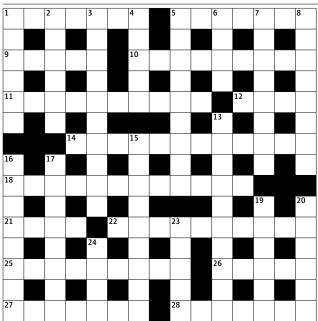
Guardian cryptic crossword



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Across

- 1 Man who painted factories across main road (7)
- 5 Revolutionary infiltrating mad groups (7)
- **9** Soldier quietly qualifying for £200 in board game?
- 10 Man in serial denial crosses mud going over boundary (9)
- 11 Spooner gets to listen to woolly type his radical contemporary (4,6)
- 12 Some solvers may love it; some others mutter (4)
- 14 Bad man attending place of worship, posing as an impressive leader? (12)
- 18 Sports club facility it's about danglin' dress?
- 21 One bird's losing the way, one bird (4)
- 22 Legendary German greeting bald nerd, nastily (10)
- 25 Smoke close to Yorkshire river captured by historian (6,3)
- **26** Poet has classy port brought round (5)
- 27 Relief when fools get sent back and put inside (5-2)
- 28 Doesn't get deeply involved with canoes? (7)

Down

- 1 Bird and donkey seen across river (6)
- 2 The Italian goes after fast food (6)
- 3 Saw dad in strange hat, trim having bit of gold in it (10)

- 4 Great meal one page brought out (5)
- **5** Smart on top, is that woman in rubber? (9)
- **6,24** Who perhaps shows merit, old whizz (4,4)
- 7 Abusive stuff coming in torrent – troublemaker getting maiden trapped (4,4)
- 8 Endless struggle concluded by small examination (8)
- **13** Something potentially creaky to baffle the bosses? (10)
- **15** Right form of book to enthral any number in translation (9)
- 16 Comedian in area besieged by ladies and gentlemen? (1,1,6)
- 17 Alien had a nice estate (8)
- 19 Composer to deal with sounds (6)
- 20 A university lecturer is a lord (6)
- 23 Doctor sure to run out of words (3,2)
- **24** See 6

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