## The Stickler Weekly 94 Solution

| ${ }^{1} \mathrm{~T}$ | 1 | ${ }^{2} \mathbf{P}$ | P | ${ }^{3} \mathrm{~L}$ | E |  | ${ }^{4}$ S |  | A | ${ }^{6} \mathrm{P}$ | E | R | C | ${ }^{8} \mathrm{H}$ |
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| A |  | R |  | 0 |  | ${ }^{9} \mathrm{C}$ |  | C |  | U |  | A |  | A |
| ${ }^{10} \mathrm{C}$ | R | 0 | S | S | T | H | E | R | U | B | 1 | C | 0 | N |
| T |  | B |  | E |  | E |  | U |  | L |  | E |  | G |
|  <br> 11 <br>  | N | A | T | R | 1 | C | E |  | ${ }^{12} \mathrm{M}$ | 1 | D | D | L | E |
| C |  | T |  | S |  | K |  |  |  | C |  |  |  | R |
| ${ }^{13} \mathrm{~S}$ | K | 1 | P |  | ${ }^{14} \mathrm{C}$ | 0 | L | ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~L}$ | E | A | G | U | E | S |
|  |  | 0 |  | ${ }^{17} \mathrm{H}$ |  | U |  | A |  | N |  | N |  |  |
| ${ }^{18} \mathrm{C}$ | 0 | N | T | A | C | T | 1 | N | G |  | ${ }^{19} \mathrm{~S}$ | H | A | G |
| A |  |  |  | T |  |  |  | G |  | ${ }^{21} \mathrm{E}$ |  | E |  | A |
| ${ }^{22} \mathrm{~N}$ | E | P | H | E | W |  | ${ }^{24} \mathrm{~S}$ | U | B | T | R | A | C | T |
| D |  | L |  | M |  | ${ }^{25} \mathrm{~T}$ |  | A |  | H |  | L |  | E |
| ${ }^{26} \mathrm{O}$ | P | E | R | A | T | I | N | G | S | Y | S | T | E | M |
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| ${ }^{27} \mathrm{R}$ | E | D | A | L | E | R | T |  | ${ }^{28} \mathrm{~K}$ | E | N | Y | A | N |


| Across | Clue | Explanation |
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| 1 TIPPLE | Join together outside quiet place to drink (6) | TIE outside (P + PL) |
| 4 SEA PERCH | Ocean swimmer's urine mostly used in examination (3,5) | (PE)E inside <br> SEARCH |
| 10 CROSS THE <br> RUBICON | Various sorts, captivated by one angelic image, take <br> decisive action (5,3,7) | Anagram of SORTS <br> inside CHERUB + <br> ICON |
| 11 IN A TRICE | I returned brown rice promptly (2,1,5) | I + (TAN reversed) + <br> RICE |
| 12 MIDDLE | Centre piece's diameter doubled in length (6) | (D + D) inside MILE |
| 13 SKIP | Leave out captain (4) | Double Definition |
| 14 <br> COLLEAGUES | Associates use legal manoeuvring going after company <br> $(10)$ | Anagram of USE <br> LEGAL after CO |
| 18 <br> CONTACTING | Kid heading to the performance is getting through (10) | CON + (T)HE + <br> ACTING |
| 19 SHAG | Cormorant has relocated back to bog (4) | Anagram of HAS + <br> BO(G) |
| 22 NEPHEW | Write back to hack's relative (6) | PEN reversed + HEW |
| 24 SUBTRACT | Take away a replacement leaflet (8) | SUB + TRACT |
| 26 OPERATING <br> SYSTEM | Crook paying store to hold back essential software (9,6) | Anagram of PAYING <br> STORE + STEM |
| 27 RED ALERT | Governor finally altered broadcasted state of extreme <br> emergency (3,5) | GOVERNO(R) + <br> anagram of <br> ALTERED |
| 28 KENYAN | Pole carried by chief - an African (6) | N inside KEY + AN |


| Down | Clue | Explanation |
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| 1 TACTICS | Opening of channels in diplomacy is strategy (7) | (C)HANNELS in (TACT + IS) |
| 2 PROBATION | Expert staff embracing one testing time (9) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { PRO + (BATON } \\ & \text { outside I) } \end{aligned}$ |
| 3 LOSERS | The defeated participants in races resolutely stood up (6) | raceS RESOLutely reversed |
| 5 ECRU | Piece of apple crumble is light brown (4) | applE CRUmble |
| 6 PUBLICAN | Pressure in a club unsettled hotel manager (8) | $\mathrm{P}+$ anagram of IN A CLUB |
| 7 RACED | Great driver, in centre of road, went quickly (5) | ACE inside RD |
| 8 HANGERS | People responsible for suspension and resentment in high school (7) | ANGER in HS |
| 9 CHECK OUT | Examine groove on the exterior of broken choke (5,3) | CUT outside anagram of CHOKE |
| 15 LANGUAGE | Communication device left attached to an adjusted gauge (8) | L + AN + anagram of GAUGE |
| $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & \text { UNHEALTHY } \end{aligned}$ | Weak youth, losing out, returned following surgery on the ulna (9) | (YOUTH minus OUT) reversed after anagram of THE ULNA |
| 17 HATE MAIL | Mate involved in heavy fall sent threatening letters (4,4) | Anagram of MATE inside HAIL |
| 18 CANDOUR | Put an end to strict freedom of speech (7) | CAN + DOUR |
| 20 GATEMAN | Doorkeeper recalled personal identifier (7) | NAMETAG reversed |
| 21 ETHYNE | They distributed neon gas used in industry (6) | Anagram of THEY + NE |
| 23 PLEAD | Pressure applied to conduct petition (5) | P + LEAD |
| 25 TIER | Drop in sound level (4) | Sounds like TEAR |
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