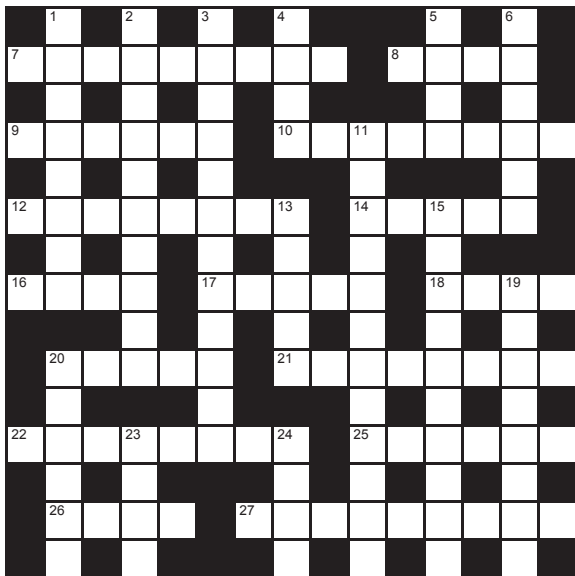


CROSSWORD

No. 14,789 Set by IO



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 7 Small part of masked hero turning head in race (5,4)
- 8 After 12 months, what about a positive response? (4)
- 9 Female help brought in by opposite sex (6)
- 10 As yet undone question is a piece of cake (4,4)
- 12 For the rest of the men, it is jeers (8)
- 14 Show over, 24 round the bend (5)
- 16 Representation of the B (4)
- 17 Writer set back 24 19 Islamic title (5)
- 18 Open wide space by end of lane (4)
- 20 Opening tips for travelling at rear of the pack (5)
- 21 Bizarre stares fixing a couple of Zenit substitutes (8)
- 22 Degenerate's dreadfully wet coming through prickly bush (3,5)
- 25 Gutted Mr Dury's comeback, one Blockhead after another (6)
- 26 Yes, we shall serve them again! (4)
- 27 For the very old, alas, we shall lend it when listening (9)

DOWN

- 1 A fund-raiser in depravity where the reverend's quite at home (8)
- 2 Writer left looking down on old road sign (4,6)

- 3 It's bestowed with joy round street where vicar unravels clues (12)
- 4 Collude on and off no longer with old crossword guide (4)
- 5 Cream tea finally regurgitated by animal (4)
- 6 Hunted, caught and restrained (6)
- 11 Not entirely certain one's included in image management alone, strange to hear (12)
- 13 View children should be *heard*? No . . . yes! (5)
- 15 Very possibly secure a metal set in a bumper of an activity? The reverse (10)
- 19 Sort of licence given to rhymester at police clubs (8)
- 20 Out with it on hogmanay! (He spilt the beans about it) (3,3)
- 23 By law, it has limits (4)
- 24 Take *7Up* out of tin at all? (4)

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