

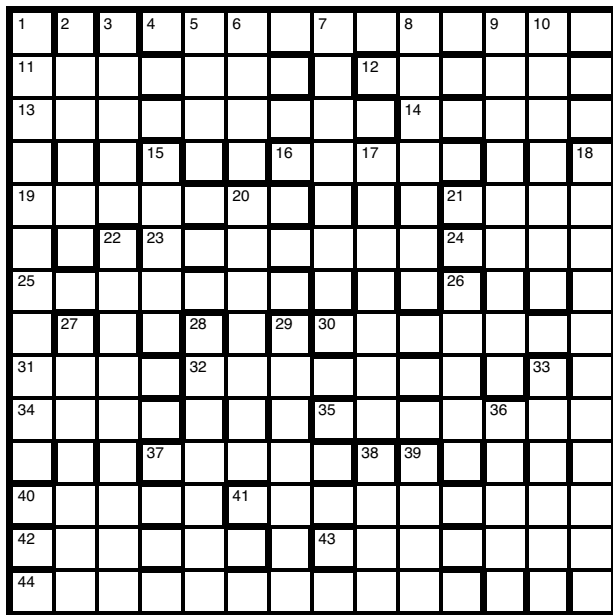
2694: Arc lights

by Doc

The unclued lights, including a pair and six of two words, form an association which a normal entry clearly suggests.

Across

- 11 Icons reconstructed with excellent backing and capital (7)
- 12 Scottish author wants hedge trimmed at one end (6)
- 13 Scottish bird sports new supporting items on the way in (9)
- 14 Falls off outhouses (5)
- 16 Scots flower just missed bronze, say (5)
- 19 Women's lib regretted holding back some rodents (7)
- 21 Tapir from borders of different length in Antarctica (4)
- 23 College's leading academician entered elaborately robed in fabric (7)
- 24 Does she give you the eye, to some extent? (4)
- 25 City in Campania – not Orléans (7)
- 30 Main part of the course which allows entry to Yale (7)
- 31 Barriers regularly holding Olympian (4)
- 32 Change of heart in secret for this archbishop (7)
- 34 Douglas King having trouble (4)
- 35 Maiden leaves washday workers for riverside sportsmen (7)
- 37 Head of Britain at one time (5)
- 40 English composer among the staff in Zimbabwe (5)
- 42 Senseless to trap small bats (6)
- 43 Dried up waters are a zone around half of French region (4,3)



Down

- 3 Look through scrub (5)
- 5 Online agent gets notice (4)
- 6 Order of redundancies of camping equipment (4)
- 7 Ridiculous country seat (7)
- 8 Food and drink from France, spiked with ecstasy (7)
- 10 Came up with quote that's long, having a vivid memory (7)
- 15 Parts of July and August for Turkish governor at Rievaulx, say (5)
- 18 Sweet granules around car seat and rugs (6,5)
- 20 Finally in this marathon? (4,3)
- 26 The Claw – topped and tailed maybe (5)
- 27 Travelling through such as very heavy rain? (7)
- 28 Name a soft extremity (7)
- 29 Paving stone for earthenware vessel (7)
- 33 Two kings expert with money for the Tivoli Gardens (6)
- 36 Girl is taken in to Helen's heart (5)

- 38 Scottish metal and carbon removed from mountain stones (4)
- 39 Tin and silver catch (4)

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