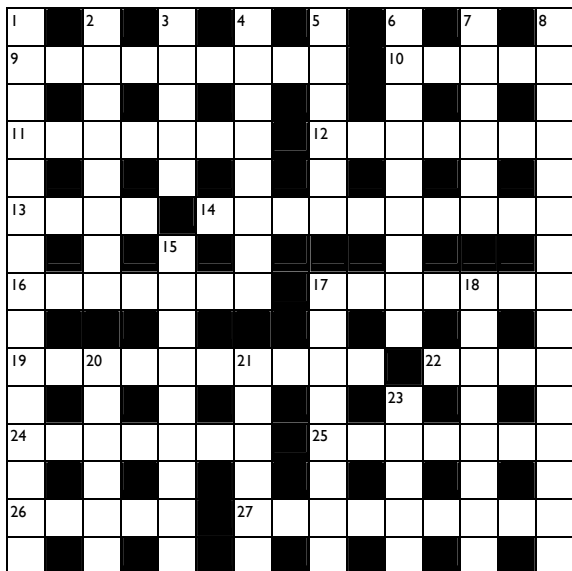


# COMPETITION CROSSWORD



*QUETZALCOATL*

**Prizes to the first two correct entries drawn.**

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## Across

9. Jumping on early bus, nigh falling (9)
10. Yoga seen as a natural choice (5)
11. Fails! The Pole in charge knows (7)
12. Here Flo' sliced into eastern dress (7)
13. Seawrack, at first no one resists it (4)
14. With time a state gets a record back for sugar or tea perhaps (10)
16. Blow whistle before checkmate (7)
17. Succeed at rap – live performance (7)
19. Long for a very soft lad to deliver bombshells! (10)
22. Temptress unknown at the time (4)
24. Talk avidly of Zeppelins (7)
25. Tenuous vanishing point (4,3)
26. Head off gloomily to card game (5)
27. Unfenced with fewer knots (9)

## Down

1. Coaching bird ended in 1914 (9,6)
2. Old boys are healed in the dark (8)
3. Pale lady in an insertion (5)
4. Ease face ache: slap evil mixture on! (3,5)
5. Encourages morning preparation (4,2)
6. Soaked full around about a pothole (9)
7. South African association of bible lessons with a wild voyage (6)
8. Country beer unknown to the hacks in the bus (8,7)
15. Shelled vehicle quickly died (9)
17. Crumpet left out for the picker (8)
18. Queen said to have bred with gusto (8)
20. Fight to build base in New York (6)
21. No way for a Samaritan to go? (6)
23. Back Irish yet not Irish (5)