

**ACROSS**

- 1 Glass instrument needs drink first (9,5)
- 9 Fish standpoint (5)
- 10 The late shift? (9)
- 11 Caterer's frightful row of houses (7)
- 12 Train me repairing old clothes (7)
- 13 Blade sounds egocentric, we hear (4)
- 14 Garage Ross wrecked without a person attacking (9)
- 18 Hard to keep down in sterile procedure (9)
- 20 Search for hair-grooming tool (4)
- 22 Fondness doesn't begin to show delight (7)
- 25 Beer on the turn? Rod almost gets stretcher! (7)
- 26 Staged accident using loud noise by river (5,4)
- 27 Chic steps on the radio (5)
- 28 During break, find potential rust inside necessary facilities (14)

**DOWN**

- 1 Freewheels along shorelines? (6)
- 2 For Africans, a Salinger novel (9)
- 3 Show what's to come before herb (7)
- 4 Drink another lager, then start energy drink (6,3)
- 5 Enthusiastic in medicine, a geriatrician (5)
- 6 Fancy framework the French put round the loft (7)
- 7 First of tan tights – but not these! (5)
- 8 Single yurt in a mess (7)
- 15 Obtain punter to improve in health (3,6)
- 16 Reply to insult when a toy mouse gets thrown (4,2,3)
- 17 Pressing need for rebellion, but not in south (7)

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- 19 Material, article held by Shakespearean king (7)
- 20 Remarkably typical Conservative girl in charge (7)
- 21 Maybe she came without a plan (6)
- 23 Length of jewellery item (5)
- 24 Peg points to adolescents (5)