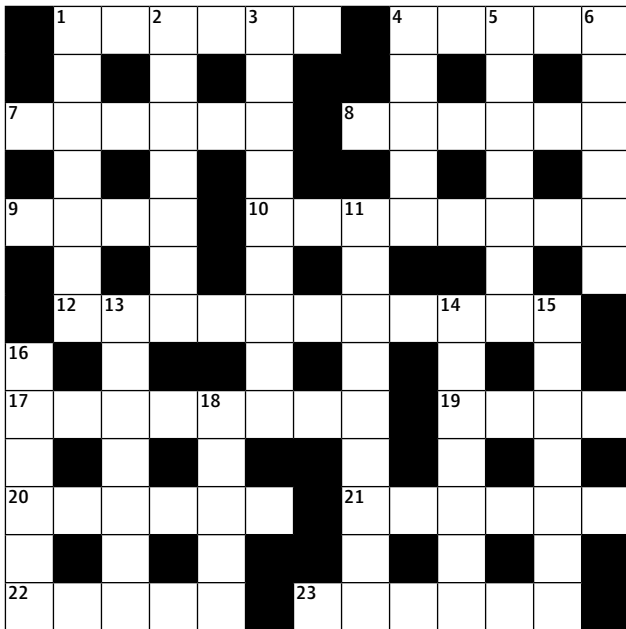


QUICK CROSSWORD No 12,693



Across

- 1 Day nursery (6)
- 4 Loud noise – conflict (5)
- 7 Very exciting – glowing (3-3)
- 8 Large enclosure for birds (6)
- 9 Gramophone record (4)
- 10 Lively old dance (8)
- 12 Lacking enthusiasm (4-7)
- 17 Supplier (8)
- 19 Excuse – pretext (4)
- 20 Slice of bacon (6)
- 21 Insect (anag) (6)
- 22 Postpone (5)
- 23 Fanatic (6)

- 16 Avoided incurring (6)
- 18 Mournful poem (5)

Down

- 1 Hold dear (7)
- 2 Principled (7)
- 3 Go to bed (informal) (3,3,3)
- 4 Gathering of witches (5)
- 5 Covetousness (7)
- 6 No Hyde (anag) (6)
- 11 Change the position(s) of (9)
- 13 Spray container (7)
- 14 Representative (7)
- 15 Firmly embedded (4-3)

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