

**ACROSS**

- 5 Join learner in Cayenne, perhaps (6)
- 7 Note in Asian food, coating on noodle is source of heat (8)
- 9 Walk to returning Queen's champion (8)
- 10 Cagily crossing middle of park with cunning (6)
- 11 Reply to post puzzled about right place to retrieve goods (4,8)
- 13 Desires leader to withdraw in setbacks (6)
- 15 Standing eating one fish (6)
- 18 For day, politicians reaching heights (12)
- 21 Conclusion about affront not popular (6)
- 22 Aliens from main star needing translation (8)
- 23 Torment endlessly stuck in call line (8)
- 24 1000 yodel torturous tune (6)

**DOWN**

- 1 Is male in competition creating conflict? (8)
- 2 Landlord, perhaps, is character (6)
- 3 Plant pods worn all over the place (8)
- 4 Timber dear to Parisian used on railway (6)
- 6 Claims not totally genuine, belt up (8)
- 7 Text credit, one pence held by good person (6)
- 8 Duck on eastern river (4)
- 12 Showed with some privacy (8)
- 14 Crying hidden by Hamish out in game (8)
- 16 Broadcast search for shooter (3,5)
- 17 Make aluminium rigid (6)
- 18 Struggling up glen, go downhill fast (6)
- 19 About hour, belly's producing sounds (6)
- 20 Headwear mostly remained current (4)

