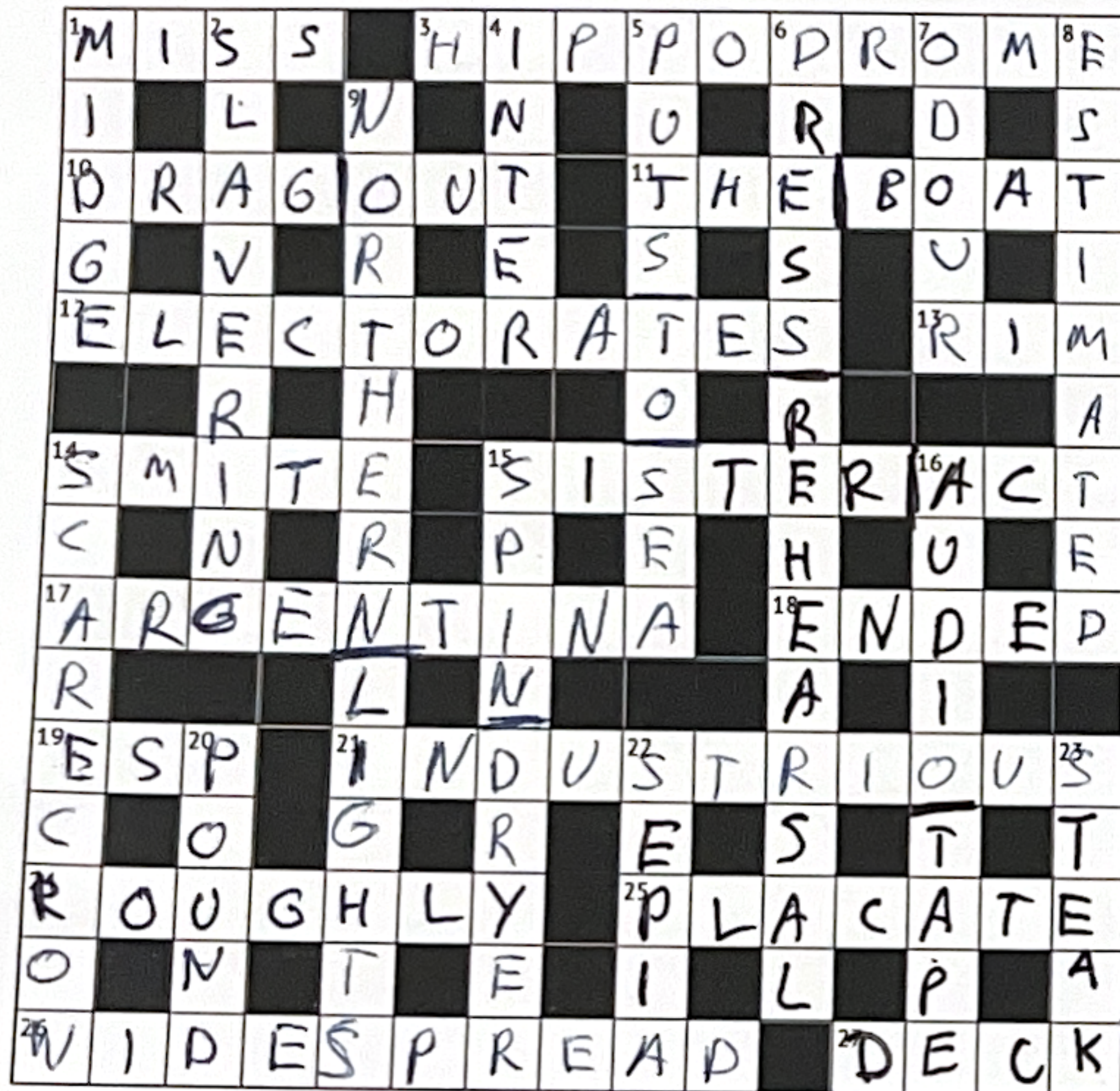


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ACROSS

1,11-across

Excitedly aim best shot but lose an opportunity (4,3,4)

8 Hungry animal died beside capital city's theatre? (10)

10 Prolong hunt even after mythical beast losing tail (4,3)

11 See 1-across

12 Wildly steer and locate members' areas? (11)

13 Crop top lacking edge (3) RIM

14 Strike small bug (5) STICK/Slice

15 Resist new territory for musical (6,3)

17 Country fellow possessed by unopened port (9)

18 Fixed mass left over (5)

19 The Sixth Sense twist regularly posted (3)

21 Hardworking engineer ruins studio (11)

24 Found inside, through lying about (7)

25 Calm down, the dish contains calcium (7)

26 Weird spade adapted for sweeping (10)

27 Knock over pack (4)

DOWN

1 Tiny fly, for example, dull all over (5)

2 Squeal about Oz tennis great, drooling (9)

4 Lay to rest initial rumours after I note lost love (5)

5 Casts off fablist upset over periodic quotes on time (4,2,3)

8 Refreshingly ~~effless~~, as heard in costumed run-through (5,9)

7 Frowning after egg smell (5)

8 Guessed at best I'm a tedious inclusion (9)9 ~~Learn something~~ anew, missing a polar glow (8,6)

14 Mark then a point for Adelaide player as he guards field (9)

15 Misplaced red spray in a dumped laundry machine (4-5)

16 Used to record currency conversion for one teapot, reduced (5,4)

20 Currency hit hard (5)

22 Promoted copies incorporating one nostalgic filter (5)

23 Express post barbecue fare (5)

STAKE

SMEAT