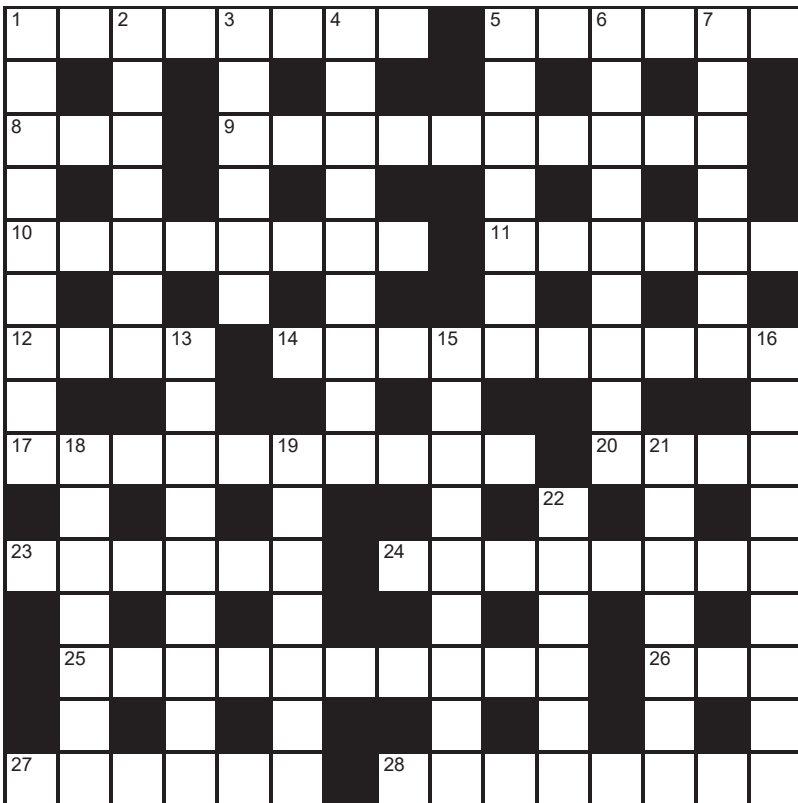


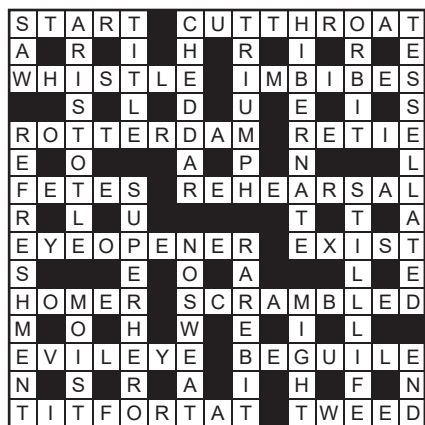
# CROSSWORD No 17,921 by BOBCAT



## ACROSS

- 1 Declare headquarters of previous occupant laudable and imposing (8)
- 5 Disreputable Nationalist spikes drink (6)
- 8 Tiny portion of fish sent back (3)
- 9 The province of crazy avocations (4,6)
- 10 God discharged disease to rodents shortly affecting everyone (8)
- 11 Novice denied beginning money-making scheme (6)
- 12 Clique controlling key committee membership? (4)
- 14 Tableware displayed in shop window? (5,5)
- 17 Complete a French book by December 1st (10)
- 20 Displayed the choice of women's skirts (4)
- 23 Barristers — potentially big cheeses holding forth from the outset? (6)
- 24 Point covered by charges for computer system reruns (8)
- 25 Cultivated elitist group oddly in a flap (10)
- 26 Remove carbon monoxide choking North African city's atmosphere (3)
- 27 What connects acid-heads and drug-pushers? (6)
- 28 Lousy ref somehow in good form (8)

Solution 17,919



## JOTTER PAD

## DOWN

- 1 Secretaries visiting European capital begin to unwind together (4,5)
- 2 Material from extreme characters attached to newspaper (7)
- 3 Looker's no good for soldier (6)
- 4 I'm deceptively relieving and persuasive (9)
- 5 Hide a third of secondary notes (7)
- 6 Fading legacy of setter that's gone west? (9)
- 7 Underwear for artists stored here? (7)
- 13 Remove awful gushing from reworking of *Wuthering Heights* immediately (9)
- 15 Couple bolstering score line in game (6-3)
- 16 The type to stir up passions without being given the lead? (4,5)
- 18 Where the young may be cultivated in Surrey (in one's absence) (7)
- 19 Greek component in methanol is perhaps used up (7)
- 21 Something to eat after play mounted in wood is finally done (7)
- 22 This could remove all signs of the times before our late queen (6)



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