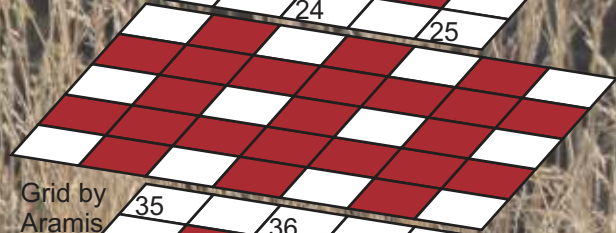
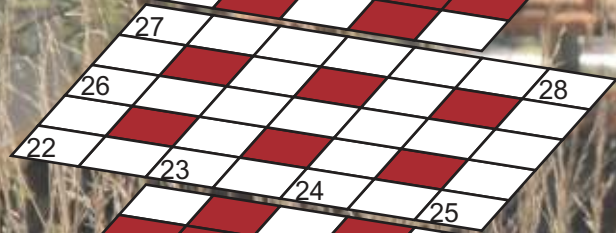
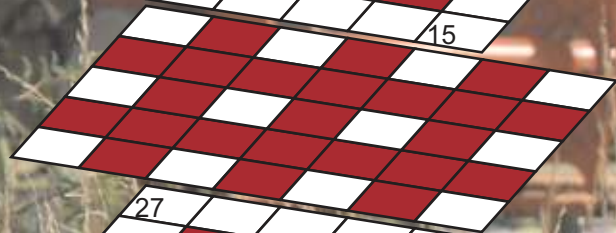
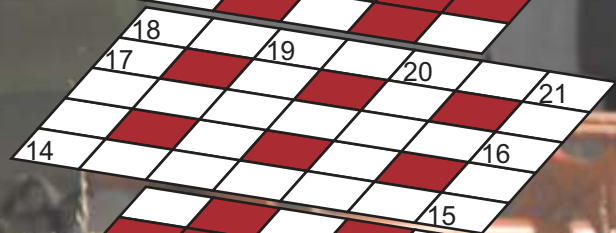
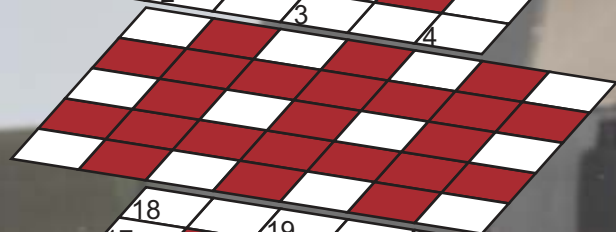
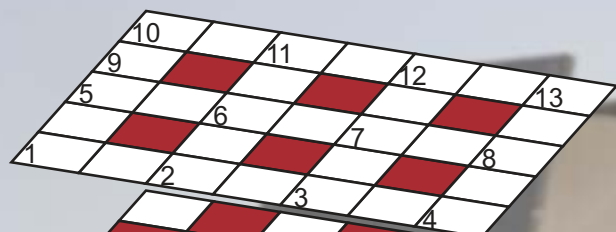


September 2015 Nutmeg



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This puzzle notes a 125th anniversary. Nutmeg has referred to 1ac,4 aw,13d-4 as XX in other clues. Clues are arranged in alphabetical order of their solutions.

MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
	1 6d Herbaceous plants pinched by Monacan thief (7)	2 17aw,18ac Actuaries heading off appalling criminal deeds (5,3)	3 1ac,4 aw,13d-4 Archaeologist's wife sculpted this chair in stone (6,8)	4 36to Setter's chasing gangster, unlike 32ba,29up-2's victim (5)	5 2aw Wow - XX's first intricate puzzle! (5)	6 1aw,10d-2 He's likely to shoot Borsetshire farmer (6)
7 2d Vocal piece's from France, and included in a service... (7)	8 1d-5 ...service put back after afternoon tea (5)	9 18to Like criminal, weighs up luggage (5)	10 12to Snag for cop (5)	11 5d Puts down numberless pauses in The Faerie Queen (7)	12 5ac Cathedral clergy brought to book? (7)	13 34aw,37up Irascible clergyman getting to grips with hero's case (8)
14 28ba Race's rank, according to XX: extremely 30aw-4 (7)	15 28to,25ba-2 Stiff resistance overcome by police (English) (6)	16 4d-3 Bashful policeman almost unknown (3)	17 38up Wiles of crooked vet evading bumbling detectives (7)	18 38to 500 sheets of paper – lots, of which King had one (5)	19 11d Horse killer, one of five harboured by Mexican regardless of the odds (7)	20 30aw-4 Malevolent foursome from Cheshire village (4)
21 9aw,10d Labouring man just too much for XX's hero (8)	22 3d But we hang about outside (7)	23 16ba Flipping swindle taking in Jock's own ardent fans (7)	24 32up-4,22aw,27ac-2 XX's heroine, deceptively simple, 80% smart... (4,6)	25 22ac ...I've most exotic grounds, which she may examine (7)	26 32ba,29up-2 He's bumped off racehorse backed by the Queen (8)	27 31aw Local office won't open where cowboys may operate (5)
28 8d Penitent's feelings about police inspector (7)	29 20to Breathe fresh life into touching novel (5)	30 26ac Chap about to turn in barking terrier (7)	31 33ac Discipline prisoner abandoning scruples (7)	32 13ba Hide, like XX's Adversary, close to house (7)	33 35to,29ac-2 This lady's in order, first in series (6)	34 35ac Mutilated remains discovered in toboggan (7)
35 14ac What elusive criminals do, avoiding a part of shipyard (7)	36 7d Shoot, pressing tip of revolver into sinew (7)	37 23aw Bring technology in to beat Superman (5)	38 19to Source of poison concealed by dour aristocrat... (5)	39 24aw ...one drop of ricin in tiny bottle, viewed by millions online? (5)	40 15aw,21d-2 City careerist's gleeful words when pudding's served? (6)	 Sep 2015