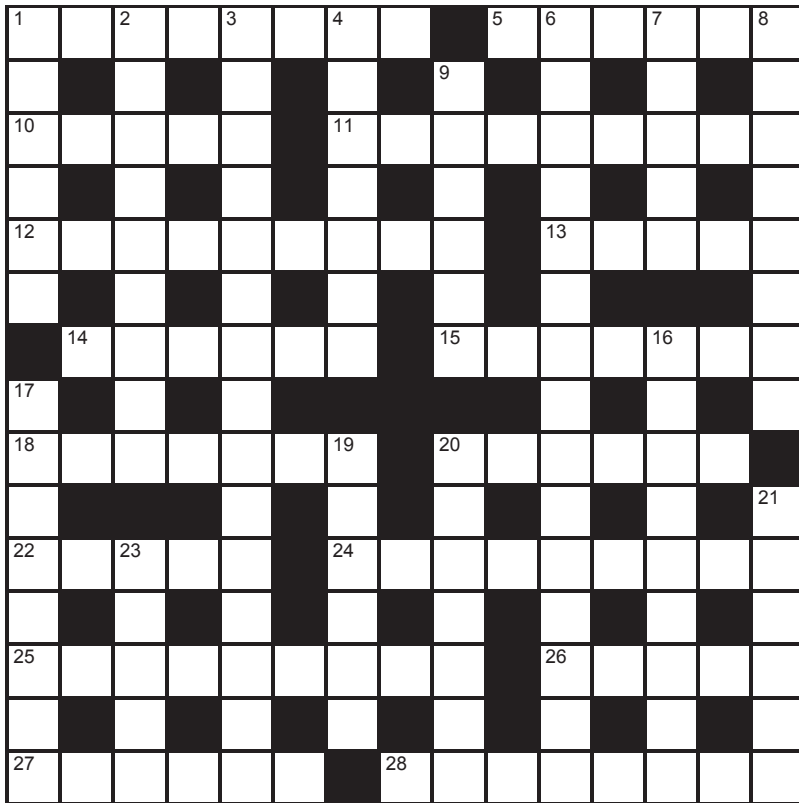


# CROSSWORD

No 16,744 Set by WANDERER



## ACROSS

- 1, 5 Young female in charge after C stream's bullied teacher (8,6)
- 10 Book featuring gangster and tramp? (5)
- 11 Histrionics from a Spice Girl playing a dame briefly or . . . (9)
- 12 . . . or possibly a genie missing one happy time in the past? (6,3)
- 13 Fight in ring, having agreed time earlier (3-2)
- 14 Recalled somewhat harder answer for "What might be in gin?" (6)
- 15 Voluptuous aunt? No model - less exotic (7)
- 18 After a month, sibling shows freedom from pathogens (7)
- 20 Change dog's name back, in setter's case (6)
- 22 Chinese group, one into a kind of jazz (5)
- 24 More tastelessly loud and flashy English supporter (9)
- 25 Fish died after net cast, becoming this? (9)
- 26 Violent behaviour in the past involving one coming before the Queen (5)
- 27 Hot water sailor might be in shortly - tide's beginning to come in (6)
- 28 Intimate brief fling with Ryde deviant (8)

## DOWN

- 1, 17 Number in 30s wanting to do some wife-swapping? (6,8)
- 2 In which Uncle Sam's content to be treated by a doctor? (9)
- 3 One that's added need cries out for what the Queen has at Balmoral (6,9)
- 4 Key, third in bunch and one that opens drawer (7)
- 6 Complaint when sand is sold regularly by seaside resorts? (8,7)
- 7 Feature one that tweets about God (5)
- 8, 21 Its content can't easily be edited - it's in biro, mostly (4-4,6)
- 9 British city drains (6)
- 16 Defend gull - only one left struggling, not able to fly yet (9)
- 17 See 1
- 19 It's fine to hurry when bus turns up (6)
- 20 Snake found in Rome and Eritrea (7)
- 21 See 8
- 23 Opening bars? Keen on including one in rooftop location (5)

## JOTTER PAD

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