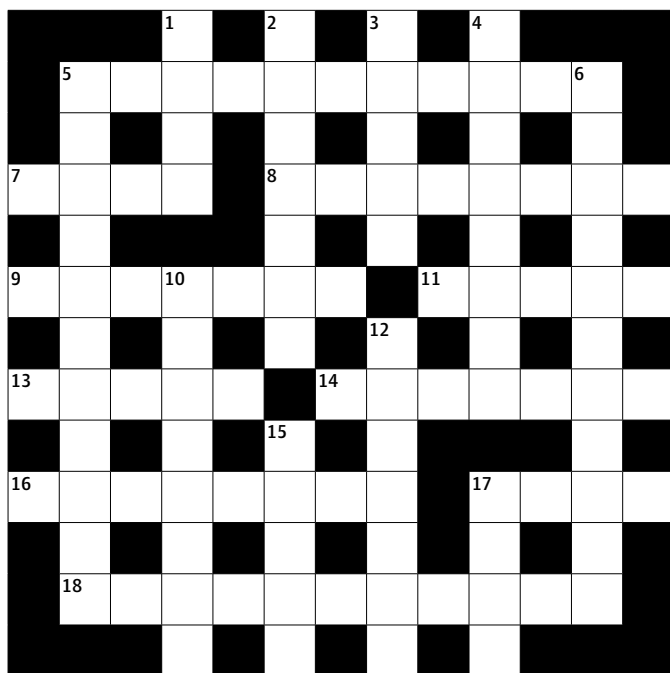


Quick crossword no 16,021



11/9/2021: 5 down's clue has been changed

- 15** Matilda's dance (to Strauss's music?) (5)
17 Weakest chess piece (4)

Across

- 5** High-quality wooden furniture (11)
7 Groucho or Karl? (4)
8 In the manner of a ruffian (8)
9 Chap with a carrot for a nose? (7)
11 Kind of dirty music? (5)
13 Weave into braids (5)
14 Well (7)
16 State in control over a subservient one – Iran/Suez (anag) (8)
17 Inverted stitch (4)
18 Squander (7,4)

Down

- 1** Mountain goat (4)
2 Detains (anag) – in lieu (7)
3 Fat – dark beer (5)
4 Silly comic verse (8)
5 Scan TV stations (7,4)
6 One version of Nelson's dying words (4,2,5)
10 Supposedly harmless fib (5,3)
12 Name for Mr Fox (7)

Solution no 16,020

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