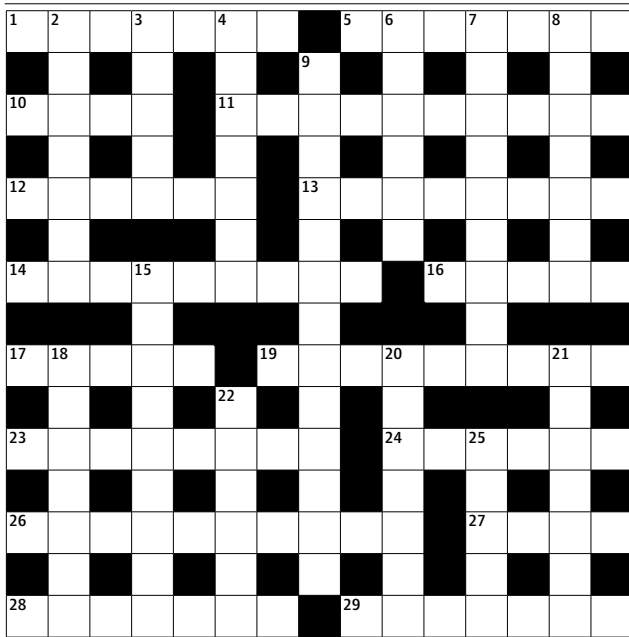


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,838 set by Rufus

Across

- 1 Married in a fit of lunacy? That's slander (7)
- 5 Antique chair that's broken must be taken into account (7)
- 10 Nelson held her in high esteem, maybe (4)
- 11 Parties of runners? (10)
- 12 Horse, for example, backed for plate (6)
- 13 Drunk given prison sentence none too soon (4,4)
- 14 An additional dress item for an accomplice (9)
- 16 Finish with conclusion of judge in lawsuit (5)
- 17 He tangles with cop – that will mean time (5)
- 19 Son traces scattered family members (9)
- 23 Leaped – above oneself? (6-2)
- 24 Vagrants responsible for swindle in backstreet (6)
- 26 It's designed for handi-capped drivers to do the rounds (4,6)
- 27 Area said to be uncultivated (4)
- 28 Repeat treat that is arranged (7)
- 29 Rich source no longer available (4,3)

Down

- 2 Girl able to set up a whole lot of dates (7)
- 3 Take away gun from a French member (5)

- 4 Irregular deliveries (2-5)
- 6 One may take it as a safe place (6)
- 7 Breathe irregularly at what should be regular (9)
- 8 This turned out to sum up Panama, for example (7)
- 9 Prince rather upset, having to accept a royal spouse (9,4)
- 15 Save excerpt of novel (6,3)
- 18 Be mother for the French, when abroad (4,3)
- 20 Last but not least (7)
- 21 Censure about the degree of alcohol (7)
- 22 Road is renovated – it is skilfully done (6)
- 25 A danger out East at this time of the year (5)

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