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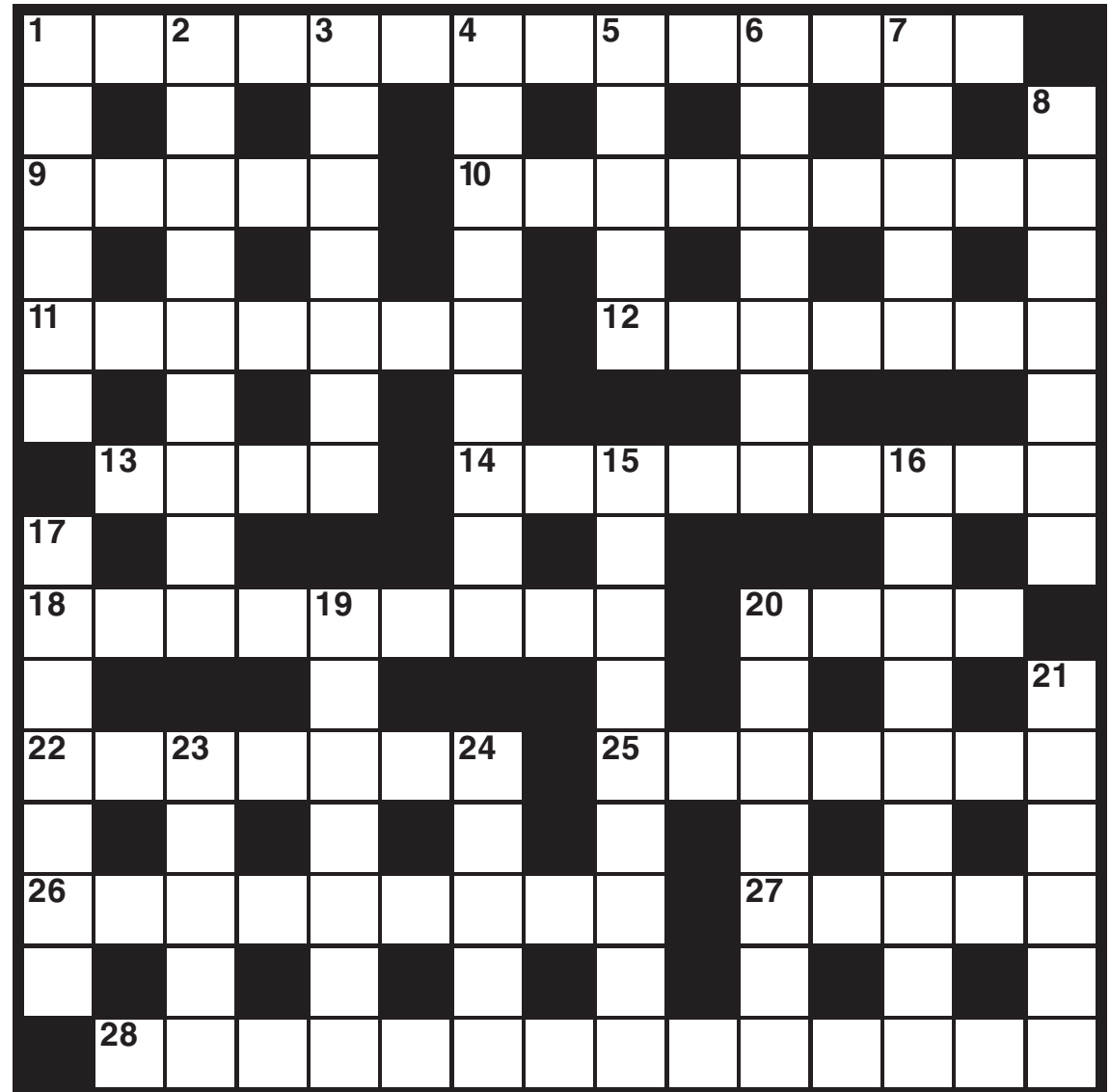
- 1 Pause for nightcap, a beer's poured out (9,5)
 9 Notices container in ship (5)
 10 A grade one blended fizzy drink (9)
 11 Duck with unusual orange herb (7)
 12 Administered a remedy when spoilt (7)
 13 Cost of travel – and food (4)
 14 One caring, strangely, to show lack of knowledge (9)
 18 I approach home with serious intentions (2,7)
 20 Amount of money, we hear, but not for everyone (4)
 22 Great at moulding boats in a hurry (7)
 25 Suddenly increasing space vehicles (7)
 26 Person suing causes obvious row (9)
 27 Accoutrements somewhat eccentric (5)
 28 Had bow-ties on, be prepared for pantomime (5,2,3,4)

DOWN

- 1 Describes town's hidden award (6)
 2 In the past one would assess and free from blame (9)
 3 Willing to reveal setback at gallery (7)
 4 In rodeo, wild eleven contained rust (4,5)
 5 Making grand vessel is hard work (5)
 6 Standard work is, eg, in right mess (4,3)
 7 Freewheel by the shore (5)
 8 Money raised, perhaps, with energy invested (7)
 15 A fisherman's financial gain? (3,6)
 16 Without sensation, wrote about deputy (6,3)
 17 Upset to drive purist out (7)

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- 19 Attendants reunite, having been dispersed (7)
 20 Something sweet in prepared courses (7)
 21 Go up like many before the finish (6)
 23 Hang out round a country in Africa (5)
 24 Jumping bail, I must make an excuse (5)