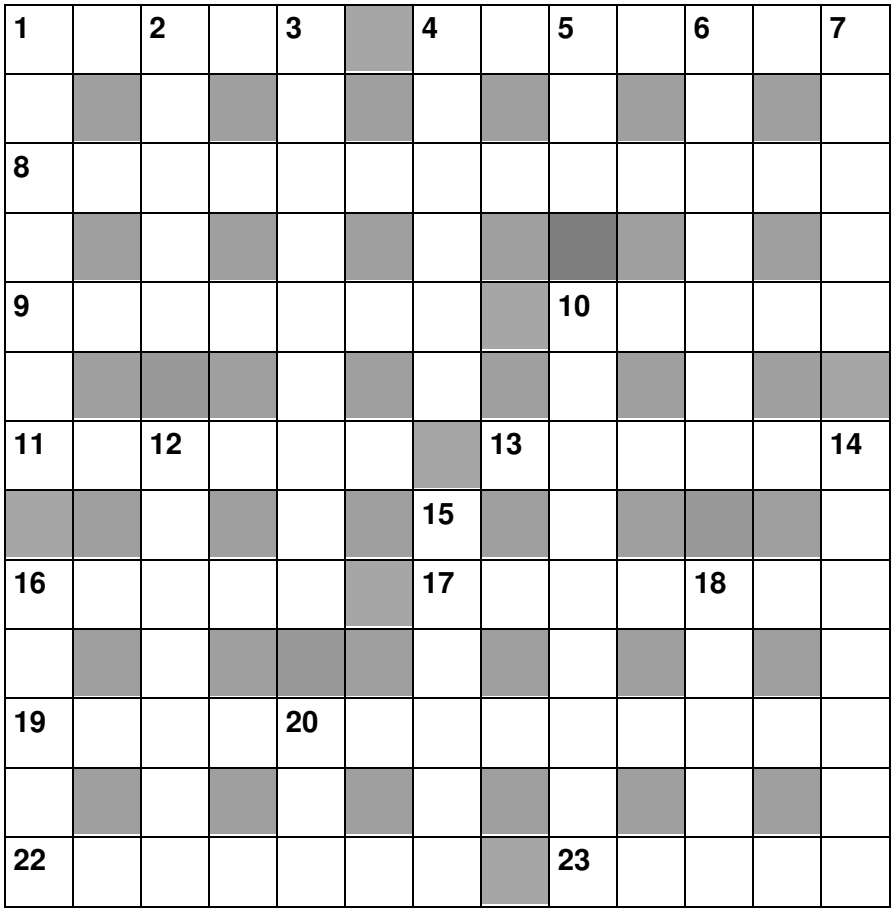
Crossword No. IPHSEM212 by Ian P. Hudson



Across

1 Just exist, dejected, underneath. (5)

4 Prank in the merry month has a certain grandeur. (7)

8 Brilliant fire destroyed blockaded city rescue plan. (6, 7)

9, 10 Sir, ugly frogs confused potential bridegrooms! (3,2,5)

11 Just one rag deranged wild ass. (6)

13 Who had misused Jumbo conveyance? (6)

16 Unhappy oldie was well lubricated. (5)

17 Exercise preps us poorly for journos afoot. (5-2)

19 Root after gemstone, then time for a comic. (6,7)

22 Just ten, it sounds like you owe us; but that's insignificant! (7)

23 Tabby sat next to queen to supply all rquirements. (5)

Down

1 Tiny leotard telling wearer to expand? (7)

2 A very happy harmonica player? (5)

3 Miss! — June, that's funny! Left just the least bit Pentecostal by the right speciality … (9)

4 Thin? Me, foul rage poor (6)

5 Amphora the government brought up. (3)

6 Rouse communist with martini made the wrong way — for a spy. (7)

7 Cryptids still seen by internal security. (5)

10 Erotic gem shaped in mathematical pattern. (9)

12 Star namesake of three brings supporter and son. (7)

14 This rep flogged a low-slung trouser style. (7)

15 They say Bond mentions cardamom and vanilla. (6)

16 French object to black lignite after outside broadcast. (5)

18 Eldest Tracy or June's hubby on TV — minus towelling!(5)

20 I go to Spain full of self-confidence. (3)