

**ACROSS**

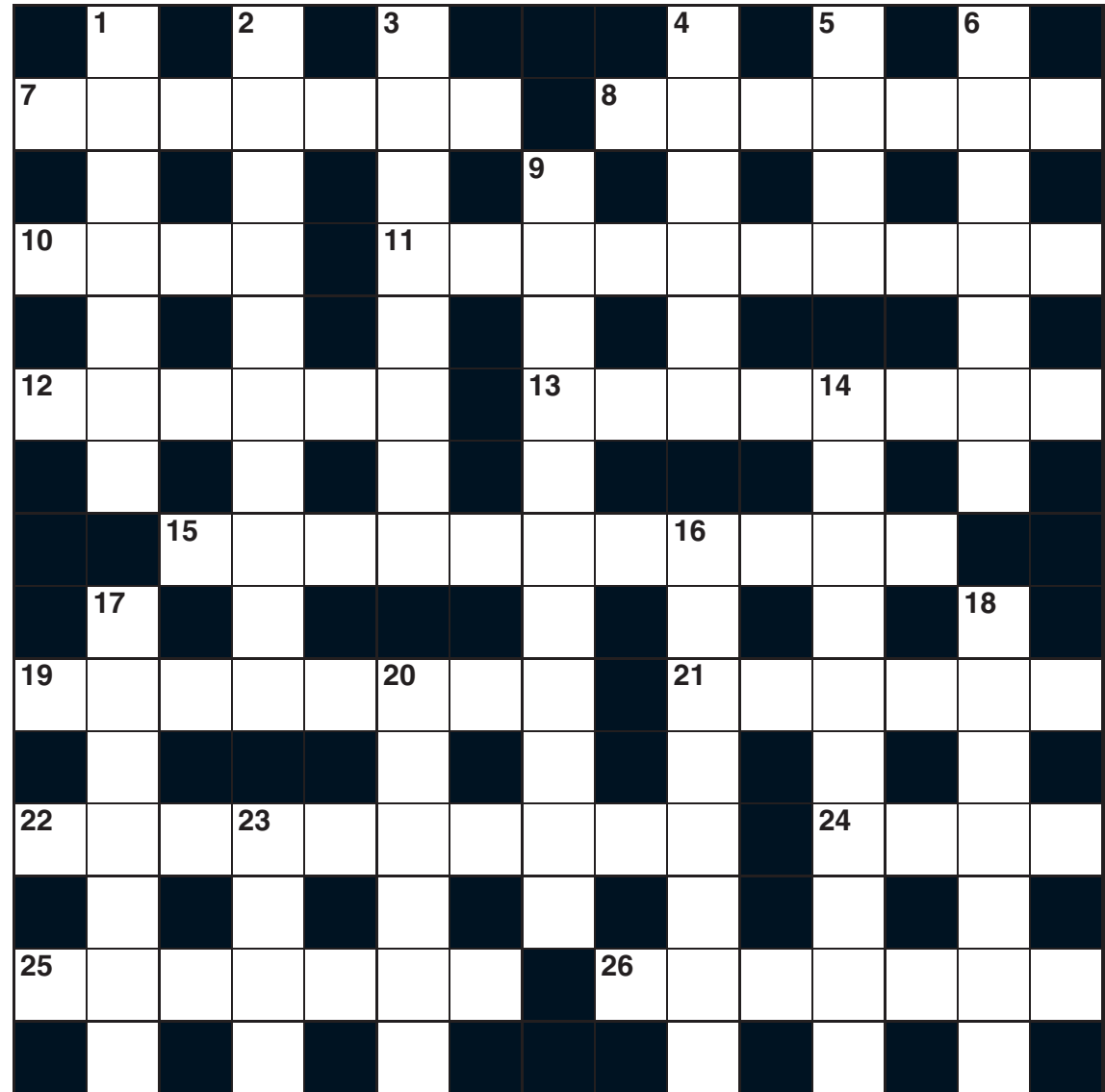
- 7 Reportedly, money and gold right for mythical beast (7)
- 8 US politician stirred up treason (7)
- 10 Permit improvisation in part (4)
- 11 Buffer going on foot? (4,6)
- 12 Peril of garden makeover! (6)
- 13 Allowed to twist tapes round colour ranges (8)
- 15 Upset Herbert's top relative (11)
- 19 Easiest may be misspelt (8)
- 21 Held by Rod, Emu reasonably restrained (6)
- 22 Do better than travelling troupe with class (10)
- 24 He's careful to hide a mark on his skin (4)
- 25 Plastic money and kisses out loud (7)
- 26 A dreary mess put in order (7)

**DOWN**

- 1 Performance with new clarinet? Not new (7)
- 2 Vertical – honestly! (8,2)
- 3 Reveals journey to top (8)
- 4 Friend to lap up by enclosure (3,3)
- 5 Call Henry about one (4)
- 6 Huge wicked person (7)
- 9 Cairo: no port organised for large company (11)
- 14 Hottest arm damaged by temperature regulator (10)
- 16 Dark time, perhaps, for coastal waterline (8)

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- 17 Length of time to take record of meeting (7)
- 18 A fantasist? Yours truly in gloomy surroundings (7)
- 20 Person with a job tops student (6)
- 23 Step out and be a nuisance (4)