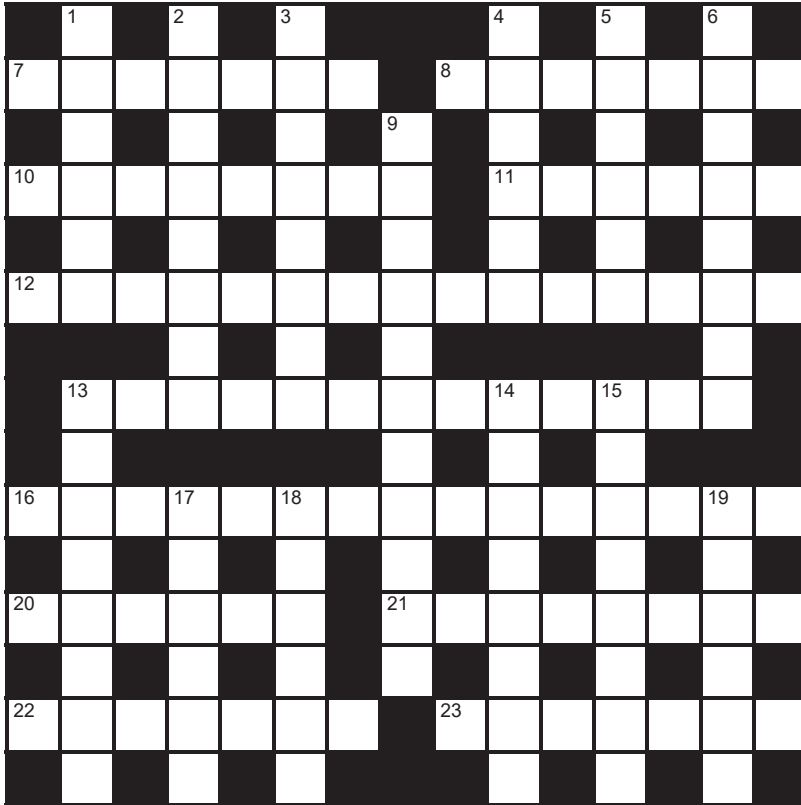


CROSSWORD

No 17,139 Set by MONK



ACROSS

- 7 Old car plant, almost the best of a bad bunch? (7)
- 8 More obscene 20 getting caught (7)
- 10 Maintain quiet aloofness (8)
- 11 By George – adult lifting gear? (6)
- 12 Check out Orwell novel – see inside, you may use it for the time (6-4,5)
- 13 1960s war film editor cutting one way to view 360? (3,5,5)
- 16 Team quotes often hushed up after sacking wingers in squad (5,2,3,5)
- 20 Picked up 8 for food shop (6)
- 21 Ex model, half drunk, leaving hotel (3,5)
- 22 Stamp on letter, not a penny in old money abroad (7)
- 23 Bishop breaking wind died in a place of rest just like another? (4,3)

DOWN

- 1 Old hill indicated by black pointer (6)
- 2 Wearing this, chaps are less likely to kiss (3,5)
- 3 Papers held up – around 5 PM on one occasion (8)
- 4 Club penguin, say, catching end of finger (6)
- 5 Republic in 3 scrapping borders (6)
- 6 Mouse getting itchy bits of cheese after nibbling container (8)
- 9 Ballooning aristo ate no crackers (11)
- 13 Tense, mostly annoyed, St Anthony is associated with this (3,5)
- 14 Fail before limits of demand have subsided (4,4)
- 15 This will hopefully help one to get better still (4,4)
- 17 For one, 3 having complaint raised pitch (6)
- 18 Error upset unknown heavenly model needing a wind-up? (6)
- 19 Warning announced as plane possibly plummets (6)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,138

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