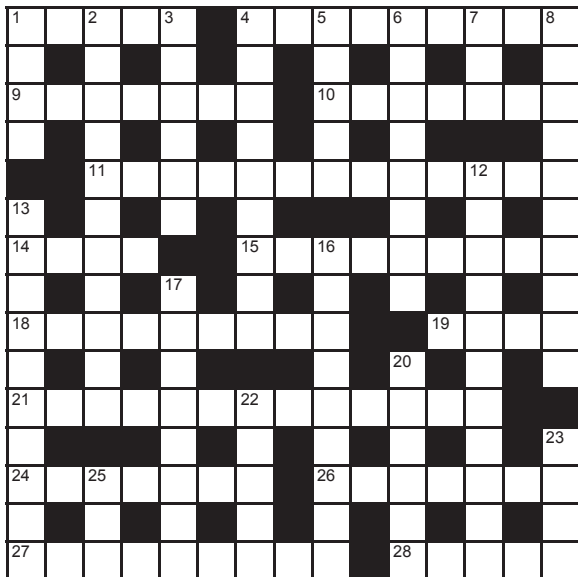


CROSSWORD

No. 15,339 Set by JULIUS



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 British old school painter (5)
- 4 Grouped together, making lots of noise between the sheets! (9)
- 9 It guards quiet flat with fashionable interior (4,3)
- 10 Chap enters, to be announced in charge of ancient Egyptian city (7)
- 11 Provides filler for tricky game; St. Helens' first appearance on back page (7,3,3)
- 14 Infielder regularly carries 10 water (4)
- 15 Made one's mark, reportedly, in skin transplant (9)
- 18 Left oddly situated? These will help you find your bearings (9)
- 19 Knock back teasingful of sulphur? I say! (4)
- 21 He'll give you the lowdown on British Airways' soundproof design (5,8)
- 24 Purchase storage on ship heading eastbound (7)
- 26 Made manual key corrections in Jaguar E-type drivetrain (7)
- 27 Fought to oust unionist creating disturbance outside - it might kick off! (5,4)
- 28 High-level programming language has one in danger (5)

DOWN

- 1 Violent blow following blunder (by 1 across, as the saying goes?) (4)
- 2 Allowed in using "bish bosh" - the group passwords (11)
- 3 Drop-out seen in fast-food joints (6)

- 4 Playing rugby, dad wears nothing for protection (9)
- 5 They're against 8; one who prays? (5)
- 6, 7, 12 Partially developed blurred photograph enrages Sheikh (4,4,2,1,1)
- 8 Top secret (a tip ace detective comes up with) (10)
- 12 See 6
- 13 Bleak winter hasn't started to trouble little 'un (5-5)
- 16 Call for heads, possibly, to roll with trouble in store (4,3,2)
- 17 Well-built, wearing spectacles, Penny was easy to spot (5,3)
- 20 This month's record ball striker (6)
- 22 Part of the media, Bill's in the Olympic venue (5)
- 23 One much admired, Labour leader supports union agreement (4)
- 25 It hit Prescott, ex-deputy PM, leaving Sri Lanka (3)

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