

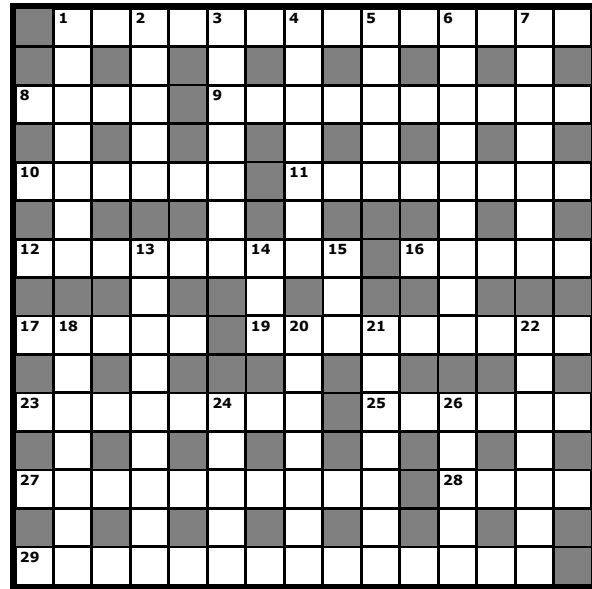
October 2025 Slot 3 by CT

Across

- 1 Bygone days showing setter's in magazine tribute (4,10)
- 8 Irish clan's division begins their fall - 4/9 to be precise (4)
- 9 Wind-up merchant? (10)
- 10 Root or Cook, say, prepare fish with this (6)
- 11 Jail arrest is revealing drug (8)
- 12 Spooner's to marry well, one liable to unwelcome outcome (9)
- 16 Salutation finished (5)
- 17 Athleticism also held back events at 13? (5)
- 19 Madly in love after date, say, so turn a blind eye (3,2,4)
- 23 "They're fetching at 13", cry heard by lads (8)
- 25 A summer past? (6)
- 27 Apartment provided by French fellow keeping rendezvous? (4-1-5)
- 28 Asian currency member! (4)
- 29 Swaps, options star is holding new switches (14)

Down

- 1 In canteen a gel for adolescent (7)
- 2 For Parisian - word and musical composition (5)
- 3 Assume willingly? (7)
- 4 Main road Caltex, not even a sign from above (7)
- 5 Fruit found under rock or water (5)
- 6 Truck part securing docked MAC ... rambling endeavour (9)
- 7 Launches a barrage, since SS is coming to grips with trouble (7)
- 13 Flight of fancy with husband absent, boy initially tempted, facing court here? (9)
- 14 Briefly state when free of frenzy (3)
- 15 Eggs course evenly cooked (3)
- 18 More heavily wooded area of East LA ravaged by wildfire! (7)
- 20 Guards sense duress endlessly (7)



- 21 Swallow in a birdhouse, most cool! (7)
- 22 Serviceman turning up to fix sauna for cold-blooded types (7)
- 24 Don't appreciate swallowing draught beer (2,3)
- 26 \$A10 sound system (5)