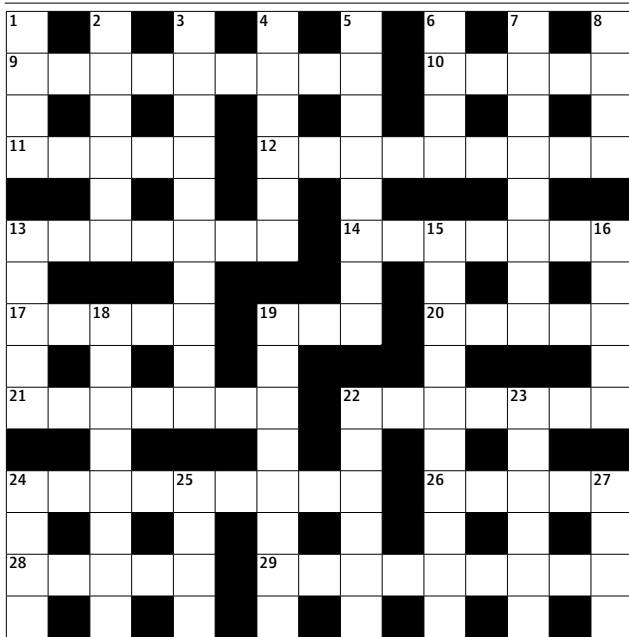


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 9** Differing form for scientists showing grant – something binding? (9)
10 See 3
11 Shoot in due season, new to emerge (5)
12 Scheme laid down by heretic, a sort of worm (9)
13 Crazy types getting huge bonuses should receive nothing (not ace!) (7)
14 Be ill, held by nurse? There's nothing after this (4,3)
17 Wine running short? That's serious (5)
19 Hero who may track down criminals? (3)
20 Copper – idiot about to drive dangerously? (3,2)
21 Exhaust-emitting vehicle brought back gets Green upset (7)
22 City's little woman's accommodated in stable (3,4)
24 Asiatic tree hit cupola in storm (9)
26 See 3
28 Girl heard something indicating death (5)
29 Particularly cut off, needing friend (9)

Down

- 1** South African leader bleats (4)
2 Coin to chuck? Not good when it contains gold (6)
3,18,10,26 What is a prime bit of the best all-night ice verse conjured up? (2,5,3,2,6,5,2,3)

- 4** Body discovered outside University College in Oxford (6)
5 Grass, full of hypocrisy, renounced former practice (8)
6 Proceed to first item on agenda – Minutes (4)
7 Earnest raising of hat when meeting one distinguished fellow (8)
8 House is virtuous, no drug being found (4)
13 John, useless dud (5)
15 Arsonist in church with name put on record (10)
16 Maybe disco gate's sealed off at ten (5)
18 See 3
19 Thief is a great evil – put criminal inside (8)
22 Servant to play truant, finishing early, very weary at the end (6)
23 Men supply author (6)
24 "Stupid boy" – headless goon (4)
25 Lake in dangerous wood (4)
27 Island that sounds like heaven (4)

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