

Across

- 1 Scour a beard perhaps. (6)
- 4 Start out with timekeeper on the hour. (1'5)
- 8 Permit convention wingless insects even unscrew. (7)
- 9 Babied Y generation! Accept the ruling! (5, 2)
- 11 Qantas is a natural. Go figure! (10)
- 12 Even minor tsar is a tiny amount. (4)
- 13 and 10 down. Third publisher of 11 and 26 across chosen in Col Joy arrangement. (5, 9)
- 14 Very drunk and badly beaten. (8)

- 16 Unusual play requiring careful use of 17 down or it's a tragedy. (8)
- 18 Accompaniments are not tops or bottoms. (5)
- 20 Odd call out for someone clumsy. (4)
- 21 Records twenty humourous people. (10)
- 23 I ingest mysterious lights. (7)
- 24 Made sense of when summed. (5, 2)
- 25 Precision stereo. (6)
- 26 Arch support for the strings in an orchestra. (6)

Down

- 1 Autopsied with tops removed intoxicated fond farewell. (5)
- 2 Bring before a judge after peeling greens or two 17 downs will be needed. (2-5)
- 3 Contractors drunk Clare reds. (9)
- 5 Obit shortened in the big house or a small house. (5)
- 6 In the past I led Tom astray. (3-4)
- 7 Audiences risk Bizet composition.
- **10** See 13 across. (9)

- 13 The average man takes nothing from Google's job anyhow. (3, 6)
- 15 On declarer's right he confuses. (9)
- 17 Items in a written record partly sent riesling back. (7)
- 19 Head matron left maddened, confused and with no where to go. (4, 3)
- 21 Legitimises without limits confused military tactic. (5)
- 22 No French takeaway from "de Nounce" leaves the smallest spot. (5)