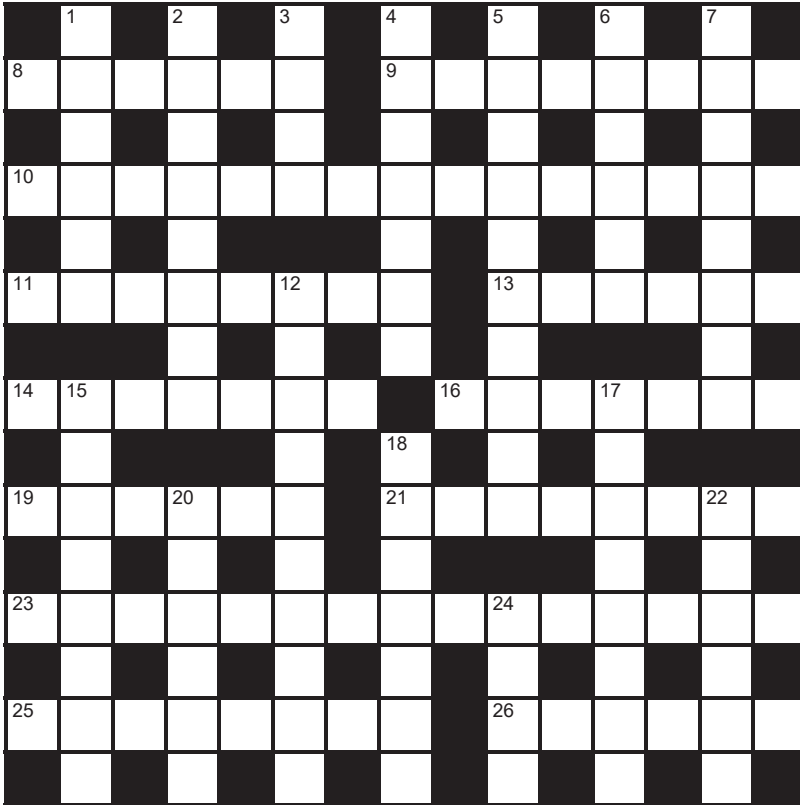


CROSSWORD

No 17,121 Set by MONK



ACROSS

- 8 Send in suspect, a menace to some (6)
- 9 Perhaps gondolier's attendant and general averting eyes, reportedly (8)
- 10 Violently react – tenner to enter dock for anniversary (15)
- 11 Raver almost popping one – a wake-up call (8)
- 13 Sketches outline of rook in dots (6)
- 14 Guitarist initially stumped by drummer removing his old thong (1-6)
- 16 Veteran's reserved, not starting unlimited drink (3,4)
- 19 Bodyguard died, choked by underground worker (6)
- 21 Privately contrived wild yarn (8)
- 23 Draw attention orally when upset (8,7)
- 25 Immediately securing emptied lake in South American island (2,6)
- 26 Ticket issuer finally getting driver, of sorts (6)

DOWN

- 1 With refinements, flood's essentially fixed for good (2,4)
- 2 Jerseys, say Charlie, caught north of river (8)
- 3 Final score getting last third docked for backing addict (4)
- 4 Very small note in agreement raised an element of force? (7)
- 5 Show disapproval at entering country, going over many rules? (7,3)
- 6 British hunt ending in reputable, independent oil exporters (6)
- 7 Old poet retaining grip exposed hooligan down under (8)
- 12 Silver often kept him going, a recluse nark (4,6)
- 15 Maybe refuse to end up in this worker's tight trousers (3,5)
- 17 Others possibly emptied Rotary account, according to PC? (8)
- 18 Old King of Israel wearing armour – weight mounting (7)
- 20 Force large rhubarb (6)
- 22 Fatter one having hidden – hopefully not in here! (6)
- 24 At any time, drink in clubs – on the contrary (4)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,120

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