

Ring of Ire

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ACROSS

1. Expert (with "hand," in British slang)
4. People afflicted with them find this word difficult to pronounce
9. Acquire in quantity
14. Miner's find
15. Dimwit
16. What Mrs. Claus calls her husband
17. Online wiener schnitzel tutorial?
19. Honeyed
20. Peruvian people of old
21. Exorcist's evictee
23. French wine region
24. Eschewer of emotion
26. One whose sheets require frequent changing?
29. Insinuate
31. Reef-enclosed waterway
32. Follow upon
36. Decomposes
37. Improperly celebratory behavior?
40. Ballet attire
41. "Find somebody else!"
42. Discern with difficulty
44. Invigorating beverage
49. Like a Scotch terrier with very short fur?
53. Norwegian's neighbor
54. Would-be anglophone's class, briefly
55. Couples
57. Pub offerings
58. Tibetan capital
61. Lucrative law partnership member
63. Debater's asset
64. Sparkly crown
65. Be sick
66. Dance parts
67. Kierkegaard, to friends
68. Roman numeral which, mixed with "ir" and "e" (this puzzle's theme, in a way), makes a circle (hint: this is crossword 250 at davidalfredbywaters.com)

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1. Inclined to peace, metaphorically
2. Technically ungrammatical self-referential query
3. Guiding light
4. Ullman or Tyler
5. Bouncer's repeated cry
6. LP's second half
7. "Le roman de la rose," par exemple
8. Got up from a chair
9. Donkey
10. Big mouth
11. Little story
12. Sound systems with two speakers
13. Jupiter's father
18. Café au _____
22. Sports org. involving prolate spheroids
25. Pause, in verse
27. Wage recipients
28. Obstacles to group unity
30. Explosive stuff, briefly
33. Daughter's brother
34. Alien craft
35. Juvenile newt
37. Airplane body
38. Cut with acid
39. Diplomat's bldg.
40. Initial golf stroke
42. Lives (in)
43. Little dog sound
45. Like a happy dog's tail
46. ___ disease: gluten-avoider's affliction
47. Paradisal
48. Vend again
50. Rapids transports
51. "Old Macdonald" refrain
52. Bleak
56. Arid
59. Tasting unit
60. Window units, briefly
62. Girl's name in San Antonio