

ATB Cryptic #20

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Across

- 1 North American cycling vehicles? (6)
- 4 Attire for poker? (8)
- 8 Mother! I am hurt! (4)
- 9 Short dragons got naked recently! (3,4,3)
- 11 Scarcely recognisable from huge injury (4,3)
- 13 Being stunned by fishing (7)
- 14 Prisoner to calculate endgame - sealed the deal? (11)
- 15 Dab down 4 until almost full (3)
- 16 Captive audience? (3)
- 17 Introduce police organisation to spilled tea (11)
- 19 French city attempt giving congratulations (4,3)
- 21 Plan in school for blot (7)
- 23 Assembling church instrument, I chant (10)
- 25 Steal credentials and monetary capital? (4)
- 26 Spice up recruitment by removing net (8)
- 27 Writes out letters and runes (6)

Down

- 1 Mad icon sent on their travels (7)
- 2 Enter a swimming pool with romantic intent? (5,4)
- 3 Organise marathon (3)
- 4 Don't begin epidemic spread (4)
- 5 Nursery rhyme about Ole ended okay (6,6)
- 6 At minimum, a mint flavour (5)
- 7 Imagined you got hate to start (7)
- 10 Ace can change and keep hold of attractive friend (12)
- 12 Spall and Dalton hit young Tom aggressively (7)
- 13 Heads back through fixture turnstiles (7)
- 15 Viable Arctic pal at sea (9)
- 16 Ignore council planning housing e.g.? (4,3)
- 18 Digs up old tune from Spain (7)
- 20 Tragically spotted rising smoke (5)
- 22 Company after unknown element (4)
- 24 Entertaining actor's guild cast up (3)