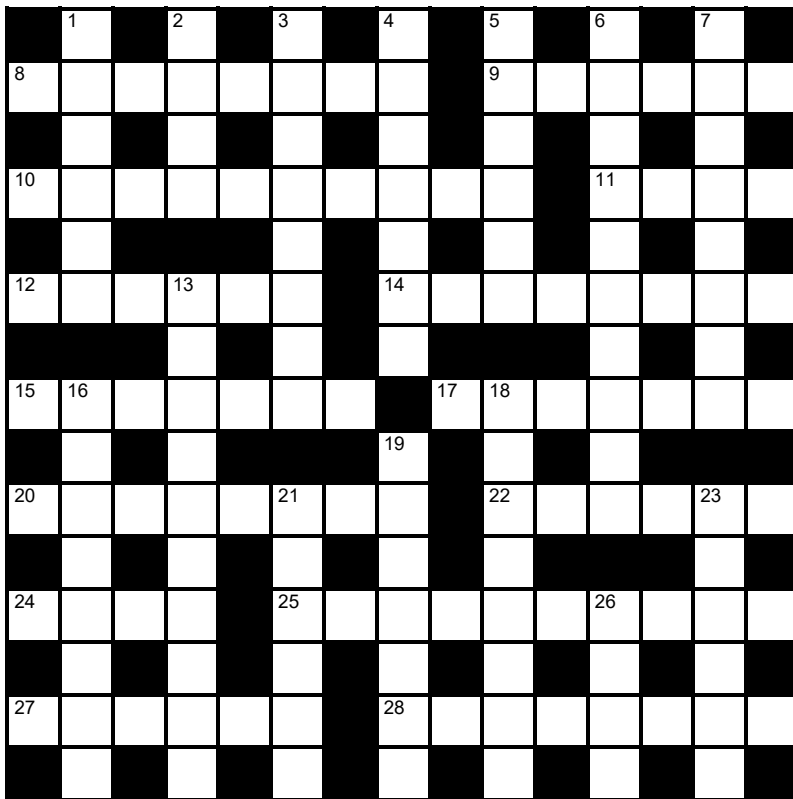


Many Happy Returns



Across

- 8 Ogle and seem deliriously joyful (8)
- 9 Old rector in diocese hosts independent party (6)
- 10 Costume's trimmed by senior player (10)
- 11 Sight found in Hautes-Pyrénées (4)
- 12 Pulse of Australian sprinter returning after event (6)
- 14 Charm one's way in (8)
- 15 Most forthright - like Kojak compared with Starsky and Hutch (7)

- 17 Camp on-site by a Baltic state (7)
- 20 Marks test driver with manual / automatic transmission abilities initially (8)
- 22 A state queen's response (6)
- 24 Heroines oddly lacking in years (4)
- 25 Uses a booth redesigned for riverside accommodation (10)
- 27 Elect to put books in vessel (4,2)
- 28 From Chapter 1 verse 1 in letter to the Romans! (2,6)

Down

- 1 I think up way to shed light on... (6)
- 2 ...personality of small dwarf (4)
- 3 Dull Strictly host eats a bit of lettuce (8)
- 4 More upper class without capital could be less substantial (7)
- 5 Liveliness of fizzy drink with elevated indication of additives (6)
- 6 Trials Boer arranged for freedom fighters (10)
- 7 Proves Puccini discovered Italian navigator (8)
- 13 Peacekeeper's journal editor's not thought about (10)
- 16 Insect house zoo finally covered with Australian corals? (8)
- 18 On-line ridicule after supermarket produces piece of pork (5,3)
- 19 Miss our award prepared for this sword (7)
- 21 Suffering of a church in Gabon (6)
- 23 Mean opponents story is heard (6)
- 26 Poet's about to leave problem in 2020 (4)