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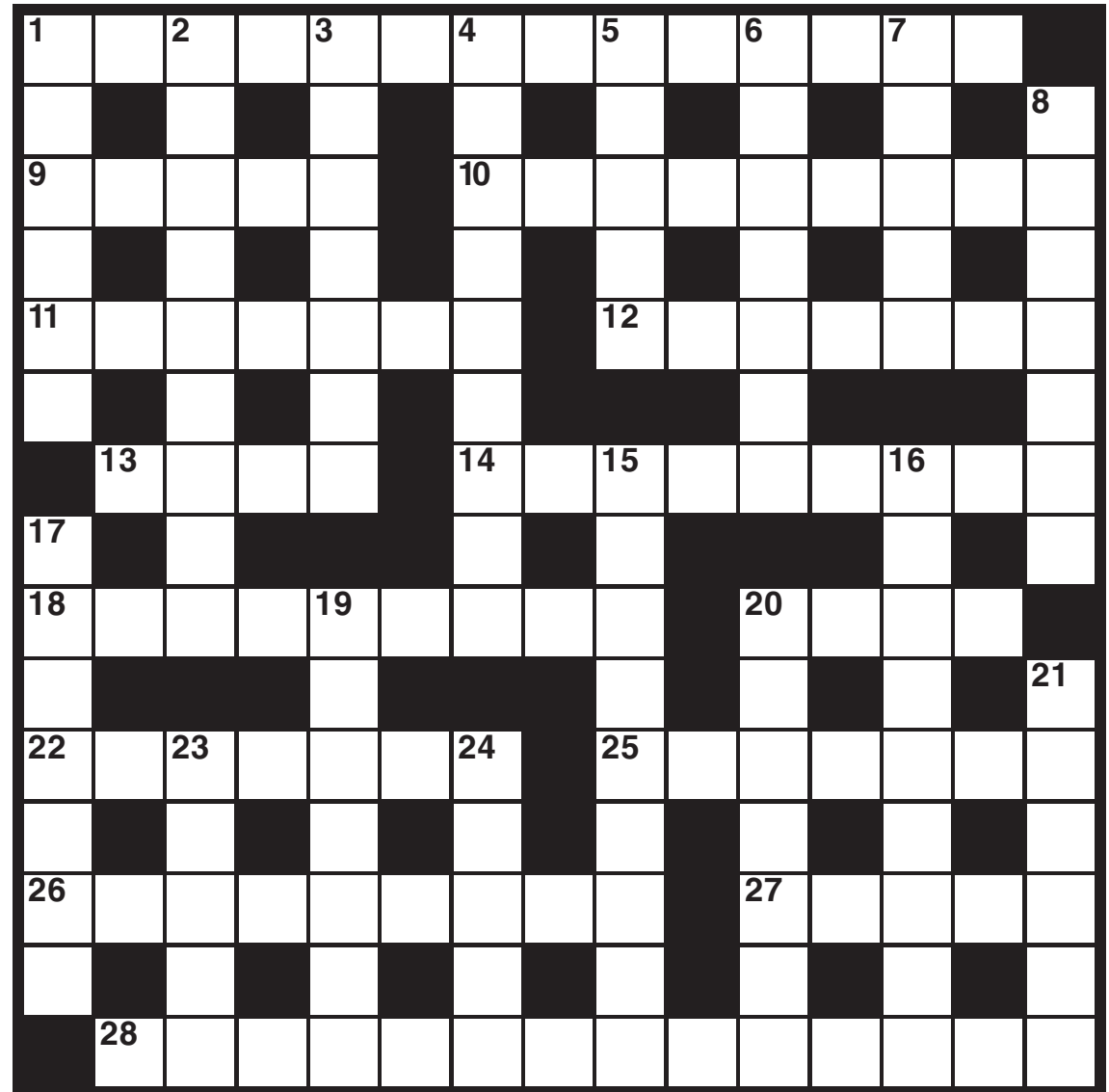
- 1 Article held by Skye boatmen moving similarly (2,3,4,5)
- 9 Always poetic – that is weird! (5)
- 10 Bill’s final performance (9)
- 11 Endeavour to cover one record of three books (7)
- 12 Sink container (7)
- 13 At this point in the rehearsal (4)
- 14 Primary supernatural being (9)
- 18 Missing, having pocketed vessel, but not drinking (9)
- 20 Somewhat defensive of wetlands (4)
- 22 Care needed following rough sea in London Docklands area (4,3)
- 25 Least stuffy sort of satire I include (7)
- 26 Repairing rug in navy uniform (9)
- 27 Animated with a vile concoction (5)
- 28 Endless run-in if cultivating hostility (14)

DOWN

- 1 A little wind disrupts the bar (6)
- 2 Being late, sailor has to eat on ship (9)
- 3 Eeyore’s awfully ugly object (7)
- 4 One teeny movement lost in gas (9)
- 5 Tests former partner, a woman (5)
- 6 Stick out if badly troubled with large omission (7)
- 7 Vote in some of the Cambridge lecturers (5)
- 8 Completely, say, before Lily loses heart (7)
- 15 Separated from newsman hiding alien (9)
- 16 Exotic Argentine fruit (9)

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- 17 Remove cake without topping eaten by illegal trader (4,3)
- 19 Liner Rory boards by mistake (2,5)
- 20 Prestigious car, rarer model in Formula One (7)
- 21 Capital female in wartime women’s unit (6)
- 23 Odd number seen divided by five (5)
- 24 Hit golf ball with enthusiasm (5)