3 6 8 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 19 20 21 24 22 23 25

Across

- 1 A group of owls (10)
- 7 Kiln for drying hops (4)
- 8 Transparent protective coating applied to wood (7)
- 9 Frozen water (3)
- 10 Cocktail made from gin, vermouth & Campari (7)
- 13 Parade or display ostentatiously (6)
- 15 Greek god of love (4)
- 16 Party or social event (2)
- 18 One who fastens things by means of metal pins (7)
- 20 All or every (4)
- 21 Every one (3)
- 22 Historically, a group of ten householders who lived close together and were collectively responsible for each other (7)
- 24 Video log (4)
- 25 Furnish or adorn with something ornamental (8)

Down

- 1 Increase rapidly in number (11)
- 2 Position north or south of the equator (8)
- 3 Start of liturgical year in Western Christianity (6)
- 4 Entire cob of corn with the husk still on (3)
- 5 Someone who makes, mends or alters clothes (6)
 6 Christian service for children held before Christmas (11)
- 11 Pistol with rotating chambers (8)
- **12** Negative answer (2)
- 14 With auxiliary verb, forms a negative phrase (3)
- 17 Dreadful, disastrous or fatal (6)
- 19 Someone who expresses their choice or opinion in a ballot (5)
- 23 Improvised Explosive Device (3)

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