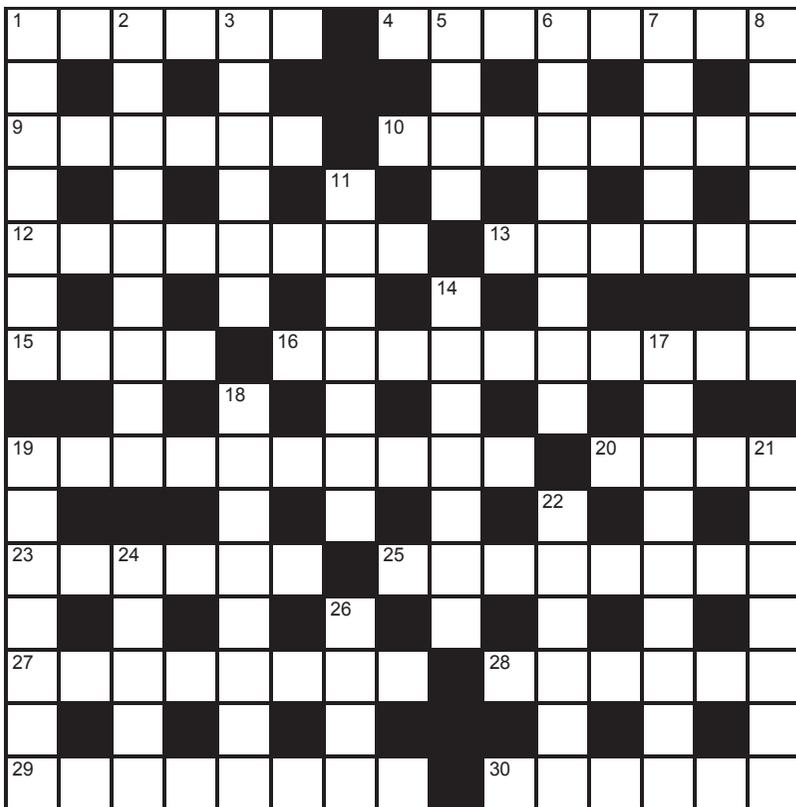


CROSSWORD

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The across solutions (two plural) are thematic and their clues lack their thematic definition

ACROSS

- 1 Old rubbish in river (6)
- 4 Enough space for sentimentality? (8)
- 9 Last part of anagram indicator (6)
- 10 Two chancellors at one (8)
- 12 Low, mean wretch doesn't take the rap (8)
- 13 Reason for an MOT failure? (6)
- 15 Before the wedding, called Prince (4)
- 16 Athlete with disqualification, having swallowed ecstasy (6,4)
- 19 Demented soul, etc etc (3,7)
- 20 Touch of salt and some dessert (4)
- 23 Top organiser's hunting dog (6)
- 25 Defeat, we hear, England's captain (8)
- 27 Copper with dog accepted award (8)
- 28 Artist – good-looking lass (6)
- 29 Attempts to include everything (8)
- 30 French lawyer appearing in press reports (6)

DOWN

- 1 Source of specific nuclear force poorly expressed in poems (2-5)
- 2 Bullies her, as tent collapsed (9)
- 3 He leaves the baps for fishes (6)
- 5 Little green men are regularly buffoons (4)
- 6 Field measurement involving hare and calf (4-4)
- 7 Suave young socialite is lost, broadcasting (2,3)
- 8 Wet month in Paris? Somewhat persistent towards the end (7)
- 11 Cut loss – destroyed plague insects (7)
- 14 Critic who's at the door? (7)
- 17 Like jelly and pineapple, say (9)
- 18 Sauce celeb cooked with meat in (8)
- 19 Options for desserts leading chef dropped (7)
- 21 Abandons at the roadside? (7)
- 22 A floozie's upset rock bands (6)
- 24 Bill's new car. Capital! (5)
- 26 One tribal division – but over half a dozen in France (4)

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