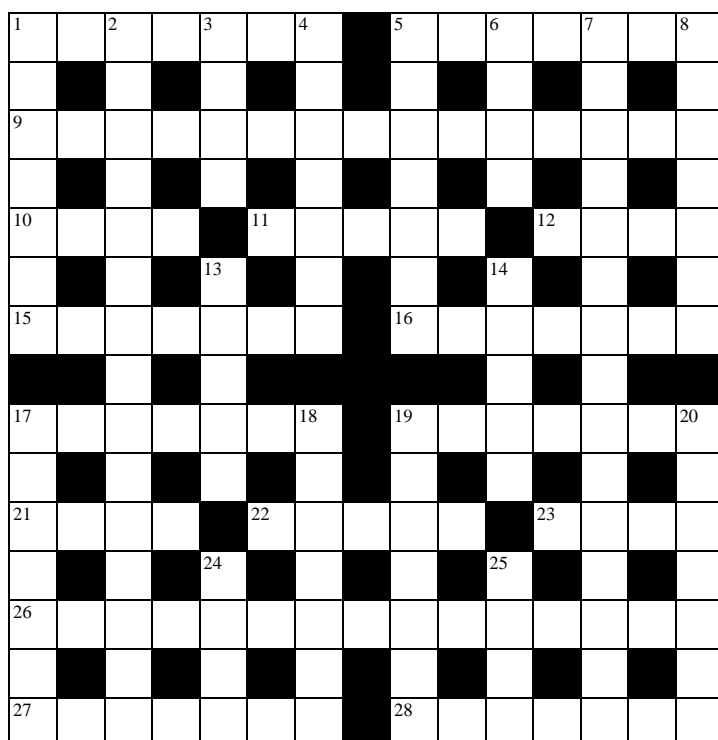


## POYNTON U3A CROSSWORD PUZZLE No.20



### ACROSS

- 1 What may be chic to a drunk could also be dishevelled. (7)  
 5 Confused rebel clutching old disc sets off the alarm. (7)  
 9 Love the appreciative audience, but run off very quickly. (4,3,8)  
 10 In a way revered solidly, but not sly. (4)  
 11 Prickle due to getting pines back-to-front. (5)  
 12 Employs ruse to deceive. (4)  
 15 American girl heading east on an old sailing ship. (7)  
 16 Short break in East Anglia region of England for picking up words. (7)  
 17 Stiff man in road transport. (7)  
 19 We hear he is in good condition – that'll be nice! (7)  
 21 Mope around in rhythmic style maybe. (4)  
 22 Something precious may be found in an opening (5)  
 23 Stuff brandy back. (4)  
 26 George for example. (3,6,6)  
 27 Mammal held by extremes of loyalty in a game of chance. (7)  
 28 Smell of sodium is a sign you are chemically reactive. (7)

### DOWN

- 1 Local linguist hides his chosen career. (7)  
 2 Woke gentleman with compact disc and stirred to recognition. (15)  
 3 Gallery found in every stately home. (4)  
 4 Tossing up ha'pence will give away the answer. (7)  
 5 Canal flowing in the extremes of Bute maintaining equilibrium. (7)  
 6 Catch sight of from a Scottish river. (4)  
 7 Squash a pear? It may result in an official announcement. (5,10)  
 8 Take the top of the jam and keep for another day. (7)  
 13 Searching for fifty five in a river. (5)  
 14 Direction is to initially turn right to the finish. (5)  
 17 London wealth. (7)  
 18 Light railway running round appropriately. (7)  
 19 Britten's variations on a water bird theme. (7)  
 20 What a storm over one of Shakespeare's plays! (7)  
 24 One fewer, without hesitation - involved in a partnership. (4)  
 25 Arise sir Ian to embrace your flower. (4)