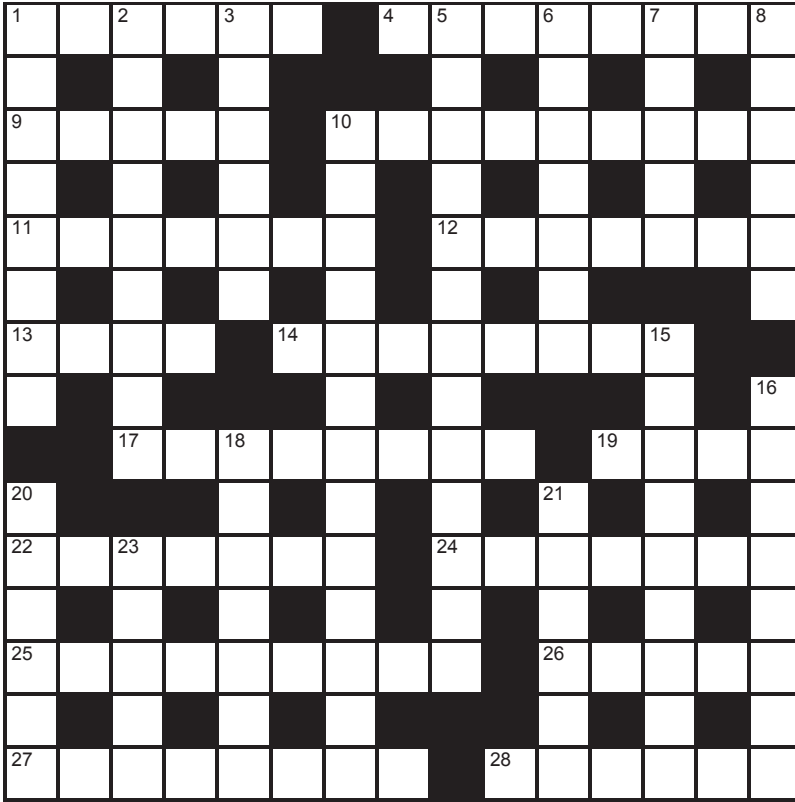


CROSSWORD

No 16,844 Set by CHALMIE



ACROSS

- 1 Carry on Australian bird series which was put back (6)
- 4 Attacks pies, does badly (8)
- 9 Half a pill for every player (5)
- 10 Diminutive cat not unknown around a play (9)
- 11 Like wife buxom, naked, and ready for some Arabs (7)
- 12 Campaign for vote against return for baseball players (7)
- 13 Labour reverse course with Liberal and co-operate to play this (4)
- 14 Most of 10 across arranged for group singing "Yakety-Yak" (8)
- 17 Condiment South African butcher's missing, oddly after bishop leaves apology (3,5)
- 19 Maybe pine for Beerbohm? (4)
- 22 See 20
- 24 Play game (7)
- 25 With difficulty, cover rent and do another makeover (9)
- 26 Pointed arch with no play (5)
- 27 Pain 19 treated with mild laxative (8)
- 28 Old football player, say, grabbed by a much older player (6)

DOWN

- 1 Puts in new pipes with bumpers left off (8)
- 2 Playwright's shop close to collapse (9)
- 3 Initially, Ricky Gervais featured in the most important side (6)
- 5 Player gets lively chap to fry eggs (5,8)
- 6 Playwright born a Native American (7)
- 7 Medical man setter has shot in play (5)
- 8 Extremely reasonable hospital is in Versailles (6)
- 10 Blood flowing here ruins play – mourn 40% of investment (9,4)
- 15 Stone doing his usual thing walking along (9)
- 16 Play this poem about fruit contrariwise (8)
- 18 We get upset finding a eulogy oddly missing (3,3,1)
- 20, 22 Every hundred years, 20 successfully play (5,1,7)
- 21 Browser starts to chew hawthorns to the north of city (6)
- 23 New area for mollusc production (5)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 16,843

