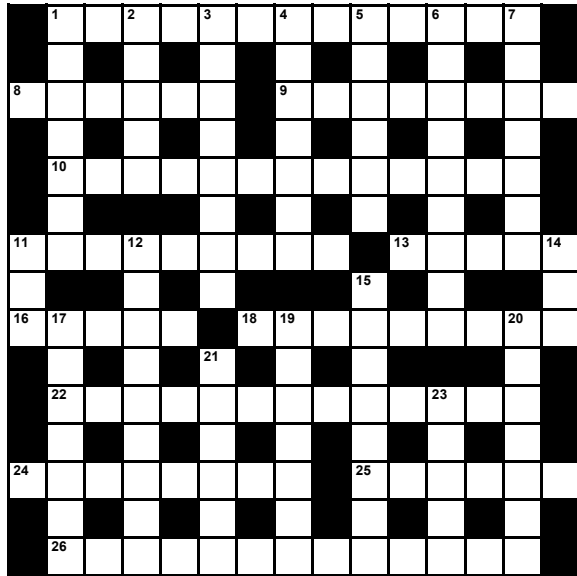


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Across

- 1 Heavy metal scene rearranged into amazing divine proportion (6,7)
- 8 14 get back home before a medical problem (6)
- 9 Provençal 1d papers reach difficult conclusion not thought of before (8)
- 10 As head of European government ultimately, Angela Merkel is upsetting Paris (6,7)
- 11 Asleep and off for a walk by the sea (9)
- 13 River flowing through potatoes makes wetland (5)
- 16 Eagerly consume back of chrysalis (3,2)
- 18 Nothing in 2 except a place to drink (6,3)
- 22 Town centres beginning to be a bit violent (13)
- 24 Can go further than nationalist to block atrocity (8)
- 25 Stick poster in the place I'm indicating (6)
- 26 Very high-level ciphers broken by special tax officer capturing turncoat (13)

Down

- 1 Encourage WAGs to go around getting cheap, shoddy jewellery (7)
- 2 During Winter Olympic event, Norway go on the attack (5)
- 3 Keep up with Italian leader over Poles' prevarications (8)

- 4 Amaze priest on TV having prevented further growth (7)
- 5 Who will help golfer design technique to finish? (6)
- 6 Get drunk on Ribena mixed into vermouth and then take ecstasy (9)
- 7 Nature magazine gutted by MI6's retribution (7)
- 11 Measure the centre of stellar arrangement (3)
- 12 Cleaner lord one below the queen (9)
- 14 Female ambassador starting to run (3)
- 15 Begin to invade insect enclosure raised on high (8)
- 17 Loads weapon and puts petrol in the tank when leaving Europe (7)
- 19 Roy sets out to get shellfish (7)
- 20 Chairman fails to finish translating tribal language (7)
- 21 Design event disheartened member of star's entourage (6)
- 23 Escort woman into old city (5)