

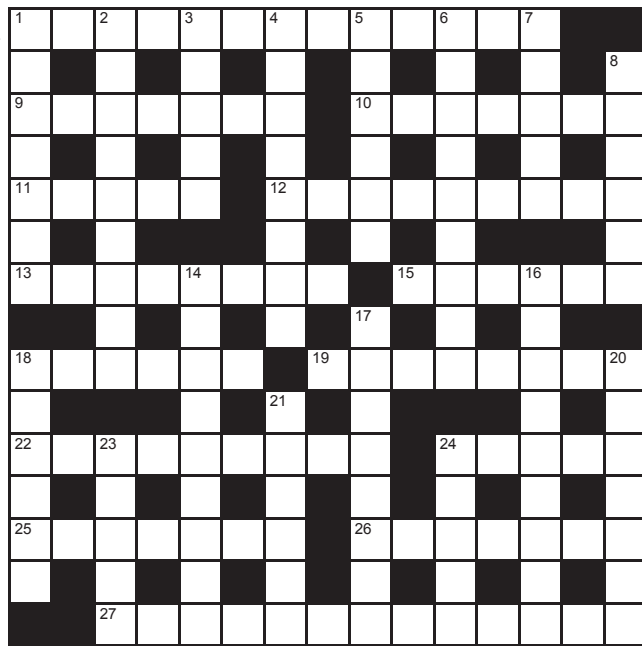
Crossword 16,739 Set by Artxlen

ACROSS

- 1 Making appearance, friend is boxing boxer in ring (13)
- 9 Headwear goes over graduate (7)
- 10 Fare that's substance of dad jokes? (7)
- 11 Reportedly, fish important for dog (5)
- 12 Bird from lake caught by cunning cat turning (9)
- 13 Bad news, doom for fellers, perhaps (8)
- 15 Somewhat civil, if you knock (6)
- 18 Bishop spotted cubes on old garment (6)
- 19 Ace fast stuffing cuddly toy to be gifted (8)
- 22 Distress as criminal fires gun outside loudly (9)
- 24 Tile is about splitting risk (5)
- 25 Fix fiddle with timber beginning to mould (7)
- 26 Enthuse one gutted niece holding tears back (7)
- 27 Reach view why turbulent year's all over for Trump (5,5,3)

DOWN

- 1 Mother with dry chop for boy (7)
- 2 Hammer Thor's held making entry (9)
- 3 Cash examined with naked eye (5)
- 4 Named idiot regularly ringing journalist (8)
- 5 Harm creature of folklore, fairy getting wings removed (6)
- 6 Nasty lump is on this writer's rash (9)
- 7 Despondency of Grand Master drawing in game (5)
- 8 Hard king stuck-up, shaking head (6)
- 14 Enigmatic south-eastern island hiding activity at centre (9)
- 16 Put in grave challenge with appraisal (9)
- 17 Sink a gin, drunk with lush (8)
- 18 Purchase German booze we're told to divide (6)
- 20 Indecisive replacing article in journal with another (7)
- 21 Upset and sad I'm terribly unknown (6)
- 23 Enclose space in fine church (5)
- 24 Crude language (5)



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Solution 16,727

