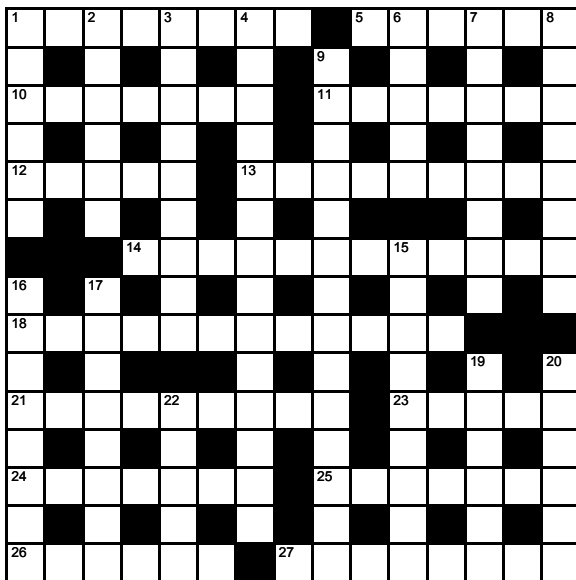


CROSSWORD

No. 13,544 Set by PHSSTHPOK



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Conspiracy to nominate patient man (3-2,3)
- 5 Plastic alien is mine (6)
- 10 Hostile publicity campaign wastes time and energy (7)
- 11 How to throw wild prom rave – not quietly! (7)
- 12 Rig up a sound beam (5)
- 13 To ignore odd characters running at thug really is artificial (9)
- 14 Do we all owe this as a result of a bet? (8,4)
- 18 Hell lies with each catastrophic vulnerability (8,4)
- 21 Virus stores fuel dump contents in seaweed (9)
- 23 Not available to chop end off chip (5)
- 24 Unusual to be away on journey (7)
- 25 In speech, you criticise political party for winning on this (2-3-2)
- 26 Italian you French run over (6)
- 27 A mountain has one wave (8)

DOWN

- 1 When trailing, place letters furthest apart in squares (6)
- 2 Bar bible in grave without success (6)
- 3 Boundary with everyone chasing ball (5,4)
- 4 Where in France is academic institution mentioned briefly? (4,10)
- 6 Move time to bury dead (5)
- 7 Write about match in the shade (3-5)
- 8 Model employee found dead (8)
- 9 Duck meals: you might get this depressed (4,2,3,5)
- 15 Ambush initial deployment, surrounding both flanks (3,2,4)
- 16 Carte blanche for secretaries to have fun (8)
- 17 Woman plays guitar in The Police (8)
- 19 Tart caught by police in middle of road (6)
- 20 What many people say is that very old version of Windows works – almost (3,3)
- 22 Some bare naked characters featured in amphitheatre (5)

Solution to Saturday's prize puzzle on Saturday November 27
Solution to yesterday's prize puzzle on Monday November 29
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