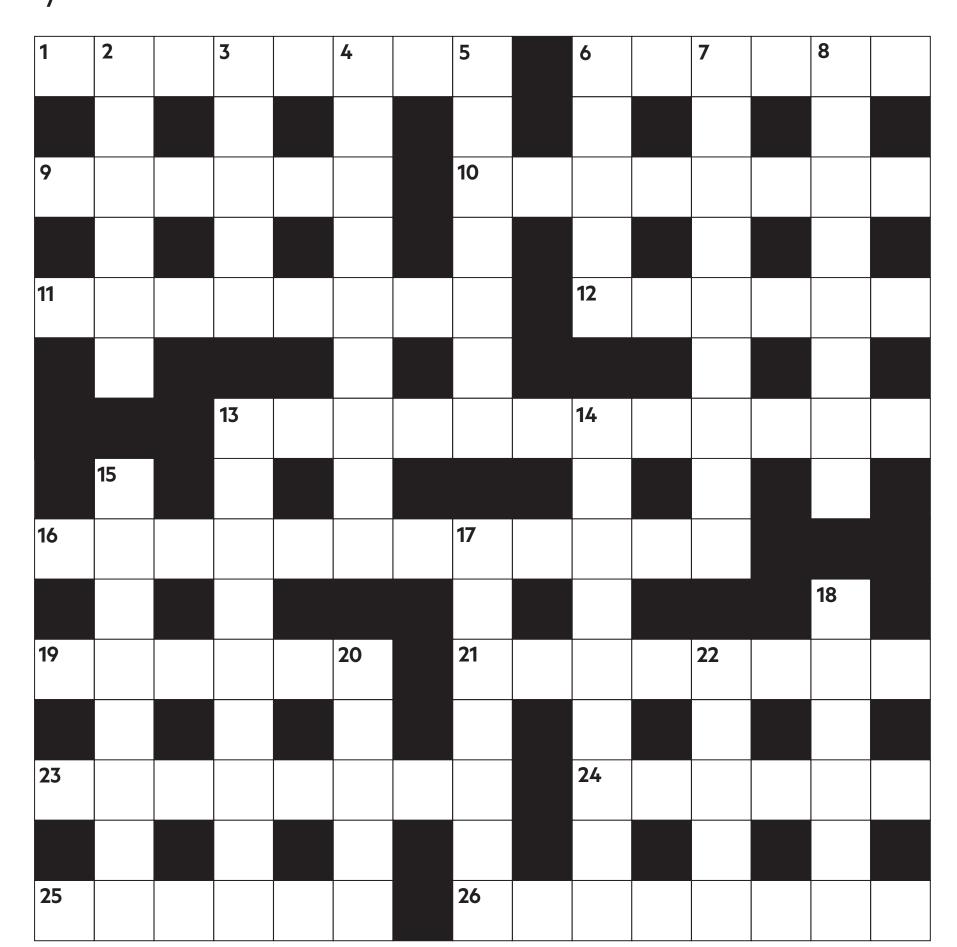
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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

- 1 Hand-held firework (8)
- **6** Result, outcome (6)
- 9 Short, squat (6)
- **10** Highly contagious (8)
- 11 Suits, trousers etc (8)
- **12** Stratagem, plan (6)
- **13** Wearing glasses (12)
- **16** Represented, embodied (12)
- 19 Move up or down a web page(6)
- 21 Of vast areas of space (8)
- **23** Thin soup (8)
- 24 Archer's projectiles (6)
- **25** Intensify (6)
- 26 Cheap part of a passenger ship (8)

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DOWN

- **2** Worker at the wheel is to do a few small tasks (6)
- **3** Puzzle about putting up a small loan (5)
- **4** Non-professional players furiously working (9)
- **5** Dream first person replaces second in going back (7)
- **6** Bird with golden head in tree that's shaking (5)
- **7** Dietary supplement brings about colic if taken with a dose, initially (5, 4)
- 8 Think about old penny put up under assorted coins (8)
- **13** Get behind to eat toast (7, 2)
- **14** Thrill I'll get pursuing it in gallery (9)
- **15** One acted out a story (8)
- 17 Singers arranged this entrance(7)
- **18** Bring odd bits with one grand for VIP (6)
- **20** Left them cooking fruit (5)
- **22** Nurse gets vehicle with little hesitation (5)