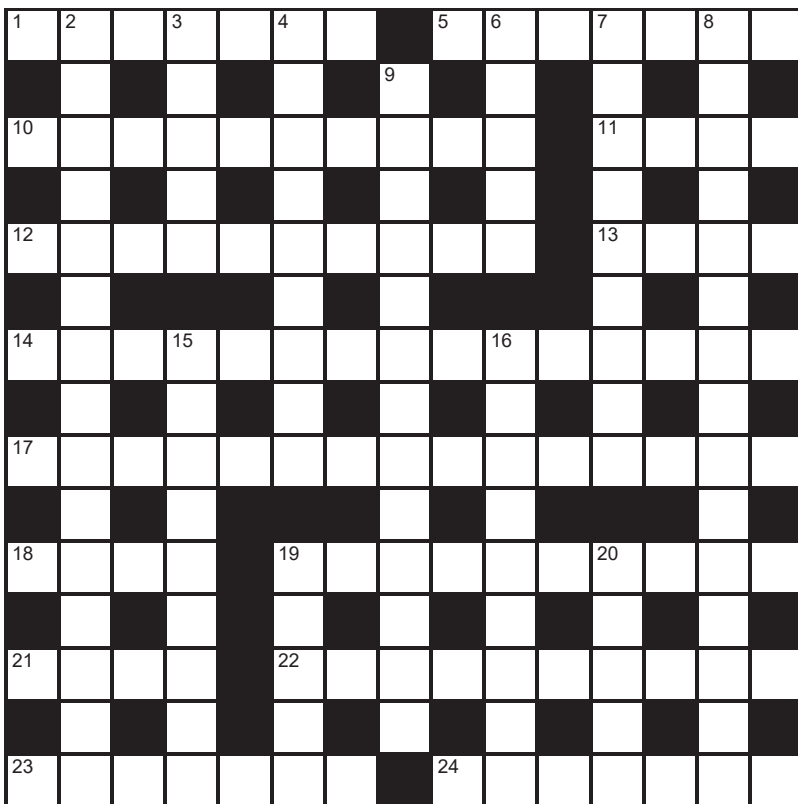


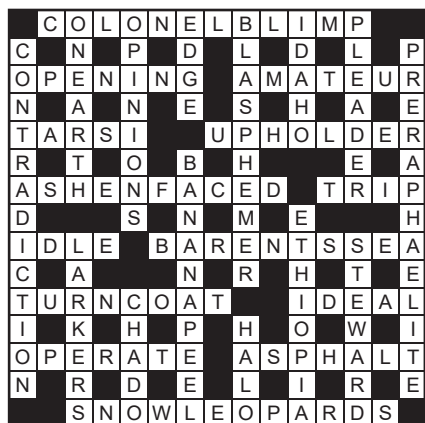
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ACROSS

- 1 Meat firm lies about antelope (7)
- 5 Immediately punched by distinguished companion (others too) (3,2,2)
- 10 Brigade's juniors, some section embracing church sphere with love (6,4)
- 11 Hate being out of bounds? You shouldn't lie on it (4)
- 12 Cake-decorating gadget Spooner's given key workers (6,4)
- 13 Old President Trump cultivating a smaller behind (4)
- 14 Date... fancy... get off... fall asleep (2,3,4,1,5)
- 17 Widely talked about score-draw punctuated by extremely careless errors (2,9,4)
- 18 Stud manager (4)
- 19 Large building vehicle pulling barrels forward (5,5)
- 21 Heartless sister keeps dad in box (4)
- 22 Dignified cycling a post-Monday pursuit (10)
- 23 I won't miss cases of disease and — especially — onset of epidemic (7)
- 24 In two, like 2? (7)

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JOTTER PAD

DOWN

- 2 They've gone off after a match official (9,6)
- 3 Great leader one's taken bananas on hospital visits (5)
- 4 Changing sides on one occasion, guerrilla shot soldier (9)
- 6 Hooter's out of action, as always (5)
- 7 Husband returning home with both sons bears public examination (4,5)
- 8 Now excluded, like actor sacked on set? (3,2,3,7)
- 9 Rotting oak, nutwood and why this might be a surprise... (2,3,4,4)
- 15 Face showing such a scarlet shade after nun and VIP discovered together (9)
- 16 Riotous behaviour increases after arresting European cohorts (3,6)
- 19 Appetising as the brown bread out of the top of oven (5)
- 20 One breaks down only single beds (5)



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