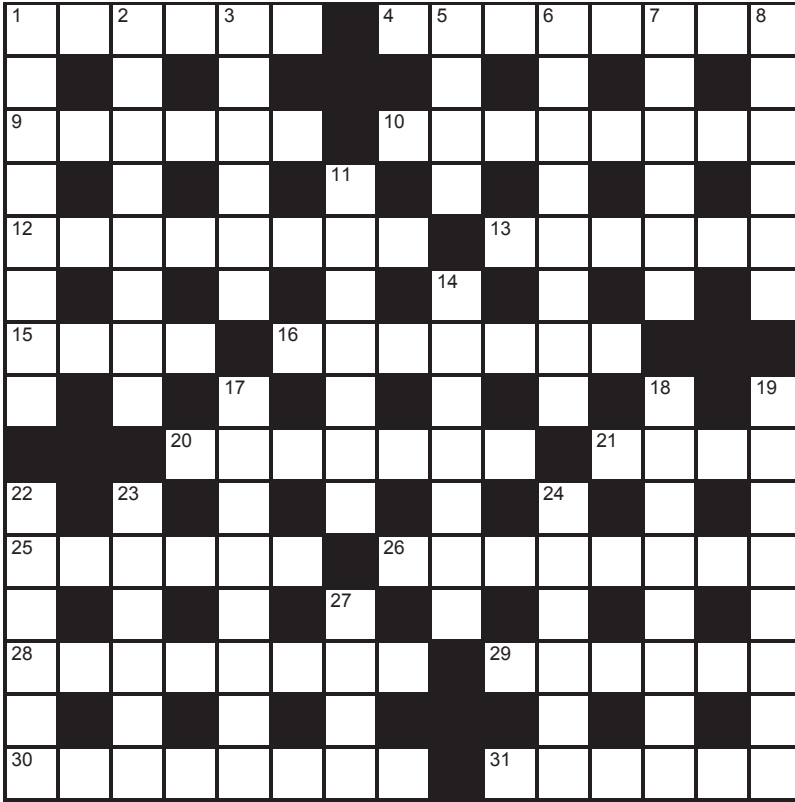


# CROSSWORD

No 17,091 Set by GOZO



**All the solutions are thematic and almost all lack their thematic definition, though one clue does suggest the theme**

## ACROSS

- 1 Bird that could be round area (6)
- 4 Formed queue for sponge cake, we're told (8)
- 9 Leading actor, endlessly calm at start (6)
- 10 Shut up and run off! (8)
- 12 French station in trade centre (8)
- 13 Vine-reduced sherry – goodness! (6)
- 15 Some of the children erred one way or the other (4)
- 16 Belonging over the Channel (7)
- 20 Mother takes lid off soup bowl (7)
- 21 Consistent complainer spoken of on Anglesey (4)
- 25 Clay and his lad (6)
- 26 Afternoon in state capital (8)
- 28 Harry's first love clad in fur (8)
- 29 Unrestrained nationalist left (6)
- 30 Not completely in good health in North Walian peninsula (8)
- 31 Suspicious East German removed gems (6)

## DOWN

- 1 Flower starts to root during fifth month (8)
- 2 Non-English bar-tender, sozzled (8)
- 3 Rejected popular Japanese car – gutted! (6)
- 5 Drink and kiss (4)
- 6 Samuel's memorial stone at chapel (8)
- 7 One married to old dope (6)
- 8 Man or woman as diarist (6)
- 11 Rider falls during dressage, losing heart (7)
- 14 Dry during year in France (7)
- 17 18's alter ego (8)
- 18 Lamb having reason for a sore foot (8)
- 19 Worker tucked into mash, cooked with touch of artistry (8)
- 22 Persistent pain in both sides (6)
- 23 Removes clothes from French revolutionary (6)
- 24 Rested, during middle of the week (6)
- 27 Easy to use within the sound of Bow Bells (4)

## JOTTER PAD

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