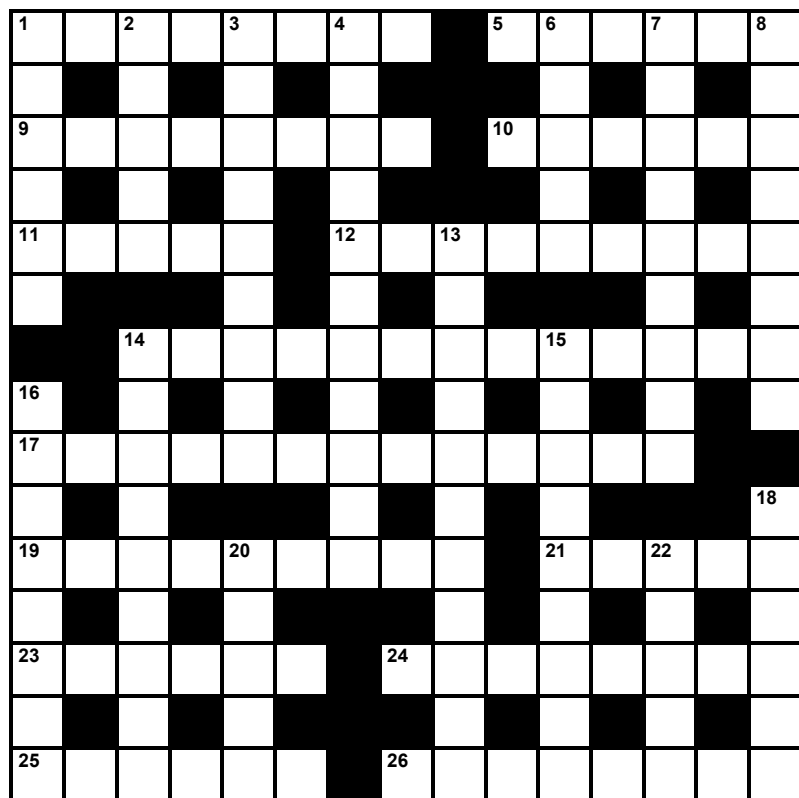


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Across

1 Time in the home counties precedes longing to be quarrelsome (8)

5 Articles about drink and heart disease (6)

9 Throwing pork at us, though unconscious (5,3)

10 Nuances of southern Greek underworld (6)

11 One hundred sheep behave badly (3,2)

12 Trick an athlete into paying the bill? (2,1,6)

14 English captain lacking time turns eastwards by mistake (6,7)

17 Disturb resting canine to meet stubbornness (13)

19 Fashionable college

thanks owner of ancient girdle (9)

21 Dreadful tragedy conceals wartime secret (5)

23 Nasty smell gone from free bingo? On your bike! (6)

24 Thumbs up for these successes featuring US singer (8)

25 Want to take away extremist leader's knighthood? (6)

26 Biased appallingly? Indeed so (3-5)

Down

1 Ostentatious walk remains in state (6)

2 Add hint of tarragon to even slices of ortolans to bake in the oven (5)

3 Wednesday, I sleep in before I start to access internet reference (9)

4 Dawson and Stallone follow stretch of water in silence (11)

6 Short of time, ambassador in turn gets up for Indian statesman (5)

7 Though terribly uninterested, set out written agreement (9)

8 A summertime deception is hard to understand (8)

13 When Sugar begins firing, I leave for a secret meeting (11)

14 Jazzed-up piano duets not for all ages Down Under (9)

15 Gives up about now, the younger Bush being replaced by idiots losing their heads (9)

16 Communist princess hesitated (8)

18 Employment in the home broken off (6)

20 New or run-down, he has it (5)

22 Tendency to t-tear (5)