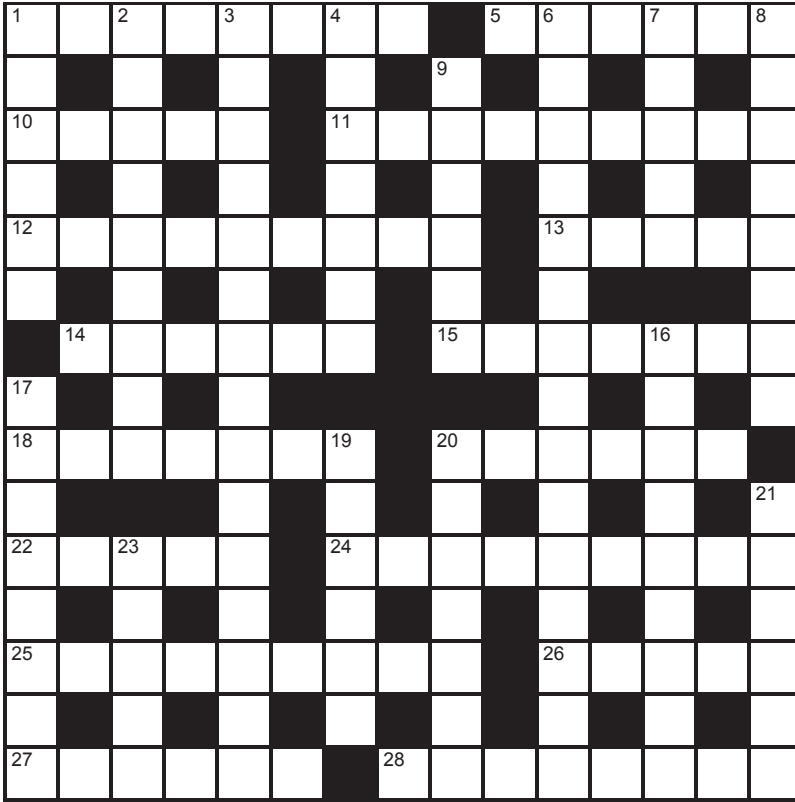


# CROSSWORD

No 16,614 Set by JASON



## ACROSS

- 1 Butcher's service, outstanding, Queen admitted (8)
- 5 Lying in the warm sun without top and grilling (6)
- 10 Instant tea drink (5)
- 11 Economist put out images with feeling (9)
- 12 Dear one left dreamy (9)
- 13 Spring month starts from broaching every possibility (5)
- 14 Disorganised kid with it (6)
- 15 Back down craving theatrical style? (7)
- 18 I chuck jug (7)
- 20 Looking at female playing a hole in one (6)
- 22 A report of nearby sub taking off (5)
- 24 Homes in on distilled hooch (9)
- 25 Sham check on budget Left and Right blocked (9)
- 26 Trump's country, for example, rejected practice (5)
- 27 Twins, perhaps, diamond in one (6)
- 28 Hot hunks in check (8)

## DOWN

- 1 One in the club to recall blackballing the first couple (6)
- 2 Who acts with phony crawling? (9)
- 3 Not in favour of whisky, say — contrary to expectations (7,3,5)
- 4 Staggering call involving slippery sort (7)
- 6 Trunks which could make some cut? (8,7)
- 7 Press unknown literary technique? (5)
- 8 Waffle clock? This accounts for its consumption (3,5)
- 9 Game flockmistress who's slack? (2-4)
- 16 Throw away fruit I had brought in as competitor (9)
- 17 Revamping courting for social climbers? (8)
- 19 Stay on channel (6)
- 20 Flop like a fluid cat? (7)
- 21 Worst or best of excellent scoff (6)
- 23 Peculiar turn of phrase from top plod in Isle of Man (5)

## JOTTER PAD

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