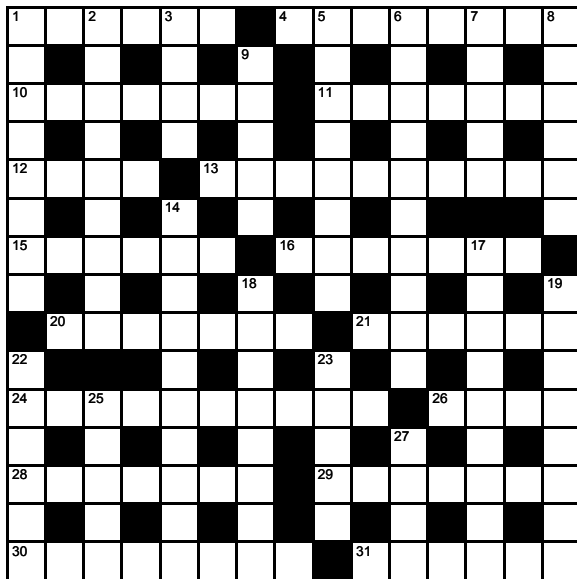


CROSSWORD

No. 13,655 Set by MONK



JOTTER PAD

To help solvers today, we have entered all the across answers ACROSS

- 1 Possibly fools more stupid son but not daughter (6)
- 4 Moderate, not hard, persuasive tactics (4,4)
- 10 Ran into hard times, retiring for the night? Sort of (7)
- 11 One forced to join crowd in a river (7)
- 12 Old lizards, initially thought extinct, found scurrying about (4)
- 13 Weak father no longer builds part of roof for trap (4,6)
- 15 Chieftain flustered after CIA censored line in programme? (2-4)
- 16 Discarded what is most certainly not right-on (4-3)
- 20 Weaklings call for help to secure feminine bow (7)
- 21 Port that's red (6)
- 24 Follow up service of dessert with drinks (10)
- 26 Judge the weight of dynamite with us (4)
- 28 It rapidly turns sinister where 1 is today (3-4)
- 29 Aim frequently to rise in the ship, perhaps? (2,5)
- 30 Holiday suggested by Royal Marines (4-4)
- 31 Talented soldier honoured for liberating European (6)

DOWN

- 1 Time machine worked, provoking a powerful response (8)
- 2 Catchy number, maybe? It starts here repeatedly (6-3)

- 3 Runs over twelve-inch gap (4)
- 5 Poems about policeman stifling appeal – they're strange (8)
- 6 In which you'd eat pastries, for the most part fancy (3,7)
- 7 Possibly overthrow former captain of territorial army division (5)
- 8 Stories about, say, subjects (6)
- 9 Reportedly gathers flowers (5)
- 14 Advance given by gambler and yours truly going over books (10)
- 17 Equipped spy to protect journalist following attack (6,3)
- 18 Is unable to dissect animal – bottle needed (8)
- 19 Iterated nation is in debt, so to speak? (8)
- 22 Naturally entertaining universal Asian dance (6)
- 23 Free gift finally found in children's toy (3,2)
- 25 Actor's work bringing in the least amount of cash (5)
- 27 Long skirt turned up by nine in the morning (4)

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