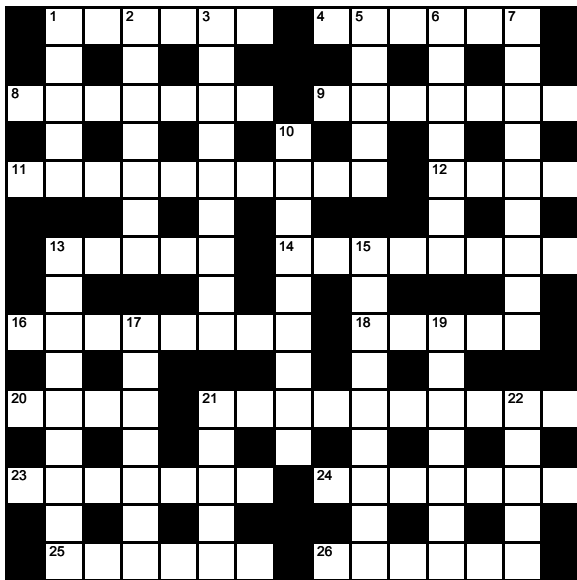


MONDAY PRIZE CROSSWORD

No. 13,465 Set by DANTE



A prize of the Bloomsbury Concise English Dictionary, published by A&C Black, and the Good Word Guide by Martin Manser will be awarded for the first correct solution opened. Solutions by Wednesday August 25, marked Monday Prize Crossword 13,465 on the envelope, to the Financial Times, 1 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HL. Solution on Monday August 30.

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

ACROSS

- 1 Unambiguous order (6)
- 4 Cut and ran (6)
- 8 Provide inspiration for a team in trouble (7)
- 9 It may go up – everybody's in favour (7)
- 11 Porter found gold ring after party (10)
- 12 Final date in the Julian calendar? (4)
- 13 Theatrical part you once went in for (5)
- 14 As hit by the carpenter reaching the right conclusion? (8)
- 16 One working half the time on tick? (8)
- 18 Match label (5)
- 20 So backward about turning up for work (4)
- 21 Number given bill for sleeping accommodation (10)
- 23 Behind time, second mate dashed around (7)
- 24 Woman's lads turn out to be broadcasters (7)
- 25 Possibly seated and quite composed (6)
- 26 He gives people his address (6)

DOWN

- 1 Noise and energy seen in dog that's wild (5)
- 2 Become a union member once more (7)
- 3 Church and state divided by uncommon hatred (9)

- 5 Yet this might increase a don's standing (5)
- 6 He introduced Virginia to Elizabeth (7)
- 7 Animal roamed around in an arid setting (9)
- 10 My one opus played, named after me? (9)
- 13 Money-saving offer at the dry-cleaners, a feature of democracy (4,5)
- 15 Wearing trendy clothes and driving fast? (2,3,4)
- 17 He's afraid to take the lead when father is around (7)
- 19 Dramatic conclusion to a legislative programme? (4,3)
- 21 Fast ships (5)
- 22 Dis duck – or dat? (5)

SOLUTION 13,453



The winner's name will be published in Weekend FT on August 28