



Across

- 1 Insect in the order Hemitera with a very loud song (6)
- 4 The period of the four Sundays before Christmas (6)
- 8 A bicycle on which the rider is seated in a reclining position (9)
- 10 A large constricting snake (3)
- 11 American actress or life-preserver (3,4)
- 13 A repeat broadcast of a TV programme (5)
- 14 The capital of Prince Edward Island (13)

- 17 1962 Hammer film, Captain _____ (5)
- 18 A person unwittingly used to accomplish another's purpose (4-3)
- 20 2001 boxing biopic starring Will Smith (3)
- 21 Director of Jackie Brown and Reservoir Dogs (9)
- 23 Relating to mice or rats (6)
- 24 Medieval coin originally of a republic which is now the capital of Tuscany (6)

Down

- 1 Beginning to commit a crime, breaking porcelain (7)
- 2 Store money for the auditor (5)
- 3 Slow-witted police officer married (3)
- 5 Cleaner put off by man (9)
- 6 Mob raged, running wild - 500 abandoned restraint (7)
- 7 Means of transport: coach (5)
- 9 Race northwards around country in vehicle (6,3)
- 12 7 nuts, easily digested, to be consumed (9)

- 15 Some unfortunate lie revealed by studio (7)
- 16 No women composed fantasy novel (3,4)
- 17 Delight church with weapons (5)
- 19 Before old magistrate (5)
- 22 Clint endlessly flipping over nothing (3)