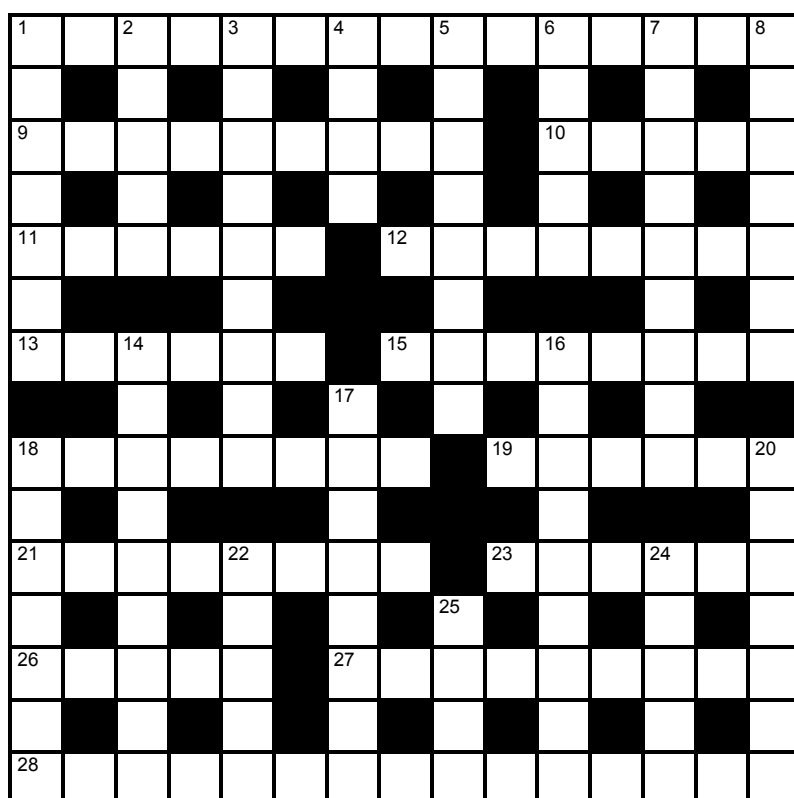


A joint crossword featuring clues from 21 members of DIY COW



Across

- 1 Gigs around circuit for promising bands? (10,5)
- 9 Worship with empty words spoken at some length (9)
- 10 Intrinsically banal - like a learner on an organ? (5)
- 11 Character one ditched near the end of dance (6)
- 12 Overtake competitors at the outset in rough tracks in this? (5,3)
- 13 Instruction to recover defective memory (6)
- 15 Reaction concerning odds on steeplechase finalists (8)

18 One arm is

- sufficient to carry runners-up trophy? (4,4)
- 19 Lay into youngster's work only occasionally (4,2)
- 21 State of old crock drinking in bar (8)
- 23 Rabbit on some straw captures lead in Blyton book (6)
- 26 Goodwill ambassador starring in *Changeling* (5)
- 27 Dull one's followed separately by relative and friend (9)
- 28 Oil producer engineering promising veneer (7,8)

Down

- 1 One helping you learn and be organized (7)
- 2 Stupid man leaves dirty monogram for servant (5)
- 3 Wimbledon's one fine spell ends before noon (5,4)
- 4 Miss the beginnings of meetings and I'm dead (4)
- 5 Square menswear for an older age group? (8)
- 6 Extremely romantic college dons of Tolkien's letters? (5)
- 7 Illegal substance found in trunk. Case for constabulary! (4,5)
- 8 Adjust ear plugs

after leaving a noisy display (7)

- 14 Girl nearly under Victor - it's the drink! (9)
- 16 The sort of element one can see in a theatre? (9)
- 17 A season in which one's hopeful (8)
- 18 Provide voice-over artist in drunk rant with ecstasy (7)
- 20 Introduce limits to popular European grant (7)
- 22 Dish dog up? It'll upset no end of Liberals! (5)
- 24 Party to vote against? (5)
- 25 Pretty blonde (4)