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## THE WEEK CROSSWORD 1400

Two Connell Guides and three Week-branded items will be given to the sender of the first correct solution to the crossword and the clue of the week opened on Monday 19 February. Send it to The Week Crossword 1400, 121-141 Westbourne Terrace, London W2 6JR, or email the completed grid/listed solutions to [crossword@theweek.co.uk](mailto:crossword@theweek.co.uk). **Tim Moorey (timmoorey.com)**



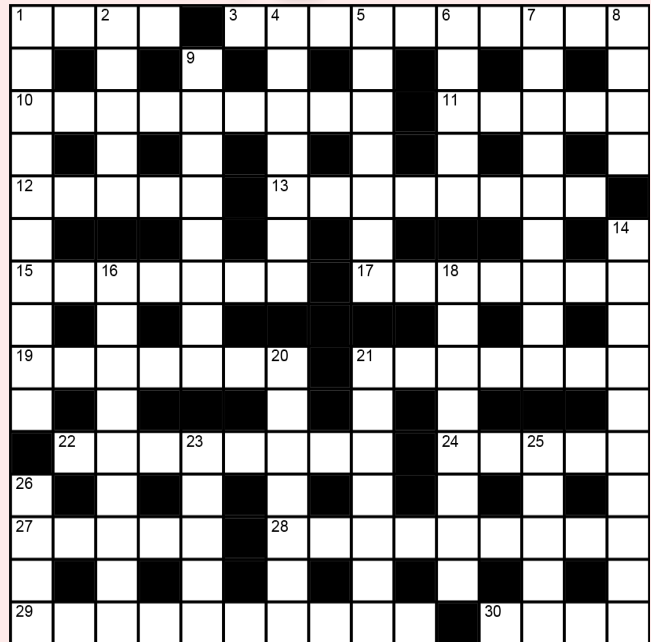
This week's winner will receive Week-branded items including a notebook, coffee mug and tote bag, as well as two Connell Guides ([connellguides.com](http://connellguides.com)).

### ACROSS

- 1 Piano is frequently behind soprano (4)
- 3 Afternoon entertainment with music from French char? (3,7)
- 10 Section on ledge makes one sort of quail (9)
- 11 Start being awkward (5)
- 12 Have a drink and book a dance? (5)
- 13 Restricted miners to get half of beer and wine (8)
- 15 Talk and talk? Bob does perhaps (7)
- 17 A politician in storm may go on this (7)
- 19 Wrinkled retainer that's close to a corporation? (7)
- 21 Trifles for little kids (7)
- 22 Train Met to change? I'd do that strictly (8)
- 24 Accountant has credit in the capital (5)
- 27 Head of government in check – that's the rule (5)
- 28 You get extra after Indian dish in this US city (9)
- 29 Scoff after PC operating system given place for a view (6,4)
- 30 County associated with kippers? (4)

### DOWN

- 1 Informer shows what Wimbledon's famous for (10)
- 2 Meeting in class about university (5)
- 4 Beatings that are concealed? (7)
- 5 See me in dull surroundings, I'm unrealistic (7)
- 6 Count one book missing in swindle (5)
- 7 Assemble material for builders (9)
- 8 Very small flimsily made new shed (4)
- 9 Musician who may make intro sag (8)
- 14 New sappers prepared for the press (10)
- 16 Wounding remark by a short girl, one from West Indies (9)
- 18 Piece on singer Bobby in foreign language (8)
- 20 Small business shortly to provide transport (7)
- 21 Carpet laid out for lady celebrated in song (7)
- 23 Relish nothing in a dance (5)
- 25 Shut tight (5)
- 26 Ugly old woman – one often getting stoned! (4)



Name .....

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.....Tel no .....

Clue of the week answer: .....

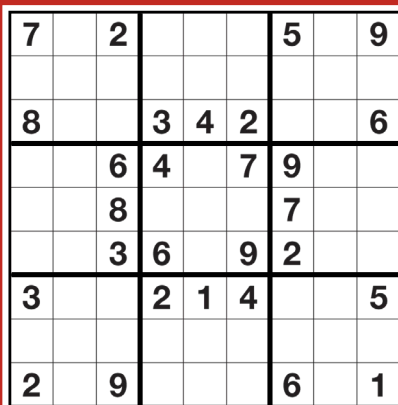
Clue of the week: Flight affected by winds? (6,9 first letters S & S)  
*The Times*

### Solution to Crossword 1398

- ACROSS:** 1 Utter nonsense 10 Hearten 11 Tornado 12 Raita 13 Stonewall 14 Star-turns 16 Odder 17 Niger 19 Desperado 21 Esoterica 24 Turps 25 Chicago 26 Bramble 27 Indeterminate
- DOWN:** 2 Tsarina 3 Extractor 4 Nanas 5 Net losses 6 Eyrie 7 Seaward 8 Short sentence 9 Roller coaster 15 Ruddigore 16 Overtrain 18 Grobian 20 Acrobat 22 Erase 23 Album
- Clue of the week: Racket created by accountant with company fraudsters (11, first letters CA )
- Solution: CACOPHONIES (CA + CO PHONIES)

The winner of 1398 is **Robin C. Vivers from Annan**

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### Sudoku 942 (very difficult)

Fill in all the squares so that each row, column and each of the 3x3 squares contains all the digits from 1 to 9

### Solution to Sudoku 941

7	3	4	8	5	2	6	9	1
1	6	9	4	3	7	8	5	2
8	2	5	1	9	6	4	3	7
4	1	8	5	7	3	9	2	6
9	7	2	6	4	1	3	8	5
6	5	3	2	8	9	1	7	4
5	4	7	9	6	8	2	1	3
2	8	6	3	1	5	7	4	9
3	9	1	7	2	4	5	6	8



## Charity of the week



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