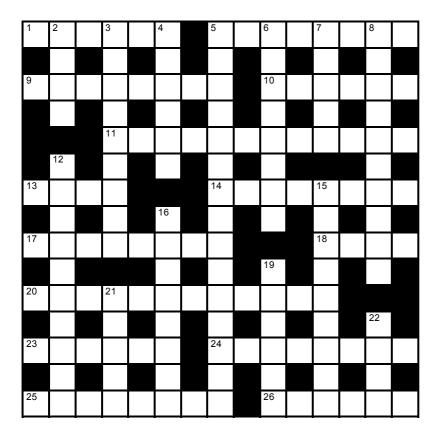
## **Cryptic Crossword #40**

8 solutions need to be rotated by 180° before being entered into the grid. After rotation, each of the 8 solutions contain all valid letters. For example, SOWN would need to be entered as NMOS.

## Set by Qaos



## **Across**

- **1** A drugs smuggler gets time for hanging talisman (6)
- **5** Bake right into pan, perhaps a cracker (8)
- 9 Outbreak? Take tissue with gratitude (5,3)
- 10 I found happiness in Glenfiddich (6)
- **11** Removing the government making mistakes on the field? (12)
- **13** The tails of dogs swish with one new bone (4)
- 14 Foolish middle class drop LSD fractions (8)
- 17 No charge for Miles' top jazz style (4-4)
- 18 Goddess's first son is ... (4)
- **20** In Paris, one thought fit to be difficult (12)
- **23** Doctrine of Greeks shows imagination is magnificent (6)
- **24** Native American: 2 x (75% of 2) + 50% of 9? (8)
- 25 PM admits love for country (8)
- 26 She is a married woman (6)

## Down

- 2 Beginning to see how to perform (4)
- 3 Cooked slug? No! Eat lobsters (9)
- 4 Herbs multiply, reportedly (6)
- **5** It's time flustered HR is found on time (6.9)
- **6** Strangle the blasted critters! (8)
- 7 Note that's low, without doubt (5)
- 8 Persistent seller, sent out (10)
- **12** I'm backing old women one's the leader of Asian country (10)
- **15** After service, Home Counties girl returns rubbers (9)
- **16** Plan to follow, nothing is left out (8)
- 19 Bitter holy men? (6)
- 21 Wise man beheaded (5)
- 22 Asian's radio gag (4)