

## Alchemi 25 *by Alchemi*

### Across

**1/5** I do my clever (not comedy) act with thermal underwear before one-legged character (4,4,6)

**10** Fungus is clever and can be shaped (9)

**11** Living before 5 is mercurial (5)

**12** Set on becoming a racetrack after 5 (5)

**13** Tit and other birds keep first eggs to be used for drying (3,6)

**14** Let back in to study at American university (7)

**16** Returning rodents get US award for bravery after 5 (4)

**19** Cut legs back (4)

**21/28** Northern eagle flies around often up on 5 (3,4,6)

**24** Safe to eat before sorting out EU debt, say (3-2,4)

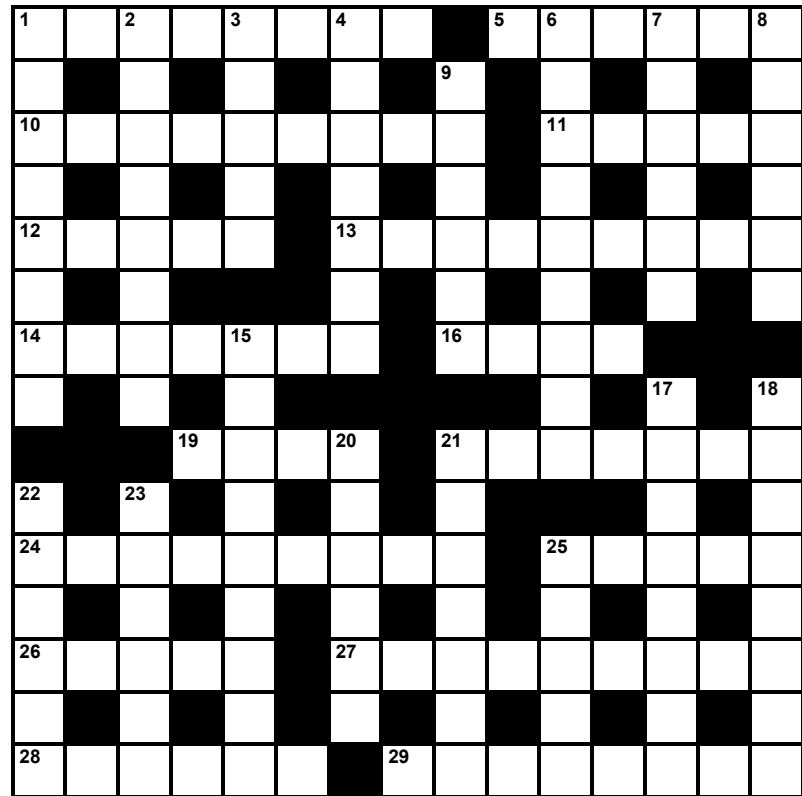
**25** 100 garish old rolls after 5 (5)

**26** Thigh with iron spirit returning (5)

**27** To summon transport, I chase about in the way of Italian Scot (4,1,4)

**28** See 21

**29** Girl sent crazy by pure 5 (8)



### Down

**1** Powerful beam over central Katmandu to unknown home for the devout (8)

**2** It's to do with brain cells that Geordie gents lose one and get no replacement (8)

**3** Law incorporates grey-head bencher (5)

**4** Where animals live, see walls of hacienda oddly built and extremely ancient (7)

**6** Setter taking note, give estimate about artist with too few people to meet (9)

**7** Masked pair of desperadoes lie up after 5 (6)

**8** Kill off half in reckless dashing (6)

**9** Most energetic to begin with, rowdy lads get these coming second after 5 (6)

**15** After a short time, marshal meets old actor under Malabar chestnut (5,4)

**17** Coati pox virulent at South American volcano (8)

**18** Making preparations to note one passing (8)

**20** Constant chap, said to be wooden (6)

**21** Felt hat knocked off where 21a 28's 5 did not race (3,4)

**22** Facebook user possibly becomes superhero after 5 (6)

**23** Almost relevant to alternative for nickel before 5 (6)

**25** Children help Aslan into rough openings in Narnia book after the 5 (5)