April 2025: General Knowledge Crossword No 225

ACROSS

- 8 Unmarried man, or male or female graduate (8)
- 9 Largest of the Greek islands (5)
- 10 Short name for hard-wearing floor covering (4)
- 11 French city, home of European parliament (10)
- 12 Central African country, capital Lusaka (6)
- 14 Small fish, often packed tightly in tins! (8)
- 16 Universal casual items of clothing (1-6)
- 18 Shakespearean tragedy about 'The Moor of Venice' (7)
- 21 County and city (with two cathedrals) in the south east of Ireland (8)
- 23 The ancient language of Brittany (6)
- 24 Enduringly popular 1942 film, and largest city of Morocco (10)
- 26 Dull pain or longing (4)
- 27 Your best group of sports people! (1-4)
- 28 Book which goes from Genesis to Revelation (3,5)

DOWN

- 1 Abuja, Warsaw and Cairo, for example (8)
- 2 The 'Buckeye State' of USA, capital Columbus (4)
- 3 The largest State of USA, capital Juneau (6)
- 4 You have one on either side of your airline seat (7)
- 5 Top ranking cards in Poker (4)
- 6 Old name for a bicycle (10)
- 7 Dragon-slaying saint, feast day 23 April (6)
- 13 Skilled craftsperson who might use a hod and a trowel (10)
- 15 Unpopular rodent, which can spread disease (3)
- 17 Weight equivalent to 2,240 pounds (3)
- 19 A weakness in a law which allows someone to evade a responsibility (8)
- 20 Young swans (7)
- 22 Major prophet of the Old Testament (6)
- 23 Aquatic rodent considered useful in controlling flooding (6)
- 25 The capital of Peru (4)
- 26 The chemical opposite of an alkali (4)



Blossoms (Photo: Freepix.com)

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SOLUTION: ACROSS – 9 Namibia, 10 Andorra, 11 Earplug, 12 Opiates, 13 Snow-white, 15 Agree, 16 Measles, 19 Sea bass, 20 Gifts, 21 Dalmatian, 25 Chevron, 26 Paschal, 28 Archers, 29 Othello

DOWN – 1 Angels, 2 Embryo, 3 Abel, 4 Bangui, 5 Bayonets, 6 Addis Ababa, 7 Pretoria, 8 Banshees, 14 Wall Street, 16 Magician, 17 Alfresco, 18 Sudanese, 22 Laptop, 23 Inhale, 24 Nelson, 27 Soho

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