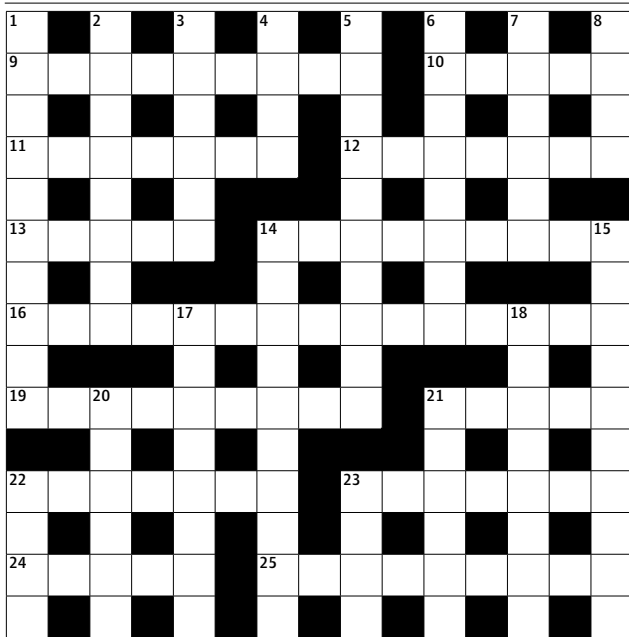


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 24,949 set by Brendan

Across

- 9** Kind of poet Tennyson heartlessly rubbished, always in verse (9)
10,3 Flower girl tethers unruly dog (5,6)
11 Provider of wake-up call, ring included in schedule (7)
12 Someone behaving amorously in club with queen (7)
13 PC, perhaps, put out person arriving (5)
14 Free from indocrination that's marred GOP reform (9)
16 Autobiographical piece, such as 10 3 for 22 across, or 22 down 23 across for 12 (4-11)
19 Authoritative statements by politician totally in control (9)
21 High ground seized by NCO in assault (5)
22 Bishop managed to conceal object for saint (7)
23 See 22 down
24 Means of controlling stock in great abundance (5)
25 Victor, William, Norman (9)

Down

- 1** One's breaking keys in old instrument thrown out (10)
2 During class a learner is not stiff (8)
3 See 10

- 4** Forecaster's dry pronouncement (4)
5 Put out person bridging political divide (5-5)
6 Japanese course in which I'm over average at university (4,4)
7 Decisive goal with almost perfect shot (6)
8 Portion of pilchards or other fish (4)
14 Divorce adjusted in second court (10)
15 Where many Parisian painters are highly visible (10)
17 It's expensive, darling! Hence concerned expression (4,4)
18 Ideology about alternative line seen in forecast (8)
20 Kind of salad having 13, 4, 25 as 16? (6)
21 Don't join in drink around one (3,3)
22,23across Person with a hobby who's happy to see one? (11)
23 Bush with twig (4)

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