

## ACROSS

- 1 Russian monarch (4)
- 4 Making harmless (8)
- 8 Alluring gesture or remark (4-2)
- 9 Unclear (6)
- 10 Slight advantage (4)
- 11 Amount of precipitation (8)
- 13 Ink-absorbent pad (8,5)
- 16 Loaf that contains no wheat (3,5)
- 19 Female relative (4)
- 20 Bowler's target in cricket (6)
- 22 Receptacle that stores foods for a long time (3,3)
- 23 Get closer to (8)
- 24 Short ballet skirt (4)

## DOWN

- 2 Fencing (9)
- 3 Put back into political office (2-5)
- 4 One who gives blood (5)
- 5 Over-flattering (7)
- 6 Ridicule (5)
- 7 Score of zero (3)
- 12 Hide, ready to surprise (3,2,4)
- 14 Stillness (7)
- 15 In the opposite direction to (the traffic) (7)
- 17 Matt \_\_\_\_, 'Countryfile' presenter (5)
- 18 Roadside trench (5)
- 21 Pixie (3)

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