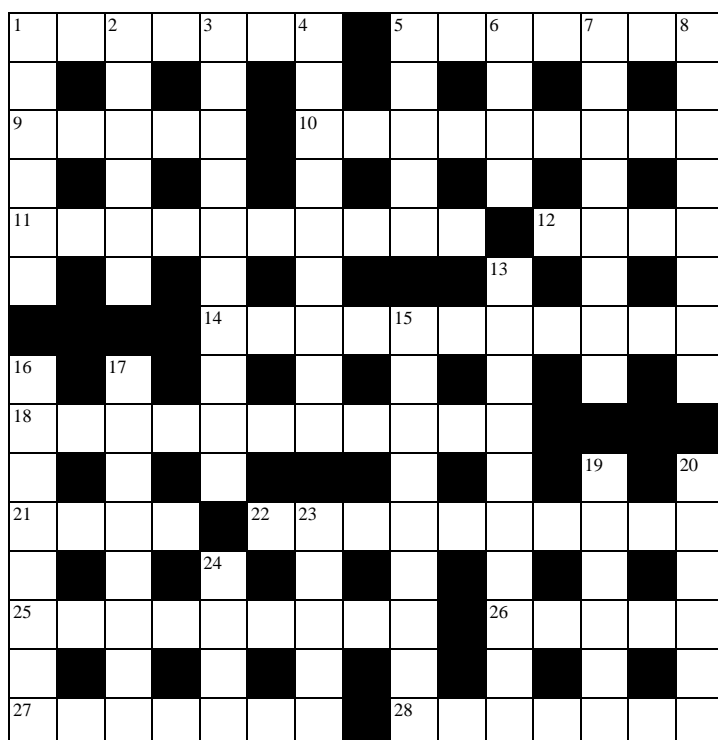


POYNTON U3A CROSSWORD PUZZLE No.25



ACROSS

- 1 Criminal spreading fire in the garden. (7)
 5 Ace girl went flying on a sheet of ice. (7)
 9 Safety helmet always consists of this substance. (5)
 10 Even the OB had variations by this famous composer. (9)
 11 Heed cattle organised to take part in a field event. (10)
 12 Goose, or leopard maybe. (4)
 14 Favourite part of the golf course for the clergy? (7,4)
 18 Gardenias involved as a famous tennis player. (5,6)
 21 Five on a trip round a river. (4)
 22 Place for animals to get a new brush, perhaps? (6,4)
 25 Enchanting harmonium found in South Wales. (9)
 26 Small measure added to a litre is all there is! (5)
 27 The Spanish agent ruffled yet graceful.(7)
 28 Takes control of false credits. (7)

DOWN

- 1 Shy about Mediterranean farce. (6)
 2 Observe one coming round with a twitch. (6)
 3 Left about a pound gratuity to order writing material. (4,3,3)
 4 Egyptian bell surrounded by cordon causes rioting. (9)
 5 Agree to shake hands inside. (5)
 6 One round hospital feeling a pain. (4)
 7 Make up otherwise a creator. (8)
 8 Den won the Queen's backing - he's now famous. (8)
 13 Alternator destroyed by local riots. (10)
 15 Withstood the pressure of a sea nudist. (9)
 16 A hare and gnu involved in a verbal onslaught. (8)
 17 Give voice to data - not I - on behalf of a client maybe! (8)
 19 What a state Estonia is in! (6)
 20 Found in charnel houses and on pirate flags. (6)
 23 Consumed quite a few - sounds like it! (5)
 24 Spanish painter mixed up in a Hindu philosophy. (4)