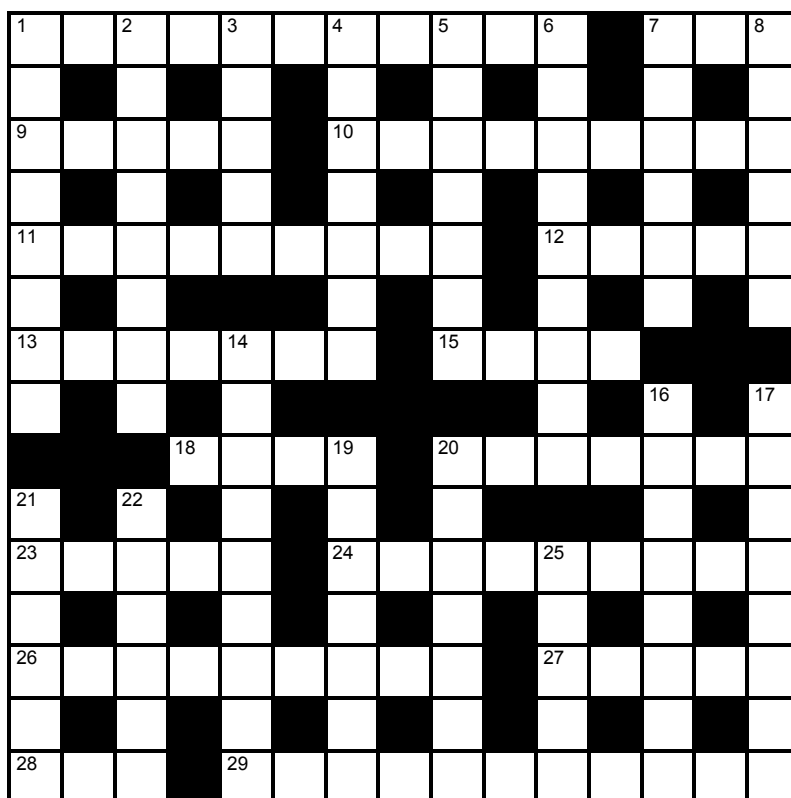


## A Puzzle by Gazza

### Across

- 1 Show one's cards here fixing new time and place to ensnare Oriental (11)
- 7 Old soak starts to sing our praises (3)
- 9 Uncompromising military man engaged in clear out (5)
- 10 Rambling white rose, or ... (9)
- 11 ... performing well but soon to leave? (2,3,4)
- 12 Indian dish from east of Gujarati area (5)
- 13 Suck up to sleazy earl pinching geisha's rear end (7)
- 15 Multiple crash site? (4)
- 18 Great confusion in city centre (4)
- 20 Supreme young goddess succeeded in island contest (3,4)
- 23 Walker's exultant here when red light's visible (2,3)
- 24 Hampers and contents on display in Fortnum & Mason (9)
- 26 Acts to illustrate nominal gift (4,5)



- 27 I'm after a filling sandwich for something to eat (5)
- 28 Hear four or five points (3)
- 29 Bottom-up preparation? (11)

### Down

- 1 Cut up butter to reduce bits in a new paste (8)
- 2 Oughtn't I to reschedule trip abroad? (5,3)
- 3 Eventually reach winning position after goal (3,2)
- 4 Forward sizeable European bid (7)

- 5 Surfaced for another look? (7)
- 6 Textbook's available following gaffe (5-4)
- 7 Genie in bottle? (6)
- 8 Gross Pierre's ready with a kiss (3-3)
- 14 A British soldier engaged in exercises with American kit (9)
- 16 Quarter of wives could be goalers I fancy (8)

- 17 Like a fuddy-duddy media chief blocks work in Seychelles (8)
- 19 Far from cheese's leading attribute (5,2)
- 20 Exploit volunteers on horse (3,4)
- 21 Ice hardened around globe (6)
- 22 Hood in Africa no pygmy, apparently (6)
- 25 Chatter's curtailed when teacher appears (5)