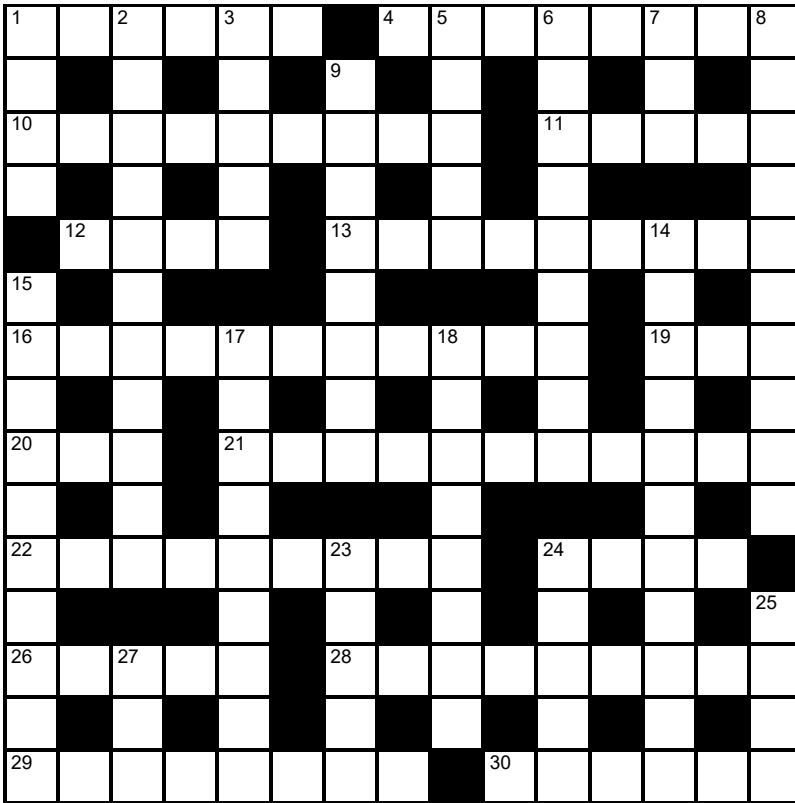


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ACROSS

- 1 An albatross is wide (6)
- 4 Novel music produced by the Housemartins? (8)
- 10 Where's the card table? And where are the jacks? (5,4)
- 11 Dance and drink at bar closing early (5)
- 12 Live next to a greengrocer's close to Paddington? (4)
- 13 Boy slept after his bedtime reading? (9)
- 16 Group is satanic, so frantically probed by Number Ten (11)
- 19 Setter Solomon's opening a savings account (3)
- 20 Starmer's picked up in car (3)
- 21 Rock hid antelope — is it large and grey? (11)
- 22 Pest controller with 13 children (4,5)
- 24 Where chicken might be found in the supermarket (4)
- 26 Indeed, we hear a noise emerging from the Nag's Head (5)
- 28 Poncho ICI manufactured for one following the cricket (9)
- 29 Asian dish of ox and one roti gets sent back (8)
- 30 Street in London's underground network (6)

DOWN

- 1 Songwriting quartet's rhyme scheme (4)
- 2 Woman with curlers on, and one boot (6,5)
- 3 Needle user that's lying beneath the toilet (5)
- 5 In the centre of Tokyo, journalist gets tattooed (5)
- 6 French soldier's silver arrow going over 8's wife (9)
- 7 Some resistance shown in West Ham's stadium, according to their supporters (3)
- 8 £1,000 bill seen among letters regularly provided by dodgy old relative (10)
- 9 New electronic label put on fifty-one pearls? (8)
- 14 She thinks his pool parties initially popularised her (11)
- 15 Small cloth covering slate with jelly that lubricates it (5,5)
- 17 Peach punch unfairly dished out (5,4)
- 18 It's ingrained where the answer is written — the New Testament (8)
- 23 I say poor person is 'non-U' (5)
- 24 Movie, then a drink (5)
- 25 Blue perform 2 Unlimited number (4)
- 27 Kind sergeant getting rid of B.O. (3)

Solution 17,864



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