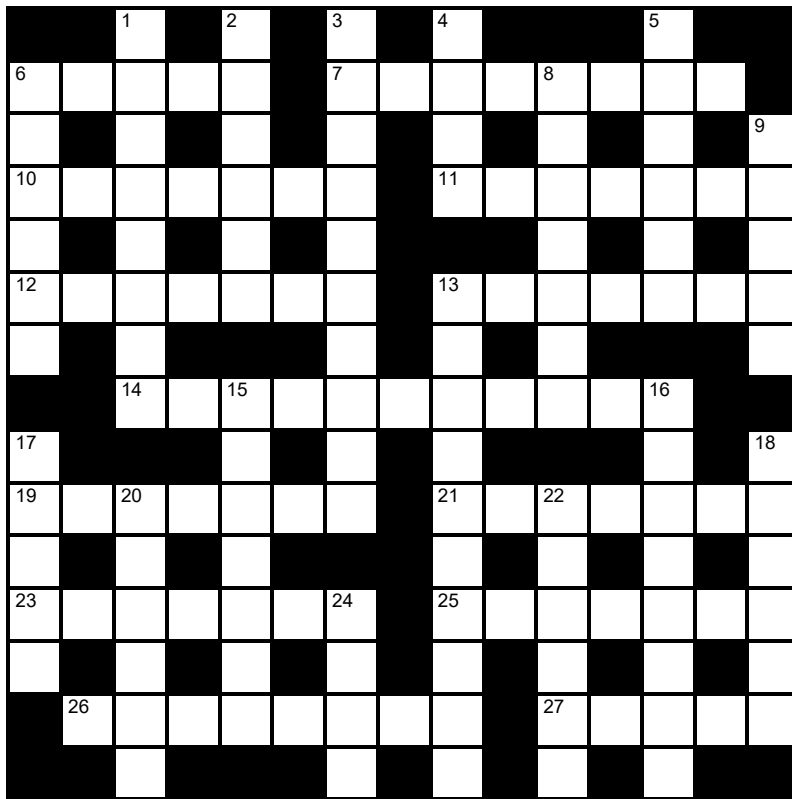


## Butterflies



**Across**

- 6 Male in state of unconsciousness for briefest interval (5)
- 7 African ruler, losing heart for stud, one who provides relief (8)
- 10 Can feature everyone upset about short time in bar (4-3)
- 11 Let this run amok, it could become prickly (7)
- 12 Base promotional leaflet for one communicating by computer (7)
- 13 Rule in government allowed long, curled hair (7)
- 14 USA's guest or possibly a creature long extinct (11)

- 19 Seed to pile into heaps for showy bird (7)
- 21 Bit of stinking fish for ship's captain (7)
- 23 Small cat's an issue of pride (4,3)
- 25 Head of state working in procession organised in protest (7)
- 26 Alcoholic drink's dismal wreck (4,4)
- 27 Gives reasons with no evidence finally for exotic bird (5)

**Down**

- 1 Wee Scottish boys taking in liberal classified publicity (5,3)
- 2 Lament about chimneypiece (6)

- 3 Surprisingly buck adores this composite weed (3,7)
- 4 Funeral ceremony of old girl (4)
- 5 Fellows converse endlessly relating to the mind (6)
- 6 Small change for policeman (6)
- 8 Fish lure with bit of string, pin and half a marine worm (7)
- 9 Former Conservative PM's pressure on leader of house (5)
- 13 Taking on again circle, welcoming each small problem in addition (10)
- 15 Decor cheaply conceals figure with muscles stripped of skin (7)
- 16 Sorted out Europe's

- originally good self-critical conscience (8)
- 17 Waste strip of wood for lighting a candle, say (5)
- 18 Persistent pains involving essentially curvy bony foot structures (6)
- 20 A recording of public opinion of Greek god (6)
- 22 Greek independence on island on Aegean's outskirts (6)
- 24 Squander belauded from time to time (4)