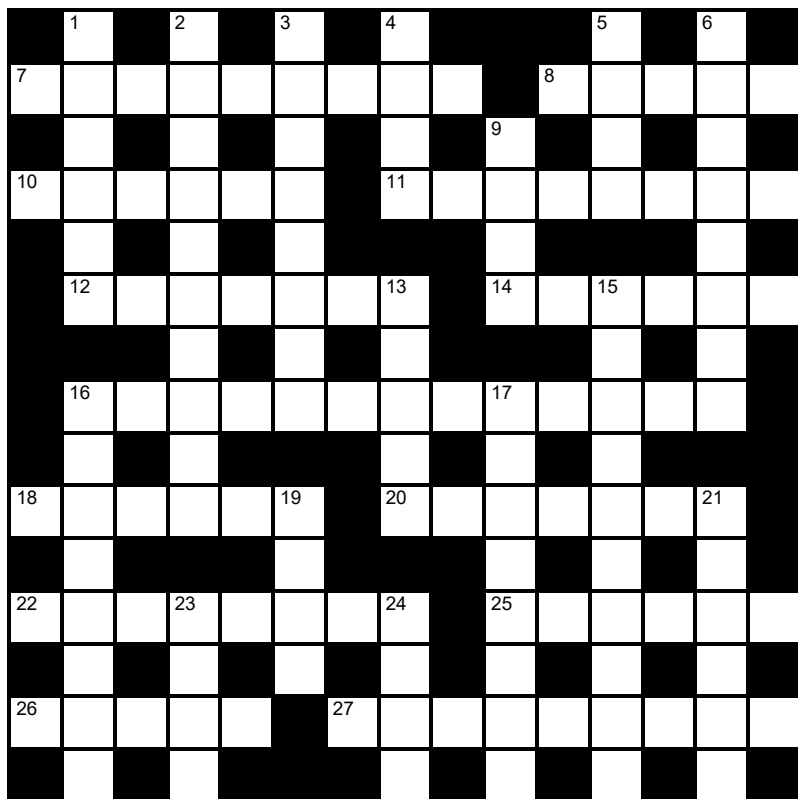


Crossword #43

By Skirwingle

I didn't put a theme among the answers,
 And I didn't put a nina in the grid,
 And I didn't seed the clues with an acrostic,
 And it wouldn't mean a damn thing if I did.



Across

- 7 A theme for applying Vim to tile/potty (9)
- 8 Conservative follows most successful international theme (5)
- 10 Roosevelt took off jumper & exercised to get slim (6)
- 11 Orbiter's manoeuvring device's almost there – full of corrosion (8)
- 12 Something Hoover's doing: making a claim involving Calvin Klein (7)
- 14 Tightly bind weed around sporty touring car (6)
- 16 It's played at door: gentle kiss in which loose mask's not on for sweetheart (8,5)
- 18 Contemptible Carry-On star took gold and diamonds (6)
- 20 Criminal dealer heading off to capture Chinese better (7)
- 22 Mrs Adamson's stupid husband's gone for one controlling game (8)
- 25 Rural decay one combats initially (6)
- 26 *Blowfish* movie's end theme (5)
- 27 Theme with reversal from ghastly can-can – boring – stop halfway through (4,5)

Down

- 1 Anxiety seen to return after acquiring campervan (6)
- 2 Inclined to be madly idealistic (10)
- 3 No radioactivity's sensed in this (8)
- 4 Is not home wearing a short-sleeve shirt (4)
- 5 Maybe Hugo's manager (4)
- 6 Five lines of fruit in a pile? (8)
- 9 Principal part of car chase (4)
- 13 Information about style (5)
- 15 Who tends to field in sun? D. Gorman, perhaps? (10)
- 16 Introduction for king's speech therapist (8)
- 17 Greens that Chancellor Helmut, half-hearted Lord Chancellor Dominic, and I might follow (8)
- 19 Irrational number rising to support doc's supply device (4)
- 21 Coal extracted from crushed Palaeozoic parasites, for example (6)
- 23 Reportedly impale seabird (4)
- 24 In cycle race, remove a couple of units to adjust space (4)