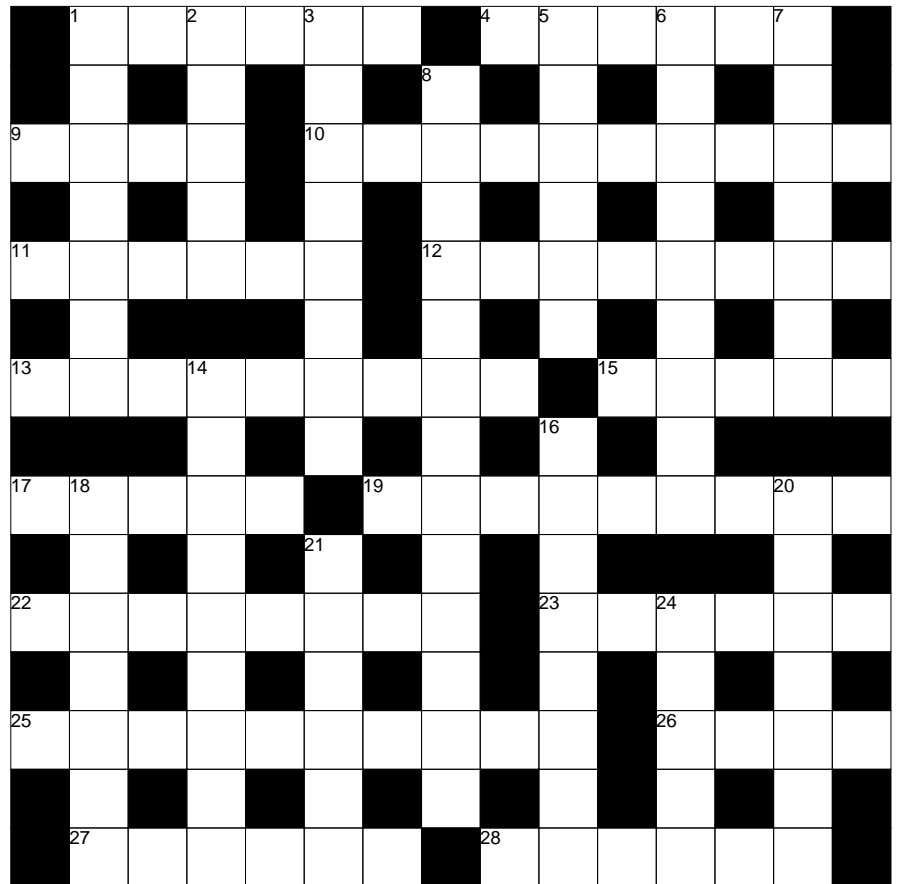


**Across**

- 1 Concern starts making one hundred years last like Hergé's work (6)
- 4 Fundless IMF follows victory without Keane to become casualty (6)
- 9 Previous Indian coach's first gospel (4)
- 10 Marginally off, but dangerously (10)
- 11 Controversial off-spinner says you are called AI in Michigan (6)
- 12 Fried buns turn crumbly (8)
- 13 Hey! Queen makes a tasty legume dish for far-rafting Norwegian explorer (9)
- 15 Great mogul even banks at the nut house (5)
- 17 Wasted run nestled in gutted duck (5)
- 19 Aussie stumper covered with gold holds numberless plundered riches (9)
- 22 Uzbek capital produced some hot ash Ken touched (8)
- 23 India's leading double centurion equals initial record held by Beckham (6)
- 25 Maniac reviles war, possibly forks (10)
- 26 Listen to Oliver, Zaheer! (4)
- 27 Very small amount of time (6)
- 28 Celebrity confronts Swiss code to stiffen shirts (6)

**Down**

- 1 End crazy company rules! (7)
- 2 Fad article hides inside, missing in action (5)
- 3 I left India to follow charming, ringless Sri Lankan ace bowler, familiarly (8)
- 5 Impervious one-millimeter French article (6)
- 6 Last batsman left dark tunnel, provoked star batsman (9)



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- 7 Sri Lankan quick bowler using unusual action to take part in attempt to charm a lingam (7)
- 8 Birthday boy worked with him, rummaging in his trash can (4,9)
- 14 Dhoni even plays for PSV (9)
- 16 A crucial trial for a five-dayer with Sid, say (4,4)
- 18 Accepting the facts of life is insanely lame, sir! (7)
- 20 Former Indian seamer is senior in a mother's heart (7)
- 21 Half-birthday keeps European Union parted where Steve lived (6)
- 24 Interrogator treks and partly climbs (5)