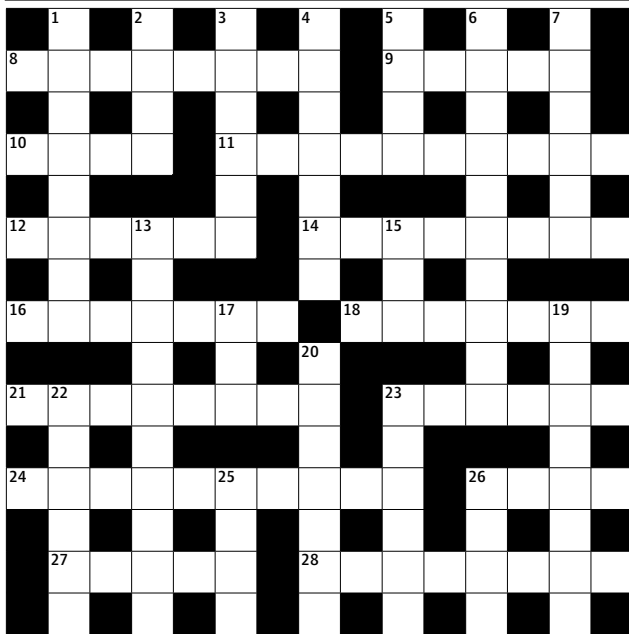


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,184 set by Brummie

Across

- 8 Brand of female to hit on old admirer (8)
- 9 “Wary”, as a Shakespearean king said (5)
- 10,26 Night light, low, needs new support (8)
- 11 Hampshire river lost in battle: Icarus’s first and last? (4,6)
- 12 King? More like a primate’s foil (6)
- 14 Doctor photo of slight contact between planes? (8)
- 16 It warns shipping of cap-sized grand house with sailors (7)
- 18 Just once, start to tease in lacy creation! (7)
- 21 Country’s spies stifling publicity about restless mob (8)
- 23 Remarks one’s not prepared to come out with (2-4)
- 24 Not indulging certain muscles can measure carbon energy (10)
- 26 See 10
- 27 English region of both French and German union (5)
- 28 New start for magician, one who refuses to swear (8)

Down

- 1 Old dear is lost round a place of easy wealth (2,6)
- 2 Artist’s seminar scrubbing up artists (4)
- 3 Maybe Paul’s temperature doubled in Sibyl’s embrace! (6)
- 4 National surgical support lacks leader Paisley? (7)
- 5 Character acquainting player with the pitch (4)
- 6 Parking in a circle or ground given in return (10)
- 7 Disease test not right – push off! (6)
- 13 In hospital, one part Brummie has is shy-making (10)
- 15 Harrison possibly ruins broadcast (3)
- 17 Study lacks one which is often potted (3)
- 19 Live broadcast abroad needs right peninsular region (8)
- 20 Hardly spitting if in front of 27 15, 4 26 down and 17 3, 19 (7)
- 22 Gold requested Dawn’s song (6)
- 23 Getting on a scrambled egg with popular filling (6)
- 25 A slight shift in Einstein’s original negative figure (4)
- 26 Rude to squander (4)

Solution No. 25,183

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