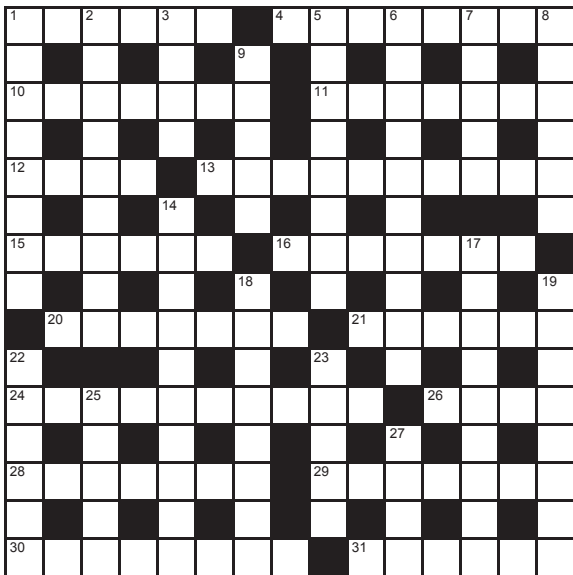


CROSSWORD

No. 13,971 Set by GAFF



JOTTER PAD

A topical puzzle

ACROSS

- 1 One who takes exercise or goes after a bit of cash (6)
- 4 5 abused a headless flamingo (8)
- 10 Could be checkers competition today (7)
- 11 A majestic first course (7)
- 12 See 3
- 13 Frenchman has assignation in second home (4-1-5)
- 15 Healthy following in drag (6)
- 16 Men roam rough seas together (2,5)
- 20 See 23
- 21 16 shoot, after blood (of Communist friend) (6)
- 24 Spooner instructed a spirit to be unbreakable (10)
- 26 Theme embraced by environmentalist? (4)
- 28 Darling dog keeps row 17 (in Barbican and in Apollo) (7)
- 29 Lettuce head turned out badly in roll (7)
- 30 Shone light on exhibition hall (8)
- 31 Spoils on Radio 7 (6)

DOWN

- 1 10 desert ship with back pain (8)
- 2 9 one hot roasted nut (9)
- 3, 12 What vigorous 26 may do on next page (8)
- 5 Giving change to Guardian with posh replacement (8)

- 6 Dreads last minute hamstringing injury (10)
- 7 Starts lifting a slightly enlarged roof beam (5)
- 8 A final beer – a 13 (6)
- 9 Jelly and ice-cream starters on when quiet (5)
- 14 Shaw's Eliza, for example, river maid (6,4)
- 17 Recoverd from drinking beer mixed with head of distillery's starter round (7,2)
- 18 Consider cottage I renovated (8)
- 19 Senile dogs go out wandering with inertia (8)
- 22 Shade with internal pain (6)
- 23, 20 We've struck trail with club at 11 (5,7)
- 25 Drink preserved by pouring it on ice (5)
- 27 Cat maybe back from Argentina (4)

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