

The Stickler Weekly 110 Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 REDACT	Do something on the back of red frame (6)	ACT after RED
4 FARMED	Cultivated fellow carrying a gun (6)	F + ARMED
8 AWAKE	Come to a watery track (5)	A + WAKE
9 MAINFRAME	Central processing unit may cut off disorientated fireman (9)	(MA)Y + anagram of FIREMAN
11 STARTER	Race official organised rest at conclusion of qualifier (7)	Anagram of REST AT + QUALIFIE(R)
12 TERRIER	Tenacious person's blunder acknowledged in bank (7)	ERR inside TIER
13 DIET	Cut out fat, ultimately? (4)	DIE + FA(T)
14 COMPETED	Favourite, in move towards lead of decathlon, mounted a challenge (8)	(PET inside COME) + (D)ECATHLON
17 ACTIONED	One locked in a court with identification may be carried out (8)	ONE inside (A + CT + ID)
19 CELL	Small group of people returned items from collection (4)	coLLEcTion reversed
23 CONCERN	Business, once in credit, now losing almost all (7)	ONCE inside CR + (N)OW
24 LAPSING	Circuits in generator at the start may be failing (7)	LAPS + IN + (G)ENERATOR
25 EMANATION	Discharge servant during lunch, say, one working (9)	(MAN inside EAT) + I + ON
26 INUIT	Distributed tuition, except to one from the far north (5)	Anagram of TUIITION minus TO
27 BATTEN	Come in down the order with a piece of wood? (6)	BAT TEN
28 DEFEND	Had food put back close to shelter (6)	FED reversed + END

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 ROADSIDE	Promotion is not going forward in travelled area, by the way (8)	[AD + (IS reversed)] inside RODE
2 DIABASE	Assistant picked up worthless igneous rock (7)	AID reversed + BASE
3 CHESTY	He is taking the place of one in city showing arrogance (6)	HES replacing I in CITY
4 FAIR TO MIDDLING	Adequate display by cat playing the fiddle outside (4,2,8)	(AIR + TOM) inside FIDDLING
5 REFORMED	Wine kept about, as far as I'm concerned, is better (8)	RED outside FOR ME
6 EVASIVE	Tricky rescue mounted by five sacrificing leader (7)	SAVE reversed + (FIVE minus F)
7 AMERICAN INDIAN	In a rain dance I'm moving about? (8,6)	Anagram of IN A RAIN DANCE IM
10 EARL	Noble's unlimited supply of gems? (4)	P(EARL)S
15 LIFE RAFT	It may be needed in an emergency by passenger held up in lift (4,4)	FARE reversed inside LIFT
16 BLIGHTED	Eminent person, resting in bed, is spoiled (8)	LIGHT inside BED
18 CANTATA	Harshly criticise farewell musical performance (7)	CAN + TATA
20 EPICURE	Food expert ordered pie with pickle (7)	Anagram of PIE + CURE
21 ACME	Thousand hosted in outstanding summit (4)	M inside ACE
22 UPSIDE	Selection of groups identified advantage (6)	groUPS IDentified

