

## NTSPP - 051 by Qix

### Across

**1 & 18Ac** Thrashing inept scholar on rump? (8,10)

**4** Cook gets tea made centrally (5)

**8** Sounded bullish about initial tryst, and proposed (6)

**9** Editor's first documentary inside nuclear facility (8)

**11** Second husband having ball in public went too far (8)

**12** Associate diplomat (not English) (6)

**14** Starts to set wheels in motion for exercise (4)

**15** Disheartened academics' studying involves university, normally (2,3,5)

**18** See 1Ac (10)

**19** A female Wimbledon winner? (4)

**22** Exercises painful? That's OK (6)

**24** Wanting to understand "The Return of the King" in French (8)

**26** In retrospect, a pillar of her community (4,4)

**27** Quarter note (6)

**28** Competed with expert getting in the way (5)

**29** Unpredictable woman gets into whips from the east (8)

### Down

**1** Greens house? (7)

**2** Two blokes following Greek character and historic African (9)

**3** Port explodes; sangria - to some extent (6)

**4** Begin to be celebrity solicitor (5,3)

**5** Very English vote to retain aristocratic leaders (5)

**6** Distribute spoils with hard gangster (7)

**7** Soldiers from central Armenia (3)

**10** Overwhelm cheat with some arithmetic and English (7)

**13** Inclined to remove last slipcover from study (7)

**16** Incompetent initial scriblings rubbed out after letter to the Corinthians turned up (9)

**17** Surgery primarily considered after drug is rejected (8)

**18** Celebrated for all to see in tree (7)

**20** Volatile traitor captured by Clapton? (7)

**21** Naysayer used to describe hosiery (6)

**23** Truck from the north unloading 20% of cargo (5)

**25** Under way, having left ducks behind (3)

