



**Across**

- 1 Tart's jumping the gun (5,5)
- 6 Feel uncomfortable if it is placed next to church (4)
- 9 Current lager is knocked back by drunken master (10)
- 10 Extremely keen, extremely accommodating and extremely obliging (4)
- 13 Cancels even free bell-ringing sessions (7)
- 15 Heavier top is chipped off boulder before it's removed (6)
- 16 Pines take twelve months before new shoots start (6)

- 17 Anywhere out in the open is arguably this lousy (5,3,7)
- 18 Rob takes a dip with the leader (6)
- 20 Is this car the one that comes last? (6)
- 21 To begin with, she launders flounces (7)
- 22 Young man meets unknown woman (4)
- 25 Disappointment in tax claim preparation (10)
- 26 Pop also danced a little bit (4)
- 27 Bet declared invalid but is honoured (10)

**Down**

- 1 Rapid starvation (4)
- 2 Scots landowner cut off sanctuary (4)
- 3 Oriental daisy festival (6)
- 4 Trio with spoken agreement appealing for sitting room furniture (5-5,5)
- 5 Certainly improve the ending within (6)
- 7 Big cats pay attention to big fish (5,5)
- 8 Get her this awfully important feature of a town centre (4,6)
- 11 Lily fields rule is broken (5-2-3)

- 12 Split U-boat descended around mid-tide (10)
- 13 Correct about shift, maybe (7)
- 14 Calms down girlfriends from Kent, possibly (7)
- 19 Finish first and get riled about spasm (6)
- 20 Gather around the French physician (6)
- 23 Leave out nothing before beginning to move it (4)
- 24 Relaxed after losing 1-3 and therefore dismissed (4)