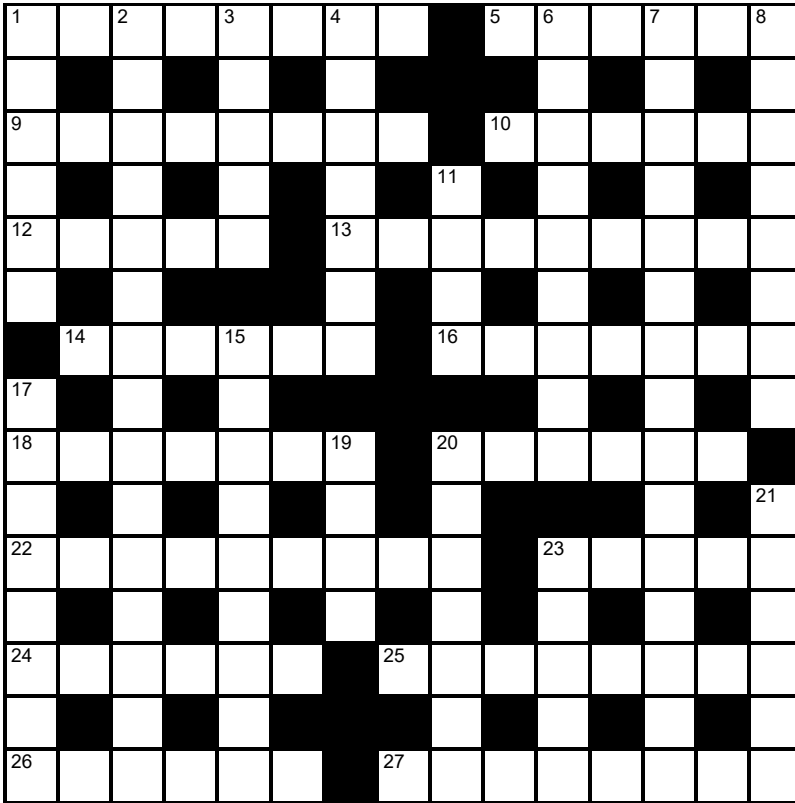


CROSSWORD

No 17,568 Set by SLORMGORM



ACROSS

- 1 Slormgorm is pretending to be impressive (8)
- 5 Thin raised strips in drop-head spanners (6)
- 9 Small mark carried by American bears (8)
- 10 Red spot probed by first of landers (6)
- 12 Lip or another part of the body (5)
- 13 A sly otter on the loose in Bury (3,2,4)
- 14 Laments crossing through a river in waders (6)
- 16 Slight rainfall ultimately disrupts transmitter (7)
- 18 Forcibly remove aristocrat sat on motor (4,3)
- 20 Fly, but not low, in vessel (6)
- 22 Catholic cook ruins veal (9)
- 23 Very cold hotel, one in foreign resort (5)
- 24 Song written about drugs with Space (6)
- 25 Super-sized moon sure looks different (8)
- 26 American jerk's extremely execrable (6)
- 27 As one could describe some spiders online? (3-5)

DOWN

- 1 With end of trip cancelled, check out and fly? (6)
- 2 Dodo-like bird is pea-green and pongs badly (9,6)
- 3 Drug hit (5)
- 4 New working benefit creates great difficulty (7)
- 6 Opening time? Flipping vicar gets in Lone Wolf! (9)
- 7 Docile old genius running Apple (6,9)
- 8 Second article by a conservative related to health (8)
- 11 In hearing, those who vote for studies (4)
- 15 Old judge locks up individual free of blame (9)
- 17 Surprisingly, you must punch fake friend (8)
- 19 One caught in the Penguin's trap at Gotham Zoo? (4)
- 20 Can able criminal be in equilibrium? (7)
- 21 This sedan partly leaked gas noisily (6)
- 23 Southern centre welcomes republican Bush (5)

JOTTER PAD

Solution 17,567

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