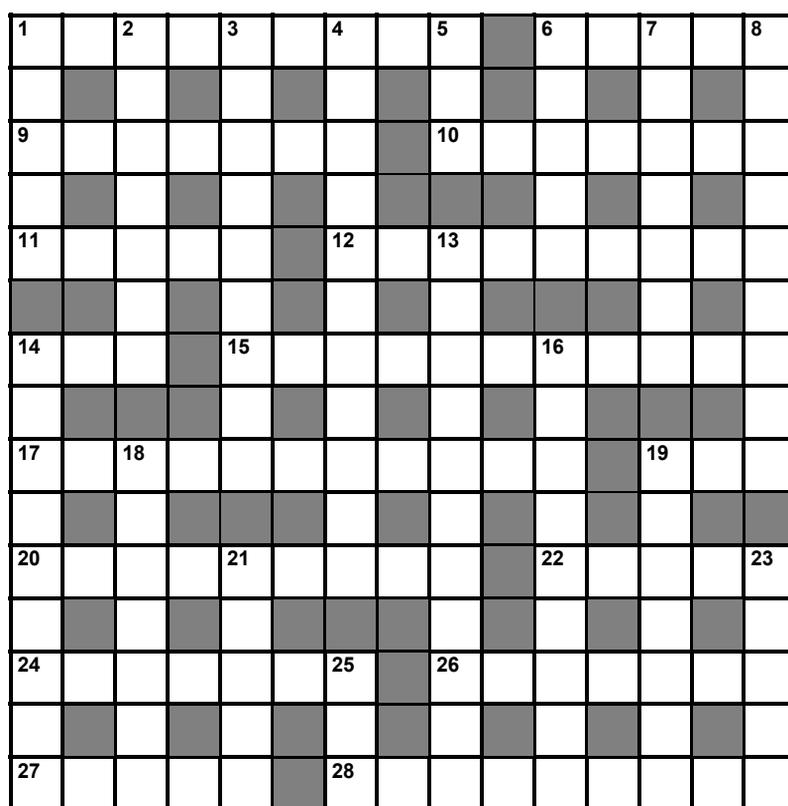


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## ACROSS

- 1 Breather operated initially in strong blaze (9)
- 6 Devil seafood with tail removed (5)
- 9 Everyone involved in benefit is swell (7)
- 10 Fishing vessel churned water crossing large river (7)
- 11 Throw out case of reverend excluded from perverse verdict? (5)
- 12 Gullible one heading west displays travel documents (9)
- 14 Boxer, say, making a comeback, is being worshipped (3)
- 15 Extra taking time should be working (11)
- 17 Spread adhesive on the back of commercial delivery vehicle (11)
- 19 Tame dog moved away from cat's paw (3)
- 20 Protective membrane a specialist finally identified in burst eardrum (4,5)
- 22 Cleric almost recreated a piece of history (5)
- 24 Looked for it close to shore wrapped in a bundle (7)
- 26 Volume one located and looked up (7)
- 27 Whistle-blower is backing music maker (5)
- 28 Welds cracked inside cover - it's a worrying sign (4,5)

## DOWN

- 1 Say the wrong thing about roughage (5)
- 2 Winger in soccer joined up and got better (7)
- 3 Attack and destroy aircraft to scare away head of division occupying town (5,4)
- 4 Universal, in short time, raised offer (11)
- 5 Parts of flame thrower should be assembled (3)
- 6 Perceptive one leaving dysfunctional parish (5)
- 7 Air active around outside of large part of aeroplane (7)
- 8 Cheese and cooked roast left in place (4,5)
- 13 Walk in street to involve journey that's out of this world (5,6)
- 14 Defenders organised a raid armed with weapons? (9)
- 16 Activities concerned with experiments held outside are lacking a bit (9)
- 18 Impure form of rain stored in container is tending to change (7)
- 19 Range of colours tolerated in blended meat and herbs (7)
- 21 Apparatus for measuring oxygen extracted from heavenly body (5)
- 23 Trainee made less money primarily in court (5)
- 25 Tie up contracted medical man (3)