

The Stickler Weekly 89 Solution

¹ R	A	² C	E	³ C	O	⁴ U	R	⁵ S	E		⁶ S	⁷ L	A	⁸ P
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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 RACECOURSE	Track people and company user involved in corruption (10)	RACE + CO + anagram of USER
6 SLAP	Close associates returned directly (4)	PALS reversed
9 THRUM	Monotonously repeat some yarn (5)	Double Definition
10 CORTISONE	Anti-inflammatory agent is not mistakenly injected into heart (9)	Anagram of IS NOT inside CORE
12 BALLOONIST	High-flyer, in operation, is retained by vote (10)	(ON + IS) inside BALLOT
13 OBI	Japanese middle manager's charm (3)	Double Definition
15 PREAMP	Piano salesman moved around AM stereo equipment (6)	(P + REP) outside AM
16 ROULETTE	Court ruling listed in passage is game (8)	LET inside ROUTE
18 CLEANSER	Rinse less than half out in pure detergent (8)	RINSE minus RI inside CLEAR
20 BILLET	Metal bar or post (6)	Double Definition
23 LAD	Young man and woman not going all the way (3)	(LAD)Y
24 APARTMENTS	A million invested in standard, simple accommodation and flats (10)	A + [M inside (PAR + TENTS)]
26 THE SYSTEM	Criminals finally put inside - they hold back society in general (3,6)	CRIMINAL(S) inside (THEY + STEM)
27 TWEAK	Slightly modify front of wardrobe fashioned in wood (5)	(W)ARDROBE inside TEAK
28 RUST	Corrosion starting to show in groove (4)	(S)HOW inside RUT
29 SETS EYES ON	Teens so troubled about, of course, spots (4,4,2)	Anagram of TEENS SO outside YES

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 RITE	Established ceremony is correctly pronounced (4)	Sounds like RIGHT
2 CARNAGE	Murder annoying one in charge (7)	NAG inside CARE
3 COMPLIMENTARY	Free place, one featured in descriptive account (13)	(PL + I) inside COMMENTARY
4 UNCOOL	Old-fashioned glasses worn by short uncle? (6)	(UNCL)E outside OO
5 SERVITOR	Attendant is opposed to one living in renovated resort (8)	(V + I) inside anagram of RESORT
7 LOOKOUT	Yahoo found in possession of ring and fine watch (7)	LOUT outside (O + OK)
8 PRESIDENTS	Important people given things should be carrying identification (10)	PRESENTS outside ID
11 INTELLIGENTLY	One replaced lintel gradually and in a clever way (13)	I + anagram of LINTEL + GENTLY
14 SPECULATOR	Small embezzler, a stockmarket player (10)	S + PECULATOR
17 REPARTEE	Clever chat line deleted from tape recorder erroneously (8)	Anagram of TAPE RECORDER minus CORD
19 ENDLESS	Constant diameter measured in manufactured lenses (7)	D inside anagram of LENSES
21 LETTERS	They are bound to look after tenants with academic credentials (7)	Double Definition
22 STUMPS	End of play must upset players extremely (6)	Anagram of MUST + P)layer(S
25 SKIN	Travel over snow back to cabin and hide (4)	SKI + CABI(N)

