

Across

- 1 *Small fish separate but not at this one (11)
- 7 Hand first played at whist (3)
- 9 * Love torn affair (5)
- 10 Acknowledgement of pointless choice (9)
- 11 Quiver as friend has mine devoured (9)
- 12 //,lacking a tip? Fold (5)
- 13 Swindles poor off-spring endlessly (3-4)
- 15 Bets old dossers drink spirits, to begin with (4)
- 18 Vague promise, when Sir leaves, to pen a few lines (4)
- 20 Scholar and saint took a long time, I hear, to create a citadel (7)
- 23 * Angry to the end (5)
- 24 *Left North Sea in storm (9)
- 26 Not leaking info, on a prior arrangement I missed (9)
- 27 *see* 29 (5)
- 28 Agreed to be in the goodbye scene (3)

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29 & 27 Help stay the night trembles (3,5,3)

7 * Drink to her majesty (6)

22 He removed flashier sort of trousers (6)

8 Threw a mixed garland (6)

25 Even insults try to make one sound stupid (5)

Down

1 * Arrange first date with pop star (8)

14 You might see naked ladies standing in it (9)

2 A lone pet or other animal (8)

16 Sadly this is well outside what one desires (4,4)

3 Boredom somehow continues scot free (5)

17 Angola joins E.U. for linear device (8)

4 Make pencil point sharp to start exam, possibly (7)

19 * Horse gets dispirited (7)

20 Timid, one of 7 (7)

5 Spanish name for 'lead-free' (7)

21 Turned and introduced the woman in red looking yummy (6)

6 * I used ripe ingredients for a Greek one (9)