

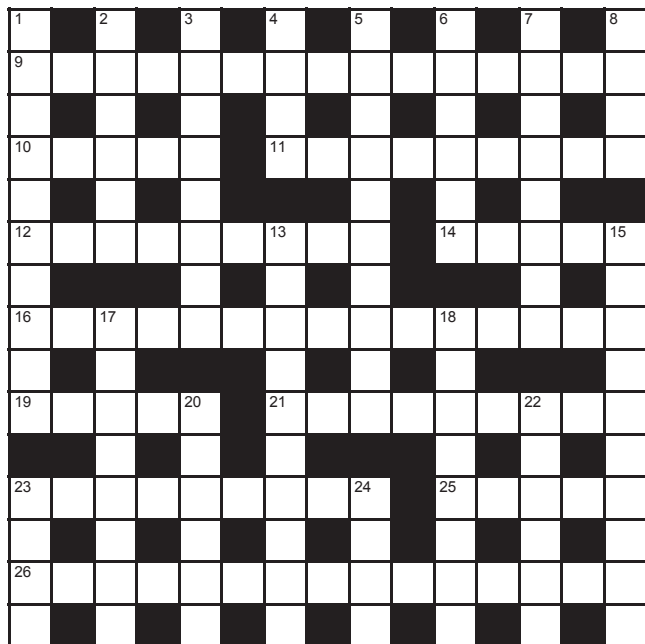
Crossword 15,686 Set by Redshank

ACROSS

- 9** Rebels turn, then ram (15)
10 Exhausted, collapse after opener's dismissed (3,2)
11 What whets appetite at Pisa, not elsewhere? (9)
12 Albert was one I admired, primarily for alliances (9)
14 Leaf disease carries nasty odour (5)
16 Fancy our artistic burl and its supplier? (15)
19 Son put up with depression (5)
21 Tiny transmitter in bottle with battery (5,4)
23 Singer Michael owns book about rare old motor (6,3)
25 Old bowler who goes after ducks? (5)
26 Beer in such vitamins spoiled pigs (4,11)

DOWN

- 1** Stage actor's shabby garments in *Warhorse*? (10)
2 Two women, one who kept diary (6)
3 Broadcast embarrassing mistake, causing uproar (8)
4 Zeno's place trimmed ermine (4)
5 Someone who trips over wayward boot (10)
6 Lecture swimmer and French runner (6)
7 One East German in weird elevated state (8)
8 Capital's no-frills labour protest (4)
13 Whitehall scientist makes contact with her (10)
15 Star's articulated vehicle, say, pulled up on purpose (10)
17 Obscene call for dancer in Paris Lido (8)
18 Constant headline bishop leaves (8)
20 Protect river parasites (6)
22 Go by the Spanish part of church (6)
23 Second-rate piano hit (4)
24 Wander across, ending on top (4)

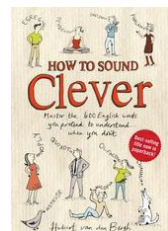


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PERMIT UNCHASTE
 L A R N A U A
 BACKLASH PIDDLE
 T E N A R I E
 MESHES PRISTINE
 D A P P P T
 STONYHEARTED
 A T R N I D
 BLUESTOCKING
 L E O G M B
 DOWNTURN MEADOW
 C A L S A R U
 FAROUT OUTGOING
 T M R I L C
 HESITANT CLEVER

SEARCH RESPONSE
 O D O D A E V
 USEFUL DECREASE
 T Q N S N D T N
 HAUNTING HONEST
 E A Y O D N N S
 RATE COLONEL
 N E V K Y D D M
 PAPERED GENE
 W S C R N R S N
 ACTUAL INDECENT
 R U T T E M R A
 MIDNIGHT CARTEL
 E I O E I E L
 DROWNING ENERGY



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