

The Stickler Weekly 127 Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 RETROSPECT	Organiser recalled favourite holding clubs in hindsight (10)	SORTER reversed + (PET outside C)
6 STAG	Associates of psychiatrist agitated male (4)	psychiatriST AGitated
9 CHILD	Youngster with cold almost died (5)	(CHIL)L + D
10 ROUTINELY	Bank taking ownership of old-fashioned home as a matter of course (9)	RELY outside (OUT + IN)
12 SPINSTER	Single lady turns heads of teenagers, executives and retirees (8)	SPINS + (T)EENAGERS + (E)XECUTIVES + (R)ETIREES
13 SCREEN	Show actor's backside in extraordinary scene (6)	ACTO(R) inside anagram of SCENE
15 LUNCH	Introduction of a new product, not including a meal (5)	LAUNCH minus A
16 UNIONIST	Federation member, on island, captured by a group of soldiers (8)	(ON + IS) inside UNIT
18 LIGHTEST	Catalogue including Golding's first letter excited the most brilliant (8)	LIST outside [(G)OLDING + anagram of THE]
20 EERIE	Guinness, say, with no head? That is weird (5)	B(EER) + IE
23 RUTILE	Form containing titanium? (6)	RULE outside TI
24 IRRITATE	Incense and cross displayed at both ends of ceremony mostly (8)	IRATE outside (RIT)E
26 CARESSING	Affectionate behaviour concerns Carol, say (9)	CARES + SING
27 NAILS	Pins down pole attached to twisted sail (5)	N + anagram of SAIL
28 SEER	Attendees of free seminar backed visionary? (4)	fREE Seminar reversed
29 MALTREATED	Have food marinated in whisky and wine roughly handled (10)	EAT inside (MALT + RED)

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 ROCK SALT	Tosses key mineral from the sea (4,4)	ROCKS + ALT
2 TUITION	One deployed in unit to broadcast instruction (7)	I inside anagram of UNIT TO
3 OLD AS THE HILLS	Antiquated hostel had complaints? (3,2,3,5)	Anagram of HOSTEL HAD + ILLS
4 PERSECUTED	Victimised peers distributed abridged edition (10)	Anagram of PEERS + CUT + ED
5 COUP	Vehicle cut off Triumph (4)	(COUP)E
7 THESEUS	He fought the Amazons and us after these (7)	US after THESE
8 GUYANA	South American place, an area led by ordinary bloke (6)	(AN + A) after GUY
11 INCONVENIENCE	Trouble in Calabria's capital concerning men losing million in Venice (13)	IN + (C)ALABRIA + ON + [(MEN minus M) in VENICE]
14 BIRTHRIGHT	I restricted half of this in promising inheritance (10)	[I + R + (TH)IS] inside BRIGHT
17 RELEASED	Issued letter's agreement printed in colour (8)	LEASE inside RED
19 INTER SE	Among or between themselves, in short (5,2)	IN + TERSE
21 REALIST	One who's pragmatic about a tip (7)	RE + A + LIST
22 FROCKS	Dresses front edge of flag stones (6)	(F)LAG + ROCKS
25 FIFA	Affair, not contained, troubled sports administration group? (4)	Anagram of A(FFAI)R

