

# The Stickler Weekly 120 Solution

<sup>1</sup> S	C	<sup>2</sup> R	I	<sup>3</sup> P	T	E	D		<sup>5</sup> H	<sup>6</sup> O	U	<sup>7</sup> S	E	<sup>8</sup> D
C		U		R		S				A		O		E
<sup>9</sup> A	I	L	M	E	N	T		<sup>10</sup> O	U	T	R	A	G	E
L		E		A		A		N		S		P		P
<sup>11</sup> D	I	S	T	R	I	B	U	T	E		<sup>12</sup> C	O	M	E
I				R		L		H		<sup>13</sup> P		P		N
<sup>14</sup> N	O	<sup>15</sup> R	M	A	T	I	V	E		<sup>16</sup> E	V	E	N	
G		E		N		S		F		R		R		<sup>17</sup> S
	<sup>18</sup> H	A	N	G		<sup>19</sup> H	E	A	D	S	T	A	R	T
<sup>20</sup> F		S		E		M		C		U				A
<sup>21</sup> L	O	O	P		<sup>22</sup> R	E	L	E	G	A	T	<sup>23</sup> I	O	N
A		N		<sup>24</sup> C		N		O		S		S		D
<sup>25</sup> M	A	I	L	L	O	T		<sup>26</sup> F	O	I	B	L	E	S
E		N		U				I		O		A		I
<sup>27</sup> S	I	G	H	E	D		<sup>28</sup> S	T	U	N	T	M	E	N

Across	Clue	Explanation
1 SCRIPTED	Actors finally expressed sadness about part dramatically written (8)	ACTOR(S) + CRIED outside PT
5 HOUSED	40% of hotel put to some purpose in accommodation (6)	HO + USED
9 AILMENT	Resistance is futile in treatment of terminal disease (7)	Anagram of TERMINAL minus R
10 OUTRAGE	Form of silver used in extravagant scandal (7)	AG inside OUTRE
11 DISTRIBUTE	Is compliment delivered after the end of friend's broadcast? (10)	(IS + TRIBUTE) after FRIEN(D)
12 COME	Show up and compete with favourite not gaining entry (4)	COMPETE minus PET
14 NORMATIVE	Establishing a standard or measure primarily in local (9)	[OR + (M)EASURE] inside NATIVE
16 EVEN	Odd number less than ten, minus one, is divisible by two (4)	SEVEN minus S
18 HANG	Execute guards taken from Singaporean POW camp? (4)	C(HANG)I
19 HEAD START	Advantage gained ultimately by champion in preliminary race (4,5)	[GAINE(D) + STAR] inside HEAT
21 LOOP	Kitty returned with ring (4)	POOL reversed
22 RELEGATION	Demotion, say, admitted by family member (10)	EG inside RELATION
25 MAILLOT	Send group a jersey (7)	MAIL + LOT
26 FOIBLES	Contents of Bible accepted by people who attack one's weak points? (7)	B(IBLE)E inside FOES
27 SIGHED	One group's leading character in cast expressed relief (6)	[I + (G)ROUP] inside SHED
28 STUNTMEN	Overpower male going through ten doubles (8)	STUN + M inside TEN

<b>Down</b>	<b>Clue</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
1 SCALDING	Hot diamonds used in mounting (8)	D inside SCALING
2 RULES	User confused about introduction of local laws (5)	Anagram of USER outside (L)OCAL
3 PREARRANGE	Organise early start for paratroopers behind mountains (10)	(P)ARATROOPERS + REAR + RANGE
4 ESTABLISHMENT	The best man is poorly handling large institution (13)	Anagram of THE BEST MAN IS outside L
6 OATS	Stuff eaten by palomino at stud? (4)	palominO AT Stud
7 SOAP OPERA	Religious leader held in tower added to a drama (4,5)	POPE inside SOAR + A
8 DEEPEN	Dig out unfinished legal document stored with draft (6)	(DEE)D + PEN
10 ON THE FACE OF IT	Brewed coffee ain't hot apparently (2,3,4,2,2)	Anagram of COFFEE AINT HOT
13 PERSUASION	Individual supporting university as one with conviction (10)	(U + AS + I) inside PERSON
15 REASONING	Thought about a vocal performance carrying on (9)	RE + A + (SING outside ON)
17 STANDS IN	Saint and sinner, taking a 50% cut, works as a locum (6,2)	ST + AND + (SIN)NER
20 FLAMES	Product of burning flesh mostly found on the skeleton of a male (6)	(FLES)H outside (A + M)
23 ISLAM	Belief of the faithful one put down (5)	I + SLAM
24 CLUE	This is one exclusive group lacking in IQ (4)	CLIQUE minus IQ

