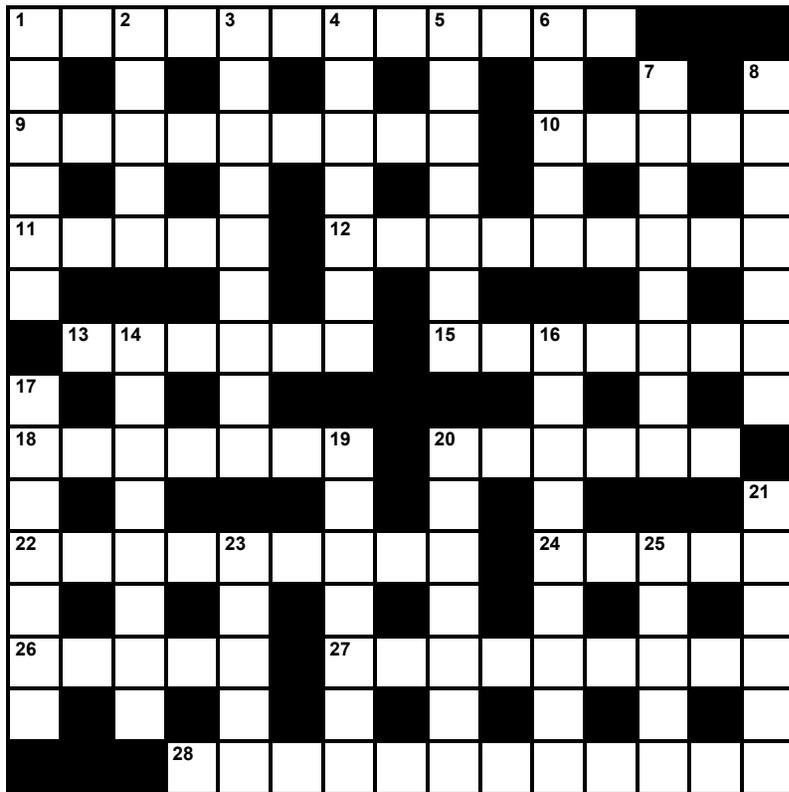


## 40 Years On by Hemical

*The rankings given are those for Test batsmen exactly 40 years ago*

<http://www.relianceccrankings.com/datespecific/test/?stattype=batting&day=27&month=03&year=1974>



### Across

**1** 7th= West Indian all rank poorly covering broken chair (12)

**9** Being unwelcome won't end at being upset (3,6)

**10** One with informal business for each Mediterranean island (5)

**11** For computer manufacturer, some self-help pays back (5)

**12** Time following a big name in brain surgery perhaps gives an initial advantage (4,5)

**13** Small company procedures to make lots of ice cream (6)

**15** Henry and his father returning to seaside attraction in a better mood (7)

**18** Peacekeepers' assistant

died, having had no support (7)

**20** 1st New Zealander a spinner (6)

**22** Drinks-carriers greeting odd bits of piffle with questions (9)

**24** Deity returns to try lying low (5)

**26** In the end, has no time for African mountains (5)

**27** Trombone, for instance, that's essential to Florence's support (9)

**28** Endorses bar notices (12)

### Down

**1** Keep after noisy helicopter as it heads for 11th West Indian (6)

**2** Amazingly petulant soldier leaves, giving respite (3-2)

**3** Canonised surprisingly quickly (2,1,6)

**4** Headgear belonging to Guevara comes out of an egg (7)

**5** 6th Australian's blood-soaked road (7)

**6** What can follow a swing and 3rd England player (5)

**7** Put the finishing touches on higher-class falsehoods, we hear (8)

**8** Disney perhaps hesitates to get 7th= Australian (7)

**14** More than half of 15 put in prison by 9th and 10th Australians (8)

**16** Humorous writers' pieces about World Cup matches (9)

**17** 5th Pakistani could quash Tom's rebellion, leaving nothing out (7)

**19** Eccentric nuts bid for trashcan (7)

**20** Raced around Belgian circuit with something in reserve (2,5)

**21** 23 berserkers, including 2nd West Indian (6)

**23** Animal-catcher left fool with nothing (5)

**25** Soldier has a bit of work to climb to 4th England player (5)