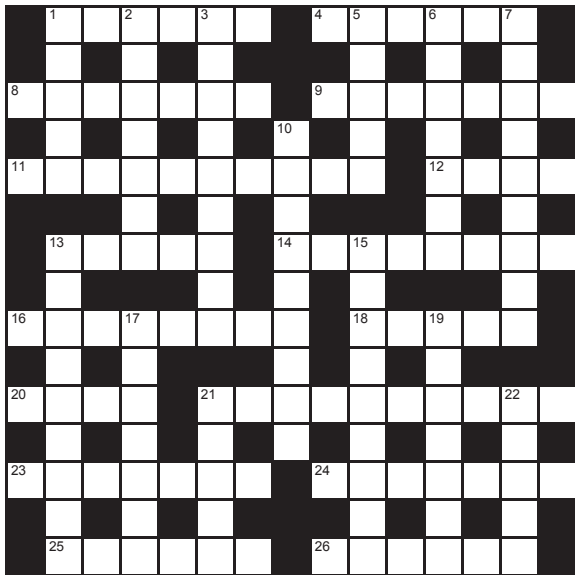


MONDAY PRIZE CROSSWORD

No. 14,401 Set by DANTE



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 September 4 marked Monday Prize Crossword 14,401 on the envelope, to the Financial Times, 1 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HL. Solution on Monday September 9.

ACROSS

- 1 Primate holds sailor in favour (6)
- 4 CO in charge set about Sergeant-Major – great! (6)
- 8 Was defiant in rout? Hardly! (7)
- 9 It's a car owner's duty to record (3,4)
- 11 Limits certain stars (10)
- 12 Divinity is a course at Oxford (4)
- 13 Initially agreed, a mixed up type of animal (5)
- 14 Frightened when I can recall and accept fresh pain (2,1,5)
- 16 All right for light and water? (4,4)
- 18 The Italian man about town (5)
- 20 Only pretend to coil a rope (4)
- 21 Teacher after a job for a demanding employer (10)
- 23 They want lots (7)
- 24 Heinous confusion within a company (2-5)
- 25 Leave university party in appropriate attire (2,4)
- 26 Back trial bearing on source of sleeping sickness (6)

DOWN

- 1 Be on a wild binge (5)
- 2 Unexpected rich windfall may be mine (7)
- 3 Skilled worker in force (9)

5 Our hall is regularly used for exams (5)

6 Admire a refined wine (7)

7 Figure Italians upset a Spaniard (9)

10 Polite inclination to support royalty (5,4)

13 Cutting and running (9)

15 Munitions produced by man and master (9)

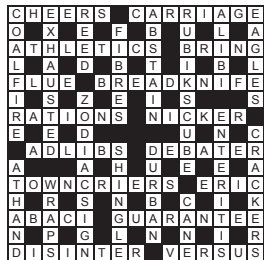
17 Gave way under pressure and resigned (7)

19 Keep on going when all the others have gone (4,3)

21 Make a pot worth ordering (5)

22 Follow directions and prosecute (5)

SOLUTION 14,389



The winner's name will be published in Weekend FT on September 7