

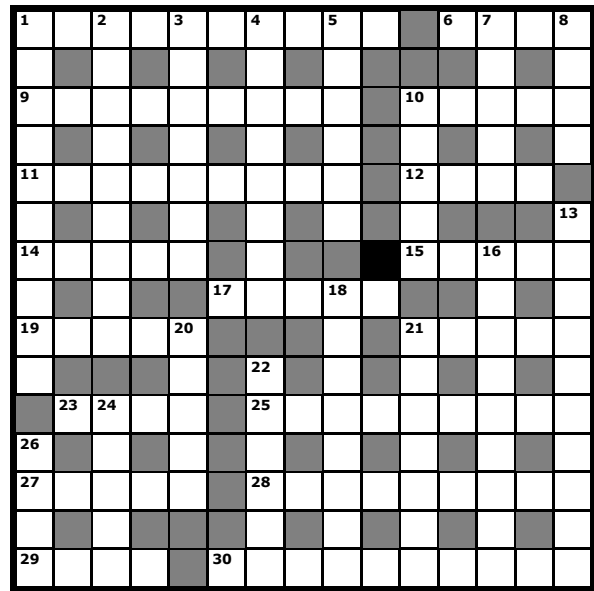
November 2025 Slot 2 by Lexi Conner

Across

- 1 Patty's following spring's launches (4-6)
- 6 Applied for openings at university studying economic development (4)
- 9 NY alcohol server shows skill during a drinking bout (9)
- 10 Woman in NZ let out a cry (5)
- 11 American achievement award given to song attracts professional fees (9)
- 12 The interior of Nordic edifices is cold (4)
- 14 Foreshadowed a dumb loss being assessed (5)
- 15 Investigator at IOC uncovers relationship (5)
- 17 It is not in the make-up of a physicist to motivate
- 19 Tennis star gives lad an upset (5)
- 21 Pungent corrosive substance engulfed centre of Paris (5)
- 23 Support dies from insulin-related disease (4)
- 25 Slur as Darius received zilch for a replacement (9)
- 27 Loll about US airport (5)
- 28 Spanish is employed here in translating a Guam tale (9)
- 29 Come across backing for pelt (4)
- 30 Butchers been forced to produce cured meat (6,4)

Down

- 1 Assignments shifting fast with more than one person in position (3-7)
- 2 Immersed in challenging talk at harbour's end (9)
- 3 Becomes angry as designer reasserted ditching art... (4,3)
- 4 ...and linking clubs to make metal stands (8)
- 5 Robot arm activated to maintain runway (6)
- 7 Parasites after last crumbs of piece of cake (5)
- 8 So-called beloved four-footer (4)



- 10 Buzz at the start of Westland helicopters indicates repair required (5)
- 13 Biblical idol exhibiting resplendent lower leg (6,4)
- 16 Complete course to treat tinea (9)
- 18 10 gets top level domain patent (8)
- 20 Doctors exalt liquid from some plants (5)
- 21 Scatterbrain bearing down on boss (7)
- 22 Champion driver crashed in a fog (6)
- 24 Refute faith when its leader departs (5)
- 26 Criminal wrote in one negated legal document (4)