

**Across**

- 1 Dad's veteran clan re-assembled: their days are numbered! (6,9)
- 8 Originally Angel's prayer recitals offered natural sort of protection (5)
- 9 Barely funds minimum of tissue wrapping paper quantity - true (8)
- 11 Abandoned motel site indicates place to get smack? (9)
- 12 Open up United Nations over Boxing Day (4)
- 14 Spray to smell good primarily at the start of yuletide (7)
- 15 Disorderly socialist is kicked out - i.e "resigned" (7)
- 16 Headgear sported by Santa's team? (7)
- 19 Race-meeting held in winter e.g. at Taplow... (7)
- 21 ...maybe a three-day one, timeless yet unvarying (4)
- 22 Cracking crosswords, ones seasonally produced by 26! (3,6)
- 24 Timeline of Slough Christmas broadcast (8)
- 25 Variety of tapas served in Trattoria? (5)
- 26 He was habitually tight - spirits really affected him (8,7)

**Down**

- 1 Sky-high fees for members? (2,3,3,1,3)
- 2 Six scams with which one could catch a cold (7)

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- 3 Not straight - not with Putin, Trump nor anyone else (3-7)
- 4 Rural area matter: verges of railway (7)
- 5 Scales of large reptiles (7)
- 6 Notably Trotsky turned up for festive period (4)
- 7 Penned by local man a carols yearly publication (7)
- 10 Heard talk of what might be turkey abuse (4,8)
- 13 Big woolly kangaroo? (4,6)
- 17 European joins cartel mixed up in dark tacky stuff (7)
- 18 Take in flightless birds raised by reserve (7)
- 19 Elevated small shelter that woman repairs at last (7)
- 20 Much appreciated when company bottles British spicy condiment (7)
- 23 Foremost in fashion - Parisian summer gala (4)