

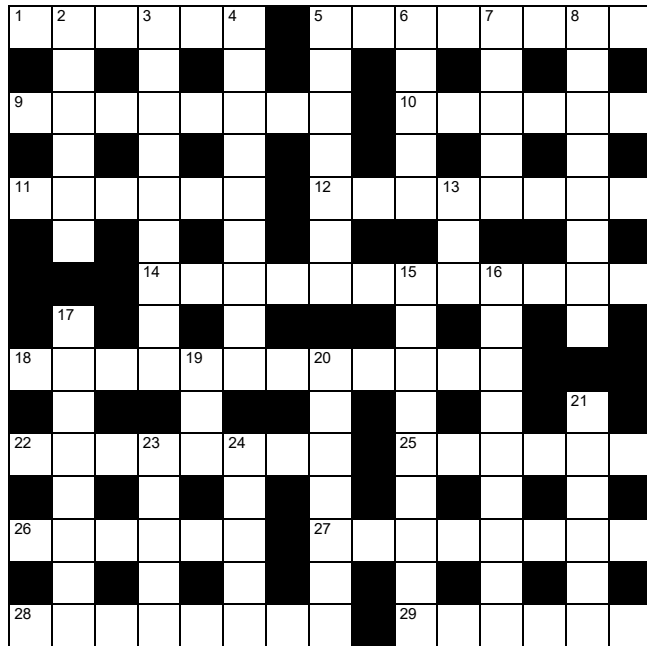
Crossword 17,548 Set by NEO

ACROSS

- 1** Magical character one's associated with Black Country (6)
5 What might be Chelsea versus Bath? Noisy occasion! (3,5)
9 Doctor prescribed after damage seen in monkey (8)
10 South Bank gallery closed down? Record in writing (6)
11 Way sheets of paper burn (6)
12 Spontaneous occurrence in public holiday (8)
14 Moving critter to ark — an American custom (5,2,5)
18 Two adults run ahead to catch country composer (5,7)
22 Tea taken by unprepossessing clergyman (8)
25 In which we find leaves gathered for potting? (3,3)
26 Blood component — litres pumped into paternal grandmother? (6)
27 What's white and sparkling as teeth? (8)
28 Soldier with large snake taken round curved path (8)
29 People's Knight having effect, ousting Camelot's leader (6)

DOWN

- 2** Retreat back to Venetian district (6)
3 Vice and brace under freezer? (6,3)
4 Bother, Monica's in — she won't get off lightly! (9)
5 The Half Moon? Male revolutionary outrageous inside (7)
6 National Trust engages a certain ensemble (5)
7 Playwright of menace blowing top in Bury (5)
8 Getting out after hours at hotel, wife left bed (8)
13 Vampire perhaps in cricket club? (3)
15 Radiator cracked on new Aussie truck (4,5)
16 Maybe cat in northern town gets special welcome? (3,6)
17 Deity with ladies for example elevated in palace of bliss (8)
19 There's nothing lying around in Hillingdon (3)
20 Pot very good with a remedy (7)
21 One involved in puzzling over style (6)
23 Military title remains in old man's possession (5)
24 Apprehension of danger losing right old battle (5)



Solution 17,542

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