

# The Stickler Weekly 165 Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 PALISADE	Fence, one blue with white trim (8)	(I + SAD) inside PALE
5 UNSAFE	Exposed fitting of gun's a feature (6)	gUNS A FEature
9 TEA-HOUSE	minutes in rib restaurant? (3-5)	(HOU)R inside TEASE
10 STORED	Put aside some seconds to reduce (6)	secondsS TO REDuce
12 ALERT	Disconcerted realist, giving up, is quick to react (5)	Anagram of REALIST minus IS
13 PURCHASER	One who consumes most of unmixed drink (9)	(PUR)E + CHASER
14 INTERCESSION	Home is private about planned prayer (12)	IN + (IS + SECRET) reversed + ON
17 ILLUSTRATION	One on trial confused about strong desire, for example (12)	I + (anagram of ON TRIAL outside LUST)
22 INSURANCE	One nurse worried about an epileptic's final safeguard (9)	I + anagram of NURSE outside [AN + EPILEPTI(C)]
23 EPOCH	Time is disregarded in development of hospice (5)	Anagram of HOSPICE minus IS
24 WAITER	Attendant, one wearing hose (6)	I inside WATER
25 THRASHER	Flood handled by the river bird (8)	RASH inside THE + R
26 REGINA	Control divided up by head of government and a queen (6)	REIN outside (G)OVERNMENT + A
27 OPERATED	Did surgery rank in distribution of dope? (8)	RATE inside anagram of DOPE

<b>Down</b>	<b>Clue</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
1 PATHAN	Journey taken by an individual with roots in Afghanistan (6)	PATH + AN
2 LOAVES	Really likes eating a bakery's offerings (6)	LOVES outside A
3 SHORTEN	Reduce amount of squash or tennis (7)	squaSH OR TENnis
4 DISAPPEARING	Relocation of gaspipe and drain should be leaving no trace (12)	Anagram of GASPIPE and DRAIN
6 NOTCHES	Small indentations on overturned, broken chest (7)	ON reversed + anagram of CHEST
7 ACROSTIC	û and ü mostly used to complete a word puzzle? (8)	[(CROS)S + (TIC)K] after A
8 ENDURING	Permanent dune shifted round (8)	Anagram of DUNE + RING
11 CRACK THE WHIP	Inflictor of pain in court cut in to assert authority forcibly (5,3,4)	RACK inside CT + HEW + HIP
15 CIVIL WAR	He kept away from vicar while involved with domestic dispute (5,3)	Anagram of VICAR WHILE minus HE
16 FLASHING	Weatherproof material remains covered in pitch (8)	ASH inside FLING
18 SURGEON	Strong desire admitted by child's doctor (7)	URGE inside SON
19 ONE PAIR	Open moulded vent with weak hand (3,4)	Anagram of OPEN + AIR
20 SO WHAT	Who cares to broadcast derby, say? (2,4)	SOW + HAT
21 SHARED	Small fragment sealing a joint (6)	SHRED outside A

