

Rookie Corner 620

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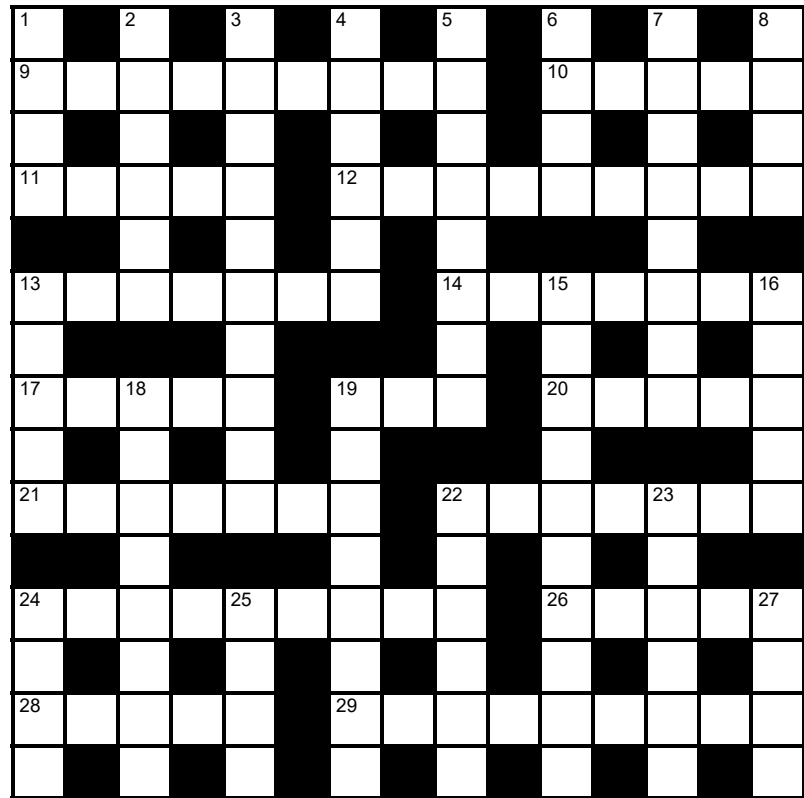
Across

- 9 Old South American welcoming First Lady screamed to be embraced (9)
- 10 Japanese geek's sure to invest - thanks to university (5)
- 11 Yank is one in debt (5)
- 12 Shepherd hut is open for facing a challenging predicament (2,3,4)
- 13 Cry about toilet paper in field event (4,3)
- 14 Projectile weapon alien tampered with to seize victory in pursuit of justice (7)
- 17 Much for a dictator to appropriate (5)
- 19 Hard-line Conservative dull and uninteresting (3)
- 20 See 27 (5)
- 21 Block movable panel used as a fence to overcome difficulty (7)

- 22 &25. Q + M = 400m (7-4)
- 24 Bambi given black eye by rodent with impressive leaping ability (4,5)
- 26 Latvian in a bad way after losing, cheers up forging tool (5)
- 28 Navy destroyer first to leave rocky islands for ropey old port (5)
- 29 Barking Tech lad working in sporting goods retail store (9)

Down

- 1 &8. Here a successful flop will leave you in trouble? (4,4)
- 2 Australia rejected going after second Greek character not of sound mind (6)



- 3 Pa said, "*Talk about a book by one of the Marx brothers!*" (3,7)
- 4 Small to medium burst of intense activity (6)
- 5 Theme from Beethoven's 9th poem for author of *Born Free?* (3,2,3)
- 6 &8. Donald Tusk perhaps given a start by this event (4,4)
- 7 China loves coverage of key city in Silicon Valley (4,4)
- 8 See 1, 6 (4)
- 13 Jimmy Riddle's stroke (5)
- 15 Rivals at US organisation for painting, sculpting, photography, &c (6,4)

- 16 Woman abandoning Sheridan written up as *Rock Bottom* (5)
- 18 Liberal bestowal of gifts with Conservative can be graceless (8)
- 19 Advise not to badmouth one of Britpop's Big Four to the audience (8)
- 22 Satisfy crush (6)
- 23 Said to think much of dropping ecstasy in Commonwealth country (6)
- 24 Small amount of Morse code? (4)
- 25 &1. You have to be this and bonkers to join the club? (4,4)
- 27 &20. Cavalier sold wrong claymore (9) (4)