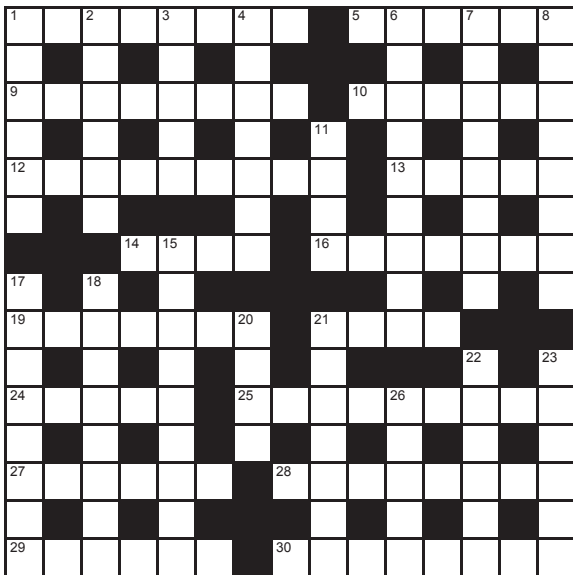


# CROSSWORD

No. 13,998 Set by PETO



## JOTTER PAD

### ACROSS

- 1 Draw from French writer (8)
- 5 Acquisitions from Mars (6)
- 9 Spurn shot at swallow (4,4)
- 10 Keep soldiers in check (6)
- 12 Rambling about new form of virus found in river (9)
- 13 One taking part in exploit with soldiers (5)
- 14 Dynasty's clout beginning to grow (4)
- 16 Look closely at wound – it's ugly (7)
- 19 Distinguished knight gripped by material on record company (7)
- 21 Quote from it in church (4)
- 24 Rex is inside numb with fear (5)
- 25 Priest, after his collapse, has various exercises to get trim (9)
- 27 Destroyed, like before, outside Germany (6)
- 28 Produce blend of green tea (8)
- 29 Fish become liquefied by heat on board ship (6)
- 30 Film of an illegal act involving footballers taking Ecstasy (4,4)

### DOWN

- 1 Be in two minds over hit during communist retreat (6)

- 2 Impressed by small business (6)
- 3 About to receive papers on Republican's addition to bill (5)
- 4 Not heard by Heather when making a delivery (7)
- 6 Widely accepted in time after vicar meets Capone in prison (9)
- 7 I cannot bend over international's laziness (8)
- 8 Guards train carrying books (8)
- 11 Honour Lot in speech (4)
- 15 A month after reform hospital department shows a change for the better (9)
- 17 Section on obelisks is unnecessary (8)
- 18 Release story about bishop on speed (8)
- 20 Some of Plato's Hipparchus is rubbish (4)
- 21 Fancy one after church before mother rings up again? (7)
- 22 Injury time needed after Canadian centre back stands on Maradona's head (6)
- 23 Came across the Queen embracing old space traveller (6)
- 26 European country – not Norway (5)

**Solution to Saturday's prize puzzle on Saturday May 19**  
**Solution to yesterday's prize puzzle on Monday May 21**  
**Crossword winners' names will be printed in Weekend FT**