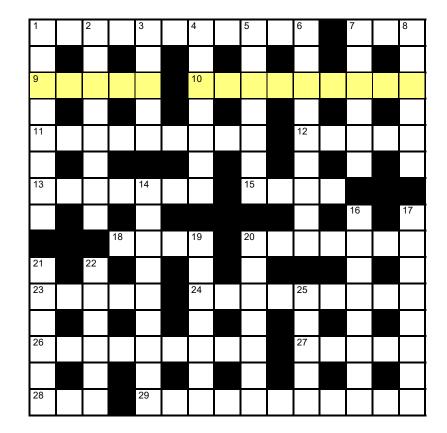
Braisfield Xmas 2023

Across

- 1 Date rape (shh!) may be a form of love (5-6)
- 7 Frank was endlessly but normally on the side of the left (3)
- **9/10** Drunk, it's charms might be heard around December (5,9)
 - 11 Sees funny people around a loch consuming a drug (9)
 - 12 Wide open love (5)
 - **13** Coloured arc drawn using a broken nib in a line (7)
 - 15 Wood turner cut the end off a strip of wood (4)
 - **18** Charity fundraiser in a cafeteria (4)
 - **20** Mark has America for support (7)
 - 23 Remains of a cannabis hashish tipped cigarette (5)
 - 24 Costly teepee in extensive swap (9)
 - 26 Does he compose immoral poems? Quite the reverse! (4,5)
 - 27 Composer wrote a bigger composition without a top B (5)
 - 28 He is into mathematics (3)
 - **29** Weird plan to renew a local road (7,4)

Down

- 1 Howard has me heading back to the house (8)
- 2 Songs get high and can take off here (8)
- **3** The herb you may eat the tops of (5)



- 4 Journalist was up for a cutting article (7)
- 5 Umbrella soldiers hold the middle of (7)
- 6 Philospher of the maps in France (9)
- 7 Harvest festival held during a grand slam masters tournament (6)
- 8 Godly or spiritually pertinent example Luke's initials (6)
- 14 Composer is about the stove (9)
- 16 Building made of barium, silicon, lithium and carbon (8)
- 17 Monstrous lie given to persuade someone to do something (8)
- **19** Hair, but not a lowbrow version! (7)
- **20** So has Opera North no English singer? (7)
- **21** Not a private form of hedge (6)
- 22 Even garlic rubbed

into the stomach is as good as baby powder (6)

25 It follows the day the nobleman was beheaded (5)