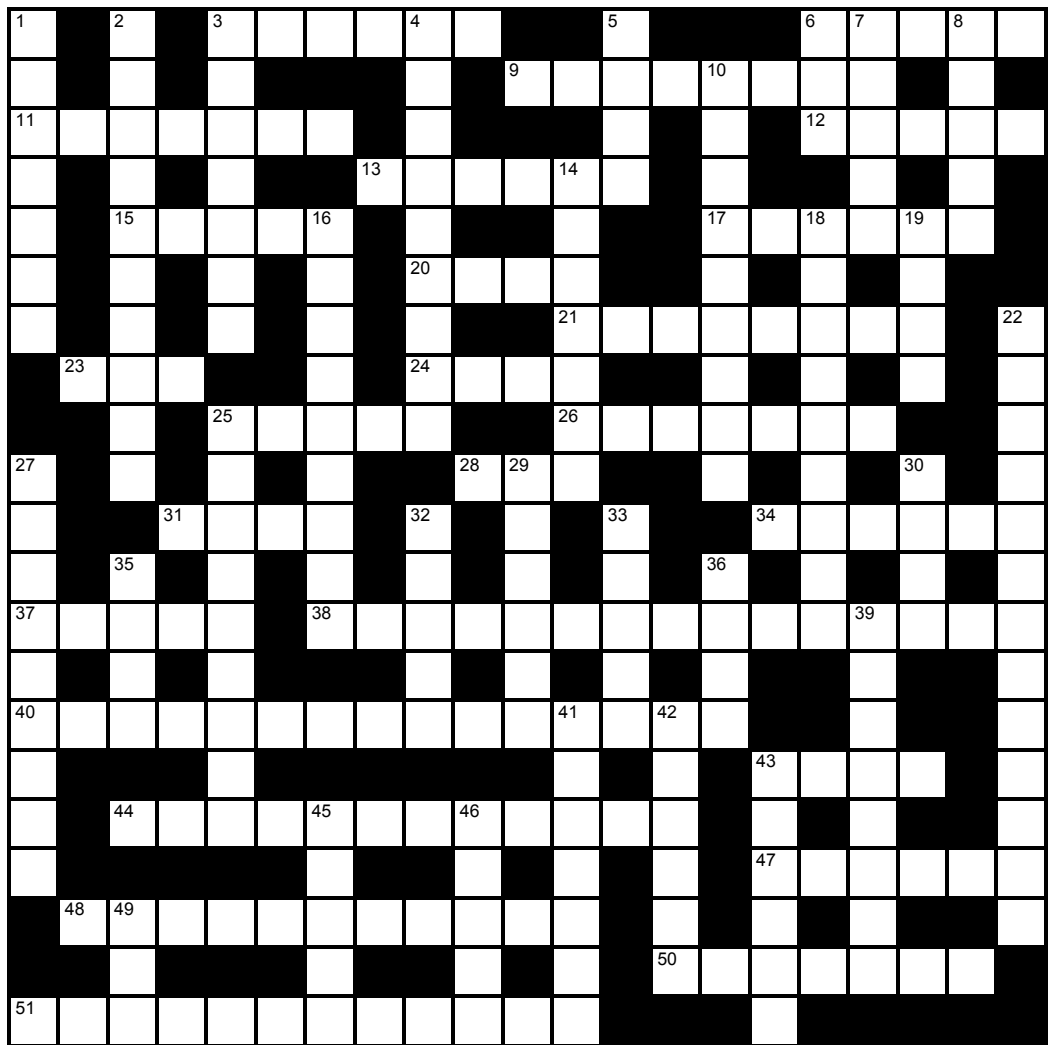


Across

- 3 Chesty hack (6)
- 6 Beg to be uncaged (5)
- 9 Something with which to tempt the hunger striker? (4,4)
- 11 Vanity case? (7)
- 12/19 Not whoppers to whistle about that is. (5,4)
- 13 The accomplishments achieved when you idle away time on board. (6)
- 15 The same old stories heard over and over...and over. (5)
- 17 Clumsy like Popeye. (6)
- 20 Tragic change of mood. (4)
- 21 It'll be as stormy as a day on 14th of July. (8)
- 23 Beg or bug. (3)
- 24 Hear about the bird. (4)
- 25 Stalwart Ollie. (5)
- 26 Dipping it in the sauce has a certain attraction. (7)
- 28 Begin agonising about the past. (3)

- 31/3D The best jazz musician or the laziest? (4,7)
- 34 Regretted sousing stoned. (6)
- 37 Channel the gold out of Austria. (5)
- 38 Is it what the cowboys do when they pretend to make up with the indians? (3,2,1,5,4)
- 40 What the archaeologist has to look forward to is a matter of conjecture. (7,2,2,4)
- 43 Spike replaces the absent salesman. (4)
- 44 Progressive PR. (5,7)
- 47 Follow follows tool setter. (3,3)
- 48 If. (2,3,4,2)



- 50 The mechanism of rumour. (7)
- 51 A handsome sum. (1,6,5)

Down

- 1 (3,4)
- 2 Raise the rafters with conflicting facial expressions. (10)
- 3 See 31 Across
- 4 Fine good looking fish. (5,4)
- 5 Pass around the vipers. (4)
- 6 In what manner or way at the present time, being any of a group of colours between red and yellow in hue that are medium to low in lightness..... (3)
- 7 Specifically unplanned. (5)

- 8 Just manage to overtake. (3,2)
- 10 Creative bench Evita sits back on. (9)
- 14 Stack, sack, oh.....back attack. (7)
- 16 What one did in self defence when cornered. (7,2)
- 18 The patience of a saint, St Alfrida for example. (9)
- 19 See 12 Across
- 22 Fine legs, maybe, maybe not. (5,8)
- 25 Unwrought iron. (9)
- 27 Start.....the second change? (5,4)
- 29 The ricochet of a good weapon. (6)
- 30 Chemical analysis reveals this bond is in glass. (4)

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- 33 See 49 Down. (5)
- 35 Lords and ladies started a rumour. (4)
- 36 The Amry & Navy Stores water. (4)
- 39 Conifers make them. (3,5)
- 41 Porridge breakfast? (4,3)
- 42 Varing in stature. 1st to 6th to..... (6)
- 43 The preserve of the beaver. (6)
- 45 Black battle of the Boyne. (5)
- 46 Many a translated language. (5)
- 49 Before long it's 10% more than 33 Down. (3)