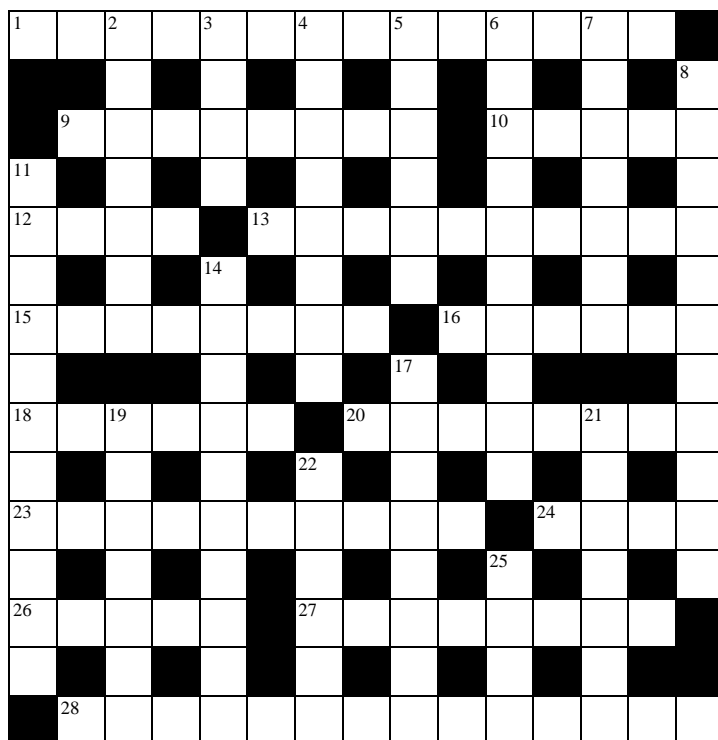


POYNTON u3a CROSSWORD PUZZLE No.56



ACROSS

1. Fine Italian bake with item is useless (4-3-7)
9. Hold back to stop precipitation (8)
10. Dance with degrees backwards and forwards (5)
12. Chance at being out of step (4)
13. Reportedly you are dampening the sounds of the grinders (10)
15. Complaining as you take in showy jewellery (8)
16. Relay brook (6)
18. Nothing in thrust as you lie back (6)
20. Public building to draw northern hotel to everyone (4,4)
23. Temptations from South replacing leader of stoppages (10)
24. Construction block for the French turn (4)
26. Animal in whose call a massive wail is heard (5)
27. Nails berry for Michael's aid (8)
28. Kneading dough in heading for angry outburst (2,1,4,7)

DOWN

2. Maiden, perhaps, expected but late (7)
3. Coming up devoured loudly dairy product (4)
4. Arriving not quietly holding forth (8)
5. In being so forlorn a tense elaborate outcome is produced (6)
6. Man leading parliamentary session included a dithering result (10)
7. No colliery to the east was the one suggested (7)
8. Bar His Majesty let to produce a type of confectionery (11)
11. Undeniably included time in duplicates with devious attachment (11)
14. Old transport for actor's trainer (10)
17. Democrat has personal area of rolling countryside (8)
19. Not attracted by a French attraction to the north (7)
21. Plastic first class gallery (7)
22. Young grab military holdall (6)
25. Combined without loud cast off (4)