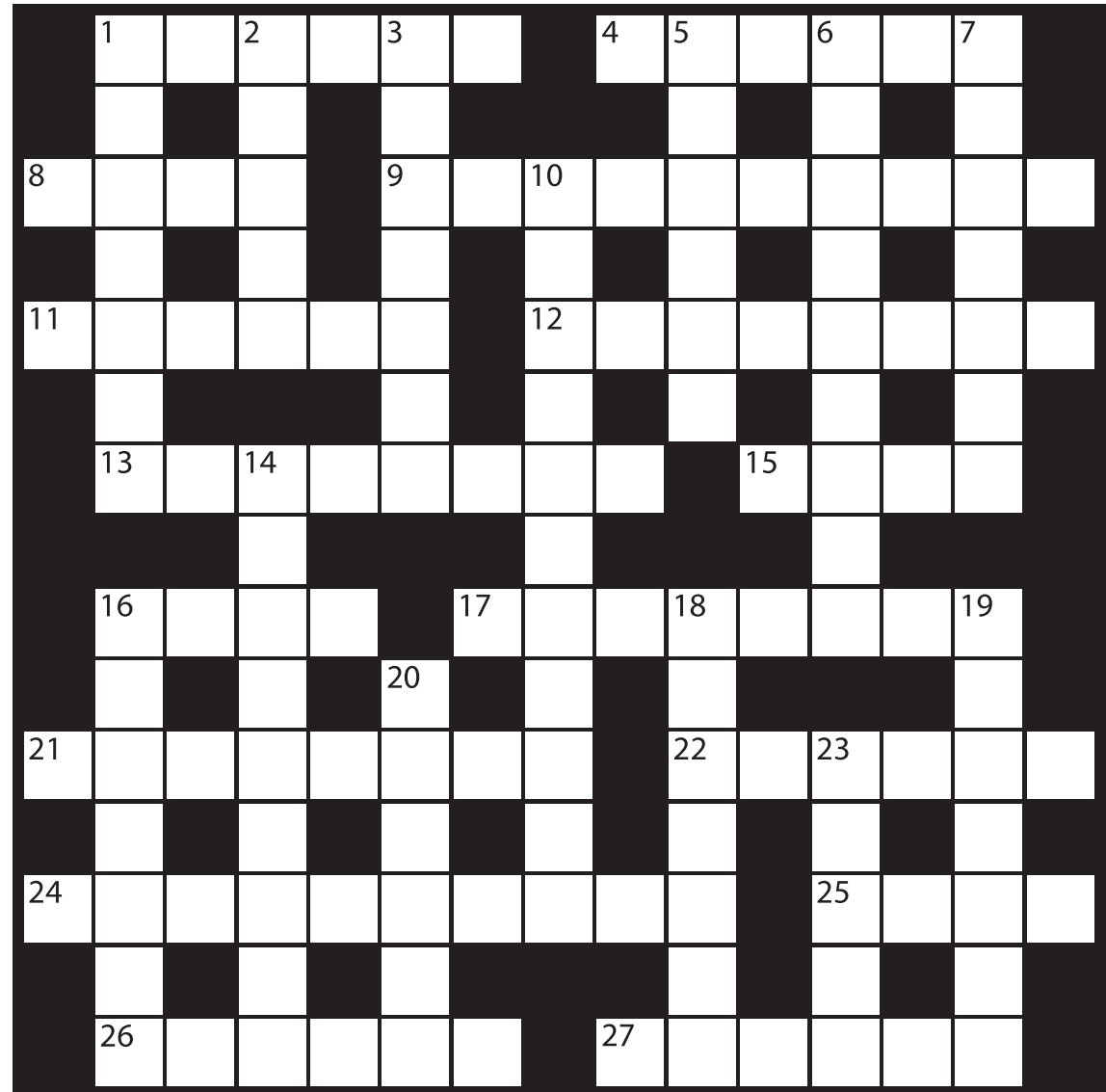


ACROSS

- 1 Backwards gent in place is fastidious person (6)
- 4 Intensity with weapon, through being discontented (6)
- 8 Returned thump producing lump (4)
- 9 Lewdness by each rude deviant (10)
- 11 Reportedly best, cooler event outdoors (6)
- 12 Obsessive over clear shelf (3-5)
- 13 Virus free in one vacated compound (8)
- 15 Call for attention from ship replacing content in port (4)
- 16 Noise of fly making us touchy (4)
- 17 Went by water beside coastal structure that's more miry (8)
- 21 Garbled polemic beginning to rile Boz, perhaps (8)
- 22 Idler of this kind consumes half of loaf (6)
- 24 Businessperson is on farm to split wages (10)
- 25 Tense finding rubbish around university (4)
- 26 Lack of cover that would make crackers untidy (6)
- 27 Caught mesh on wings of young bird (6)

DOWN

- 1 Religious leader's huff after pressure working (7)
- 2 Crime fighter dressing away from the base (5)
- 3 Charmer becomes slimmer after exchanging tips (7)
- 5 People supporting a copper's insight (6)
- 6 Hamish with air that's agitated Hindu instructor (9)
- 7 Bean found after top's brought down in carriage (7)
- 10 Billion ways with language used as weapons (11)



- 14 Immature cook peed in urn (9)
- 16 Old bishop wearing cross and pouch (7)
- 18 Good person, monarch blocking former PM's command (7)
- 19 Sport taking place in playing field, it's for novice (7)
- 20 Model hot lad dated (3-3)
- 23 Frequently calm down when leader's left (5)