

## ACROSS

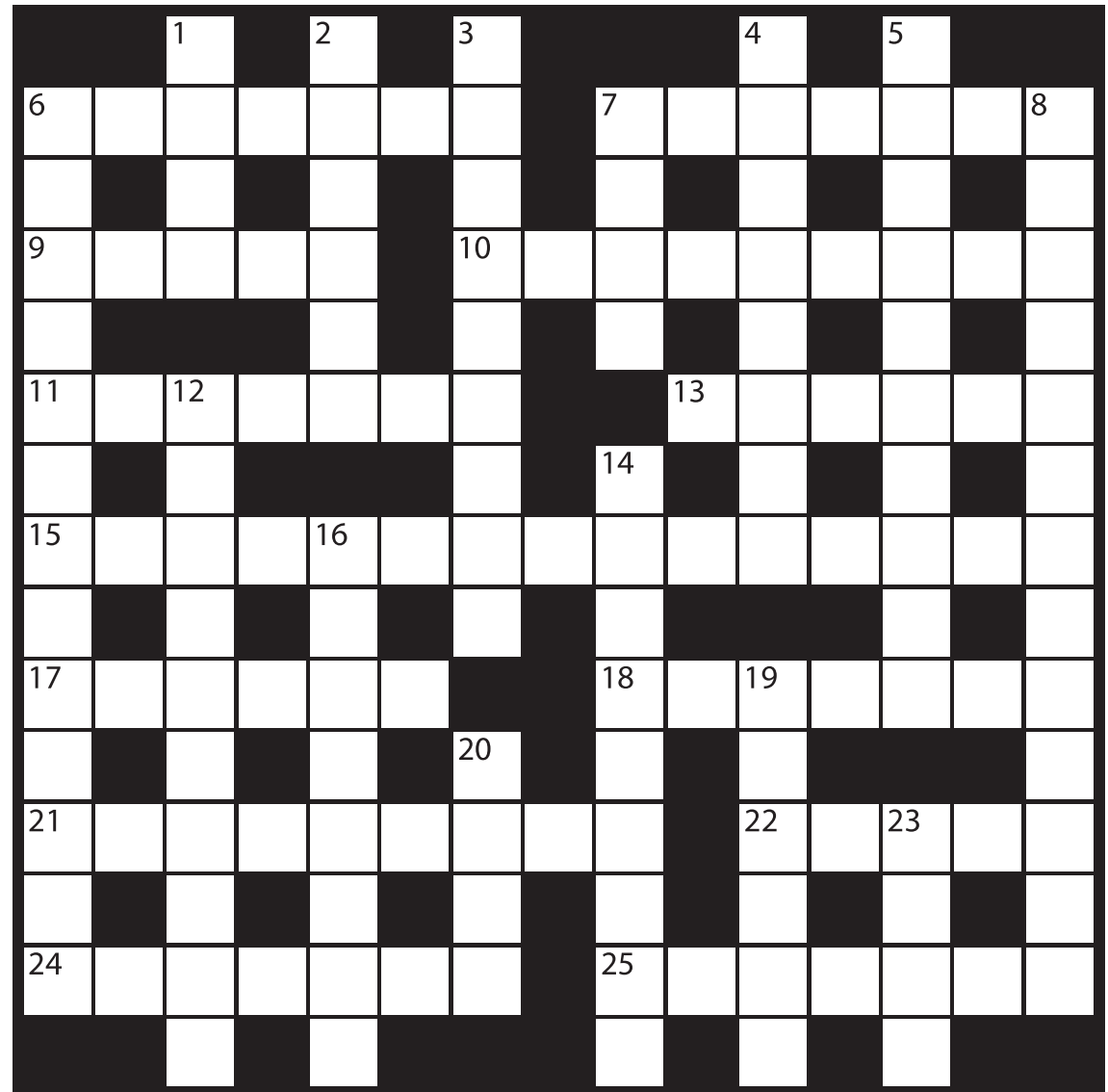
- 6 Little drink with friend? Absolutely! (7)  
7 Huge singer super-busy after splitting with Maiden (7)  
9 Nut a criminal that's kidnapped king (5)  
10 They keep an eye on folk attending to old boy (9)  
11 Fashion accessory made of brass and ribbon (7)  
13 Field near Kent area duke rented out (6)  
15 Council area drinkers on paths ruined (5,3,7)  
17 Real brief worker, one not there when they should be (6)  
18 Rude part of play shown on outside broadcast (7)  
21 Irvine wet? Ridiculous question! (9)  
22 Chain with European stores primarily (5)  
24 Good call about old wife getting bigger (7)  
25 Finished with a liberal boyfriend, perhaps (3,4)

## DOWN

- 1 Essential oil found in root tops (4)  
2 Craft seen over top of the Earth? (6)  
3 Many bones broken? Certainly not! (2,2,5)  
4 Politician with temperature that doctor wraps up (8)  
5 Stress reduces on changing eating routines initially (10)  
6 Welsh novel 'Starting Point' needs translating (13)  
7 Job for Question Time? Quite the reverse! (4)  
8 Freed princess heads for hole in the wall (4,9)  
12 Criminal pro in court for this? (10)

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- 14 How about this? One won't hawk rubbish! (1,4,4)  
16 Labourer with trouble putting in right banister (8)  
19 Small place to eat, but firmly established (6)  
20 Name entered into large search engine (4)  
23 Send up very enthusiastic prima donna (4)