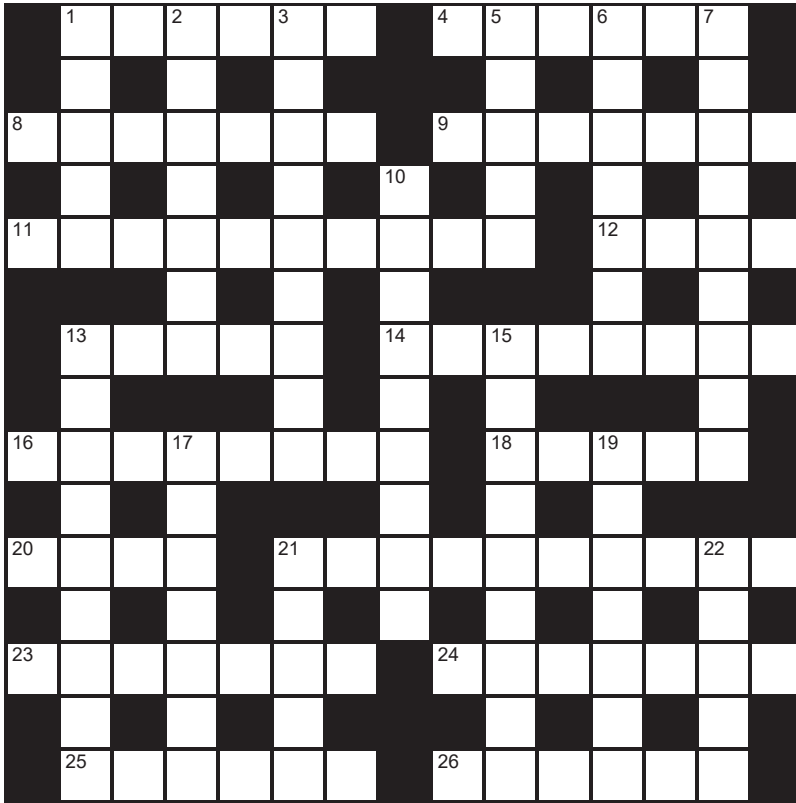


CROSSWORD

No 17,108 Set by MUDD



ACROSS

- 1 Retiring nurses fighting authority, provider of shoddy work (6)
- 4 I walk back on to cold Arctic mass (3,3)
- 8 Mistake caging Irish animal (7)
- 9 Circulation of air in primitive dwelling a rare treat? (7)
- 11 Jam vessel, brass (10)
- 12 A London group who play as well (4)
- 13 Still in ecstasy, Ethiopians (2,3)
- 14 Worshipper, one addicted to felines? (8)
- 16 Clean surface originally without pans? (8)
- 18 Operation hurt (5)
- 20 Ring circular, as like loop, first of all (4)
- 21 No room to manoeuvre in apartment, as furniture may have arrived? (4-6)
- 23 Character beginning sentence, type of punishment (7)
- 24 Clear film, thin covering (7)
- 25 Endless joy in swallow, little bird (6)
- 26 Cryptic setter's boulevard (6)

DOWN

- 1 Cotton sock on foot of commando (5)
- 2 Loaded question about late manoeuvring (7)
- 3 Crooked ref often moved to net header for Chelsea (3-6)
- 5 Handle oddball (5)
- 6 Fine journey south of a US city (7)
- 7 Moribund and bitter (9)
- 10 German diet fatty, male scoffing last of torte (9)
- 13 Past peak, supporting amateur actor, bitter leading man (5,4)
- 15 Challenge one in bed – early riser? (4,5)
- 17 Decisive action of snitch? (7)
- 19 Scent anger (7)
- 21 Fifty musical boxes for sweetheart (5)
- 22 English opener in competition (5)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,107

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