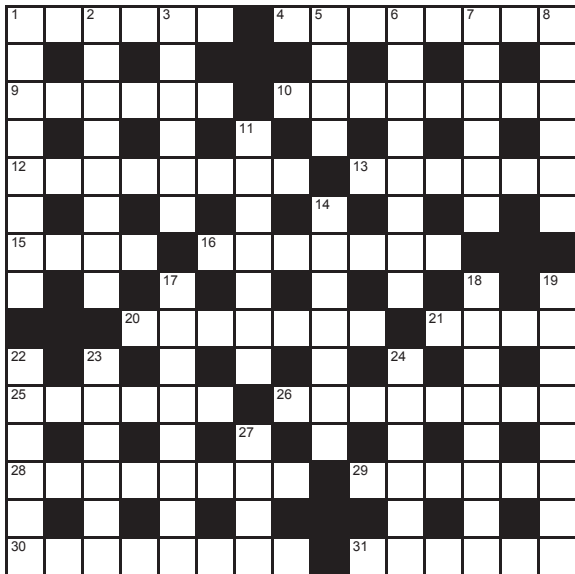


MONDAY PRIZE CROSSWORD

No. 14,009 Set by CRUX



A prize of The Good Word Guide by Martin Manser and How to Sound Clever by Hubert van den Bergh will be awarded for the first correct solution opened. Solutions by Wednesday May 30 marked Monday Prize Crossword 14,009 on the envelope, to the Financial Times, 1 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HL. Solution on Monday June 4.

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

ACROSS

- 1 A success in Treasure Island initially leads to another (6)
- 4 Individuals in pubs for Lady Thatcher? (8)
- 9 England's first flower festival (6)
- 10 Late back holding present, but it's heavenly (8)
- 12 Face conceals it? The reverse, in fact (8)
- 13 It could be acute stress (6)
- 15 Take some exercise, stupid! (4)
- 16 They'll be beaten in time (7)
- 20 Net deployed by Water Board (7)
- 21 Bank of Scotland needs support introducing economies (4)
- 25 Pakistan certainly hold this position (6)
- 26 They trouble those who lie a lot (8)
- 28 Slimmer's chocolate ration, perhaps, if she's to look good in it! (3-5)
- 29 Slow movement gets a soldier into trouble (6)
- 30 Server holding underwear – what a farce! (8)
- 31 Oriental doesn't start at the back (6)

DOWN

- 1 House shortlisted for demolition, it's not needed (3,5)
- 2 Playing it on grass may be banned (8)
- 3 Having set off twice to fly (6)
- 5 Wine that in test appears most palatable (4)
- 6 Speechless in defeat (8)

- 7 Sporting side appearing in Mexico (6)
- 8 Kind of welcome that makes us late (6)
- 11 They do impressions and such for the lady (7)
- 14 Last miner in Cornish town works hard (7)
- 17 Still popular stage show I've taken on (8)
- 18 Suspend meeting with professional villain (8)
- 19 Most of the side kiss and cuddle, which causes a stir! (8)
- 22 Sector at sea giving protection (6)
- 23 Girl friend takes me in on April 1st (6)
- 24 A party's words softly spoken (6)
- 27 Possibly old Rover's disheartened with short tail (4)

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The winner's name will be published in Weekend FT on June 2