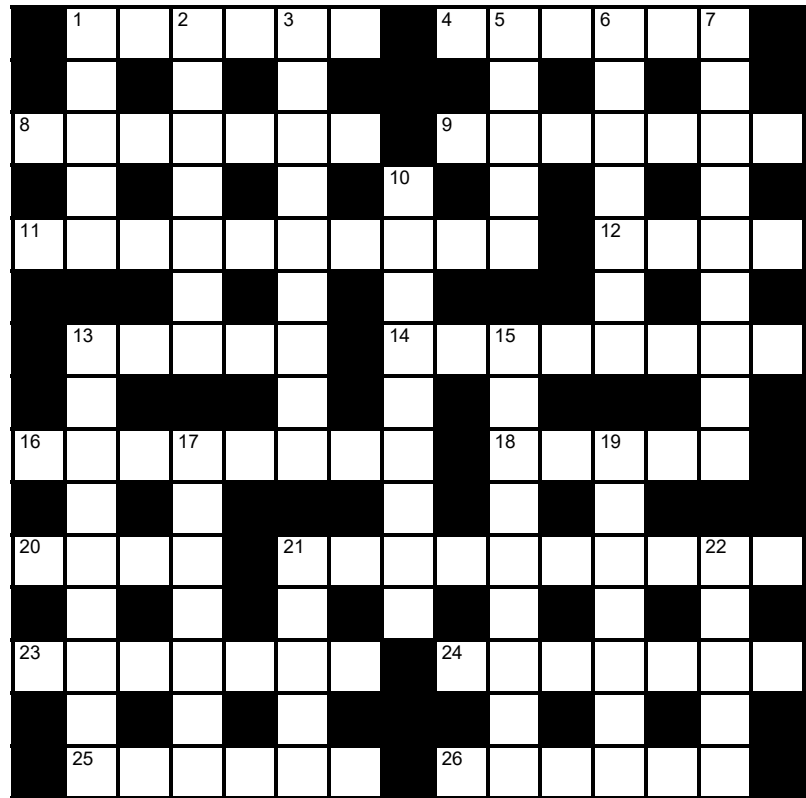


Across

- 1 Mysterious Pole after Dharma's heart (6)
- 4 Rather comical reverend quietly departs. (6)
- 8 A new boring football team, nothing exciting here! (7)
- 9 Tense? You may need him though he needs you by the sound of it! (7)
- 11 Old man getting into the music of Yes plus a bit of Abba for brainwashing (10)
- 12 Copy letters from hi-tech organisation. (4)
- 13 Filly staggered ashore, not amused at first (5)
- 14 Eccentrics overdose with songs on the radio (8)
- 16 Rep slightly confused, sounding wound up is feigning. (8)
- 18 &23a. Oddly attired man not happy with wardrobe (5,7)
- 20 Tip for the French (4)
- 21 Where those humming and hawing are to be found? (2,1,7)
- 23 See 18
- 24 Away, rushes back for delivery? (3,4)
- 25 Selection of superstore's ultimate fruit. (6)
- 26 Customer, about 50, oddly ignored fine coat from Next (6)



Down

- 1 A match every batsman would like to avoid! (1,4)
- 2 Having adopted trendy exercise King is upbeat. (7)
- 3 Conservationist follows river leading to shade (4,5)
- 5 City, large, also known as this? (5)
- 6 Head of nemesia with a bouquet that's flowering (7)
- 7 Crudity ... one shrugs awkwardly (9)
- 10 Means test for Duty (6,3)
- 13 Custodian's haven discovered here (9)
- 15 Fed clue? It could be insincere (9)
- 17 Drives speedily initially after putting husband in custody (7)
- 19 Keep an eye on City, supporting Rovers ... losing sides! (7)
- 21 Head of IKEA sitting on contract that's flawless (5)
- 22 Farah perhaps first to get sweaty (5)