

England and Australia XI *by Hemical*

The two given names in the thematic clues refer to, respectively, an England and an Australia player who share the same surname. The resulting teams have reasonably strong top sixes (including a class all-rounder), and have a wicketkeeper and a specialist spinner, though the Australian tail is remarkably weak

Across

1 Funny remarks have point for King Simon (and Ernest) (5)

4 Noticed pipes going over first of revolutionary workbenches (9)

9 Riding holiday let your cricket club get involved (5,4)

10 Thrown by loud organ (5)

11 Game characters accept pressure working for Reg and Bobby (7)

13 Old island to dispose of waste material (7)

14 Insignificant people's refusal to live without 50-over game succeeded (8)

16 Sydney and Sydney seen in pubs around the northeast (6)

18 1600-metre runner crosses line with Geoff and Keith (6)

19 Some toolbox I disesteem gets rusty (8)

22 Old English king with almost normal old man (7)

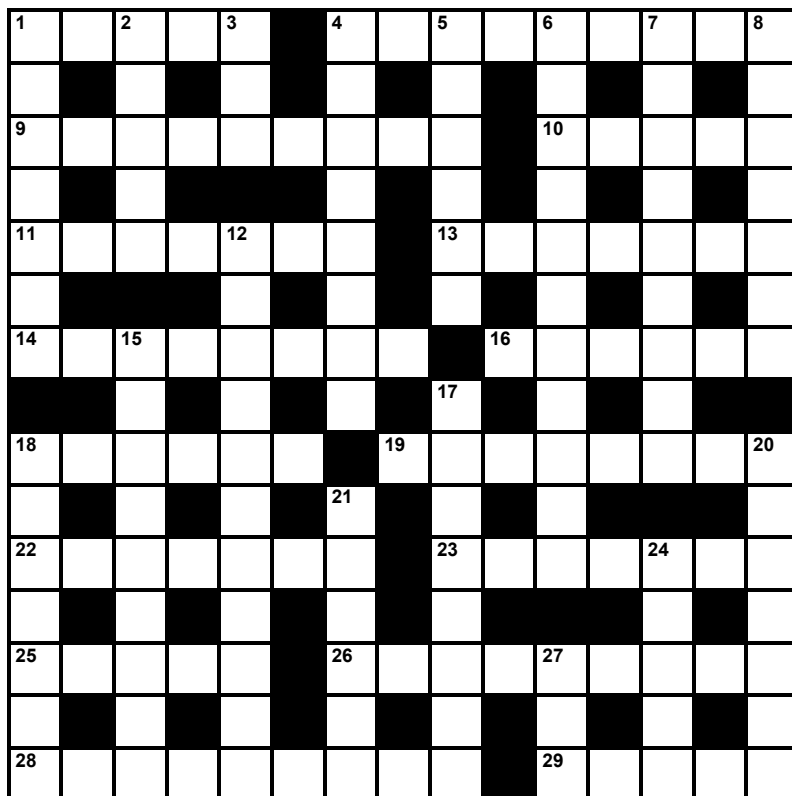
23 Wally and Jeff perhaps right about medium maiden over (7)

25 Perhaps gun holds round with a smell (5)

26 Line with scores in notable places (9)

28 Position of self-righteous morality for rector in very smelly socks (4,5)

29 Sees your first devious agreements (5)



Down

1 Game with knucklebones prepared for Stanley and Archie (7)

2 In North America, chip manufacturer begins to make digital stereo system (5)

3 Notice sieve misses bits on a regular basis (3)

4 A number stop being parodied and treated like a baby (8)

5 Pelham and David fighting short Roman emperor (6)

6 The authorities find film of

ODI being fixed with American agents at its heart (11)

7 Drink confused ant reuses (9)

8 Martin and Ron finally impress TMS commentator (7)

12 And he dusted frantically, coming to unexpected conclusion (6,5)

15 Australian pool invoice one hash pipe (9)

17 Former captain to be suspended over online trade

(8)

18 Anthony and Glenn host traitor in grand hotel (7)

20 2014 years ago, holy man was captured by Nazis - cruel people (7)

21 Bob and Mark tense before royal kerfuffle (6)

24 Horrible bosses stopping progress (5)

27 Peter and Tim have a wedding when bishop leaves (3)