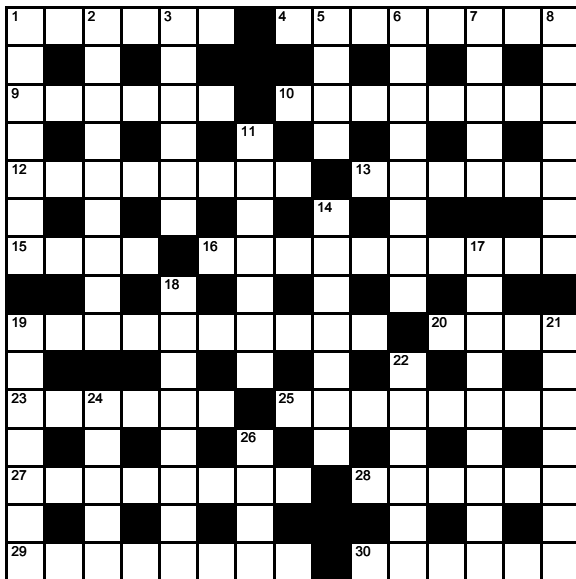


MONDAY PRIZE CROSSWORD

No. 13,549 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 December 1, marked Monday Prize Crossword 13,549 on the envelope, to the Financial Times, 1 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HL. Solution on Monday December 6.

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

ACROSS

- 1 Discuss a letter about a cricketer (6)
- 4 Two cutlets at once (4,4)
- 9 Member of the forces – one holed up in battleground (6)
- 10 Arm on the leg (5,3)
- 12 A chartered accountant meant to return to scholastic life (8)
- 13 Annoy by no longer working to a finish (6)
- 15 Betray mum and ring head of police (4)
- 16 Robber holds up store (10)
- 19 Singular performance lacks dialogue (3-3,4)
- 20 Backs plans for junk mail (4)
- 23 All together, Ben made a mess of back pass (2,4)
- 25 Excluded lawyers right to be in action (8)
- 27 Second murder results in police surveillance (5-3)
- 28 Draw in new capital (6)
- 29 Risk death with passion (8)
- 30 International codeword is rare in operation (6)

DOWN

- 1 Puts down clerics without me (7)
- 2 Ban girl rendering Venetian boat song (9)
- 3 One who cares to make an offer (6)
- 5 March increase (4)
- 6 Don't cheat in two forms of leisure activity (4,4)

- 7 A row between neighbours? (5)
- 8 Sack and what may be put in it (7)
- 11 Tallest point in the High Street (7)
- 14 Strongly disapproves of what a model does after work (7)
- 17 Two prizes lifted by the highest class (3,6)
- 18 17th century girl astride a horse (8)
- 19 Manage to define the bishop's position (7)
- 21 Fine food with party thrown in for a star (7)
- 22 One must support the law to some degree in African state (6)
- 24 Sword play by Ibsen (5)
- 26 Old invader of England involved in sacking (4)

SOLUTION 13,537



The winner's name will be published in Weekend FT on December 4