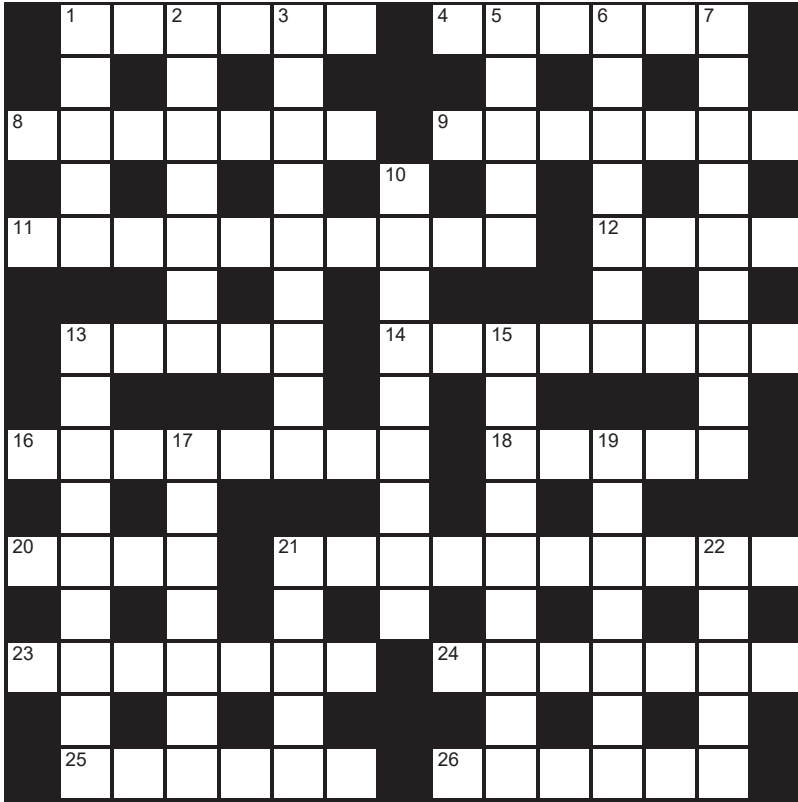


CROSSWORD

No 16,611 Set by SLORMGORM



ACROSS

- 1 Carp seen by banks of Gloucester river (6)
- 4 Ultimately criminal's bad, being recognised by cops (6)
- 8 Censure maiden entering criminal hangout (7)
- 9 Articles in The Post by foremost of sportswriters (7)
- 11 Bug messing around with printer is troubling (10)
- 12 Passion is displayed in amphitheatres (4)
- 13 Venture must get around concerning French cap (5)
- 14 Do cinema up to show The Joker? (8)
- 16 After day out, flirtation becomes mutual bond (8)
- 18 Famous educational establishment rejected daughter (5)
- 20 Revolving science room door initially is unlocked! (4)
- 21 One likely to throw mud in wild garden riot (10)
- 23 Delphi Visionary is written on bow of canal boat (7)
- 24 Stone fireplace with flipping hot interior (7)
- 25 Chatty nurses heading to racetrack covered with turf? (6)
- 26 Boris Johnson? One petitions to get rid of him! (6)

DOWN

- 1 Good relish that a hygienic chef had a hand in? (5)
- 2 Greybeard is tired, sitting on rear of ship endlessly (7)
- 3 I'm a star, an amazing friend to those in need (9)
- 5 A desire to get to a more advanced state (5)
- 6 Embarrassed-looking drunk collared by US agent (7)
- 7 Paul finally gets finale on a script for Help! (4,1,4)
- 10 Villain in car Met ordered around front of Subaru (9)
- 13 A drug pipe overlooked by police in Aussie backwater (9)
- 15 I agree men must let loose animals kept for display (9)
- 17 Island princess once seen touring northern state (7)
- 19 Did exercises (triceps primarily) then showered (7)
- 21 Small boy climbing around English valleys (5)
- 22 Snooker player, having lost head, is a beast (5)

JOTTER PAD