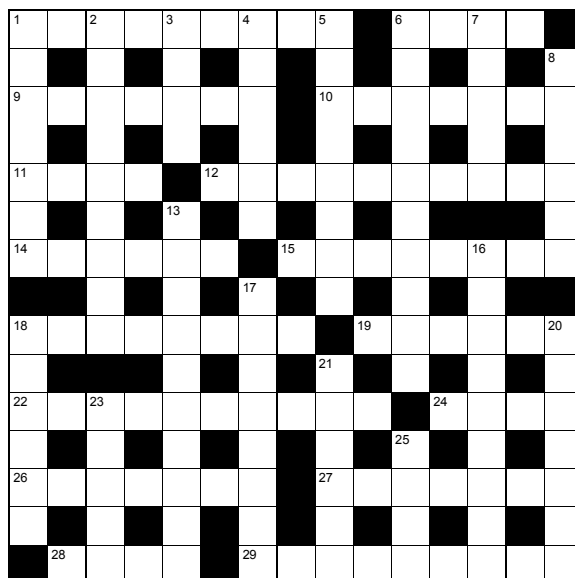


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ACROSS

- 1 Harp on about taking a long time to provide place for unfortunate children (9)
- 6 Leaders of western Europe accept king is powerless (4)
- 9 Angrily I scold student at start of year (7)
- 10 One giving kiss or punishment (7)
- 11 Top champion nets millions (4)
- 12 Unfortunately star has men pestering (10)
- 14 Bergman's part in fighting Marxism (6)
- 15 Describes bad beer and a gin very badly (8)
- 18 Two lags will discover what aircraft leaves behind (8)
- 19 Fool is to show derision about good man (6)
- 22 Be clearly bothered about carbon, being environmentally friendly (10)
- 24 Some timber includes northern pine (4)
- 26 Loving self-introduction by Conservative? (7)
- 27 Old vehicle needs new tacho – right one is installed (7)
- 28 Shows affection for dogs perhaps (4)
- 29 Losing her head, Beryl met ex – worried? Very! (9)

DOWN

- 1 Paperwork from old equipment given to mate in Paris (7)
- 2 Quietly replaced a migrant bird (9)
- 3 On returning, some remained anchored in port (4)
- 4 On vacation touring New York no matter what (6)
- 5 Really happy with heads of English commerce still (8)
- 6 We harvest when ordered, gathering nothing at all (10)
- 7 Kelvin gets stuck into lean cooked joint (5)
- 8 Quite attractive (6)
- 13 Unpredictable cop is a cur, I fancy (10)
- 16 Confirm writer is English (9)
- 17 Some memory of a bit to eat, say, after concert (8)
- 18 Cornflakes perhaps mentioned in a row (6)
- 20 Correctly and cheerfully ignoring leader (7)
- 21 Bring out legal drug first (6)
- 23 Stop opening of Comic Relief (5)
- 25 Proscribe oriental poison (4)

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SOLUTION

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ACROSS

1 orphanage. 6 weak. 9 irately. 10 smacker. 11 acme. 12 harassment. 14 Ingmar. 15 vinegary. 18 contrail. 19 jester. 22 recyclable. 24 long. 26 amatory. 27 chariot. 28 pets. 29 extremely.

DOWN

1 origami. 2 ptarmigan. 3 Aden. 4 anyway. 5 ecstatic. 6 whatsoever. 7 ankle. 8 pretty. 13 capricious. 16 authorise. 17 gigabyte. 18 cereal. 20 rightly. 21 elicit. 23 cease. 25 bane.