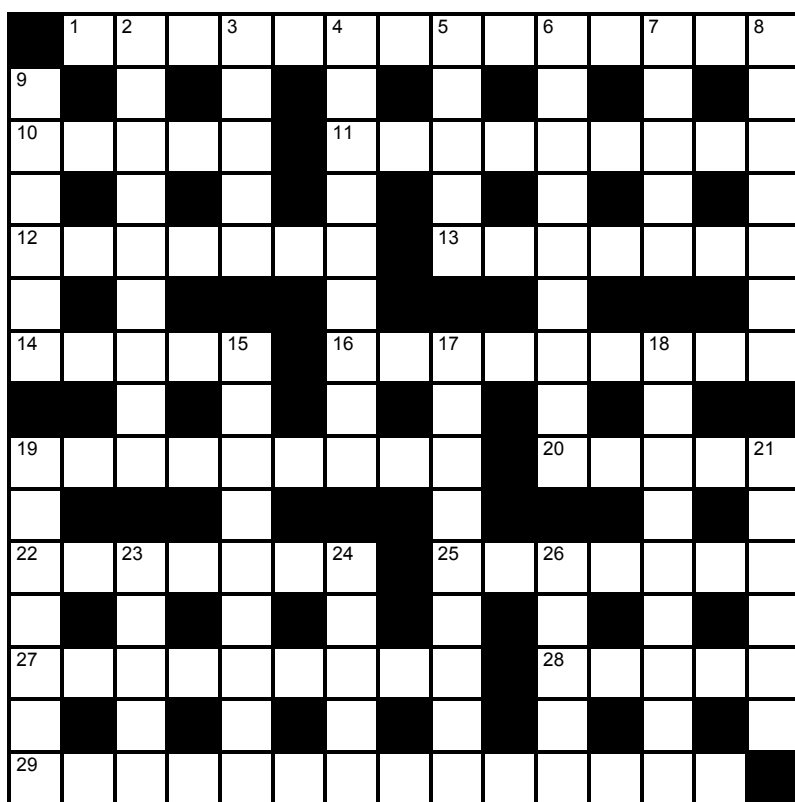


ARENA



Across

- 1 Hobby of keeping reptiles and amphibians (14)
- 10 Scene of a famous Indian disaster (5)
- 11 The badger dog (9)
- 12 An arrangement of flowers (7)
- 13 Fictional woodcutter in the Arabian Nights' Entertainment (3,4)
- 14 British comedian (surname) (5)
- 16 A shade of blue (9)
- 19 Popular name of the jerboa (6,3)

- 20 A hard grey-black mineral consisting of corundum and either haematite or magnetite (5)
- 22 Colloquial name for antipodeans (7)
- 25 Define (7)
- 27 Creator of the *Wombles*, (surname) (9)
- 28 A chaplain in one of the military services (5)
- 29 Items of photographer's equipment (8,6)

Down

- 2 A river in southwestern Asia; flows into the Persian Gulf (9)
- 3 Major city in the Balearic Islands (5)
- 4 Famous English cricketer of the 60s (3,6)
- 5 A beverage (5)
- 6 A state of comatose torpor (9)
- 7 Small pendant fleshy lobe at the back of the soft palate (5)
- 8 The final stages of an extended process of negotiation (7)

- 9 Large west African tree (6)
- 15 Bulbous plant having erect linear leaves and showy yellow or white flowers (9)
- 17 The 2nd largest city in the Netherlands (9)
- 18 An inhabitant of Reykjavik (9)
- 19 Novelist, she wrote *The Witch of Exmoor* (7)
- 21 A complex bet in horse racing (6)
- 23 A thick sweet sticky liquid (5)
- 24 River which joins the Avon at Stratford (5)
- 26 A small British bird (5)