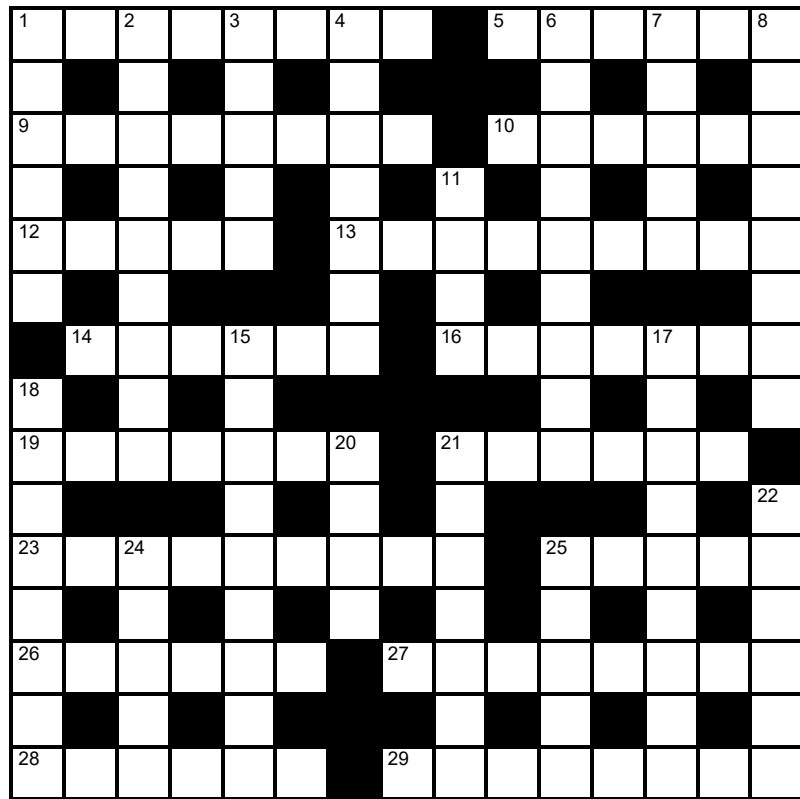


**Across**

- 1 Fishfinger perhaps, used to dress up meat and two veg (8)
- 5 Amyl nitrite for love drug - it spices things up (6)
- 9 Ends of Gertrude and several others in or close to here (8)
- 10 Emergency case for counter-terrorist organisation (6)
- 12 Have a stab and parse any which way (5)
- 13 Greene King, say, is solvent after restructuring (9)
- 14 Get lost in Transit? Sort of... (6)



- 16 What's the point of church? (7)
- 19 Empty caviar out on little piece of toast (7)
- 21 Here's how to beat boxing opponent (6)
- 23 Literally and symbolically (9)
- 25 Hulk-like ogre beheaded by opponents (5)
- 26 Stranger is happier with central heating switched off (6)
- 27 Biblical character prompts Reverend Spooner to pose existential question (4,4)
- 28 Want to put right in the end (6)
- 29 Way Kray Twins

**Down**

- 1 It's said to raise a smile (6)
- 2 Marshal ropes dead bandit (9)
- 3 Victor wants whiskey in secret (5)
- 4 My hint is not usual ancient city (7)
- 6 Weird loner joins police force accepting new admission (9)
- 7 Positions oneself in the middle of hippo's escape (5)
- 8 Did not yield to
- 11 Days before perseverance yields up answer (4)
- 15 In short, state what crossword answers do... (9)
- 17 ...before quietly fading away (9)
- 18 Cut! Rocky peak is blocking broadcast (5,3)
- 20 Arkwright and nephew primarily leading characters in "Open All Hours" (4)
- 21 Topless video concealed in shed in secret location (7)
- 22 Bottom to gain
- go toe-to-toe is comparatively tough (8)
- perverted desires - about time (8)
- attention and inspire amorous feelings (6)
- 24 Cold? Take yoga top off and put on a jacket (5)
- 25 Soldier's way of operating any unfamiliar technical equipment (5)