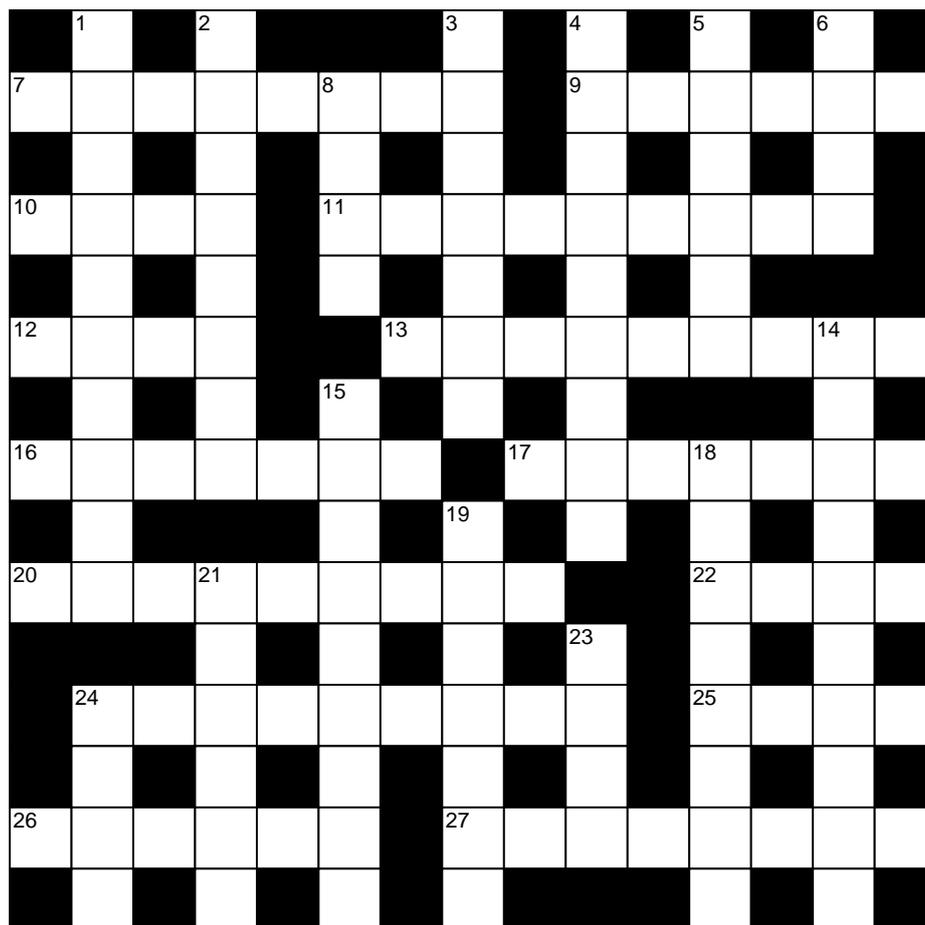


Mess Deck Crossword

Summer 2022 - Cryptic



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ACROSS

- 7 Step down from acid beat (8)
- 9 The said clergyman's gun (6)
- 10 Port for trade (4)
- 11 Large lies about art display (9)
- 12 Stop about right in Tiverton (4)
- 13 Company I manage for a selfish person (9)
- 16 Lighters found at Arbroath (7)
- 17 Reveals peace keepers' lists (7)
- 20 Den is rude about bottom (9)
- 22 A net gain at sea (4)
- 24 An escalator may be good for the soul (9)
- 25 One in eight may catch one (4)
- 26 Smaller ship caught in a sidelong glance (6)
- 27 Darn male becomes senior citizen (8)

DOWN

- 1 Sailors start lashing in a beam seen slipping (10)
- 2 Invoice pirate captain for gardening tool (8)
- 3 In the main people find them a steadying influence (3,4)
- 4 Sing about the best in loud voice (8)
- 5 A standard bridge adversaries put name to (6)
- 6 Plant doctor on board ship (4)
- 8 Ship featured in extract from retrospective programme (4)
- 14 Singularly one down (10)
- 15 Go through flames, shooting on both sides (9)
- 18 They lead in the forces if ordered (8)
- 19 A mad girl, not good, bashed officer (7)
- 21 Join up, strangely silent (6)
- 23 Not quietly called elderly (4)
- 24 Abused sailor lost second hand (4)