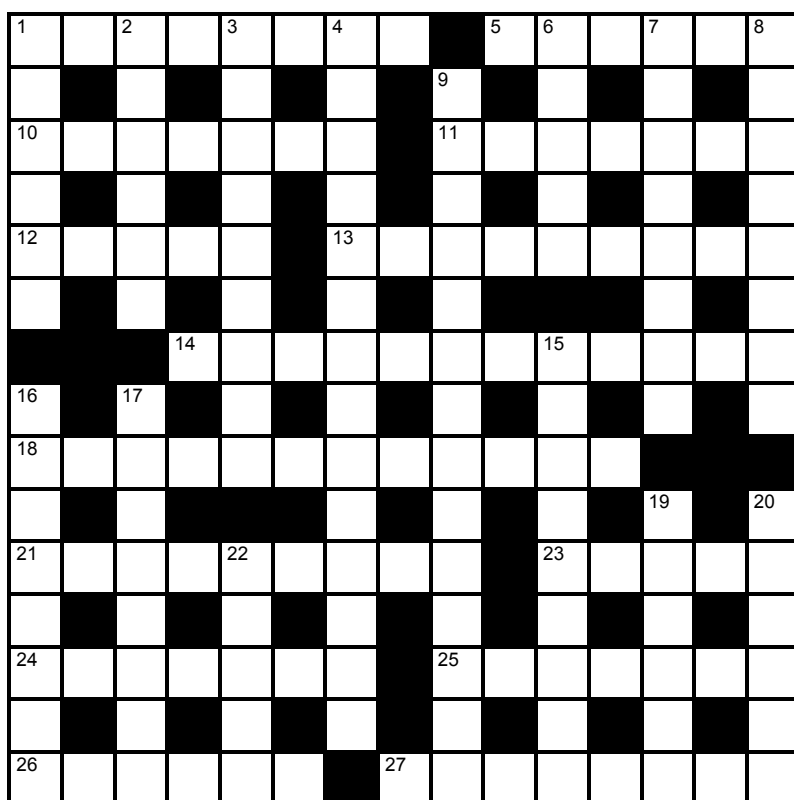


ARENA



Across

1 Fictional character in novels by George MacDonald Fraser (3,5)

5 A type of calculator (6)

10 Market town in West Sussex (7)

11 Stage name of Erik Weisz (7)

12 Gong (5)

13 French heroine (5,4)

14 Achieved with ease (12)

18 United Nations e.g. (12)

21 English poet (1837-1909) (9)

23 Electronic communication device (5)

24 The launch of a rocket (7)

25 Gainsborough's birthplace and featured in many Constable works (7)

26 United States writer (born in Poland) of Yiddish stories and novels (1904-1991) (6)

27 Hardy breed of dairy cattle (8)

Down

1 Emotional wound or shock (6)

2 Ceremony, where the monarch distributes money (6)

3 Harry Potter actor (9)

4 Mother of Mary Shelley (1759-1797) (14)

6 British art historian (1907-1983) (5)

7 Conical sieve, much used by professional chefs (8)

8 Copses (8)

9 Character in *Taming Of The Shrew* (11,3)

15 Greek tragedian (9)

16 Christ's chosen teachers (8)

17 British comic, featuring Arthur Askey, Pet Clark, etc. (5,3)

19 Name for several species of rodent (6)

20 Pattern in checkerboard style (6)

22 American pioneer (1734-1820) (5)