

**ACROSS**

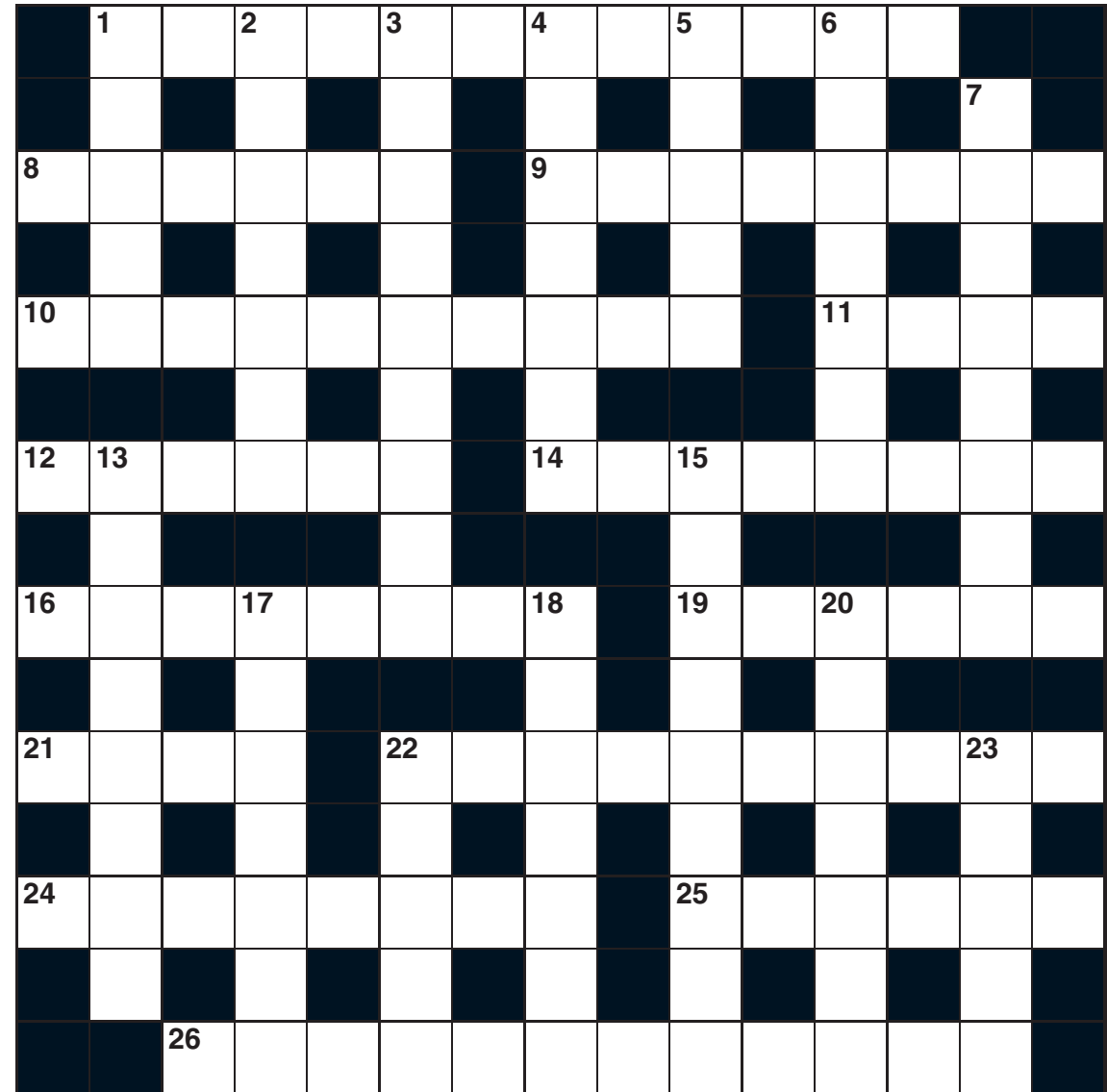
- 1 Distributed fan mail about male politician is causing anger (12)
- 8 Flower container hit, causing commotion (6)
- 9 Mention a different name (8)
- 10 Erratic, but I hadn't upset girl (3-3-4)
- 11 Skip into room I tidied (4)
- 12 Author rewriting lower left (6)
- 14 You're not certain to be this (8)
- 16 Burial chamber where feline seen with a toothed object (8)
- 19 Doctor entering South African warplane (6)
- 21 Burn fish (4)
- 22 Surprisingly gallant sort right to go, finally (2,4,4)
- 24 Great man sighs for a change (8)
- 25 Bit of crayon Derek found over there (6)
- 26 And accountant gets the coins – same old story! (4,2,6)

**DOWN**

- 1 Twice Nigeria hosts ancient race (5)
- 2 Fee commences before another goalie leaves (7)
- 3 Mammal doll Maria played with (9)
- 4 Isle, type for people (7)
- 5 Multiplies the paper (5)
- 6 Clearly sound touring arrangement (4,3)
- 7 Pose of bird during a duet, possibly (8)
- 13 Ring Durham again about parking speed restrainer (4,4)
- 15 Ban hurt my wicked apocryphal story (5,4)

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17 Loos are vandalised by spray can (7)

18 Worryingly long snake outside Italian city (7)

20 From caramel, an intriguing pigment (7)

22 A young lady is wrong (5)

23 European root vegetable (5)