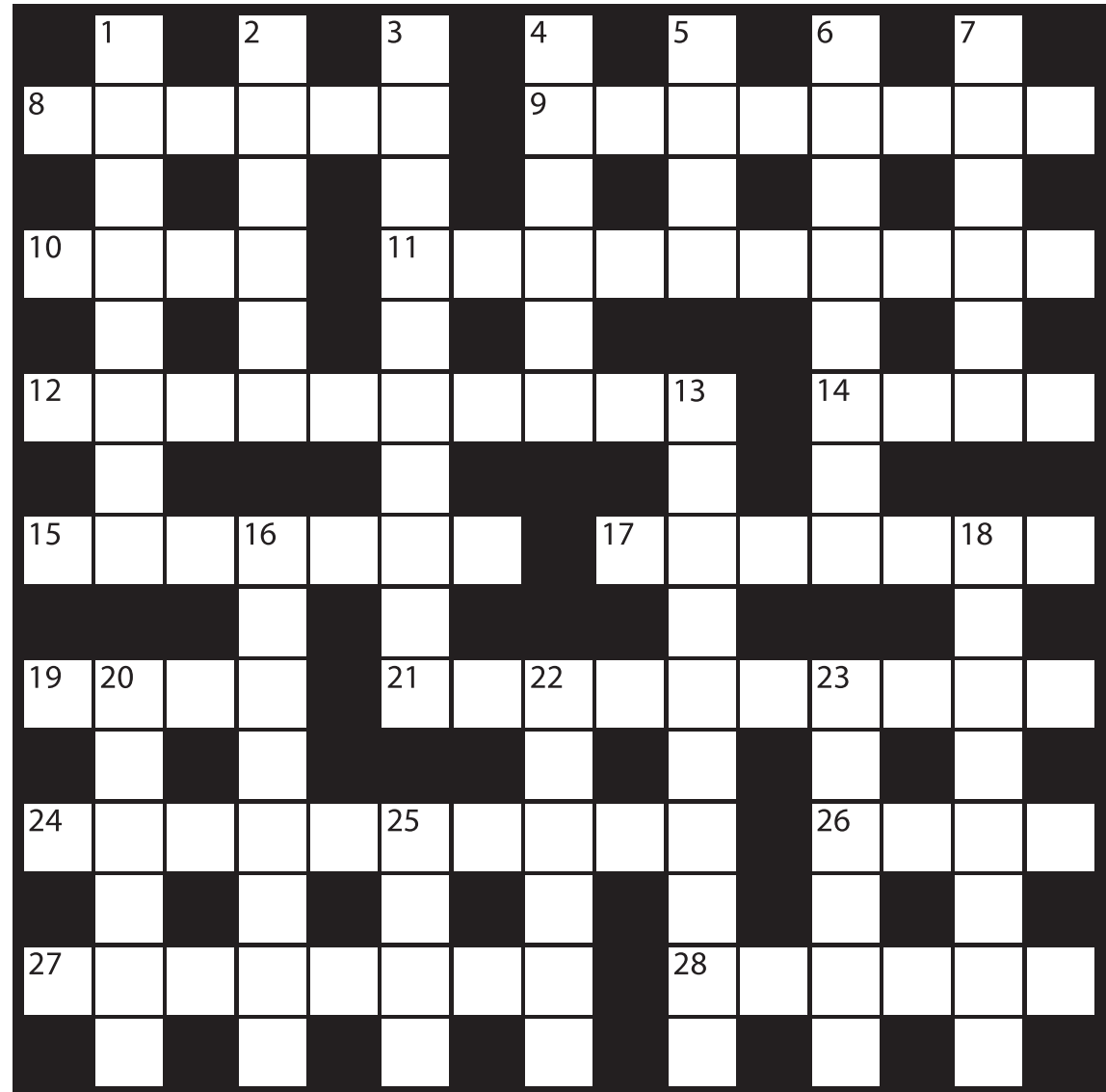


ACROSS

- 8 Note from singer heard (6)
- 9 Speaking, speaking indistinctly, losing head (8)
- 10 List of meals for people (posh) (4)
- 11 Crazy reason to get the train (10)
- 12 Person caring for infant rabbits, yet unreliable (10)
- 14 Call for an item of jewellery (4)
- 15 One may be given in a church in a county town (7)
- 17 Sound end for European (7)
- 19 Region in Australia? Really! (4)
- 21 Rome Derby organised around Italy's elaborate work (10)
- 24 Scent to experience following pudding (10)
- 26 Single item can bend backwards (4)
- 27 Extraordinary, astonishing eclipse around first of August (8)
- 28 Soup served by brush, no starter (6)

DOWN

- 1 Song, dear, seen off (8)
- 2 Physical damage among panel of twelve (6)
- 3 Sparkling intelligence? (10)
- 4 'Sweet' clued cryptically by model (6)
- 5 Tiny particle of a cat (4)
- 6 Gun covers almost three brothers (8)
- 7 Bumpy, so must be odd? (6)
- 13 Beast crushing Cornish ore (10)
- 16 Condition requiring insulin fades to hold irregular beat (8)
- 18 Italian island is a drain, surprisingly (8)



- 20 Say no to rubbish (6)
- 22 Black bird finds dog (6)
- 23 Discourages five hundred relatives (6)
- 25 To overturn lager is a minor mistake (4)