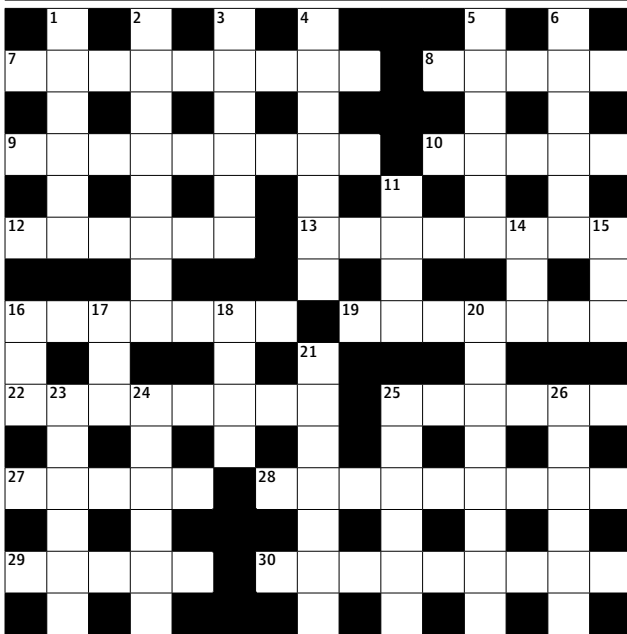


Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 7 Boatman gets his first crop on the wagon (9)
- 8 Content of grass crop very quietly taken inside (5)
- 9 They get special credit for first alms distributed (4,5)
- 10 Inferior crop blossoms (5)
- 12 Money makes a mockery of the law (6)
- 13 Spilt bran on back of wagon, where you might bring crops at harvest (8)
- 16 Change of crop due to yield (7)
- 19 Crop circles in middle of field of pigs (7)
- 22 Below ground, crop circles are in better condition (8)
- 25 Fruit of love, dispelling anger (6)
- 27 Plug for TV's On the Wagon (5)
- 28 Celestial lunar cycle they incorporated (9)
- 29 Fruit crop (5)
- 30 Press to give new line about bird taking in the Head of News (6,3)

Down

- 1 Some say pigs crop up to finish cake (6)
- 2 Came a cropper in slum: debt is a problem (8)
- 3 Change of crop (6)
- 4 Shed covering mess of debris – nothing in it (7)
- 5 Beetle, perhaps, or bird eats crop (6)

- 6 A start at picking fruit crop up (6)
- 11 So Boatman's absorbed, reading? (4)
- 14 Tropical cuckoo found in Africa originally, then part of the UK (3)
- 15 Do you report directly? (3)
- 16 Bar removal of saint's bone from country without royal authority (3)
- 17 Oh, whatever they say to be in agreement! (3)
- 18 Harvest incomplete: head of wheat taken by bird (4)
- 20 Discussing drink, on the wagon, in Bag End (8)
- 21 Pig eats its last trifle (7)
- 23 A lot of men take what's left of the fruit again (6)
- 24 Going up north, roughly 1,000 – a lot of people (6)
- 25 Dense crop – a question of where to look (6)
- 26 Bird starts to eat the crop (6)

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