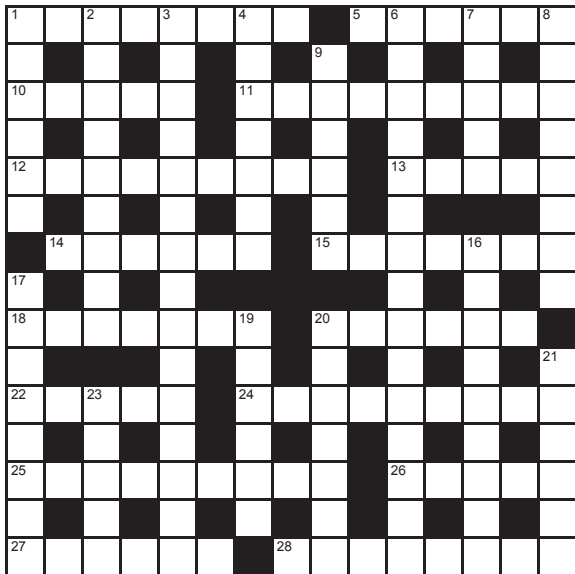


MONDAY PRIZE CROSSWORD

No. 14,566 Set by FALCON



A prize of The Good Word Guide by Martin Manser and How to Sound Clever by Hubert van den Bergh will be awarded for the first correct solution opened. Solutions by Wednesday March 19, marked Monday Prize Crossword 14,566 on the envelope, to the Financial Times, 1 Southwark Bridge, London SE1 9HL. Solution on Monday March 24.

ACROSS

- 1 Young man restraining supporter with golden retriever (8)
- 5 Arrive at college on express (4,2)
- 10 Kurt Russell's surgical appliance (5)
- 11 Opera put on by Lorca, surprisingly – last from Strauss (3,6)
- 12 Popular army officer, for the most part (2,7)
- 13 Derelict carriage across motorway (5)
- 14, 15 A nasty fire cut off, using this device in theatre? (6,7)
- 18, 20 Saw *red* product stirred? It helps to make a yellow sauce! (7,6)
- 22 Mistaken about eccentric (5)
- 24 Dummy in cot for me? Possibly right (9)
- 25 English painter, William, half-heartedly put in two oxen and rabbit (6-3)
- 26 River in NI county in flood (5)
- 27 Approaches where there was a mysterious affair involving Poirot (6)
- 28 Charm one's way in (8)

DOWN

- 1 The French on outing act without restraint (3,3)
- 2 Sad? Sing country music (9)
- 3, 6 Away, so the match becomes more intense, it's said (7,5,3,5,4,6)

4 Neat hospital attendant (7)

6 See 3

7 Girl with the Italian mother (5)

8 Put off job, one involving pressure (8)

9 All together, note, inside elevated plant (2,4)

16 Emissary, knight, on about university lecturer, say (5,4)

17 A friend's involving member of Aslef and Usdaw, maybe (8)

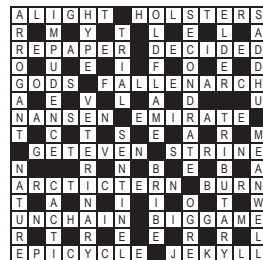
19 Goes off? Daughter, yes, amazingly, to cross Central America (6)

20 Persistently question family getting fruit (7)

21 Bang bell cast in iron (6)

23 Temperature reasonable for wine (5)

SOLUTION 14,554



The winner's name will be published in Weekend FT on March 22