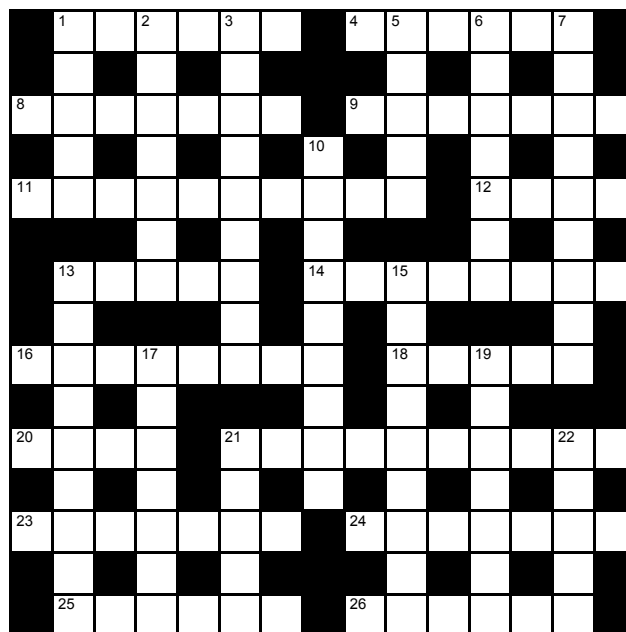


Across

- 1 Peculiar expressions drive Zeus's lover up to the limits of madness (6)
- 4 One is writer of a type of verse (6)
- 8 Pluck fruit from flower? On the contrary (7)
- 9 Army post in listening centre (7)
- 11 Fruit Fair in the middle of Willesden (10)
- 12 See 21 Down
- 13 Ninja, dedicated but somewhat tired (5)
- 14 Alice's twin one might say, chirped (8)
- 16 Material Hammond, maybe, used before fade out (8)
- 18 See 24
- 20 Scornful expression of youth representing repetitive poetic poser (2,2)
- 21 Swan & cygnet nearly flying about Eastern corner shop perhaps (10)
- 23 Specific sensitivity of friend over work measurement (7)
- 24/18 A Parisian wearing wild colours for Auden's send-off (7,5)
- 25 Centres of history described at first in films (6)
- 26 Well informed like John & Ruth? (6)

Down

- 1 Perfect little chap after fish (5)
- 2 The Italian, at the front without hesitation in archaic light (7)
- 3 Colloquial bankers who foully muck you up (3,3,3)
- 5 A 26 terminal? (5)
- 6 Came out with only a thin coat? (7)
- 7 Churchman's cut for one hundred poems (9)
- 10 Hunter, well-lit to characters at sea... (6,3)
- 13 Poem - short, black, and a bit odd, about Manchester suburb (9)
- 15 Bemuser bemused about artist in castle opening (9)
- 17 Where soccer is played and life is in a mess (7)
- 19 Terrible eco-advice? (7)
- 21/12 Bloke standing next to Cliff Richard, for



one heard in thematic documentary (5,4)

22 The Greens in a Somerset town (5)