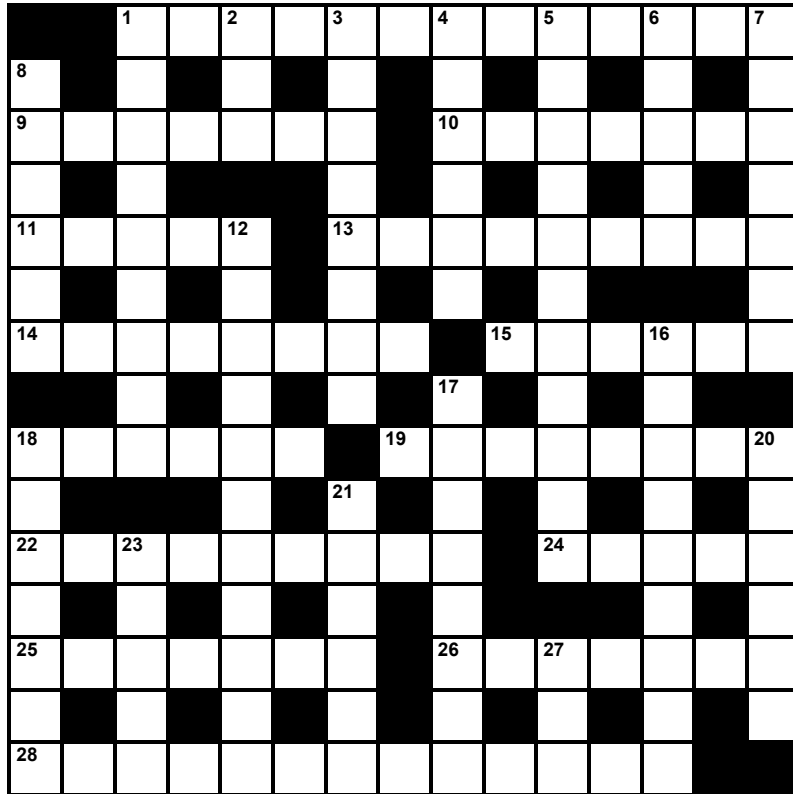


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**Across**

- 1** Praying to host adventurous hunters (8,5)
- 9** Loud American gets sick having Irish pasta (7)
- 10** Strengthen first note in two scores (7)
- 11** Archdeacon probes alien conference? (5)
- 13** Girl is in credit, getting low returns for teacher here (9)
- 14** Team succeeded, getting round traffic problem for South African actor (3,5)
- 15** Bingo's mixed a cocktail! (6)
- 18** Evenly ground felsite causing most offence (6)

**19** Wave from this country and its replacement (8)

- 22** Sort of stone found by lake initially suitable for colonnades (9)
- 24** Caught you covered in eggs at noon in France (5)
- 25** Crying model gets a lecture (7)
- 26** Drink and tell stories about drink (7)
- 28** Carol questions the identity of pony Sean rated poorly (6,7)

**Down**

**1** Took action to rein in outgoings and imposed a moratorium (9)

**2** Bird essential to Commonwealth Games sport (3)

- 3** Fool singer who likes birds (8)
- 4** I won't do it from inside close (2,4)
- 5** Weird Irish one is sub-standard member of vicar's flock (11)
- 6** Fashionable Greek character gets out the cash (5)
- 7** Young New Yorker saving money only now heads for Anglesey (4,3)
- 8** Sweet old king avoids hard workers (6)

**12** Managed to get French officials to stand in support for money spent by football club (8,3)

**16** It's exciting to erect a chimney in a day's work (9)

- 17** International supporters begin to have trouble going north to World Cup venue (8)
- 18** Correctly, and nonchalantly, changing direction (7)
- 20** Filmed games no good in colour, director concludes (6)
- 21** Boost for Larkin announced (6)
- 23** Become aware of new jet going over (5)
- 27** Setter leaves note on a long-dead New Zealander (3)