## The Stickler Weekly 63 Solution

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| Across | Clue | Explanation |
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| 1 MUFFIN | Make a mess of popular baked treat (6) | MUFF + IN |
| 4 STUMBLED | Finalist in gymnastics performed a somersault and fell? <br> $(8)$ | GYMNASTIC(S) + <br> TUMBLED |
| 9 APRICOT | Orange-yellow rice mostly prepared in a cooker (7) | (RIC)E inside (A + <br> POT) |
| 11 REFUSED | Sports official not in best condition may be turned <br> down (7) | REF + USED |
| 12 <br> INSUBORDINATE | Recalcitrant is in navy vessel to speak about commotion <br> $(13)$ | IN + SUB + (ORATE <br> outside DIN) |
| 14 GUESTS | They are associated with visiting time, in theory (6) | T inside GUESS |
| 15 CAROUSEL | Joyful song about good fairground entertainment (8) | CAROL outside USE |
| 18 UNDERLAY | Seepage, ultimately discovered in laundry, ruined <br> flooring (8) | SEEPAG(E) inside <br> anagram of <br> LAUNDRY |
| 20 SEESAW | Notice, at different times, playground equipment (6) | SEE + SAW |
| 23 BLOOD | Old probes interfered with stable vital sign (5,8) | Anagram of OLD <br> PROBES + SURE |
| 26 OUT OF IT | Head of organisation, wearing costume, is drunk (3,2,2) | (O)RGANISATION <br> inside OUTFIT |
| 27 ENGINES | Powerful machines, seen out of sync, should be filled <br> with spirit (7) | Anagram of SEEN <br> outside GIN |
| 28 MORALIST | Disciplinarian shortened additional register of wanted <br> people (8) | (MOR)E + A-LIST |
| 29 PTURDY | Powerful right claimed in academic work (6) | R inside STUDY |


| Down | Clue | Explanation |
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| 1 <br> MEANINGFUL | Important base in Gulf affected by damage (10) | MEAN + IN + <br> anagram of GULF |
| 2 FORESEE | Payment securing mineral deposits is divine (7) | FEE outside ORES |
| 3 INCUBATOR | In part of the Caribbean, hot air on the rise is warmer (9) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { IN + CUBA + (ROT } \\ & \text { reversed) } \end{aligned}$ |
| 5 TERMINAL | Monitor session on computer system, one booted up (8) | TERM + (LAN + I) reversed |
| 6 MAFIA | Members of Thai family turned around a criminal organisation (5) | thAI FAMily reversed |
| 7 LESSENS | Sound of classes at school dies down (7) | Sounds-like LESSONS |
| 8 DADO | Decorated part of a wall constructed, in the end, with difficulty (4) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CONSTRUCTE(D) + } \\ & \text { ADO } \end{aligned}$ |
| 10 TORN | Divided fraction of constant or number (4) | constanT OR Number |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 13 \\ & \text { FLAWLESSLY } \end{aligned}$ | Pilot handling criminal without making a mistake (10) | FLY outside LAWLESS |
| 16 OVERSIGHT | Neglect ruined this grove (9) | Anagram of THIS GROVE |
| 17 CARDITIS | It is identified following one funny heart problem (8) | (IT + IS) after CARD |
| 19 DEBATER | Newcomer at centre of bitterness is an argumentative person (7) | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \mathrm{DEB}+\mathrm{AT}+ \\ \text { BITT(ER)NESS } \end{array}$ |
| 21 STUNNER | Attractive person breaks up about fellow lacking in fun (7) | (RENTS reversed) outside (FUN minus F) |
| 22 BRAE | Live on banks of river, next to a hillside (4) | BE outside ( $\mathrm{R}+\mathrm{A}$ ) |
| 24 OFFAL | Butcher's stock is substandard and all reduced (5) | OFF + (AL)L |
| 25 FORM | Shape beneficial to male (4) | FOR + M |
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