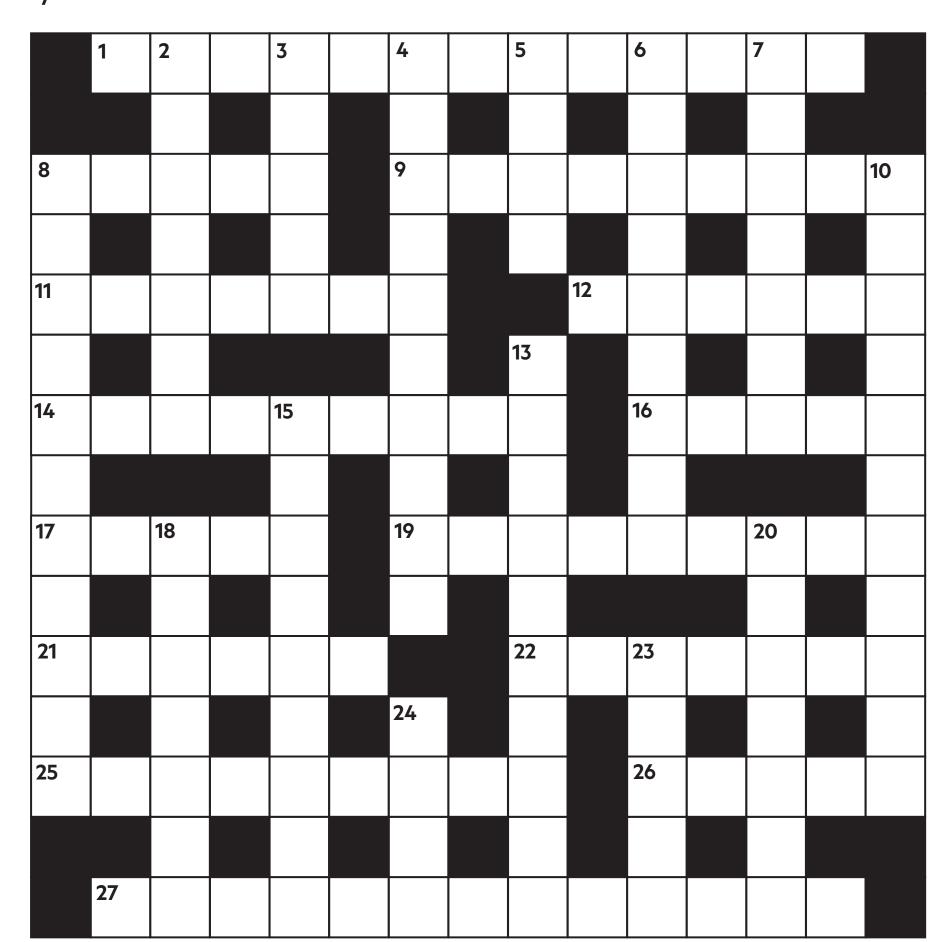
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The Across clues are straightforward, while the Down clues are cryptic.

ACROSS

- **1** Murder of a prominent person (13)
- 8 Lifeless (5)
- 9 Donation, gift (9)
- 11 Embarrassed (7)
- 12 Water channel, drain (6)
- **14** Subvert, sabotage (9)
- **16** Vast chasm (5)
- **17** Slow creature with a shell (5)
- **19** Substance that keeps in heat or cold (9)
- **21** Chicory (6)
- **22** Compress (7)
- 25 Small edible flatfish (5, 4)
- 26 Muscle power (5)
- 27 Fascinatingly, absorbingly (13)

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DOWN

- **2** One looking after recycled waste on road (7)
- **3** One yen for this letter (5)
- **4** Set out with implied vehicle control (5, 5)
- **5** Approval for energy point (4)
- **6** Bathroom item will rate zero, sadly (5, 4)
- **7** Stout quality gets award to lie next to yours, initially (7)
- 8 Almost silly to sell hut that's renovated briefly (2, 1, 8)
- **10** Steer around and encourage one working with pine, perhaps (4, 7)
- **13** Extraordinary prettiness is lasting (10)
- **15** Suitability of cleaner working around electric vehicle (9)
- **18** Belly dancer starts with sign following sailor (7)
- 20 Part of the body one broke in extremity (7)
- 23 Town engaged in amateur banking (5)
- 24 Throw up to top of elephant's trunk (4)