



Across

- 1 Note describing troubles with iron's backup mechanism (4-4)
- 6 He clears up after spread's left for the second time (6)
- 9 Mark quarterbacks positioned round player (6,7)
- 10 Greasy tandoori chicken wraps (4)
- 11 Bad review that might be kept if wanted (3,7)
- 12 Act stupidly and scarper quickly (4,2)
- 13 Detective supports 25% of offender's alibi? (8)
- 16 They hold a heart between two spades (8)

- 19 Like raft I'd let slip (6)
- 21 Fawn in cage eats at one (10)
- 24 Brave resistance suppresses state (4)
- 25 Like buttery dessert pastry, soon finished (5,3,5)
- 27 Actor at premiere of powerful film (6)
- 28 Prime Minister's second-quarter after-tax earnings eclipse normal leaders (8)

Down

- 2 Playing table tennis, knocking out the European continent (9)
- 3 Deride US city that's awful and extremely affluent (5,2)

- 4 Scottish town dismissed lawyer oddly (3)
- 5 Was pushy working below senior journalist (7)
- 6 Retreat after starting to bully old leader (5)
- 7 Mistake as I follow third attempt to perform scene to an audience? (4,3)
- 8 Recommend section of index to librarian (5)
- 11 Placed second detailed Starbucks order? (5)
- 14 Pole used when punting (5)
- 15 Not in the middle of frenetic movement, I scarpered (3-6)

- 17 Quick like a mouse? (7)
- 18 He studied mathematics course in Ireland (7)
- 20 Bond with rhenium as part of chemistry experiment (7)
- 22 Sleeps with Paul regularly without initially paying through the nose (5)
- 23 Coach tour travels round capital of Turkey (5)
- 26 Try and get brown paper (3)