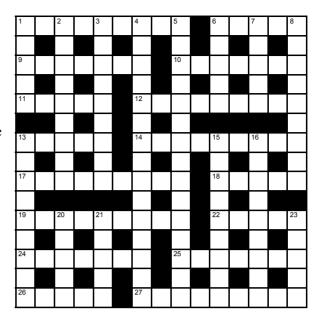
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Across

- 1 Gets smart puss to join deer's frolicking (7,2)
- 6 Author gaan afkak writing back to front (5)
- 9 Love song-writer changing order outside (4-3)
- 10 Old boys get high (7)
- 11 Cattle are no good until nurturing instinct starts (5)
- **12** Exclude KZN bird in top group (9)
- 13 Animal to live with a saint (5)
- **14** Rich lost way to mothers' festival (9)
- 17 Laggard et al somehow come right (9)
- **18** Rotund loses weight eventually but stays the same! (5)
- 19 State criminal has issue missing first escape (9)
- 22 Bay window made from gold that's left (5)
- **24** That which sustains a fast? I'm in! (7)
- **25** Closing broadcast is the limit (7)
- 26 Anticipate a wife with a hospitable heart (5)
- 27 Makes the same sequel as I create (9)

Down

- 1 Above heading to grab last river swamp (5)
- **2** Former cute construction worker is a performer (9)
- **3** Unmoved about first number (9)
- **4** Local authority has way to promise support (6,9)
- **5** Top 1000 reportedly boasted about special wine (7,5,3)
- **6** Angry about skew salami losing odd parts (5)
- 7 Religious pronouncement made loudly at Women's Auxiliary (5)
- **8** Spoke about promotion and being prepared (9)
- **13** Top warmer is black like cold volcanic material (9)



- 15 Roast liar about being related to tailor (9)
- 16 Returning diamonds, I run endlessly to a minute land (9)
- **20** Difficult for New Zealand to get one postgraduate (5)
- 21 Useless in training pet (5)
- 23 City of Los Angeles ends pandering to Republicans (5)