

The Stickler Weekly 143 Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 SACK RACE	Old white people's novelty competition (4,4)	SACK + RACE
5 PRESET	Research in particular should be arranged in advance (6)	RES inside PET
10 LINES	Items of detail in essay? (5)	detail IN Essay
11 REPLICATE	Strange particle attached to back of immature clone (9)	Anagram of PARTICLE + IMMATUR(E)
12 CHEESE STRAW	See about opening box with natural, flavoured pastry (6,5)	(SEE reversed) inside CHEST + RAW
13 MOO	Low object in Earth's orbit seen briefly (3)	(MOO)N
14 FLEA	Mischievous child returned with a source of irritation (4)	ELF reversed + A
16 MONITORED	Travelled quickly around part of the UK kept under constant surveillance (9)	MOTORED outside NI (Northern Ireland)
18 ANTIPASTI	Pour out wine after an Italian's order, perhaps (9)	(TIP + ASTI) after AN
20 RATE	Assess admission of prisoner, a terrorist (4)	prisonER A TErrorist
23 ERA	Time preference not restricting operation (3)	OPERATION minus OPTION
24 ACADEMICIAN	A bad lot came in, upset about one fellow (11)	A + CAD + (anagram of CAME IN outside I)
26 LAST-DITCH	Desperate lad crossing street - a rash reaction? (4-5)	LAD outside ST + ITCH
27 FLOOR	Great flow of water decreased river level (5)	(FLOO)D + R
28 ARMADA	Supply a lawyer in the US with ammunition for fighting shipping group (6)	ARM A DA
29 OPEN-EYED	Hopeless hospital, with treatment of needy, is watchful? (4-4)	(HOPE minus H) + anagram of NEEDY

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 SOLACE	Comfort is excellent after so long (6)	ACE after (SO + L)
2 CONCEAL	Keep secret letters of academic once a lecturer (7)	academiC ONCE A Lecturer
3 RASPS	Files and documents ultimately kept in retrieved box (5)	DOCUMENT(S) inside (SPAR reversed)
4 CHRISTMAS PARTY	Maiden cast in script has spoilt creative annual celebration (9,5)	(M inside anagram of SCRIPT HAS) + ARTY
6 RAINWATER	Pure liquid in WA collected by assessor (9)	(IN + WA) inside RATER
7 STAMMER	Smart men mostly sorted out communication problem (7)	Anagram of (SMART ME)N
8 THE GOODS	Time used by thugs concealing, for example, incriminating evidence (3,5)	T + (HOODS outside EG)
9 APPRENTICESHIP	Prince's tape reviewed in time of trial? (14)	Anagram of PRINCES TAPE + HIP
15 APPLAUDED	Software highly acclaimed should be commended (9)	APP + LAUDED
17 CAMELLIA	Fawn, with trouble, pulled up evergreen flowering shrub (8)	CAMEL (colour) + (AIL reversed)
19 TRANSOM	Tradesman initially demanded money for lintel (7)	(T)RADESMAN + RANSOM
21 TRILOGY	Set of dramatic works, and one journal, cited in essay (7)	(I + LOG) inside TRY
22 SNARED	Half of snakes in the sun too long may be caught (6)	(SNA)KES + RED
25 IN FUN	One fellow embraced by sister as a joke (2,3)	I + (F inside NUN)

