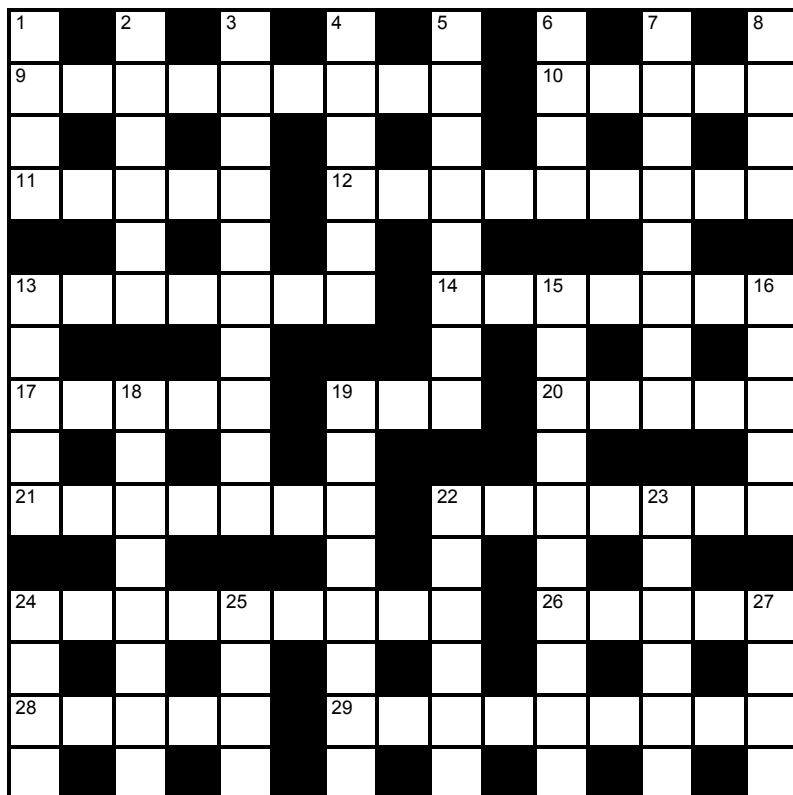


**Across**

- 9 Igloo smashed about; Eskimo's first opponents' epoch (9)
- 10 Pull extra after giving and receiving pain all right (5)
- 11 Quietly leaves mothballs for Santa's little helpers (5)
- 12 English and French said "head" without one leader (9)
- 13 Someone of unusual intellect, queen takes the place of a maid? (7)
- 14 All entering into conjugal promise without a bad feeling (3,4)



- 17 Should express disgust, outwardly outraged and traumatised initially (5)
- 19 What's left of Aral Sea, hardly all right: evaporated (3)
- 20 Drop Douglas, say, from first 1, only to be cast by true innocent (5)
- 21 Rich without German approval, Spanish ham viewed (7)
- 22 Not a taxing place for the 21? (7)
- 24 Hear of new, infamous intern's incomplete reference to "breather" (9)

- 26 Something precious father removed from torn apparel (5)
- 28 Give one star review - *one star review!* - Ron put out about 50... (5)
- 29 ...Shades (part five); a long way before Australian backs the French writer (5,4)

**Down**

- 1 Went down badly? Good? Very, but not bloody coming round! (4)
- 2 Headless nag found under ranger (6)
- 3 Swindles Brown with odd tally all the time (10)
- 4/22 Leave otherwise berated racing

- 5 Was up to his tricks like Nick (8)
- 6 When back to front, snakes in yooof's badge of honour (4)
- 7 One involuntary movement in game generally played by upper class member (8)
- 8 See all, neither ending in tie (4)
- 13 Male Cockney's desire rising in violence (5)
- 15 Endures happy poetry, evens out meal on Maundy Thursday? (4,6)
- 16 Old boss, say, taken in by story (5)

- 18 Muscle encountered by "Paul Simon" makes alloy (8)
- 19 Moderately slow works in conjunction with advances (8)
- 22 See 4
- 23 Satirical Kazakh loses his head: gold offered by speaker (6)
- 24 Assistant's time is over (4)
- 25 Image of Mike that is neutral (4)
- 27 It's dense but implicit in tangible advantage (4)