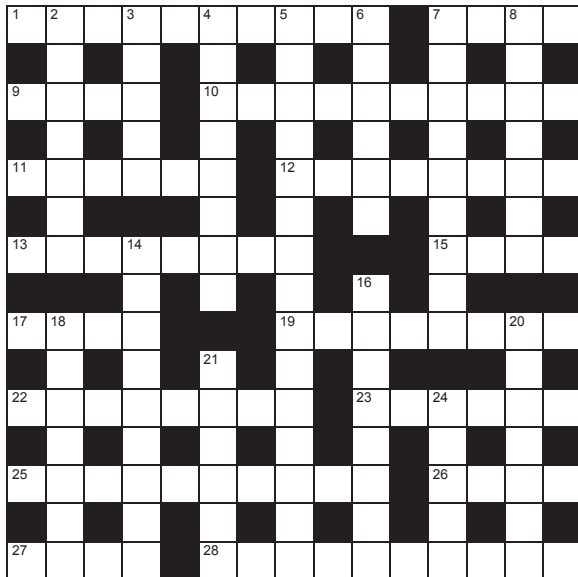


CROSSWORD

No. 14,306 Set by NEO



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Artificial and exaggerated, as that Claire can be (10)
- 7 Grab bag (4)
- 9 Clothes for women (as seen on TV) (4)
- 10 Many hands aboard this vessel? (6,4)
- 11 British banker continually invested in tin (6)
- 12 Resolved to reveal what makes flight unnecessary (8)
- 13 Alpha male into boys this would deter (4-4)
- 15 Hazel for instance gets cross (4)
- 17 Contribute online job (4)
- 19 Bypass or roundabout? (4,4)
- 22 English folk in outdoor shelter, Scots maybe in this dwelling (8)
- 23 See 4 Down
- 25 Bin stealer shot in Soviet sector once (4,6)
- 26 With seconds to go in National, he backed Sugar Cube (4)
- 27 Depressed daughters have to drink at speed (4)
- 28 Maligned old man in underworld gave angry speech (10)

DOWN

- 2 Rich people, banking rupees, on time to reap rewards (7)
- 3 Germanic invader offers perspective (5)
- 4, 23 Steal kinky connoisseur's book (8,6)
- 5 Newly edited by Lancaster: True Stories (10,5)
- 6 Hero's lover does away with a person of interest (6)
- 7 Prattle and begone, perhaps to sacrificial place in disputed territory (9)
- 8 Whose name is love? (7)
- 14 Showing decrepitude at home, drunk by 10 (4-5)
- 16 One can get crush on Greek songsmith, about to leave with lawyer (8)
- 18 Shakespearean daughter, in good heart, leaves for season (7)
- 20 Christian missionary, 17, into beer (7)
- 21 Traditional story demands explanation (6)
- 24 Extremist caught in awful tragedy (5)

Solution to the Saturday prize puzzle on Saturday May 18
Solution to yesterday's prize puzzle on Monday May 20
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