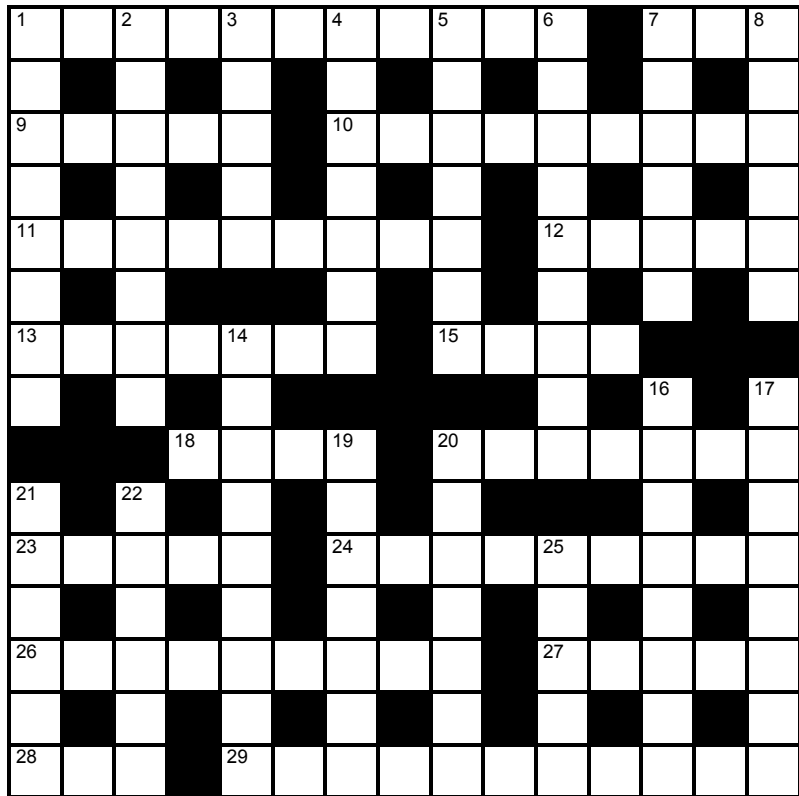


Across

- 1 Cryptically f-female, attractive to laddish types, ... (1,3,2,5)
- 7 ... could be Mrs Buck (3)
- 9 Note to go and reserve accommodation? (5)
- 10 Sheltered home's behind schedule in the south of France (9)
- 11 Graduate's mixing salt with ice to make a lot of cold water (6,3)
- 12 Paddy's retiring, leaving an opening for trainee barman? (5)
- 13 Taxi is ordered after husband got shot in the crowd? (3,1,3)
- 15 Rosy prospect at last for dummy (4)
- 18 Investigates cracks in temporary housing (4)
- 20 Western boycott's biting on South Africa (7)
- 23 Disorientated in the main (2,3)
- 24 A versatile, intrusive almost, type of defence ... (9)
- 26 ... not a biker contrived to enter illegally (5,4)
- 27 Cross over being harassed by tramp standing out at the front (5)
- 28 Hotel's out of order to hound slippery customer (3)
- 29 Seized by governor, this landmass is



- Down**
- 1 Way for Merkel to put her foot down? (8)
 - 2 Setter's respectful? Just the opposite (8)
 - 3 Signs of possible corruption cropped up in senile boardroom (5)
 - 4 Woman's respectable relations (4,3)
 - 5 New-fangled company that delivers the pictures in Yorkshire? (7)
 - 6 Treacherous French promise of fresh start coming to nothing (5,4)
 - 7 Party game for

- 8 Denture needs repair - it's no time to suffer (6)
- 14 Outrageously Alan Arkin's sacked a native islander (3,6)
- 16 Condition man for sex via cutting out starters (8)
- 17 Freed from captivity, an unspecified number get seduced by money (8)
- 19 One pictures old queen amongst the dons (7)
- 20 What's that about Communist undermining British pledge? (7)
- 21 Ken's beloved pub

- starts to bring in entertainers (6)
- 22 A mount gets to boot ... (2,4)
- 25 ... jockeys harbouring black feelings (5)