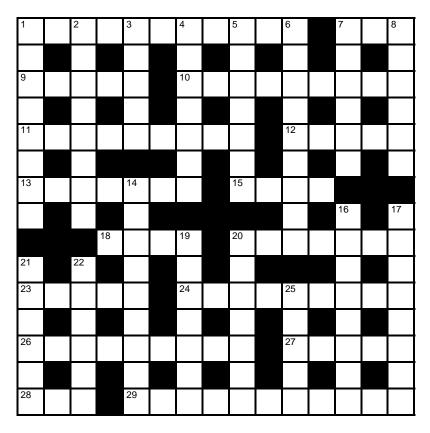
A puzzle by Windsurfer, of course

Across

- 1 Disbelief as Conservative adopts sly vagrant (6,5)
- 7 Opera maybe that's lacking a beginning (3)
- **9** Very pleasant, mostly audible (5)
- **10** Eastern man seeks rogue to come together (4,5)
- 11 One evening out? (9)
- **12** Somewhat fair is how to describe setter (5)
- **13** Skipton's unusual small wells (7)
- **15** Peer review of discovered beautiful Raeburn (4)
- **18** Elite where power is replaced by king's boot! (4)
- 20 Dug private dance (7)
- **23** Top belt (5)
- 24 Naughty peer met at stable (9)
- **26** Eagerly want a little glass of whisky (4,1,4)
- 27 Starting to suffuse pepper into curried eggs (5)
- 28 Time that's before break (3)
- 29 Plays with extreme spin? (11)

Down

- 1 What GCHQ might do to Leninist potentially (6,2)
- 2 State county's horrible when lacking leadership (8)
- **3** Abbreviated mirth around about neighbourhood (5)
- **4** South African model, possibly actress, primarily packing filled cases (7)
- **5** Teak or ebony at first sculpted to produce wooden structure (3,4)
- **6** Enthusiastic agreement you understand enthrals gentleman, right (3,6)
- 7 Nautical ring that is one for catching drips(6)



- 8 Note he keeps Alsatian and may acquire another canine (6)
- **14** New trainee to adapt (9)
- **16** Offering to complete race (8)
- **17** Where girl is located among teenagers' units (8)
- **19** It's saucy drawing not at the beginning completed (7)
- **20** Pet from North London area abandoning broken pad, happier at last (7)
- 21 California slider outside took coat off (6)
- 22 Dunce is academic and important (6)
- 25 Course record several reduced (5)



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