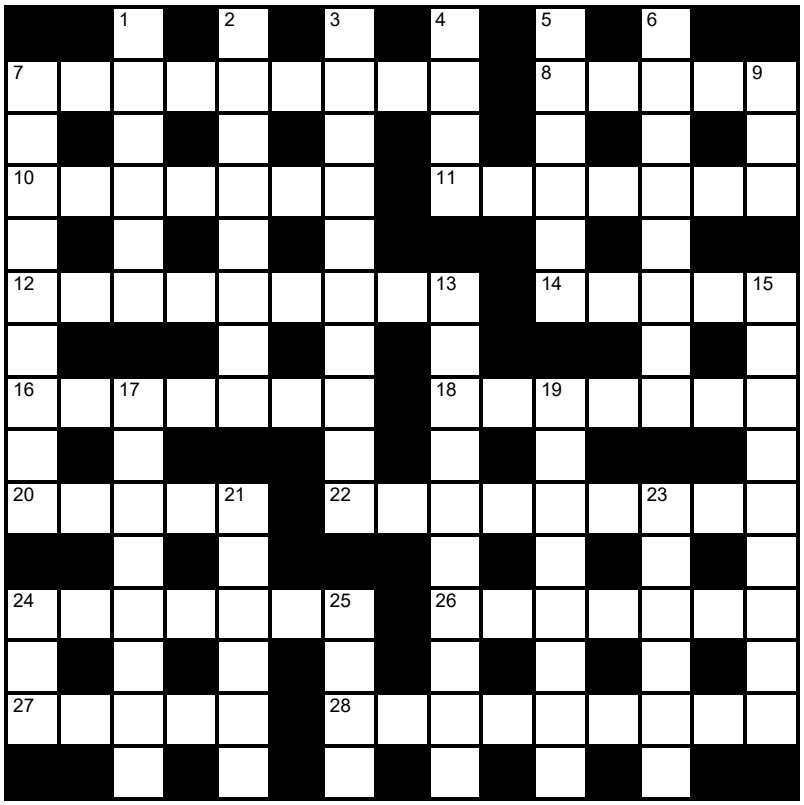
This puzzle has a theme (no special knowledge required) and a nina (related to the theme). A few of the other solutions are on the obscure side, but may be deduced from the wordplay.



Across

7 Extremely funny entrance from Sims taking best part (9)

8 Move very quickly chasing a Little Boy? (1-4)

10 Float up onto one's limits (7)

11 Charlotte for illustration hems the trimmed material (7)

12 Bohemian caught raiding old Queen's purse (9)

14 Minister to hurry back, someone's outside (5)

16 Mistress requiring coffee Sonny? No, _____! (7)

18 Sticklers for time-keeping, Pollyanna's without work (7)

20 The last five of this brand? (5)

22 It's with horses in landscape? (9)

24 Staying out, send a quick message - put on overcoat? (7)

26 Dally, but keep going (5,2)

27 Humour he twigs when twisted (5)

28 One deserving spot by Spooner's heater (3,6)

Down

1 Dry ice, virtually smooth on top (6)

2 Very little discipline: he cannot let go (8)

3 Scandalous ruining of Catholic Hungarian family (5-5)

4 Absent-minded but not very fit (4)

5 Mrs Dependable exposing boobs to a Mr New (6)

6 A lot of Eastern philosophy upsets sources of culture (8)

7 Musical works wonders with dwarfs for example (9)

9 See 24

13 Connections from back of eye to ocular internals (10)

15 Trees near ground maybe Asian (9)

17 Monks with unceasing service - Athletic Sebastian ran into one (8)

19 Area involved in movement agreed suspension, Rear Admiral must go (8)

21 Ferried from Germany, Radler's in the navy (6)

23 What periodically has berry bounty? (6)

24/9 Rogue bully, an immature individual (6)

25 It's a mistake exhibiting excessive sentimentality to female (4)