

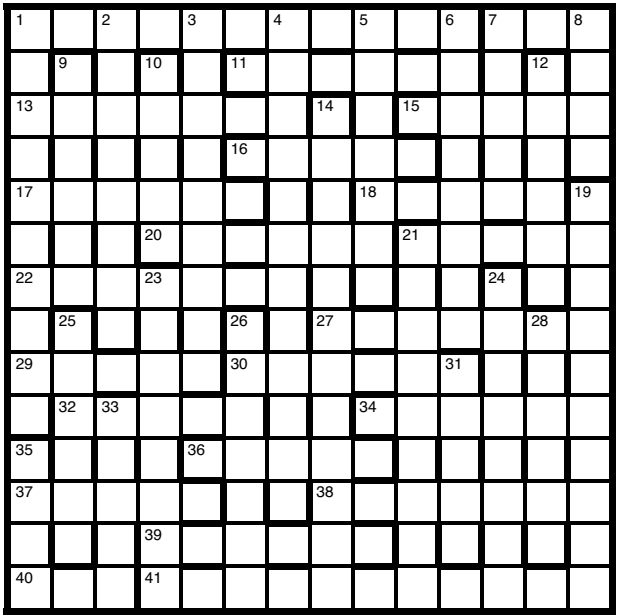
Crossword

2773: Venomous

by Doc

The unclued lights are of a kind.

- Across**
- 1 Vegetables brunettes prepared with bass and asparagus tip (6, 5)
 - 7 Small flat's ready (3)
 - 11 Instrument panel from aunt's Skoda collapsed in accident, initially (6)
 - 13 Nearly caught out – that's wrong (7)
 - 15 Big hit, getting caught – 50 and dismissed (5)
 - 16 Youthful age giving support to province (5)
 - 17 Claim from member in dailies, now and again (6)
 - 18 Juliet's predecessor, one needing first aid, on reflection (5)
 - 20 Measure about 11 tuns (2,4)
 - 21 Who courted regularly in Shropshire town? (5)
 - 22 Hippopotamus so positive returning a bit to marsupial (7)
 - 27 Young lad admits old students behave rowdily (7)
 - 29 Greek isle where early Brit swaps sides (5)
 - 30 Earl is inside, not steady – this won't happen again (3-3)
 - 34 Like to run, not on the flat (6)
 - 37 Piano, not in time, backing viola's piece (5)
 - 39 Special ability of independent in kind (6)
 - 40 Agent provocateur's introduction into fringes of society (3)
 - 41 7T7 reorganised for parity (4,7)



- Down**
- 2 Slavery in the real Spain twice dismissed by RC priest (8)
 - 3 Perks up foreign singers mid-week (9)
 - 4 Chinamen involved with Bury and European team (6,6)
 - 6 One young chap in native land, dressing (5,3)
 - 7 A last bit of linguini with half the olives and mayonnaise (5)
 - 9 Ring on display on computer screen (4,2)
 - 10 Measures some purser carefully takes up (5)
 - 14 New irises come up like onyx, say (4-8)
 - 19 Last month knight wasted nine shillings for game onboard (4,6)
 - 23 Deficiency from er or epoc, for instance? (8)
 - 24 Holy collection with time for guidance (8)
 - 25 A large round ring of cattle wagons (6)
 - 28 Sporting occasion where attractive girl keeps quiet (3-3)

- 31 Space flight near the moon will pass quickly (3-2)
- 33 Young Elizabeth is second-class online trader (5)

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