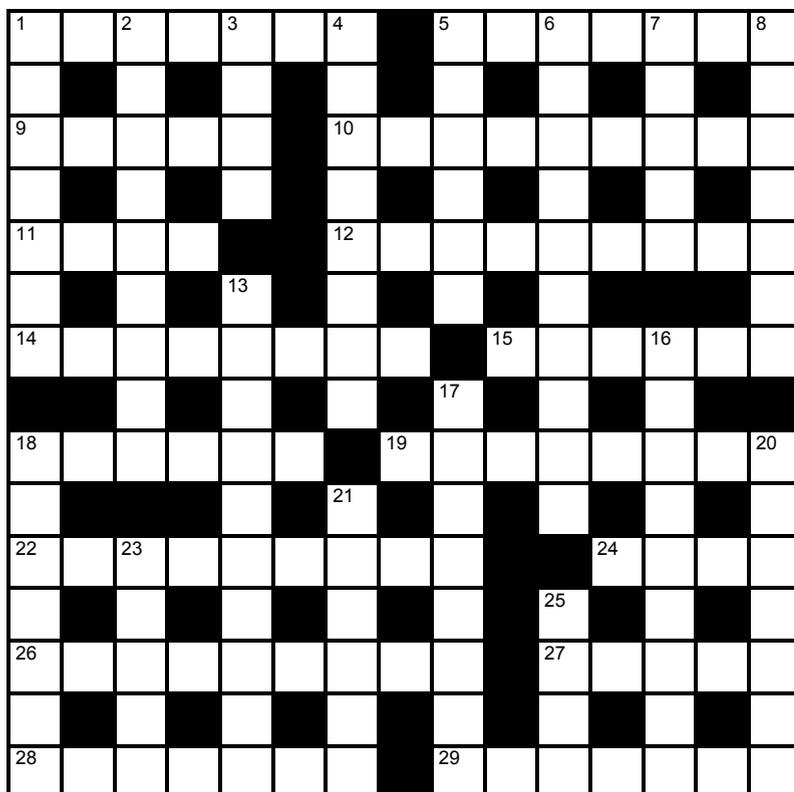


Odds & Sods



Across

- 1 Marine bank less good for Western Australian widow (7)
- 5 Description of diamond essentially fits London building (3,4)
- 9 Cat confronts gracious British soldier (5)
- 10 Pastry that's brought back in shock (9)
- 11 Perhaps Eric will just tick over (4)
- 12 Here in Spain solid figure welcomes king for swift libation (1,5,3)
- 14 Engineers have little trust in small strongholds (8)
- 15 Place one left married having got drunk (6)
- 18 Europeans holding coloured balls (6)
- 19 Film's a knockout, featuring Miranda and... I'm not sure (8)

- 22 Method of painting coming from anaesthetists (2,7)
- 24 Missing ace, cards go quite quickly (4)
- 26 North-eastern state about to replace books - it won't happen again (9)
- 27 Nitwit crosses next to deep chasm (5)
- 28 Make very clear president must leave when there are no tickets left (7)
- 29 You once held back objection to trains in London (3,4)

Down

- 1 More eccentric cat loses heart after a period (7)
- 2 West Indian doctor seduced in London suburb (9)
- 3 Makes fun of ropes (4)
- 4 Sheep breaks fortifications (8)
- 5 Popular university surrounded by stupid element (6)

- 6 Star in charge of organising riots gets lawyers (10)
- 7 Friend's note buried in the past (5)
- 8 Hang around eastern part of swimming pool (4,3)
- 13 Terrible as umpire or plumber (5,5)
- 16 Perverted voyeur losing head after order to stop being asked for identity (3,3,3)
- 17 Sex won't start to help terribly - it's someone else's turn! (4,4)
- 18 Fillets of French lamb ultimately belonging to somebody (7)
- 20 Forget about being engaged with English artist (7)
- 21 Leave complaint about empty escargot (3,3)
- 23 Book against spoiling Christmas (5)
- 25 Total shambles isn't right as a climbing area (4)