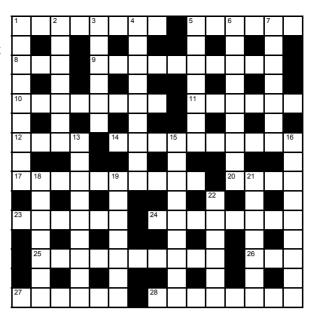
## Across

- 1 Wrap leaf around popular Old Testament wine (8)
- 5 In a jump, I ref (referee) (6)
- **8** Blue jay regularly in paddock (3)
- **9** Polish off ales by seaside dorpie (7,3)
- 10 Uncomfortably hot in relation to strip (8)
- 11 Pityana's sermon entertained Egyptian President (6)
- 12 Seek out surprise announcement (2,2)
- **14** Depart before quiet deer nervously stop (10)
- 17 Extraordinarily dense cub is sinking (10)
- **20** Time with endless fool (4)
- 23 Revealed writer in reference work (6)
- **24** Firm man is backing working harmony (8)
- **25** Put an end to vehicle with first train carriage (6,4)
- **26** I permit return of fish (3)
- 27 Rewritten thing devoured by journalists (6)
- **28** Scattered about ten brews (8)

## Down

- 1 People who spoil votes hide true confusion (9)
- 2 Shades of party energy in rising star (7)
- 3 Child absorbs heckle also (2,4)
- 4 Present shore changes, so don't look into this one's mouth (4,5)
- **5** After hesitation, left eastern New Zealand on penultimate journey leg (7)
- **6** Up, up and live with smell of youngster (9)
- 7 Conventional poets like Koos du Plessis and Casey Motsisi? (7)
- 13 Withering sense, thou becomes ash (9)
- **15** Eat out after fiddle to get top qualification (9)
- **16** Stress of old lover in addition (9)
- 18 Natural nudes cavort around Post Office(7)
- **19** Worked out action to capture clipped bird (7)



- 21 Initial wet piece of ice led shortly to fold (7)
- 22 Go away to attend (4,2)