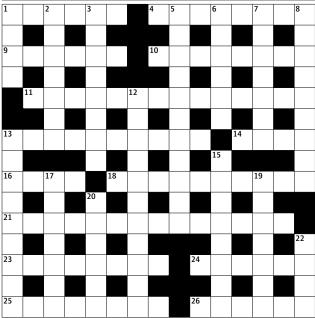
## **Guardian cryptic crossword**



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## **Across**

- **1** Husband finding one's bra size a bit of a problem (6)
- **4** Plods are unexpectedly fast runners (8)
- **9** Bloke initially unsure about fertility treatment (6)
- 10 Media bores like endless socialising at Davos, for example (5-3)
- **11** Pen secret deception? (5,9)
- **13** Promises no unfair wordplay (10)
- **14** Beating odds to fly a Spitfire (4)
- **16** Appoint celebrity underwriter (4)
- **18** Capable of igniting committee shattered by massive service cut (10)
- 21 Kent changing cubicle (9,5)
- 23 Loathsome letters about Arnold Bennett? (8)
- **24** Shame of Top Gear star's mum (6)
- **25** Able to stand elite poncing about round playing field? (8)
- **26** Dictator's too wise to entertain toff on a regular basis (6)

## Down

 Knock cap off sleeping policeman (4)

- 2 Nazi con involved it (7)
- **3** Union forcing rebellion (8)
- **5** Non-stop bile, not decently articulable (11)
- **6** Woman in department retired in a huff (6)
- **7** Showing many facets of Sue, unclothed (4-3)
- **8** Proper wicked hash pipes! (9)
- **12** Using depilator on or near a canine? (11)
- **13** Sauna without a massage causing overheating (9)
- **15** It goes round the neck of a dog (5,3)
- 17 Sweet Manx language
- **19** Whole of Bury, say, is quarantined (7)
- 20 Most likely asleep after disheartening match
- **22** Runs into road, showing caution (4)

## Solution No. 26,049

