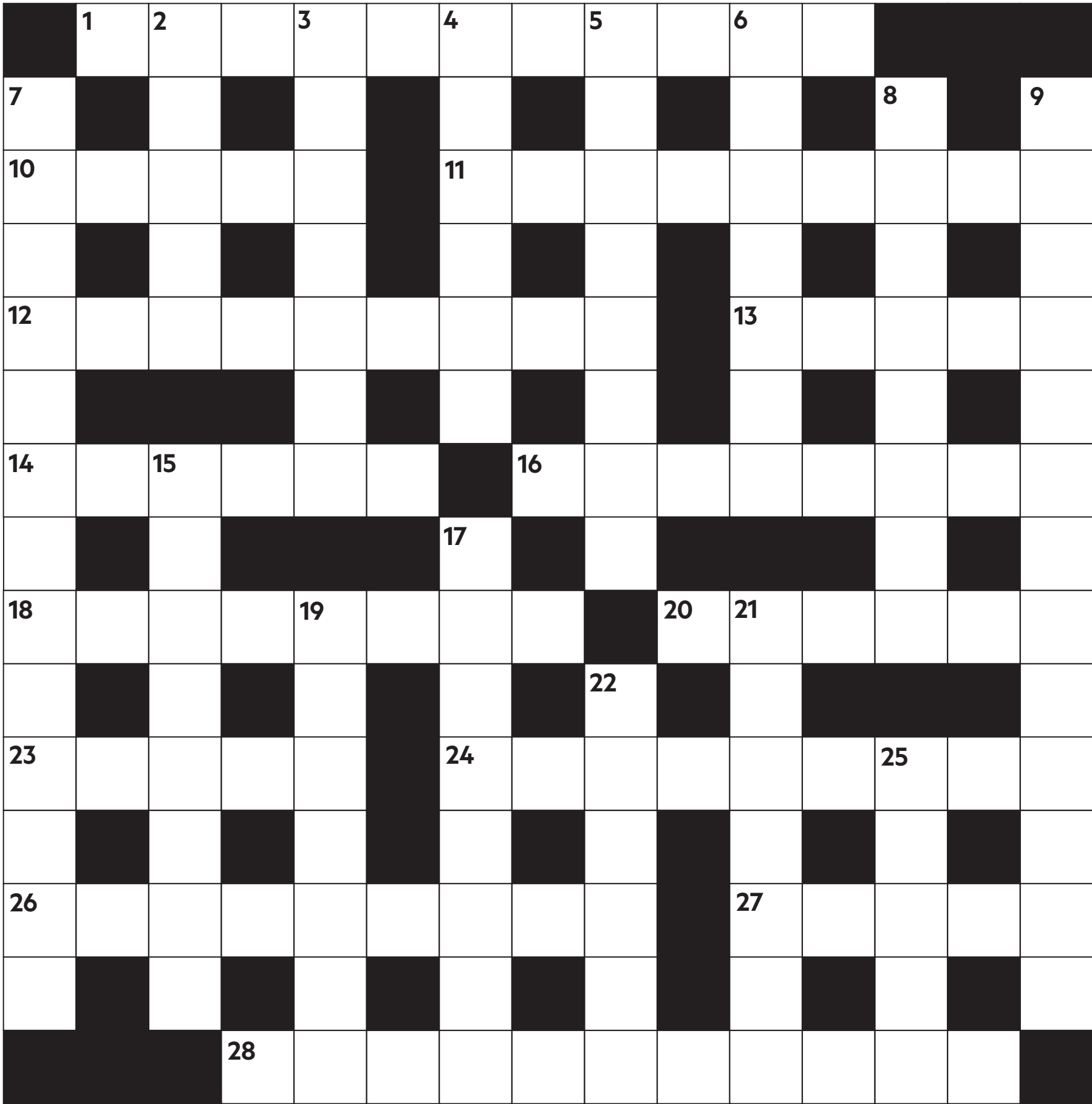# FT Crossword: Weekend Magazine number 548
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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

1 Hairless (4, 2, 1, 4)
10 Entity (5)
11 Large dog (5, 4)
12 Lover of good food and drink (3, 6)
13 Obliterate (5)
14 Salon (6)
16 Wicked person, malefactor (4-4)
18 Explanation, answer (8)
20 Excitement (6)
23 Two (5)
24 Young bird (9)
26 Protective kitchen item (4, 5)
27 Impression, appearance (5)
28 Equalise, homogenise (11)

DOWN

2 Leaders of Afghan state industries are not from Afghanistan, for example (5)
3 Really liking being an investigator (7)
4 Sailing around, I missed out indicator (6)
5 I have to cater differently, at first, to be imaginative (8)
6 Cereal, most of loaf and meat dished out (7)
7 Balancing of battalions is tricky without head of infantry (13)
8 French leader takes aeroplane initially to Italy for pasta (8)
9 Maybe forecaster encountered odd bits of rain and goes left too, perhaps (13)
15 Relieved duodenal troubles (8)
17 Bolt for jet climbing before having landed (4, 4)
19 This evening before 10, roughly (7)
21 Bargained and held out without one getting two grand (7)
22 Currency fixed after exercise gets top marks (6)
25 Presses for clubs' restraint (5)

Solution 547

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