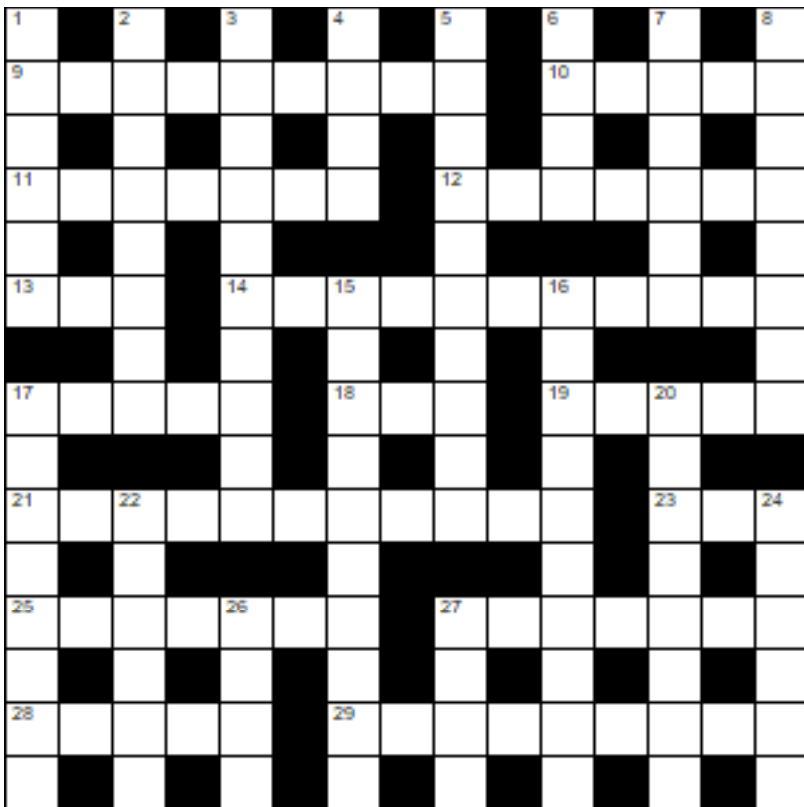


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No 17,496 Set by CHALMIE



Michael Holmans, who set for the FT as Chalmie, has died. He began compiling for the FT in 2014, also set for the Independent and produced many puzzles themed on his passions - rock music and cricket. As a tribute, we republish this Chalmie puzzle from February 2021

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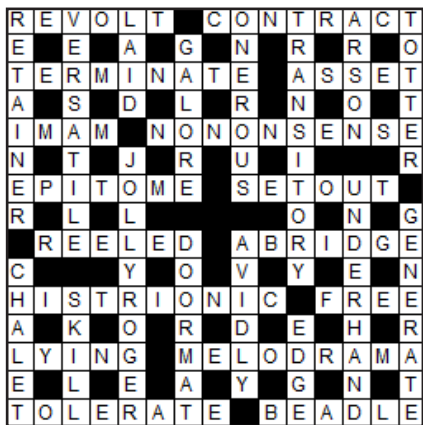
- 9 A cat for one oddly unable to be immortal (9)
 10 No-good cabinet minister starts to regret trampolining in public (5)
 11 "Bishop keeps the first bet on Sunday," they 19 (7)
 12 Sport making a 17 ac (7)
 13 Flower arrangement originally invented by the French (3)
 14 Fancy red bar stool has parts which 17 ac (5,6)
 17, 18, 19 Number Two is getting cut off projects involving horse (5,3,5)
 21 Farm animal crosses gaps without large footwear (6,5)
 23 Consume energy after the primaries (3)
 25 Airfoil which reveals plot (7)
 27 Sharpen woman's presentation of at least one alternative (7)
 28 1 friend missing the old country (5)
 29 Posh brand you order when it's your 19? (3,1,5)

DOWN

- 1 17 ac edges up to protect artists' group (6)
 2 Foreign bird is in Italian port (8)
 3 Notable traitor or one likely to 19 (10)
 4 Like collecting country's birds (4)
 5 Security device stopping credit by commercial satellite alarm (5,5)
 6 19 ends in disaster to a Republican (4)
 7 Drink one for New Year? (6)
 8 Men-only art and French scenery (5,3)
 15 Copy articles about king being guarded by Cherokee? (10)
 16 Is discouraged as meerkat gets to meat (5,5)
 17 Number 17, 18, 19 (8)
 20 Drag too much to maintain (8)
 22 Work with copper to stop 6-footer's limp (6)
 24 Deal with one in series of 19s (6)
 26 19 singer mentioned two places to go (4)
 27 Reportedly considers routes (4)

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Solution 17,495



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