

# The Stickler Weekly 197 Solution

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<sup>28</sup> S	E	E	M		<sup>29</sup> G	E	R	M	I	N	A	T	E	D

Across	Clue	Explanation
1 MALEFACTOR	Offender's manly characteristic (10)	MALE + FACTOR
6 GRIP	Handle complaint briefly (4)	(GRIP)E
10 DEMONIC	Hellish protest against turning in leader of cult (7)	DEMO + (IN reversed) + (C)ULT
11 CONTACT	Get through to fraud with subtlety (7)	CON + TACT
12 OBSTACLES	Drunken constable is not counting in bars (9)	Anagram of CONSTABLE IS minus IN
13 O-RING	Seal section of floor in garage (1-4)	floOR IN Garage
14 RESTED	Estate with investment in wine ceased activity (6)	EST inside RED
16 FOOTING	Metal, transported by mistake, brought back for foundation (7)	TIN inside (GOOF reversed)
17 CAN	Adolescent slipped out of food outlet with drink container (3)	CANTEEN minus TEEN
19 BASTION	Italian wine stocked in good French stronghold (7)	ASTI inside BON
20 WIND UP	Good conditions for sailing to finish (4,2)	Double Definition
23 TRIAL	Aussie showman returned after end of important court action (5)	LAIR reversed after IMPORTAN(T)
24 THE MATTER	Those people with treat arranged may be wrong (3,6)	THEM + anagram of TREAT
26 LEANS ON	Child who doesn't like fat bullies (5,2)	LEAN SON
27 EMINENT	Renowned enterprise's closing mine on border of Northern Territory (7)	ENTERPRIS(E) + MINE + NT
28 SEEM	Appear to identify with mass (4)	SEE + M
29 GERMINATED	Mutated form of garden mite began to grow (10)	Anagram of GARDEN MITE

<b>Down</b>	<b>Clue</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
1 MEDIOCRE	Doctor holding oxygen on pedestrian (8)	MEDIC outside O + RE
2 LIMES	Uses basic stuff to fertilise fruit trees (5)	Double Definition
3 FUNDAMENTALISM	Support a leader of theology after people misinterpreted Islam's uncompromising religious beliefs (14)	FUND + A + [(T)HEOLOGY after MEN) + anagram of ISLAM
4 CACKLE	Egg supplier's informative call? (6)	Cryptic Definition
5 OCCASION	Part of casino is accommodating uplifting event (8)	casiNO IS ACCOmmodating reversed
7 REALIGNED	Was king, accepting all, largely straightened out? (9)	REIGNED outside (AL)L
8 POTAGE	Soup, for example, a superior served up (6)	(EG + A + TOP) reversed
9 INDOCTRINATION	Training concerned with GP and triathlon race (14)	IN + DOC + TRI + NATION
15 STAMINATE	Male, a minister, imprisoned by political power (9)	(A + MIN) inside STATE
16 FAN	Cool person who provides support (3)	Double Definition
17 CONTINUE	Maintain unit set up inside volcanic hill (8)	UNIT reversed inside CONE
18 SPIRITED	Lively insect's wings tied up by agitated spider? (8)	(I)NSEC(T) inside anagram of SPIDER
21 STILLS	Suppliers of alcohol not moving spirits in the end (6)	STILL + SPIRIT(S)
22 REDEEM	Buy back diamonds owned by emeer abroad (6)	D inside anagram of EMEER
25 TREAT	Menacing statement not supported by hospital doctor (5)	THREAT minus H

