

The Stickler Weekly 192 Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 STRUCK	Small vehicle involved in a collision (6)	S + TRUCK
4 IMPASSES	Fools behind troublemaker's insurmountable difficulties (8)	ASSES after IMP
9 INTENT	Design under canvas? (6)	IN TENT
10 BACHELOR	Person who has studied a famous composer, recalled part (8)	BACH + (ROLE reversed)
12 PHONETIC	One in perfect pitch (not!) representing vocal sounds? (8)	ONE inside anagram of PITCH
13 SUBDUE	Withdrawn coach expected defeat (6)	BUS reversed + DUE
14 E-MAIL	One involved in returning unsatisfactory messages (1-4)	I inside (LAME reversed)
15 DEFEATIST	Swallow is wrapped in handy wet blanket (9)	(EAT + IS) inside DEFT
18 SLENDERLY	Just creditor operating in secret (9)	LENDER inside SLY
19 DREAM	Imagine front of daily paper (5)	(D)AILY + REAM
21 LOCKED	Having hair fastened with a clasp? (6)	Double Definition
23 FRONT-END	Retrieval of web handled by palm-top computer? (5-3)	(NET reversed) inside FROND
25 EQUIPPED	Prepared comedienne finally said something funny (8)	COMEDIENN(E) + QUIPPED
26 FOLATE	Three-quarters of people ate healthy stuff (6)	(FOL)K + ATE
27 TAKE NOTE	Observe gambling game played in state down south (4,4)	KENO inside (STATE minus S)
28 TESTES	Established couple recalled balls (6)	(SET twice) reversed

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 STIPPLE	Pepper and salt put on drink regularly (7)	S + TIPPLE
2 RATIONALE	Reasons to limit supply of alcohol (9)	RATION + ALE
3 CONCEALED WEAPON	Peace deal now in trouble after fool pocketed gun, say? (9,6)	Anagram of PEACE DEAL NOW after CON
5 MEAL	Trimmed beef, say, served with large quantity of food (4)	(MEA)T + L
6 A THOUSAND AND ONE	Overwhelming number at home carrying contaminated DNA identified by an expert (1,8,3,3)	AT HOUSE outside (anagram of DNA + AN + DON)
7 SOLID	Upstanding one bound by auctioneer's call (5)	I inside SOLD
8 SURFEIT	Swell match held up an excessive amount (7)	SURF + TIE (reversed)
11 GIRDER	Embarrassed engineer pushed back metal beam (6)	(RED + RIG) reversed
16 FLYERS	They flog, without advertising initially, promotional material (6)	FLAYERS minus (A)DVERTISERS
17 INELEGANT	One angle formed in mesh is not neat (9)	I + anagram of ANGLE inside NET
18 SALIENT	Conspicuous foreigner standing in the middle of street (7)	ALIEN inside ST
20 MADNESS	End up participating in mass hysteria (7)	END reversed inside MASS
22 CHUCK	Throw out meat (5)	Double Definition
24 VENT	Opening item on a programme started late (4)	E(VENT)

