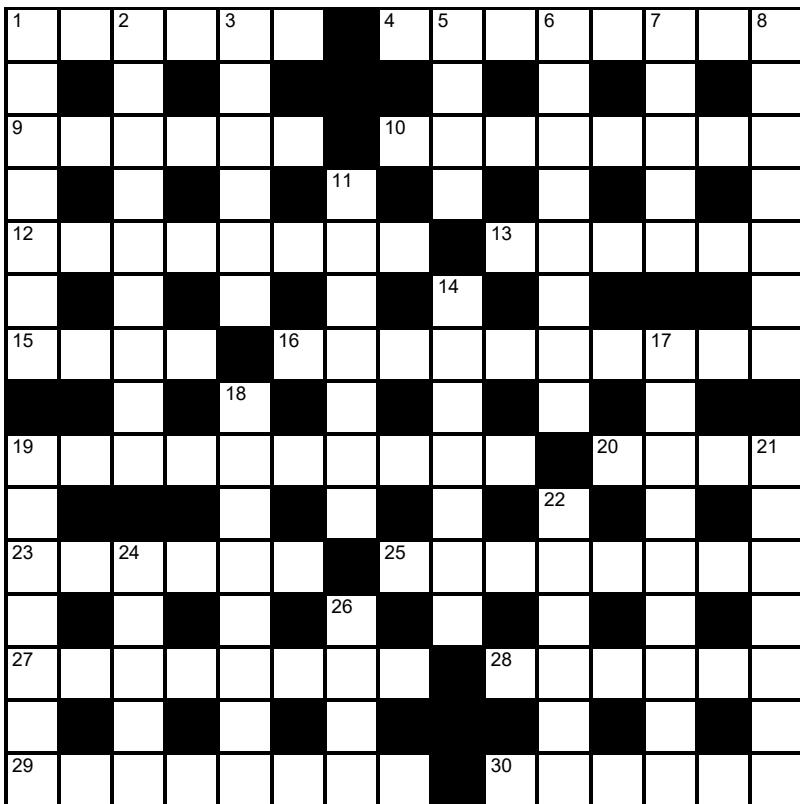


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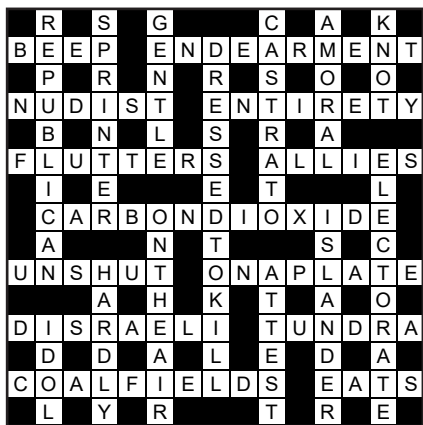
- 1 Dull crisp grabs attention (6)
- 4 Man, it's a crazy lot of bread (8)
- 9 Trimming border (6)
- 10 Bogs that simple forest boundaries are removed (8)
- 12 Balkan included in criminal ban I announced (8)
- 13 Wind block (6)
- 15 Regret returning old coin (4)
- 16 Sow remains disturbed by rakes (10)
- 19 Outright horror by the revoutionary model of basic structure (4,6)
- 20 Buoyant market for animal rubbish (4)
- 23 Petition about length of meeting (6)
- 25 Mixture for bird to follow (8)
- 27 Silks excited by a feast with FT (8)
- 28 Mongol from a race partly Milanese (6)
- 29 Conference could be holder of first Christmas present (4,4)
- 30 Opening for relative to start anew (6)

DOWN

- 1 Let down by Aberdeen runner without accommodation (7)
- 2 Bride hung around city (9)
- 3 Mad Republican leader getting older (6)
- 5 Sort of run-in (4)
- 6 Removes glare in an instant (8)
- 7 Wishes kings and lion counted (5)
- 8 Relations toward bosses (7)
- 11 Surrender missing daughter in city (7)
- 14 Pub cleaner covers half a year (7)
- 17 Time to keep bike in study (9)
- 18 Screeching pace of books (8)
- 19 Kiss at best place to get off (3,4)
- 21 Night air (7)
- 22 Cousins perhaps at fish supper finally (6)
- 24 To some extent from a fiancee's family (5)
- 26 Leaders of tournament are passing every record (4)

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Solution 17,497



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