



**ACROSS**

- 1 Expert, checking boat, repaired malicious damage (8)
- 5 Particular American gas cooker (6)
- 9 Accept a welcome by head of organisation (5,2)
- 10 Drive with a puncture briefly? That's desperate (7)
- 11 Is drink poured into old hat wasted? (10)
- 12 Press on after contracting bug (4)
- 14 Birds developed with long feathers ultimately (5-4)
- 16 Auction site may be redesigned just after opening (4)
- 18 Dock returned usable space (4)
- 19 Jewellery and label oddly seem familiar (4,1,4)
- 21 Get through after juggler's last trick (4)
- 22 Hood's friend left the joint, upset about final letter read in jail (6,4)
- 25 Seize retired bigwig's financial transactions (7)
- 26 Sourdough, for example, served with nearly all of the spread (7)
- 27 Engine stops working well with limitations removed (6)
- 28 A bound taken during medical should be evaluated (8)

**DOWN**

- 1 Taking part in contest and in good position (8)
- 2 Writers, right, plugging short stories about life (5)
- 3 Tie might be needed in audience for highest level of entertainment? (3,3,4)
- 4 Blog implicated capital of Wales in dreadful international problem (6,7)
- 6 Understand what's written on public notice (4)
- 7 Procession actor arranged in style (9)
- 8 Endorse company shown in broadcast (6)
- 10 Ordered art, single beds and bedroom furniture (8-5)
- 13 Controlled state seat needs changing by 8? (10)
- 15 Sound judgement ends badly in case of foolish person (4,5)
- 17 Chef mostly dressed in boring white (8)
- 20 Page, formally attired, asked questions (6)
- 23 Regulate state lines with no boundaries (5)
- 24 Corrupted email missing a great deal (4)