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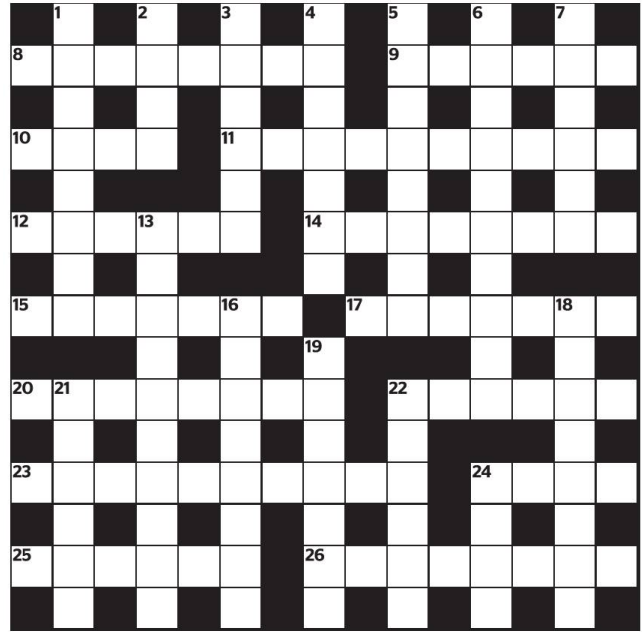
ACROSS

- 8 I shortly named sexes as extremes (8)
- 9 Zeppelin pilot fished from Blue Lakes holding (6)
- 10 State celebrity (4)
- 11 A right odd turn, getting stuck into pot (4,6)
- 12 Everyone surpassed 31 days (6)
- 14 Stylishly accepting news... (8)
- 15 ...bloke recalled sweet FA (7)
- 17 Unit's regularly insecure... (5,2)
- 20 ...at family's happening (8)
- 22, 26-across Top secret ring infiltrated past summit? (6,8)
- 23 Horse race's initially delayed, detained by dancers (4,6)
- 24 Throwback sheep? That's wrong (4)
- 25 Case as covered by dregs (6)
- 26 See 22-across

DOWN

- 1 Beginning to fasten bad fracture in Robin's basin? (8)
- 2 Speaker's opening (4)
- 3 International doing well to grab FIFA medal in finals (6)
- 4 A couple of fellows vanquished reported plague (7)
- 5 Bally lovebird? (8)
- 6 Our price to roam Caribbean island (6,4)
- 7 Moan about internet trouble (6)
- 13 Thorpedo first to cash in computer maker's gadgetry (10)
- 16 Fired up one Fairfax setter with constant wine (8)
- 18 Skippers head for discontented parents (8)
- 19 Frantically urged on bear (7)
- 21 Pleasure drive also gained travel tips by adventure's end... (6)
- 22 ...in judicious (or thematic) fashion? (6)
- 24 Mafia ultimately bury dick at sea? (4)

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