

The Crusader's clues

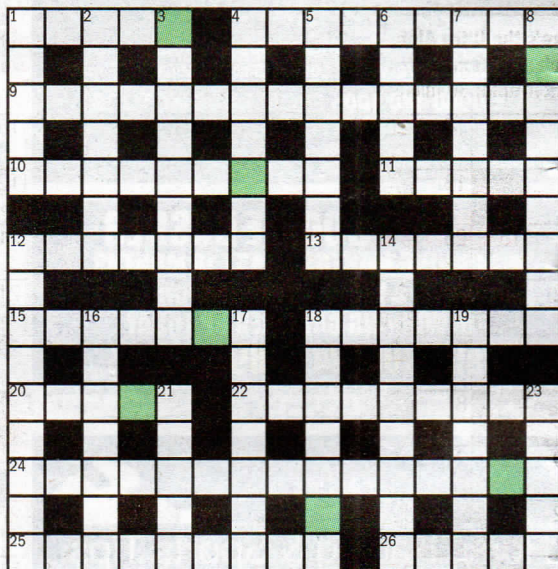
ACROSS

- 1 A revolutionary principle (5)
- 4 Weaponry lowered misses (9)
- 9 Weatherman forty-odd like me (5,2,3,5)
- 10 Breeze fluttering Rio banner (2-7)
- 11 Check a model does without (5)
- 12 Past story? Provide coverage (7)
- 13 A stripper only has five books (7)
- 15 Odd choice after maths test ends (7)
- 18 Soldiers walked through with bullies (7)
- 20 Baffled airheads have set out (2,3)
- 22 Driving around beginners of note is hard (9)
- 24 Appearance money from pro - tenor asks for it (5,3,7)
- 25 Inspector Alleyn thus faces witness (9)
- 26 Swell girl splits fine with me (5)

DOWN

- 1 Vehicle bought last fall (5)
- 2 Incompetent? Interesting (7)
- 3 Jack and Simon could be wearing something waterproof (9)
- 4 Capital letters, we hear (7)
- 5 Drunk has to pull up for... (7)
- 6 ...racy chef odd insiders hurt (5)
- 7 Peer taking officer back to spook (7)
- 8 Wet day unionist evaluated (9)
- 12 River by castle's broken barriers (9)
- 14 Pines, in short, initially poor prospects (4,5)
- 16 Some nourishing fish food (7)
- 17 Arabian politicians admitting to leaving milk (7)
- 18 Fool wearing tie up for supervision? (7)
- 19 Clusters opening on supple plant, sort of (7)
- 21 Something valuable being given (5)
- 23 Golly, some unladen birds! (5)

Cryptic clues from our knight, and quick clues from his squire, lead to the same answers in the Crusader's Sunday joust



The Squire's clues

ACROSS

- 1 Belief (5)
- 4 Short curved swords (9)
- 9 Liking the things I do (5,2,3,5)
- 10 Something easy or obvious (2-7)
- 11 Put off (5)
- 12 Rest on top of (7)
- 13 In the black (7)
- 15 Unusual (7)
- 18 Threatened (7)
- 20 On the ocean (2,3)
- 22 Arduous (9)
- 24 Invites difficulty (5,3,7)
- 25 Observer (9)
- 26 Sudden increase (5)

DOWN

- 1 Drill (5)
- 2 Marked (7)
- 3 Waterproofed canvas (9)
- 4 Hot pepper (7)
- 5 In the direction of (7)
- 6 Was sore (5)
- 7 Surprise or frighten (7)
- 8 Soaked (9)
- 12 Hurdles (9)
- 14 Bets unlikely to win (4,5)
- 16 Meat fried in breadcrumbs (7)
- 17 Capitalise on (7)
- 18 Computer screen (7)
- 19 Social ____ (7)
- 21 Strength (5)
- 23 Large water birds (5)

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