

**ACROSS**

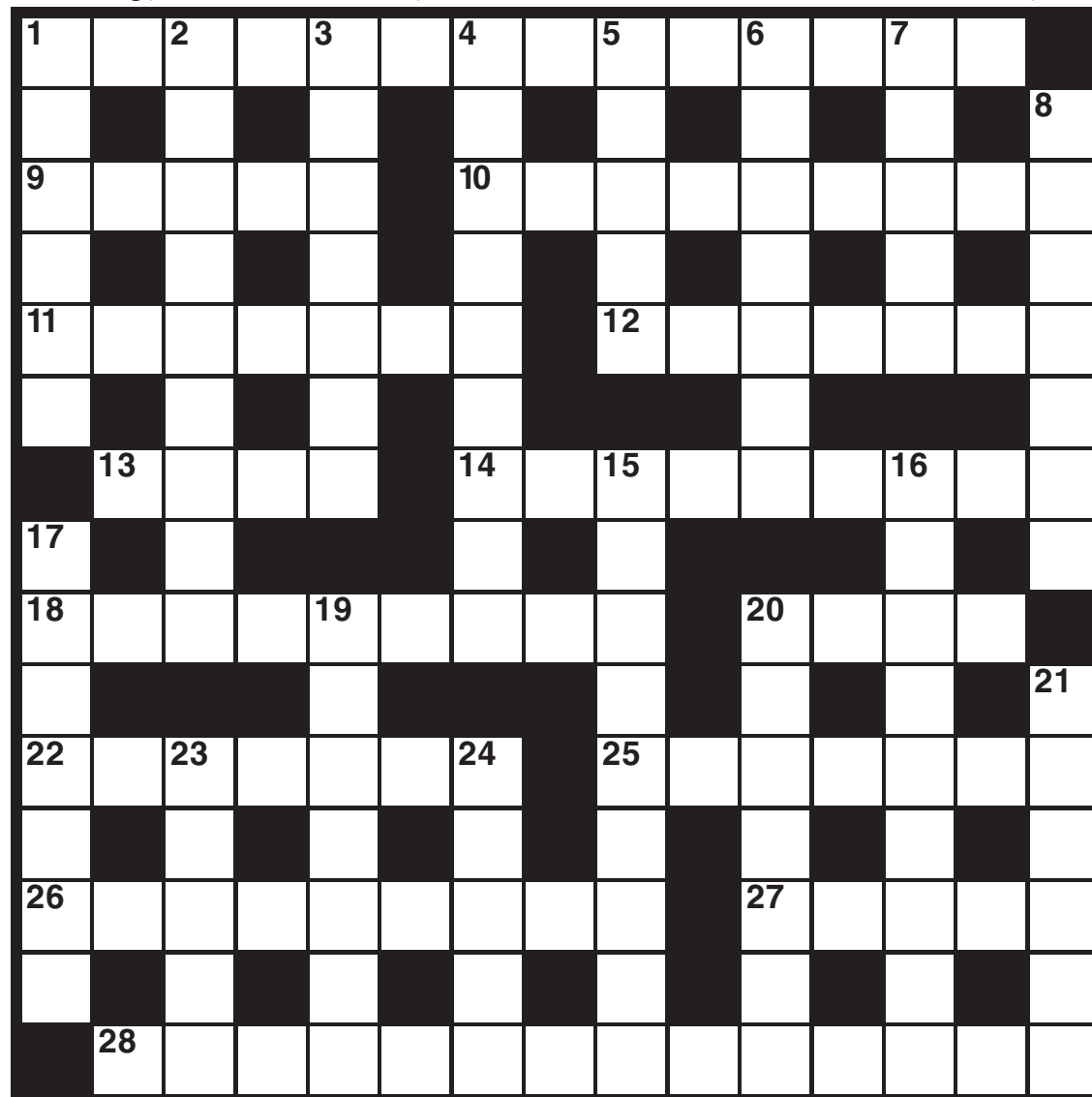
- 1 Fungus makes my mother so sour (6,8)  
 9 Dig into strudel, Vera! (5)  
 10 Set alight gate I'd gone round, and took legal action (9)  
 11 Set fire to dieting plan (7)  
 12 Lake oration translated (7)  
 13 Mix some thyme in red starters (4)  
 14 Macedonian conqueror otherwise relaxed about article (9)  
 18 Repeated various instances (9)  
 20 Was able to be disheartened when nippy in December? (4)  
 22 Hide on south-east island (7)  
 25 Declare engineer included one taking vengeance (7)  
 26 Starting off having a meal about one (9)  
 27 Harmonised and in good shape (5)  
 28 Opposite things – necklaces he had modified (5,3,6)

**DOWN**

- 1 Grandly decree no raid, perhaps (6)  
 2 Irascible about pencil set (9)  
 3 Equestrian competitor in bit of uneven terrain (7)  
 4 Exaggerated play with mama accepting older problem (9)  
 5 Arranged to fight (3,2)  
 6 Target moved before a race meeting (7)  
 7 Animal inside pottery (5)  
 8 Take a break during road journey (7)  
 15 Volatile sergeant and daughter now living apart (9)  
 16 Industry turns out nice lid, eg (9)  
 17 Translate Flemish pronoun (7)

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- 19 Design template confusing clients (7)  
 20 Big cat is a trickster, we hear (7)  
 21 Brother lied about piece of riding equipment (6)  
 23 Short-lived passion for fruit drink (5)  
 24 Heather seen when morning departs the USA (5)