

ATB Cryptic #4

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Across

- 1 Even so, time is a consideration (7)
- 5 Harmful 'Supernatural' fan novel by a bloke (7)
- 9 Vase burned a little (3)
- 10 Just the one drink perhaps, sure to increase! (9)
- 11 Scaredy cat's domain? (3,3,4)
- 12 Cosmetic back in chic lately (4)
- 14 Mary dancing real Irish folk dance (8,4)
- 18 Lots to pick up here? (7,5)
- 21 Back swimming in one of these again (4)
- 22 American revolutionary housing very loud convincing beliefs... (10)
- 26 ...perhaps Trump soon in power, getting in and staying in? (9)
- 27 One shows discontent (3)
- 28 Swiss food company 50 settled in (7)
- 29 Element of chicken I marinated in booze (7)

Down

- 1 School stretched, say (6)
- 2 With natural content, make a speech most elaborate (6)
- 3 It's giving one wild gum problem (10)
- 4 He keeps track of runners in Northward territory (5)
- 5 Adam set off for fruit (5)
- 6 Report heist of musical instrument (4)
- 7 Supporters paying entrance fee greeted with short, rousing display (8)
- 8 Companies in Los Angeles, California brew up a soft drink (4,4)
- 13 Sonar misidentified Bond's boss - produce a computer virus (10)
- 15 Kind of finished scampi, peas and mash (3)
- 16 It's plain stupid - we're going down! (8)
- 17 European commissions have gaps in not responding (8)
- 19 Break up marriage over single set of rings (6)
- 20 What you can't do with an invisible doctor, or any GP at the moment? (3,3)
- 23 American detective covered up concerning release (5)
- 24 Milan club sent under (5)
- 25 Grind most of a fortune (4)