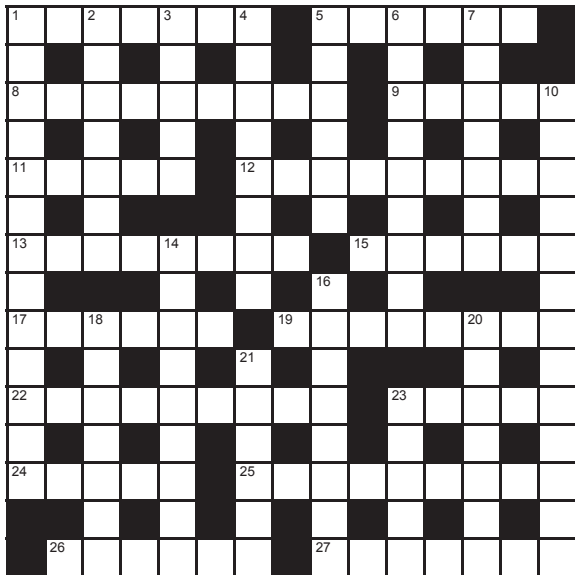


CROSSWORD

No. 15,883 Set by AARDVARK



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Preferred getting temperature inside pastry dish, using measuring device (7)
- 5 Cry from group of players rejecting latest stage work (6)
- 8 Vegetarian food fanatic given mullet? It's allowed (3,6)
- 9 Religious art that is displayed in exercise area (5)
- 11 Delicious yoghurt Ursula made originally? I'm surprised (5)
- 12 Type of march, unpopular in France, is described by holiday guide (5-4)
- 13 New cashier wraps first piece of vinyl in record store (8)
- 15 Footballers' move, say, went wrong in goalless match? (3-3)
- 17 Material which covered houses primarily (6)
- 19 Bird and man audibly clash (8)
- 22 One maybe needing number and coins, frantically, to ring Mina abroad (9)
- 23 It is retro gear, only half a crown (5)
- 24 Characters outside on Glenlivet, an alcoholic drink (1,3,1)
- 25 Basil perhaps sustains yelp peripherally, a cry of approval for rhetorical figure (9)
- 26 About 59, semi-pro regularly appeared, needing invigorating substance (6)
- 27 Diplomatic office getting space – it could be fishy (7)

DOWN

- 1 Cycle a bit, over a great distance, before night comes round (5,8)

- 2 European river leads to another river, northwards, and another river (7)
- 3 In fact, make an effort to tour centre of Toulon (5)
- 4 Regal ground, during design, became bigger (8)
- 5 Outstay, when retired, one's time away (3,3)
- 6 Hesitating private then breaks free – the last of many (9)
- 7 American bird's torn into comic (4,3)
- 10 Nick vacated lavatory in the correct way (13)
- 14 Contribution from workers present on jet and chopper in US (6,3)
- 16 Mushroom I found during dig that will be eaten at Christmas? (5,3)
- 18 Football club magazine (7)
- 20 First person in France seeing an insect, mostly green (7)
- 21 Spot that woman's musical instrument (6)
- 23 Pound found in bath robe (5)

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