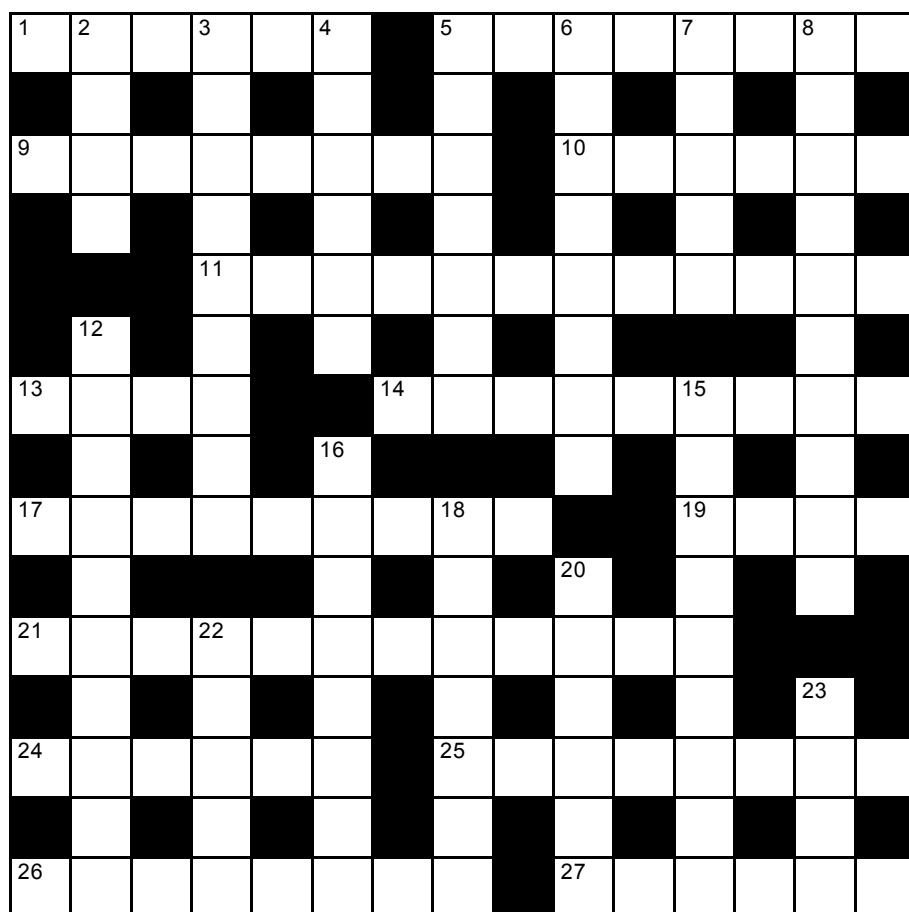


Cryptic #0006



Across

- 1 Stick-in-the-mud trimmed sailor's horse (6)
- 5 Horse around hospital floor with novice holy man lacking heart (8)
- 9 Played polo with a mini tailless horse (8)
- 10 Horse is on UN building (6)
- 11 Where an hour in horsemanship's trendy (6,6)
- 13 Make face at horse before tack becomes headless (4)
- 14 Joining a non-drinker is painful (9)
- 17 Firm, misshapen rice clots (9)
- 19 Entrance hidden in a ditch (4)
- 21 See 6 Down
- 24 Yes, a piece of insubstantial rubbish about fruit (6)
- 25 Row behind river horse (8)

26 Heard calls after sibling's contractions (8)

27 Horse's behind replacing tail with love (6)

Down

- 2 Test uninitiated mountain (4)
- 3 River ran through rocky old ridge (3,6)
- 4 Hidden bend deceives (6)
- 5 Confess, in a bind, to being unaware (4,3)
- 6 & 21 Trustworthy lass mingled with gay hedonist on the... (6,2,3,3,2,4)
- 7 ...farm managed by church (5)
- 8 Announced game on a horse (10)
- 12 & 22 'Thud!' Very fat Chad damaged horse (5,5,5)
- 15 The man now misses student leaders (4,5)
- 16 Londoner put £25 on track for mane gathering (8)

18 Bugs in camps (7)

20 Horse put french apple on the side (6)

22 See 12

23 Angry cheat (4)