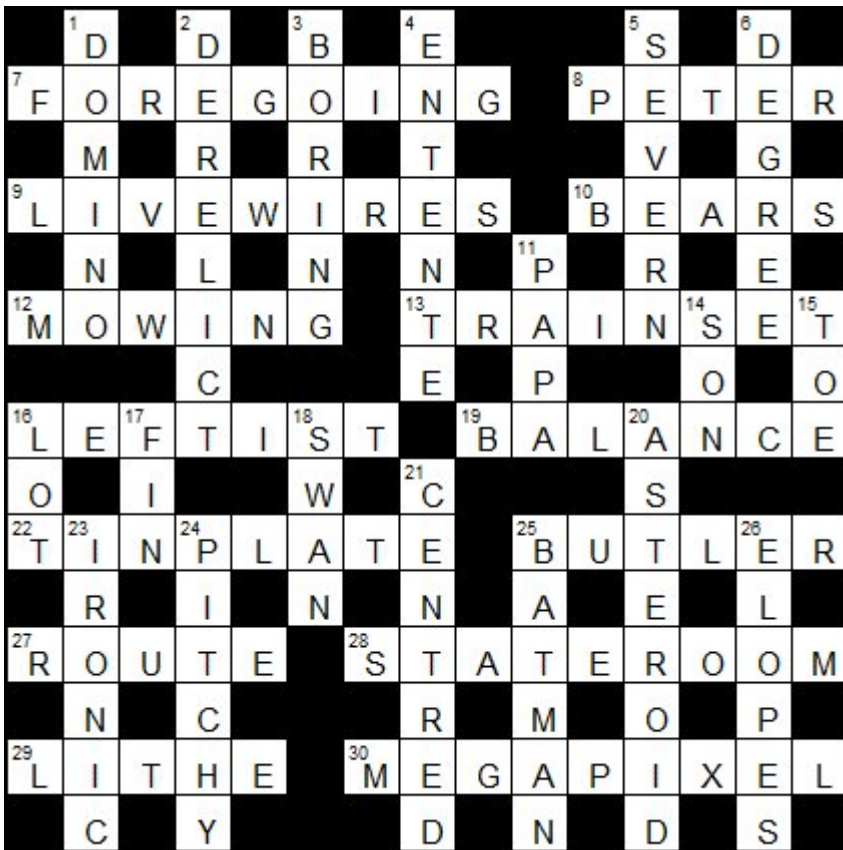


Solution to Puzzle by Hippogryph



The ghost theme is cricket, and some of the surface readings make most sense in a cricketing context. In addition, 10 of the answers lead to homophones of the surnames of eight England Test cricketers from 2000 to present. They are:

- ROUTE = ROOT
- LITHE = LYTH
- BUTLER = BUTTLER
- FIN = FINN
- SWAN = SWANN
- BALANCE = BALLANCE
- BEARS + TOE = BAIRSTOW
- PETER + SON = PIETERSEN