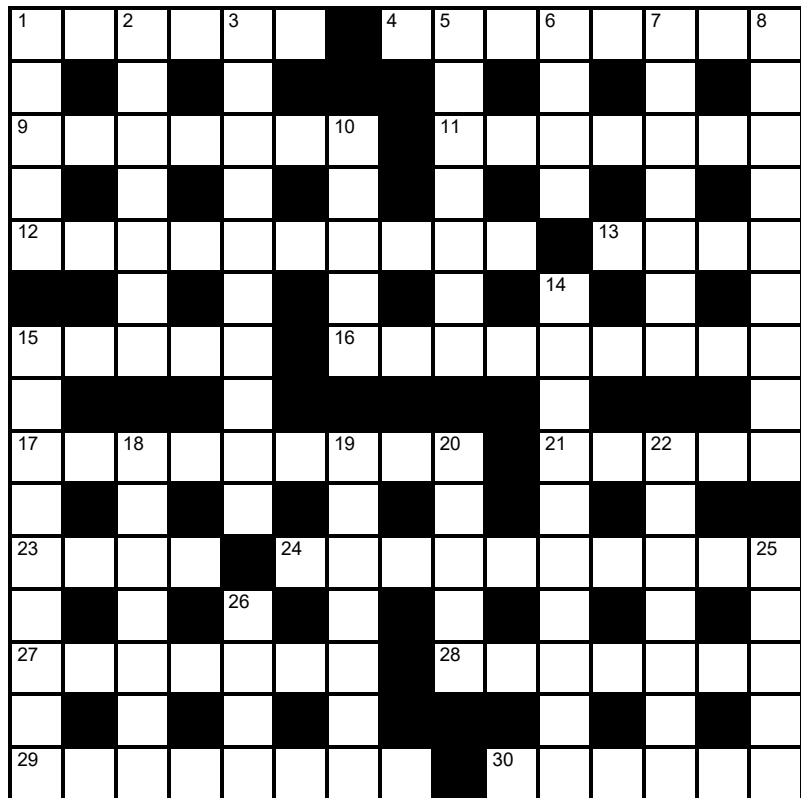


**Across**

- 1 Gave back mixed drink crush (6)
- 4 Herbs Mac mixed for 'bible' I now use (8)
- 9 Concerned an Ex promises to pay (7)
- 11 Freeze mountain salad item (7)
- 12 Hit 'F' string arrangement on play's opening (5,5)
- 13 Clue? Well, it's a long story... (4)
- 15 ...Same again! (5)
- 16 Bride's collection consists of a fish with tail cut off, the week-end and water (9)
- 17 Below par result is a possibility (3-6)
- 21 Mandolin diehard embraces music (5)
- 23 Browse page (4)
- 24 Mum, Ian and I not at sea for e.g. shells and slugs (10)
- 27 No Kiwis initially amongst Dutch settlers? Mad! (7)
- 28 Composed case (7)
- 29 Metal mop is, apparently, quite rare (4,4)
- 30 Brown boy protecting girl (6)



**Down**

- 1 Small fight contained by Director Fellow (5)
- 2 Run after cheat for a dance (7)
- 3 Punctuation mark for a support Hospital in moor (10)
- 5 Cheery expression from 1 dn perhaps? (5-2)
- 6 Link up for racing (4)
- 7 Promote increase (7)
- 8 Smell is up over dung without the man Frank (9)
- 10 Avoid Women! (please note that this is not really the opinion of the setter) (5)
- 14 Plant me under snake, before man comes up with mangled rodent (10)
- 15 Flea, after drawing bomb (9)
- 18 Two men rise around noon? Nonsense (7)
- 19 Moi in Nebraska, South; is that fate? (7)
- 20 Provide Ecstasy joke (5)
- 22 Run home for food on the go? (5-2)
- 25 No man is distinguished (5)
- 26 Garden drug (4)