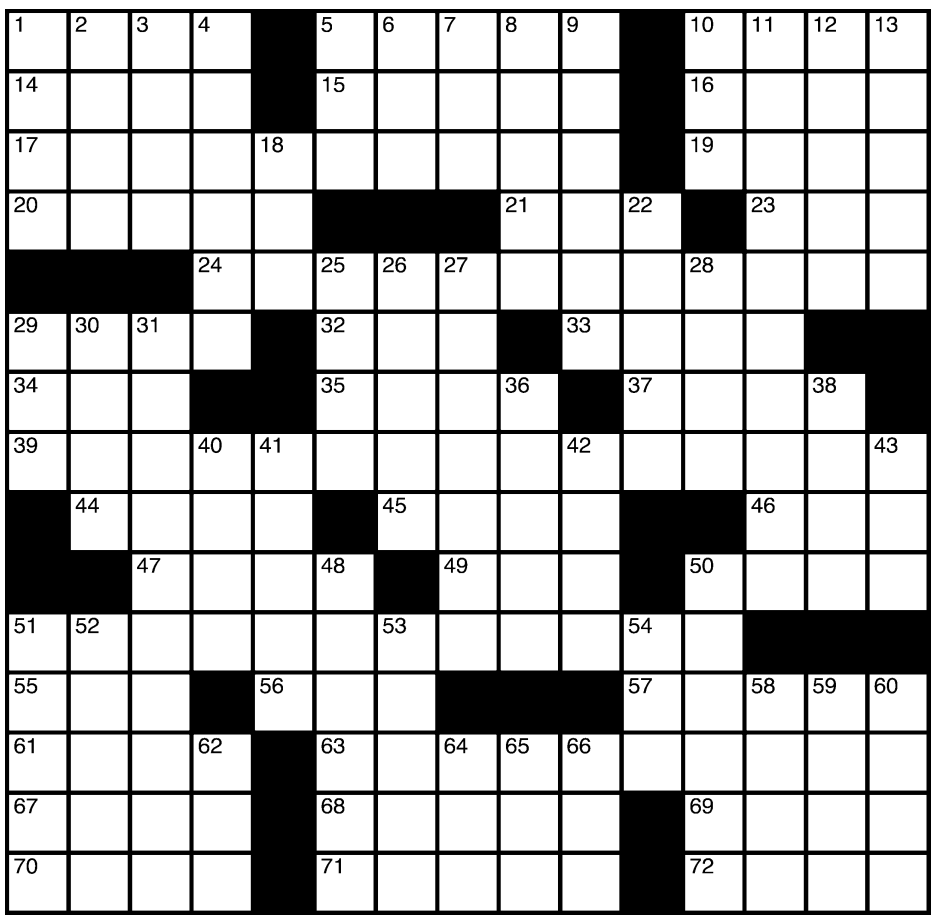
Life

Daily Crossword



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ACROSS

1 Violin players
5 Discussion site
10 Omelet need
14 Potatoes, in Indian dishes
15 Remove from memory
16 Young stallion
17 Filled pastry
19 Clarinet kin
20 Promotional cost
21 Field expert
23 Night before
24 Office machine
29 __ Martin cognac
32 Charlottesville sch.
33 Slow-cooked dish
34 "Peace" shape
35 Camera component
37 "Gotcha"
39 High-flying NBA All-Star event
44 Keep a sauce from congealing, say
45 Screw feature
46 __ sequitur
47 Tech in key cards
49 Prove human, in a way
50 Attention-getting hiss
51 Rush hour gridlock
55 Gut punch reaction
56 Sheridan of "Ready Player One"
57 Tree that's tapped
61 Ride-hailing company whose cars once featured big pink mustaches
63 Impromptu jazz performance, or an apt title for this puzzle
67 In __ land
68 Acting award won by Ke Huy Quan in 2023
69 Patch up
70 Winter slider
71 Rosary components
72 Mount Olympus figure

DOWN

1 Mexican peninsula, informally
2 Screen on some handheld games, for short
3 Canine in some fairy tales
4 Exclusively
5 Provided with kibble, say
6 El Dorado building material
7 Legged it
8 Take illegitimately
9 Units of length
10 Earth-friendly prefix
11 Intermediaries
12 Baseball fielder's need
13 Take the wheel
18 Vote of approval
22 Mesh with a group
25 Chekov colleague
26 Makes level
27 Irritates deeply
28 Cheep digs?
29 Campers on wheels, briefly
30 Slippery swimmers
31 Fundraising event where one can win a round
36 Treat with contempt
38 Those, in Havana
40 Annoy slightly
41 Train of thought
42 __ vez: again, in Spanish
43 Blasting material
48 Home project done solo
50 Blood bank supply
51 Charges on roads
52 Fit for a queen
53 Stop
54 Suite divs.
58 Place to dock
59 Unaccompanied
60 Stops
62 Little bit
64 Former Lynyrd Skynyrd label
65 Like lyrics full of heartache
66 Critical-care hosp. areas

Tuesday's Puzzle Solved

A	W	A	I	T	■	C	A	S	A	■	M	E	T	E
L	I	B	R	A	■	O	H	H	I	■	A	X	E	D
I	T	S	O	K	■	T	A	O	S	■	D	I	R	E
■	■	■	N	E	W	S	B	U	L	L	E	T	I	N
A	C	T	I	I	I	■	■	L	E	A	H	■	■	■
G	R	E	E	N	C	A	R	D	■	B	A	N	S	■
A	I	M	S	■	C	M	A	■	C	O	Y	O	T	E
I	M	P	■	D	A	Y	S	T	A	R	■	J	A	M
N	E	L	S	O	N	■	P	I	N	■	H	O	L	M
■	S	E	W	N	■	E	S	C	A	P	E	K	E	Y
■	■	■	A	N	O	N	■	■	D	I	N	E	R	S
R	O	O	M	A	N	D	B	O	A	R	D	■	■	■
A	P	O	P	■	S	E	A	N	■	A	R	M	O	R
M	A	Z	E	■	E	A	S	Y	■	T	I	A	R	A
P	L	E	D	■	T	R	E	X	■	E	X	P	A	T

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Level 1 **2** 3 4

			6	5				
		9	8		7			
	4			1				6
8	7	1					4	
2								8
	6					5	9	
4							6	
			2		9	3		
				4	3	8		

Solution to Tuesday's puzzle — 1/28/26

3	6	7	9	4	5	1	2	8
4	9	2	8	7	1	3	5	6
5	1	8	2	6	3	4	7	9
2	8	5	6	1	9	7	3	4
1	4	9	3	8	7	5	6	2
7	3	6	4	5	2	8	9	1
6	5	4	7	9	8	2	1	3
9	7	3	1	2	4	6	8	5
8	2	1	5	3	6	9	4	7

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit ***sudoku.org.uk.***

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