

Across

- 5 Dullness in Paris (6)
- 7 Rhaeto Romanic (8)
- **9** United States composer who incorporated jazz into classical forms and composed scores for musical comedies (8)
- 10 Province of the Roman Empire consisting of roughly the Grisons and Tyrol (6)
- 11 English astronomer who used Newton's laws of motion to predict the period of a comet (1656-1742) (6,6)
- 13 Partition or wall especially in an ovary (6)
- 15 The king of the fairies, and husband of Titania or Queen Mab (6)
- 18 In Greek mythology, a precious skin owned by the king of Colchis and guarded in a sacred grove by a dragon; recovered by Jason and the Argonauts (6,6)
- 21 Sealed in a can or jar (6)
- 22 Landlocked socialist republic in central Asia (8)

Down

- 1 Boy Scout enrolled in programs for water activities (3,5)
- 2 Served as a member of a ship's company(6)
- 3 City in the northern panhandle of Texas(8)
- 4 City in France an hour's distance from Geneva (6)
- 6 City in northeastern Scotland on the North Sea (8)
- 7 Strip of level paved surface where planes can take off and land (6)
- 8 One of the first two children of Adam and Eve (4)
- 12 The little grebe (*Podiceps ruficollis*) (8)
- 14 Severe overheating of the core of a nuclear reactor resulting in the destruction of the core and radiation escaping (8)
- 16 Things that are very ugly and offensive (8)
- 17 According with custom or propriety (6)

- 23 The galaxy containing the solar system; consists of millions of stars that can be seen as a diffuse band of light stretching across the night sky (5,3)
- **24** Leaders of Arab villages or families (6)
- 18 Deciduous dioecious Chinese tree having fan-shaped leaves and fleshy yellow seeds; exists almost exclusively in cultivation especially as an ornamental street tree (6)
- **19** Conclude (6)
- 20 Climbing vine native to China; cultivated in New Zealand for its fuzzy edible fruit with green meat (4)