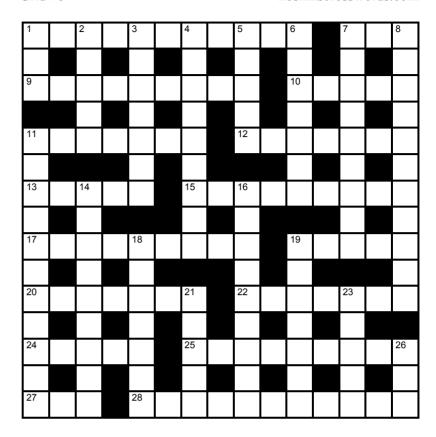
Across

- 1 Pacey striker, one that'll help speed promotion? (4,7)
- 7 Source of contagion: a dead dog (3)
- 9 Don't worry about rats and the like, Ned (5,4)
- 10 She'll have one on the rocks with a Lilt (5)
- 11 It's a pleasure to have a season with City (3,4)
- 12 Large number miffed with Hoskins - right again (7)
- 13 When bride-to-be becomes livid? (5)
- 15 Limited soap company, one based in Bow (4,5)
- 17 He returned to arrest a ring of priests (3,6)
- 19 Cinderella's one to sleep around with most of Jersey (5)
- **20** Rubbish backs, good opponents or crap keepers? (7)
- 22 Socks and wifebeater vest frayed at the edges (7)
- 24 She is thought to hold a bank job (5)



- 25 Shoot the messenger and leg it (2,1,6)
- 27 Mine's two halves, but hold the third (3)
- 28 Mr Nice tends to get savvy when stoned! (11)

Down

- 1 Granny takes female for first new lover (3)
- 2 Cabbage with sausage European student dished out (5)
- 3 Exotic pea soup recipe that's served up in Norway (7)

- 4 Here is all that needs fiddling with to cause trouble (5.4)
- 5 Summer days by an English river(5)
- 6 Complaint papers printed about mains energy (7)
- 7 Kept talking by bore - that's nothing new (7,2)
- 8 Ring Domino's up or set places for supper? (6,5)
- 11 Ill-fated Atlantic musicians and the order they ignored? (7,4)
- 14 Peak towering above river in Thailand (4,5)

- 16 Get naked with priest on a bender outside boozer (5,4)
- 18 Round shirt buttons Michigan tough left undone (7)
- 19 Publisher wants author with piece covering Italy (7)
- 21 Relative broken up by last shows of Rod and The Faces (5)
- 23 Heroin trafficker skips France for this reason (5)
- 26 Baloney sandwiches "ordinary" in empty restaurant (3)