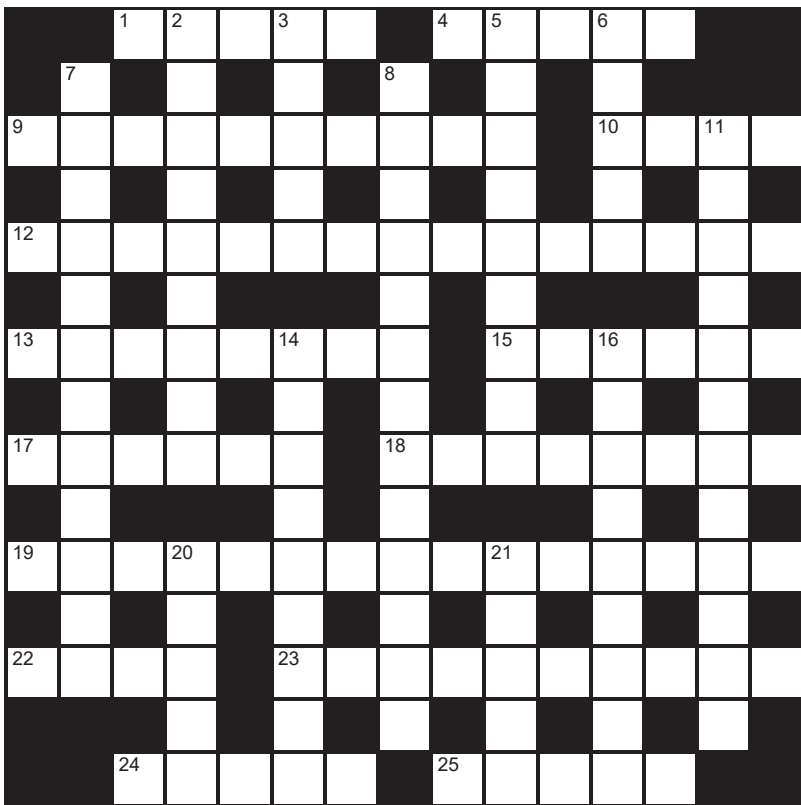


CROSSWORD

No 16,801 Set by IO



ACROSS

- 1, 3** Priest is taken in by "Exotic Cruises" share bonus (5,5)
4 A not altogether traditional area for village cricket match (5)
9, 17 Network Kitty introduced to her ego over fare up north! (10,6)
10 Stew you could make of 9, 17 with 7 (4)
12 With love, shall we mark it off in Advent, say? Let's! (2,10,3)
13 Designer doing time (2-2-4)
15, 23 Tricky opposition, Brazil! (1,5,3,2,5)
17 See 9
18 He's endlessly bullish about wordfinders (8)
19 Warning signs given here by tonk, soh & te - and by making 25 24? (9,6)
22 Bird seen along the shore took no time to strip off (4)
23 See 15
24 Dogs opening counter to bite a tosser's backside (5)
25 See 21

DOWN

- 2** Dog, reportedly, and bear launched over the moon (4-1-4)
3 See 1
5 Plum tie to do the job again after taking scalp of Gunners? (9)
6 The spirit people show recycling them there (5)
7 Not notice lad perform work routine in something from Cream? (12)
8 What's surprisingly next in sheet to a little bit of Bernstein? (9,4)
11 Staff seen on the square with *TMS* man in two seconds (7,5)
14 "Lionheart" is an ale which keeps in the traditional way (9)
16 Yellow wound up a different colour (6-3)
20 More outside (5)
21, 25 Beside hookers, these people - see - had bonked behind toilets (5,5)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 16,800

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