

**ACROSS**

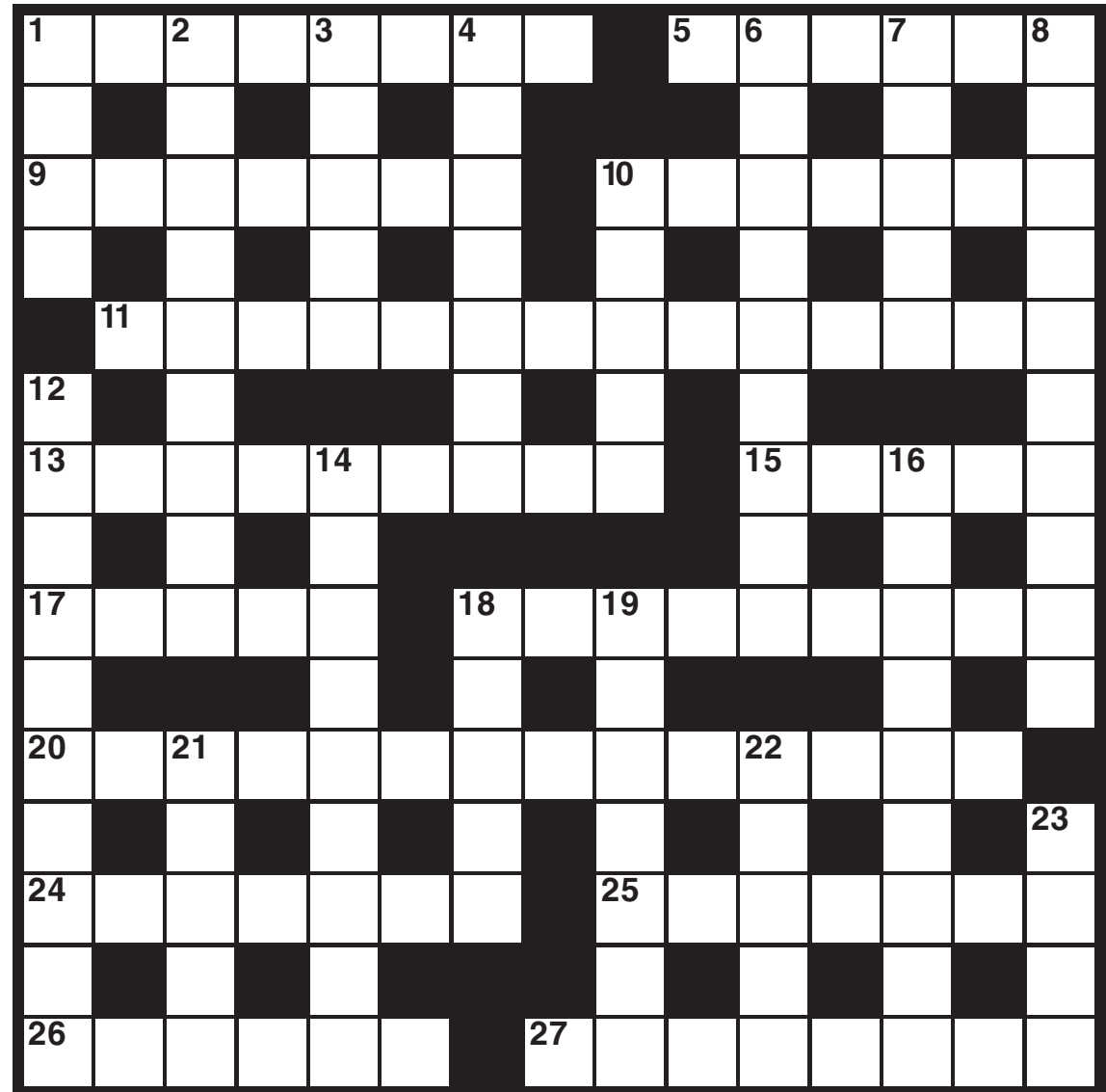
- 1 Disadvantage being second to go after tie (8)  
 5 He'd bandaged member that's injured (6)  
 9 Archbishop, stiffly formal, dined (7)  
 10 As said, I'll tear about (7)  
 11 Understood quite a lot – wasn't hurt or distressed (4,2,4,4)  
 13 Pay back bruiser getting upset with me (9)  
 15 Girl renovated seats (5)  
 17 Eyesores in street? That's right (5)  
 18 Fashion garment – rough and ready? (9)  
 20 Turn a craft round with nobleman inside, he's shouting the odds (4,10)  
 24 Caught two boys in Greater London town (7)  
 25 British poet has nap on heather (7)  
 26 Drink with cast about to go wrong (6)  
 27 Animal doctor admits death thanks to blood feud (8)

**DOWN**

- 1 Gull in wind, up-ended (4)  
 2 I'm noisy at broadcast causing ill-will (9)  
 3 Boy's first to want very dark colour (5)  
 4 Charlady may become thinner after start of counselling (7)  
 6 A diet's not working with counteractive medicine (9)  
 7 Beginning of Mozart's operatic song for Callas (5)  
 8 Italian poet keeps unusual title being a dabbler in the arts (10)  
 10 Released last of birds into Cornish town (5)  
 12 Supports masses, demonstrating basic realities (5,5)  
 14 Spectator to get up in tumbledown byre (9)

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- 16 Marine biologist, say, in tests spread round Channel Islands (9)  
 18 Drink with chap, entertaining company (5)  
 19 Ken, with luck, transformed a joint (7)  
 21 Odd heron in French river (5)  
 22 Domestic animal turns up with passport, say, unenthusiastic (5)  
 23 Part of fragrant Indian city (4)