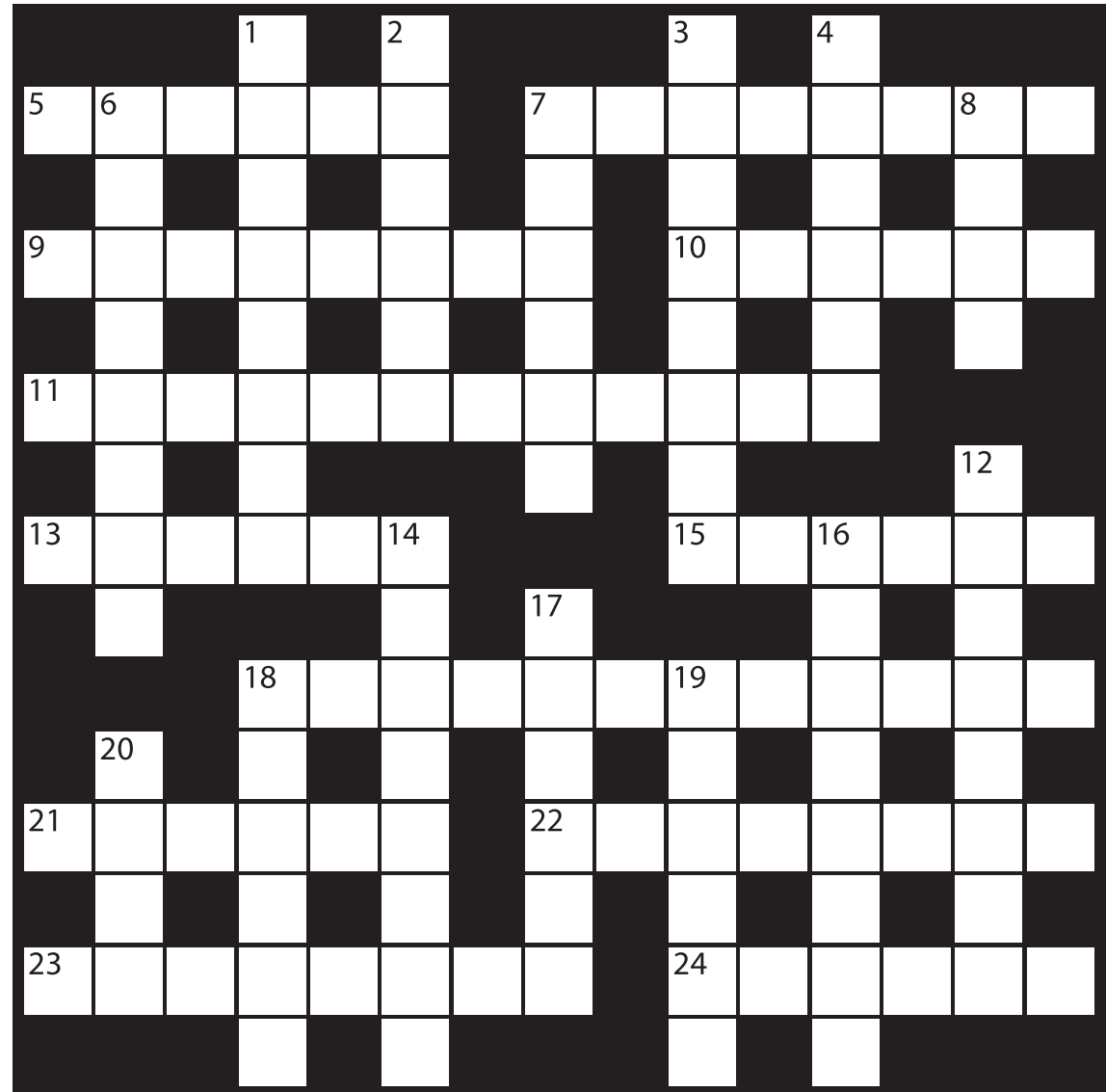


**ACROSS**

- 5 A very loud swimmer creating disturbance (6)
- 7 Church, large one in unexceptional area (8)
- 9 Such role adapted for idle person (8)
- 10 Work party (6)
- 11 Good, finished new thinking about ruling powers (12)
- 13 Landlord's character (6)
- 15 Harbour worker cut short time for paperwork (6)
- 18 Impressions of policeman serving South (12)
- 21 A vote over extremely handsome fellow (6)
- 22 Bananas in a lager from foreign land (8)
- 23 Brief officer with note and form (8)
- 24 Very partial to retrievers, obviously (4,2)

**DOWN**

- 1 Adult torn about fool being upset for reason (8)
- 2 Disturbed pony biting the tailless reptile (6)
- 3 Last trace of acid under one extremely dead remote (8)
- 4 Blog misused a line that's universal (6)
- 6 Bird-handler anxious of crane circling lake (8)
- 7 Empty pub concerning man in the end (6)
- 8 Friend close to Alec with bad smell (4)
- 12 Old soldiers check trap over (8)
- 14 Salesman, right figure for rebuke (8)
- 16 Spokespeople name rich criminal (8)
- 17 Space covered in tear gas is threat (6)



- 18 Vehicle carrying learner, the French visitor (6)
- 19 Little animal of mine with a lot of joy inside (6)
- 20 European noble mostly used sword (4)