

**Across**

- 1 Fresh start? The midnight char does (5,5)
- 6 First she waves and brushes mop (4)
- 9 A chord Bess played, where the king came out to play (10)
- 10 Father assists in Agassi revival (4)
- 12 Badly set out, in fact women are like that, In Italy (4,3,5)
- 15 Potion to remove impurities, they say (7)

- 16 It may show the way to grease palm liberally (3,4)

- 17 Snack for cad containing runny Brie (7)

- 19 Place in Italy advocating god-less activity (7)

- 20 Rose must have capers in the cornfield (7,5)

- 23 Chosen from about a hundred in the U.S.A. (4)

- 24 Fly-belt to lube generously (10)

- 25 Odd bits of Edam, say -not difficult to prepare (4)

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- 26 Spoke of a levy on horns - that could be handy for pin-ups (5,5)

- 8 Being about the end, retain an interest in insects (10)

- 21 Involving the listener in erotic verse (4)

- 22 Asks biggest , silly git to go (4)

- 11 Track performer's support can be so infectious (8,4)

- 13 Arouse hope ,perhaps where 12 is seen (5,5)

- 14 cataloguers upset liars ,in bar (10)

- 18 Nominal , so quits preparing tutorials (7)

- 19 Bloomers doctors make about injuries or lesions, initially (7)

**Down**

- 1 Bird..... (4)

- 2 ..looked at, altogether absurd (4)

- 3 Furnishings messy stables often contain (4,2,6)

- 4 Celebrate break, so line-in (7)

- 5 Not a rod bent by twister (7)

- 7 Time-keeper going out on a limb (5-5)