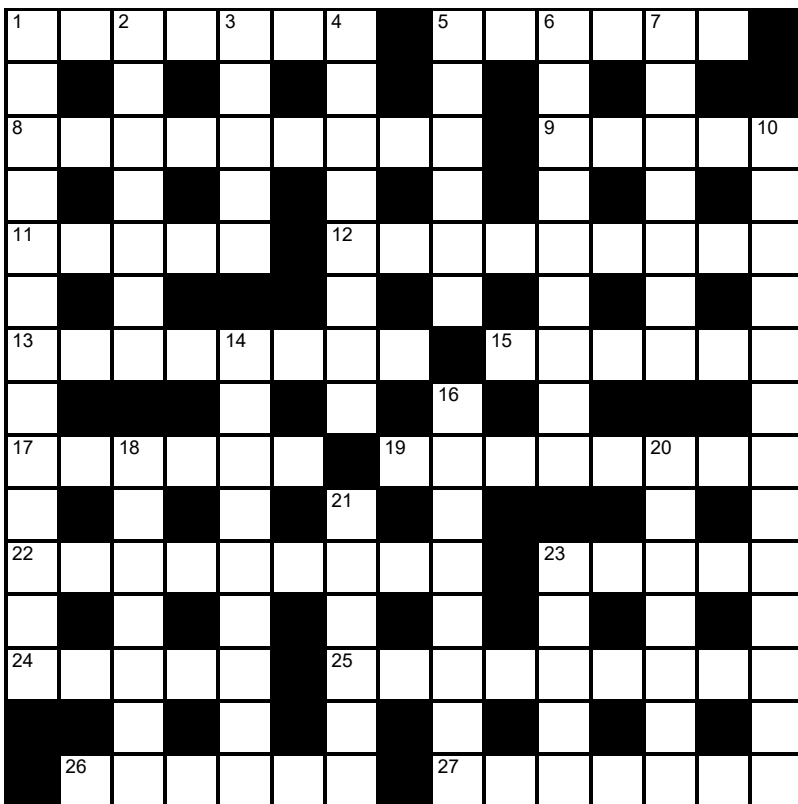


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ACROSS

- 1 Action of son broadcast in context (7)
- 5 Tory refused to look up an Islamic leader (6)
- 8 Wild American lynx is patrolling Oahu extremely expectantly (9)
- 9 Stingy individuals used to be discontented philanthropists (5)
- 11 European clubs, entering period of enlightenment, get worse (5)
- 12 Short-lived exotic maple tree lacking time to pick up height (9)
- 13 What's taught in schools bores party worker (8)
- 15 One in two people get abrupt pain (6)
- 17 Steer celebrities away from crown of toxic plant (6)
- 19 Officer arrests Middle Eastern state's PM twice (8)
- 22 Sound measure of unripeness for fruit (9)
- 23 Irritate oldest woman on exercise (5)
- 24 Partial block applied to port wine (5)
- 25 Distant world could be exceptional, lacking carbon and iodine (9)
- 26 Express, having fired society news chief, attained greatest popularity (6)
- 27 Question England supporter tackles fairly (7)

Solution 18,165



JOTTER PAD

DOWN

- 1 Random glances aroused rumours I peddle (13)
- 2 Hired transport cost for American to take team around (7)
- 3 Robust, ultimately dry, form of humour (5)
- 4 Device that monitors consumption... of rabbit? (3,5)
- 5 Girl trapping coyote regularly comes a cropper (6)
- 6 Spooner's to grieve for cow that could keep grass in order (9)
- 7 Capital players conducted by a loser (4-3)
- 10 Without question, criminal stifled Evelyn (4-9)
- 14 Country club charge carrier to raise standard (5,4)
- 16 Retire somewhere inherently boring (8)
- 18 Thinner sound quality dogs expert (7)
- 20 Interminable road to the North bypasses centres of Stratford and Chesterfield (7)
- 21 Stub foot on silver object (3,3)
- 23 Spicy stuff in Dua Lipa retrospective (5)



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