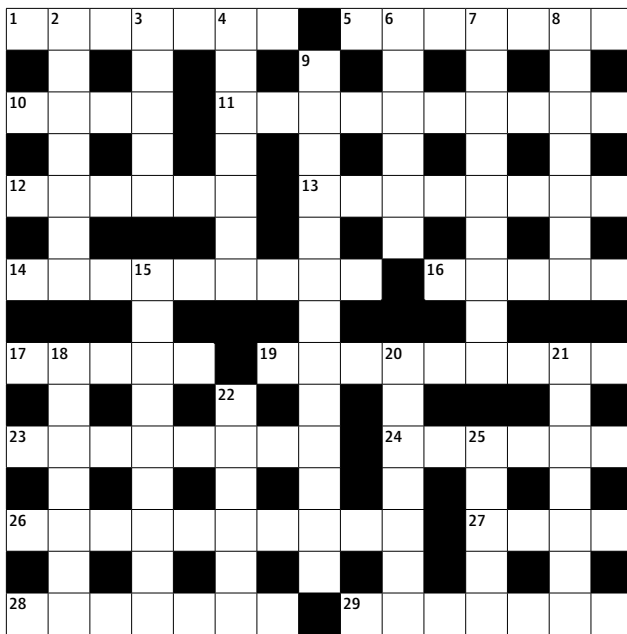


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 27,402 set by Qaos

Across

- 1** Great work, primarily drama, ending in misery? (7)
5 Comedians stop heckles with “Hush!” (7)
10 Vlad puzzle is taxing people (4)
11 German tennis player qualified first, but can draw (10)
12 Dispatch clothing – no tops, please (6)
13 Girl’s foolish regret about Jude in the nude (8)
14 Filter paper? Pascal discarded two drinks endlessly (9)
16 Good landlord serves spirit (5)
17 Location of war not American wrongdoing (5)
19 Magnificent bribe – manufacturing plant (5,4)
23 Emperor’s idea: steal car, go east then south (8)
24 In the morning, 50 entered the mysterious little village (6)
26 Large miner’s tatty loafer (10)
27 Greek characters retire operating system (4)
28 Men move into Black Country (7)

- 29** Perhaps Philip and Charles are present in church on Sunday (7)

Down

- 2** Retaliation, say, not uprising (7)
3 Heavy accent (5)
4 Pet runs into stick? Nonsense! (7)
6 Try slice of beef for tea (6)
7 Instruction on lid of tea-pot: pour this out (9)
8 Wants Dr’s letters to be exchanged for lives (7)
9 Hold garments? (5,8)
15 Social theory my half-cousin condemned around 2000 (9)
18 Drop rent again? (7)
20 Supporter had travelled before start of race (7)
21 It shelters two boys close to shore (3,4)
22 Collier to ride about astride horse (6)
25 “I quit!” – football manager loses his head over miss (5)

Solution No. 27,401

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