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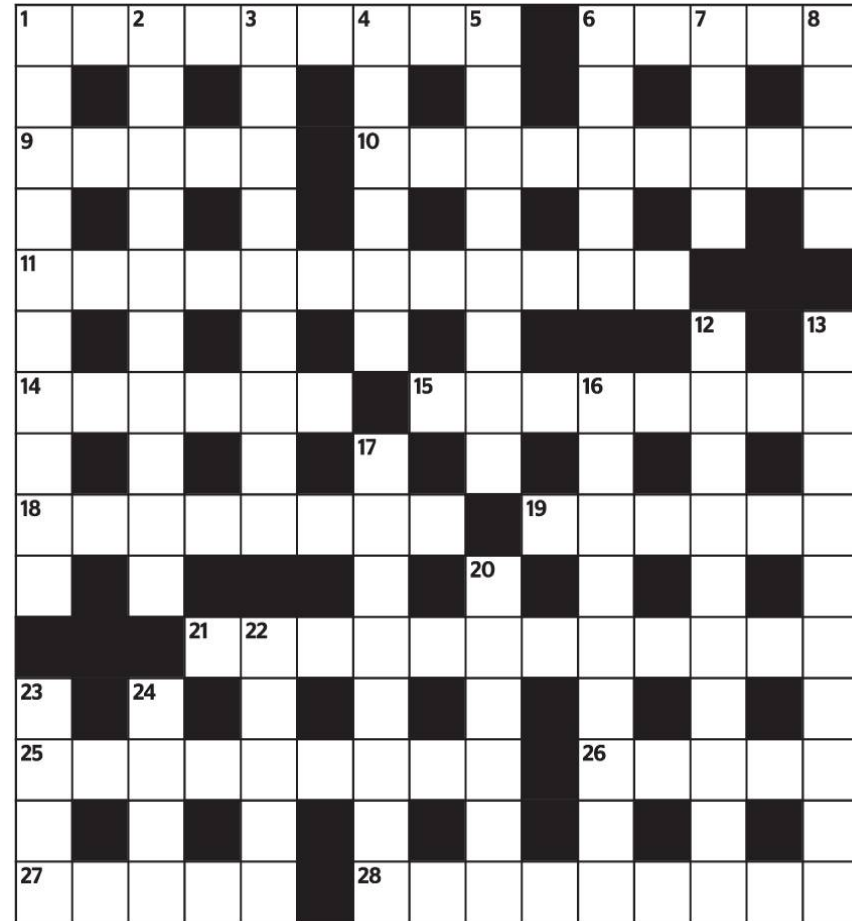
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**ACROSS**

- 1 Occasionally gets by after hearing problem (9)
- 6 Lounge bar closing at this point (2,3)
- 9 State club bans parking (5)
- 10 Ancestors forged this? (3-6)
- 11 This tied tattered lace around friend on TV? (6-6)
- 14 Place in custody having key dispute (6)
- 15 Corrupt libertine withdrawing to divide bucks (8)
- 18 Direct oxygen or another gas above electric lead? (3-2-3)
- 19 Refugee's request for a stay, ultimately, in run-down home (6)
- 21 Boggle argument, with nerd making slip (12)
- 25 Capital city smog ad is hurried across three breaks (9)
- 26 Tablet download cheekily centred around imperfect ninny (5)
- 27 Aluminium from alloy turned into basalt, once (5)
- 28 Turkish area produces a pop diva under 18 (4,5)

**DOWN**

- 1 Accordion lover takes on rap (10)
- 2 Diverse group saw weevil heading under wild celery (6,4)
- 3 This cast crossed rising Scottish river? (5-4)
- 4 Manx dog gouged bottom off twin - that's common (6)
- 5 Climatically self-evident odds and ends? (8)
- 6 Male stepping out of pinafores and hosiery (5)
- 7, 8-down Ottoman to pay for break (8)
- 8 See 7-down
- 12 This wife dug execution in village? (6-4)
- 13 He made a ghoul be sound, smart, devious, reasonable and royal (4,6)
- 16 Surgical slicer lacerated a mere slab (5,4)
- 17 German and Gaelic aboard a submarine (8)
- 20 Rodent has a painful condition on its head (6)
- 22 Gymnastic girl made boy flip! (5)
- 23 Fallon exposed, hosting a Muslim leader (4)
- 24 Eager for a track's condition in exits (4)



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