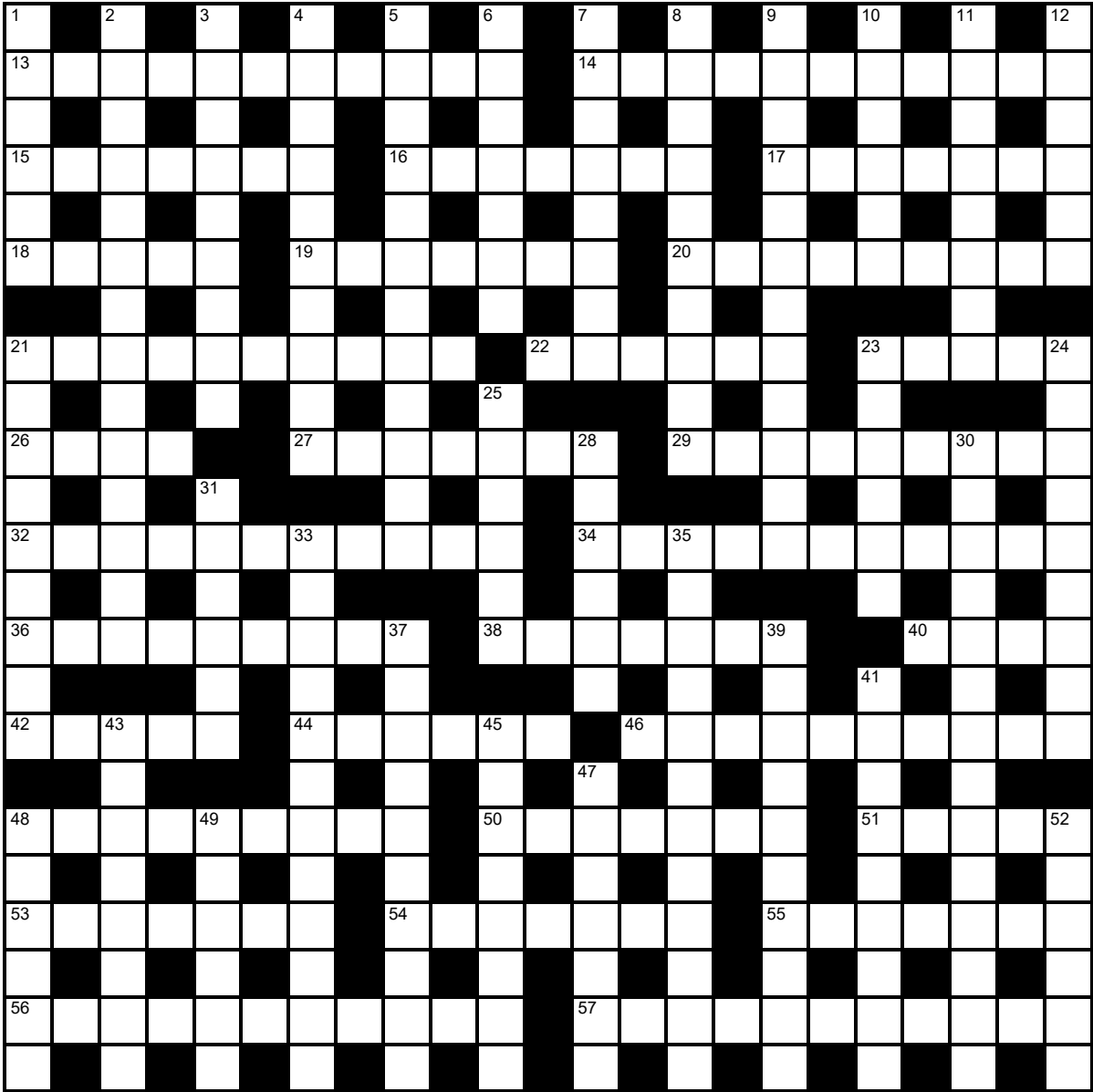
JUMBO CROSSWORD No 17,823 by BUCCANEER

ACROSS

- 13 One may be for or against power shift (11)
14 Reduce airtime in US broadcast (11)
15 Travelling to China, or old part of Turkey (7)
16 Bomb in Spanish, overwhelmed by exam's outcome (7)
17 Newsmen regularly catching some film star's brief disappearance? (7)
18 Sky features new confession about my sexuality (5)
19 Proposition in article about probing limits of occultism (7)
20 Postman bagging 19th letter, anxious and e.g. stressed or worried (4,5)
21 Possibly ballsy act? Rule it's criminal (10)
22 Former French first lady tours east Asian state (6)
23 During part of weekend, cruciverbalists cool down (5)
26 Finally critique and pan feature of *Star Wars* films (4)
27 Revered liberal ex-president, on track, moving leftwards (7)
29 Rather grey Liberal Party leader meeting Tory (5-4)
32 A number in Paris had yet to develop poet's maxim (5,3,3)
34 Banker, seized by underworld criminals, shakes (11)
36 Sweets with cream tucked into by poorly son (9)
38 No clue in cryptic form on piano composer (7)
40 Day the FT's miserable (4)
42 Informal agreement with pretty vacuous, affluent worker (5)
44 Price of, say, American bananas in recession (6)
46 Manage trade, failing to import cars (10)
48 Painting some light door frames (9)
50 Flying monster, one very loudly breaking beam (7)
51 Some cricket fans losing face (5)
53 £1000 a year for relative (7)
54 Composer in Indian garb eating pork pie (7)
55 Perhaps making jerk vote against backing ruler (7)
56 Conservative which Blair welcomes back in government (11)
57 Celebrated Austrian musician holding jazzy chord (11)

DOWN

- 1 Injury from run in the country (6)
2 Soporific accounts from paper poking into plot by politicians (7,7)
3 Eccentric in kimonos or beachwear (9)
4 American's nervous energy leaving top part of ladder (4-6)
5 Unaided, like Captain Hook? (6-6)
6 Forget name, led by a French king (7)
7 Might one make mummy amble



- merrily by Nice's sea (8)
8 Seat cover? (10)
9 Like perspective on a religion plugged by European (4,1,5,2)
10 One fired from bank pocketing, you heard, fifty pounds (6)
11 Cryptic indication of VIP getting old coin (8)
12 Hard stone removed from southern mountain (6)
21 Those people inspiring old, posh rogue's mystical belief (9)
23 Relief from the sun in Rome? Wonderful! (6)
24 Financial officer, with time, guaranteed to block raise (9)
25 Eliminate mess from DIY — put in a new order (4,2)
28 Finishes parody, bringing down leader of socialists (4,2)
30 Novel series of operas in London sports venue (4,2,3,5)
31 Appeal to cut tax, showing frivolity (6)

- 33 Case of ordeal with passport, say, in blow for tripper (12)
35 Bit of a dash, running very fast pace (5,2,5)
37 Glib current politician, on record, interrupting thus (10)
39 Caught that chap longing to return marijuana one may be smoking (10)
41 Drunk repeatedly in offie's opening port wine (5,4)
43 Meat starter from rotisserie consumed by both parents and actor (5,3)
45 Comparatively merry American who serves e.g. girl in a state (8)
47 Northerly German city providing delicacy (7)
48 Dump Ruth, embracing Gladys heartlessly (6)
49 Edit article in *Bild*, given a lift by performance (6)
52 Player of golf follows American around, getting mawkish (6)

Solution 17,817

