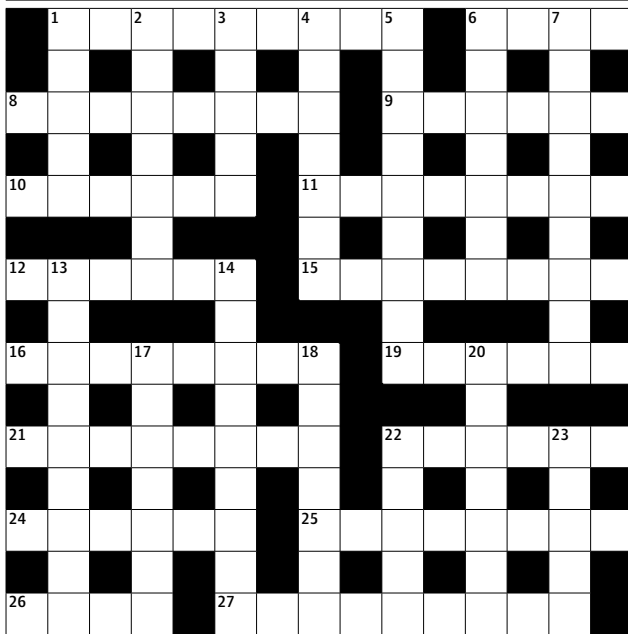


Guardian cryptic crossword



No 25,588 set by Paul

Across

- 1** Party yawning loudly, part of the furniture (9)
6 Run away, seeing wolf (4)
8 Gorilla heading for zoo held by girl from behind – appearing calmer? (8)
9,23 Mundane as Wimbledon, perhaps? (11)
10 Frozen, grabbing last of heat, as cold (6)
11,24,26 Privilege claimed by Americans with their sleeves rolled up, they say? (3,5,2,4,4)
12 Paul forbidding fish (6)
15 Indian dress in chestnut and white – perhaps one cultivating flowers (8)
16 Characters 1, 3 and 5 in an over? (8)
19 Talk with creature of the night in river (6)
21,1down With an Irish accent and, initially, slurring it's dreadfully loud? (8,5)
22 Company of writers last to inscribe a final note, showing muscle (6)
24 See 11
25 Party with fury rejected an African (8)
26 See 11
27 Sacrifice armies and try to renegotiate (9)

Down

- 1** See 21
2 See 22

- 3** Attempt to outline exercise for a man, perhaps? (5)
4 Current measurer a short distance above tree, adjusted (7)
5 Dropped dead? That's about right (9)
6 Rear jetty going less smoothly (7)
7 Richard I – or IO? (9)
13 Try getting goal, English support lacking at first (9)
14 Sully spirit measure I'm to serve up, small amount (9)
17 Idiomatic dropping in without support (7)
18 Defamation's left in a lower position for actor Adam (7)
20 Large short, drinking last of Havana Club, perhaps – this it? (7)
22,2 Excellent thing, a light shone in a policeman's face? (5-7)
23 See 9

Solution No. 25,587

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