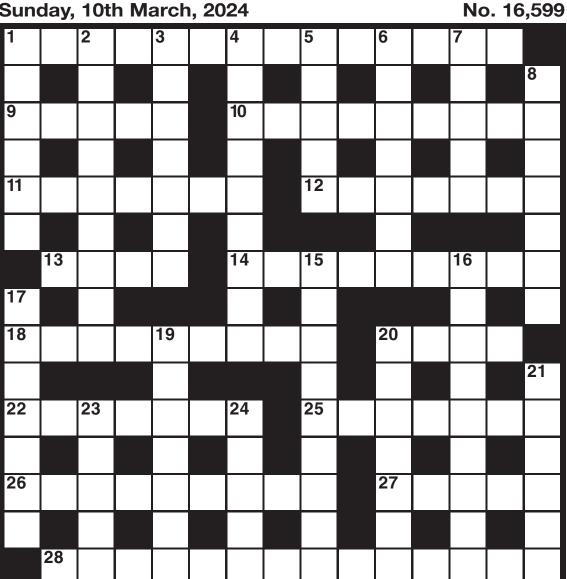
ACROSS

- 1 Lee built lining strangely can't understand it! (14)
- **9** Drink like a dog one from Los Angeles? (3,2)
- 10 Eric and Basil may soon be enraged (9)
- **11** Appearing to view Chinese porcelain (7)
- **12** Put in tins, perhaps, every one (7)
- 13 Thousand chill with animals (4)
- **14** Partner gets the remaining fifty per cent (5,4)
- **18** Surprise for one lifting lid? (3-6)
- 20 Buddy friendly, but not at first (4)
- 22 Hug me having returned with couple (7)
- 25 Traffic jam announced by newsreader's assistant (7)
- **26** Swan around to infuriate boy going to town (9)
- 27 Quotes positions (5)
- 28 Solo pop recording passed across to heartless lady (6-8)

DOWN

- 1 Overcast? Don't start, if not (6)
- Inaccurate recipes I'm amending (9)
- Choice meat for the champion team? (7)
- Deceitful feathers at rest! (5,4)
- Rashly air question with one from Basra, perhaps (5)
- **6** Awfully ironic about son cutting tooth (7)
- Partly calibrate the scales (5)
- Board up when aquatic mammal away (4,3)
- **15** Right inside different heatable drink (6,3)
- **16** Earmarked blood group called to order (9)

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- 17 Retaliation, for example, at no time given backing (7)
- **19** Noisy shaving is ringing a bell (7)
- **20** Bug stinging but it prevents bitterness (7)
- 21 Channel Island sweater (6)
- 23 Time in island to make Indian dish (5)
- **24** Remove some dissenter, a senator (5)