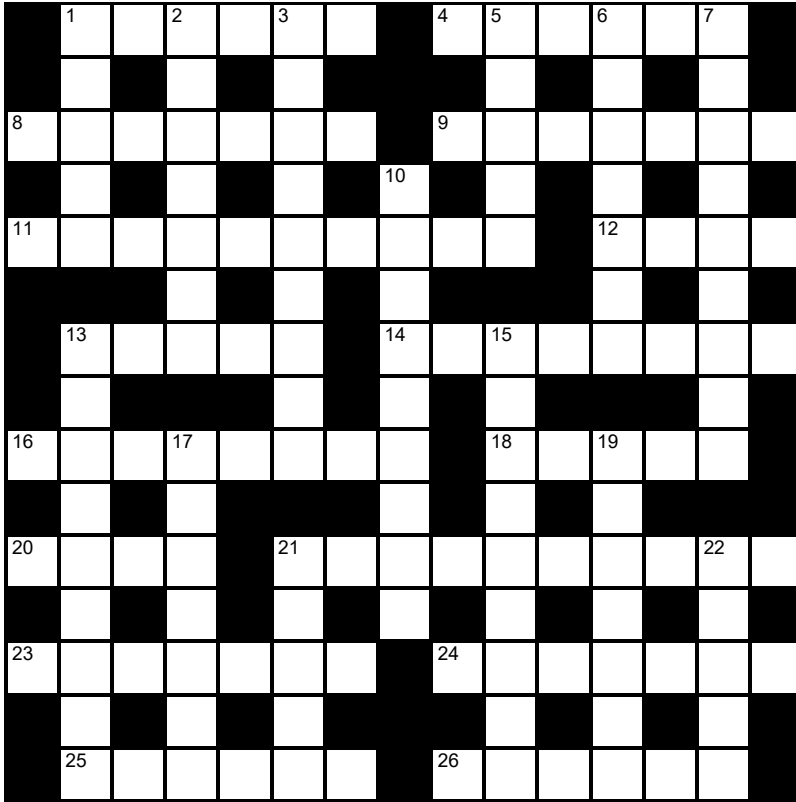


CROSSWORD

No 17,247 Set by AARDVARK



ACROSS

- 1 It's chewed by lower and upper class girl in club (6)
- 4 Game of throwing ball among leaves (6)
- 8 Mo, gutted, pulls muscle (7)
- 9 Representation of heavenly bodies at front of Portland Arms, mingling (4,3)
- 11 Load personal info, then stream 1970s film (4,6)
- 12 Reversing by crewman occasionally wrong (4)
- 13 On the phone, one's fired clerical worker (5)
- 14 Expert with brush always follows edges of lawns (8)
- 16 Excess prayer used engaging god (8)
- 18 Multiply by two hundred and fifty – anybody? (5)
- 20 Granny perhaps needing potassium? By no means (4)
- 21 Test burger grills that writers frequent (4,6)
- 23 Fine service alongside tea-making vessel that's very hot (7)
- 24 Swimmer, the greatest, visits hotel bar (7)
- 25 Mariner's tale about descent (6)
- 26 Caerphilly cheese sandwiches and fruit (6)

DOWN

- 1 Approaching spooky group outside church (5)
- 2 Choice of words novel, with duke taking over force (7)
- 3 Peers slammed army member over language (9)
- 5 Pure voice (5)
- 6 Progress at home pulling up yellow trailers (7)
- 7 The drink accompanying a piece of cake: alcoholic cocktail (3,6)
- 10 This writer's captivating Yankee student, fit for such an institution? (3,6)
- 13 Neal and Claud cultivated culinary herb (9)
- 15 Head, touring financial district with American, tracks money (9)
- 17 Two Greek characters in street mounted complaint (7)
- 19 Describing monster as old, rather ashen, heartless (7)
- 21 Famous label Charlie's repeatedly seen gracing half of Fender? (5)
- 22 Display English flower around centre of studio (5)

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