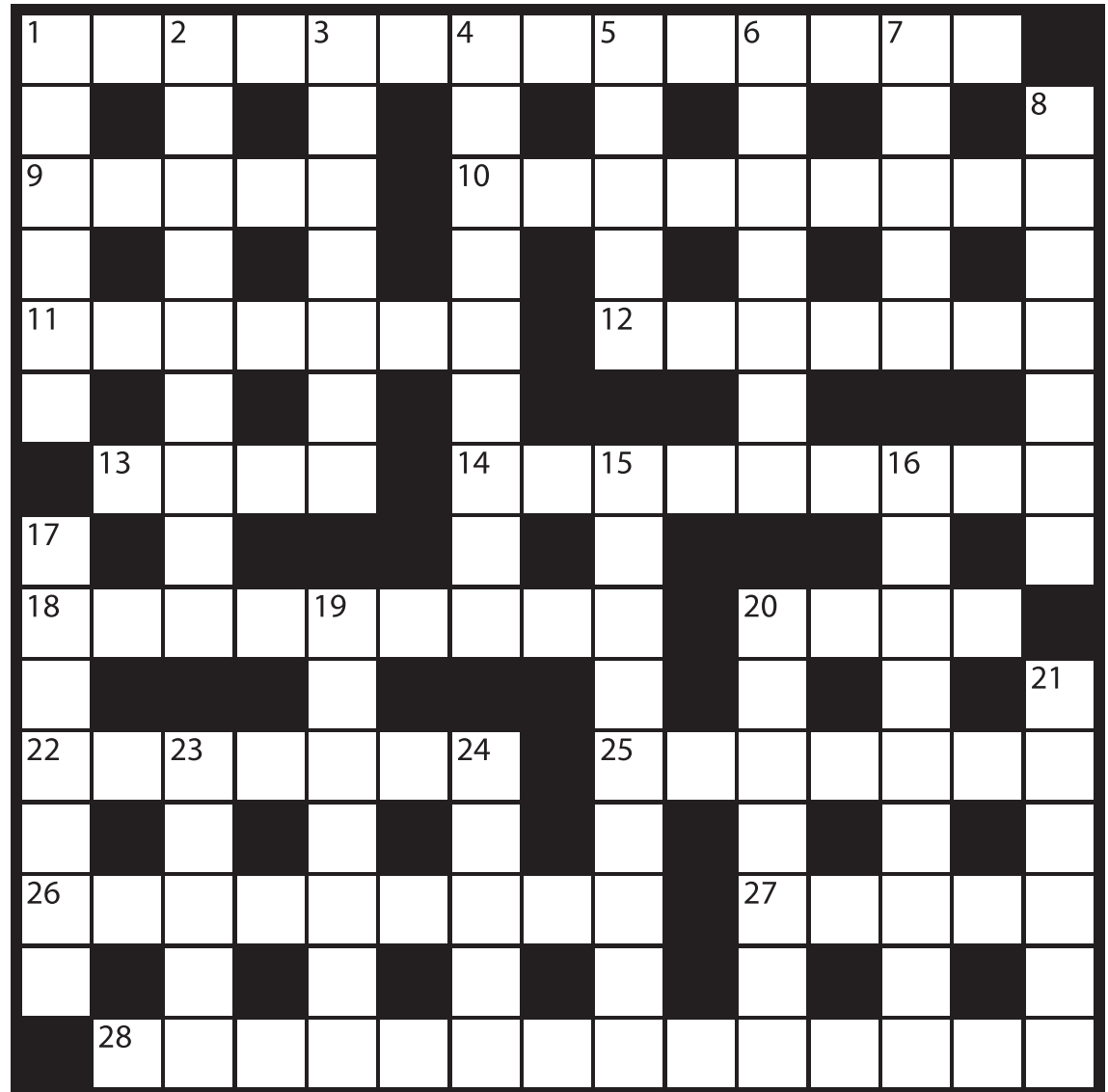


ACROSS

- 1 Bird unsettled men in peer group (7,7)
- 9 Makes smooth for fetters (5)
- 10 Many hands are laid on this item of furniture (4,5)
- 11 Not cola, perhaps vehicle fluid (7)
- 12 Lower record in clothing (7)
- 13 Shoot sack (4)
- 14 Settle it with a barter perhaps (9)
- 18 Moved quickly, fired, and carried off the spoils (9)
- 20 Cut off part of harbour (4)
- 22 Unopened spread, it's said (7)
- 25 Son has bravery without a whip (7)
- 26 New lad Ron's upset person of property (9)
- 27 A party, one having proof of innocence (5)
- 28 Wrongly describe tartan, being disorganised (14)

DOWN

- 1 Show around Venice (6)
- 2 In favour of moving to get a better position (9)
- 3 A setter about to say it again (7)
- 4 People to follow to Ascot, perhaps (9)
- 5 Strayed in wider redeployment (5)
- 6 Decline and leave best books (2,2,3)
- 7 Films Bruce regularly to inspire (5)
- 8 Plastic for each set of glasses, say (7)
- 15 Group's cold massage is beauty treatment (4,5)
- 16 Bill getting ring round one instrument (9)
- 17 Initially, this currency unit brings problems (7)



- 19 Dry wine at Heathrow, for example (7)
- 20 Ten in play, very small scene (7)
- 21 Man's set up in difficult situation at the back (6)
- 23 Pick-me-up starting the scale (5)
- 24 Fish swallows new ball (5)