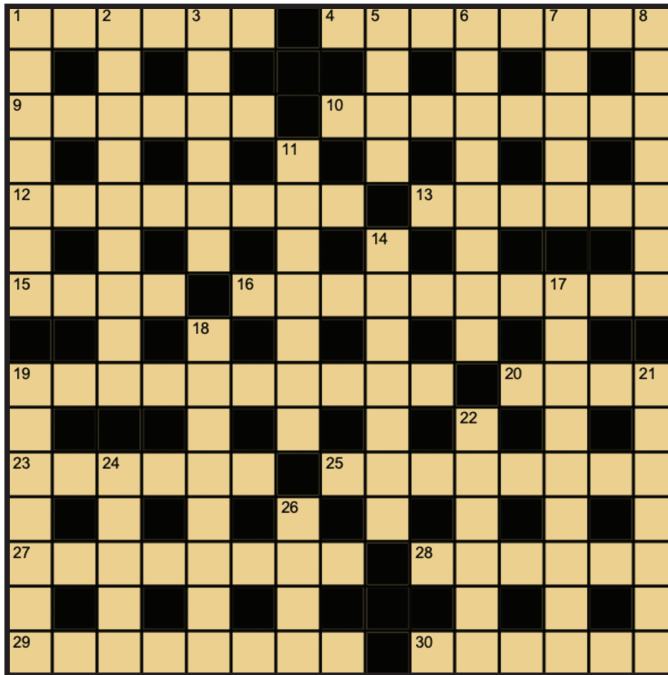




At the back Puzzles

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Cryptic crossword Member puzzle 02



ACROSS

- 1** Doctor's sharp, it's said (6)
4 Plans trouble with weapons, king's gone after trick (8)
9/19 Waltzing around first after-party precaution (6,10)
10 Torquemada's wrong to have decapitated cleaner (8)

- 12** King Erik captured Helen's heart after early start (8)
13 Tree turned up in India's no banyan (6)
15 At the start, do replenish our Pimm's – just a little! (4)
16 Swim first and move on board – then it's found on the beach (10)

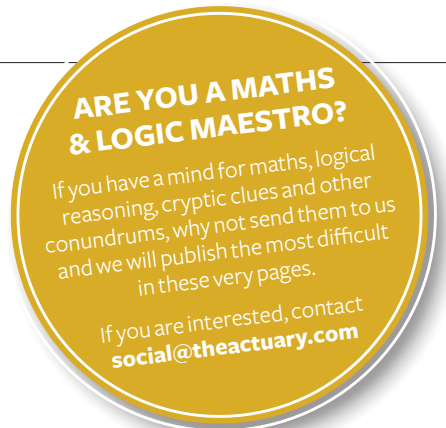
- 19** See 9
20 A cat's a very small specimen (4)
23 Heard what's going to rescue Noah where there's bandits (6)
25 See 24 Down
27 Just after Hallowe'en, Rudd lost a work that's not complete

- before then(8)
28 That cat Ewing's rehydrated in Ciudad Juarez (6)
29 The 27 priced out of treatment (8)
30 See 6 Down

DOWN

- 1** Where theatres are turned to use a needle, nurse (4,3)
2 Plotting together, South American and some real comedians (2,7)
3 Nets turn oddly breaking laws (6)
5 Award assumes nothing – it's blown! (4)
6/30/8 Institution is briefly nursed by returning Irish nurses (8,6,7)
7 Six are said to lead to American parasite (5)
8 See 6
11 She follows the first and last occupation (7)

- 14** Notice angry sound can produce tissue (7)
17 Recast Hannibal Lecter initially – left out completely (2,3,4)
18 Criticise medic about infection (8)
19 Written to be nearer (5,2)
21 Perhaps Henry VIII destroyed Roman church (7)
22 Connect with judge assuming evil 6 down (6)
24/25 7 or 18 spelt out eviction with not quite two ends turned out (5,8)
26 Poet spilt beer and the last of the lager (4)



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Coin it in Mensa puzzle 793

A piggybank contains £17.03, made up of four different denominations of coins. The largest denomination is £1, and there is exactly the same number of each coin. What are the coins?

Sporting chance Mensa puzzle 794

The names of three sporting venues are written in code.

What are they?

BJOUSFF
NVSSBZGJFME
TU BOESFXT

Across: **1** Whitty **4** Connives **9/19** Social distancing **10** Torturer **12** Ethelred **13** Bonsai **15** Drop **16** Sandcastle **20** Atom **23** Arcade **27** November **28** Jaguar **29** Pedicure **Down: 1** West End **2** In cahoots **3** Trawls **5** Oboe **6/30/8** National health service **7** Virus **11** Tenancy **14** Adenoid **17** To the full **18** Pandemic **19** Drawn up **21** Monarch **22** Relate **24/25** Covid nineteen **26** Lear.

793: 13 of each of £1, 20p, 10p and 1p **794:** Aintree, Murrayfield and St Andrews. Each letter has been replaced by the one following it in the alphabet.