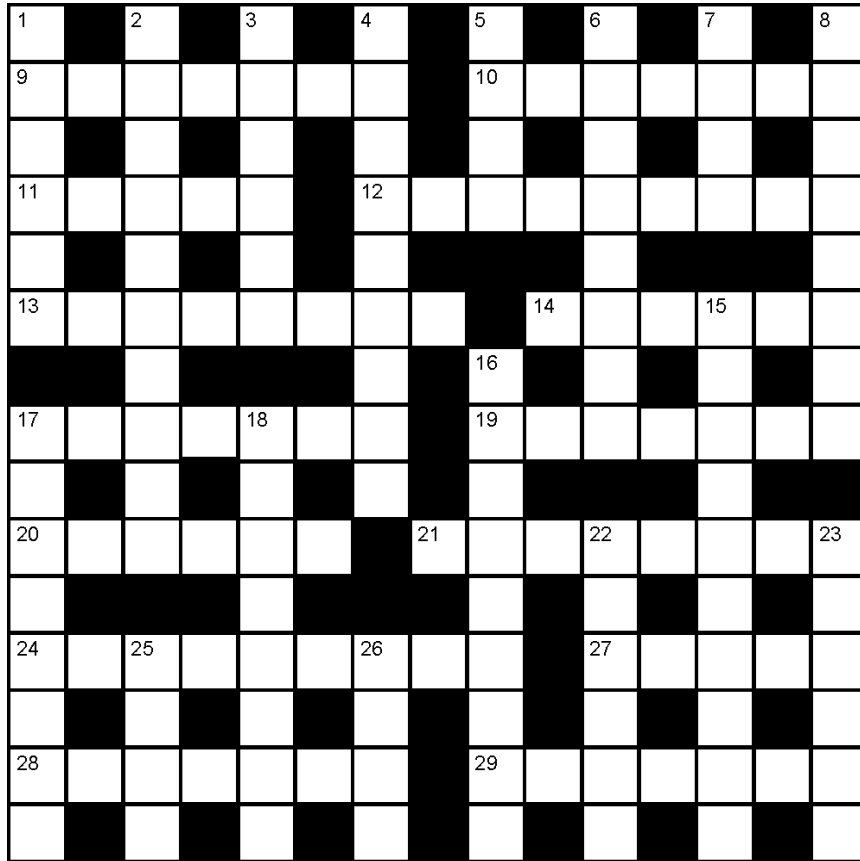


Crossword 23 by Jane Fitzpatrick



Across

- 9 Force English rebel out, having less strength (7)
- 10 Losing head, leap after donkey attack (7)
- 11 A smile beside a boat (5)
- 12 Proven: USA engineered massive explosion (9)
- 13 Made new form of pipe with hemp inside (8)
- 14 Superhero wrapped outlaw around cash dispenser (6)
- 17 Overthrow Bush and manage economically (7)
- 19 Crime fighter heard to demand payback for girl (7)
- 20 Before end of July, king and queen had no more to give (3,3)
- 21 'Snake!' I violently declaim, hoping for attention (8)
- 24 Men in hamlet processed cheese (9)
- 27 Find out the French are short one point (5)
- 28 Have intention to score the wrong way! (3,4)
- 29 Ask endlessly: flipped or in glass? (2,5)

Down

- 1 A very loudly broadcast dalliance (6)
- 2 Light shone out after energy relay initially shorts in south Germany (10)
- 3 Tortilla mash supplies Peruvian ruminants (6)
- 4 Head cinematographer originally censored build-up to climax (9)
- 5 Clip malingerer over hiding light (4)
- 6 Cockney demand to employ the lady's signature: it's needed to get past security (8)
- 7 Currency lasts, despite impromptu border fiasco (4)
- 8 Rents air treatment filter (8)
- 15 Historic rights set out at Armagnac (5,5)
- 16 Condescendingly account for chap's field (9)
- 17 Mount TV as means of carrying chargers, perhaps (8)
- 18 Excited matador takes direction haphazardly (2,6)
- 22 Violin composition dropped one key, full of passion (2,4)
- 23 It keeps the joint working, but X is almost finished (6)
- 25 Large number in one small car (4)
- 26 Healthy hot drink (4)

Solutions

Across: 9 feebler, 10 assault, 11 abeam, 12 supernova, 13 rehashed, 14 batman, 17 husband, 19 avenger, 20 ran dry, 21 aspirant, 24 Emmenthal, 27 learn, 28 own goal, 29 in vitro.

Down: 1 affair, 2 lederhosen, 3 llamas, 4 crescendo, 5 lamp, 6 username, 7 euro, 8 strainer, 15 Magna Carta, 16 mansplain, 17 horsebox, 18 at random, 22 in love, 23 tendon, 25 mini, 26 hale.