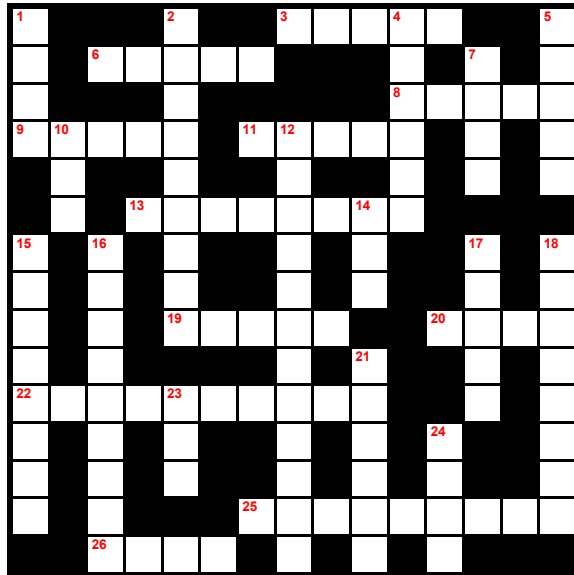


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Across

- 3 An area marked off for playing a sport. (5)
- 6 Hard-hit overhand shot that forces the shuttle sharply downward. Badminton's primary attacking stroke. (5)
- 8 A shot, similar to the lob in tennis, that is hit over the opponent's head, usually to a point near the back boundary line. (5)
- 9 A shot, usually from near the net, on which the racket is not swung, but simply used as a "backboard" to return the shuttlecock. (5)
- 11 By surprise (5)
- 13 A shot on which the frame of the racket strikes the base of the shuttle. Formerly illegal, but legalized in 1963. (4,4)
- 19 The illegal act of catching the shuttlecock on the racket and then slinging rather than striking it. (5)
- 20 The shuttlecock. (4)
- 22 A doubles formation in which each partner is responsible for one side of the court. (4-2-4)
- 25 Front third of the court, between the net and the short service line. (9)
- 26 A smash from near the net. (4)
- 5 The illegal act of catching the shuttlecock on the racket and then slinging rather than striking it. (5)
- 7 Relating to air. (4)
- 10 A legitimate cessation of play to allow a rally to be replayed. (3)
- 12 An area in the centre of the court where a singles player usually wants to be positioned after each shot. (4,8)
- 14 A shot that leads the shuttle cock away from the court boundary. (3)
- 15 A soft shot on which the shuttlecock is gently pushed, with little or no wrist action. More commonly used in doubles than in singles. (4,4)
- 16 A doubles formation in which one partner is basically responsible for shots near the net, while the other is responsible for shots nearer the baseline. (2-3-4)
- 17 Carry. (5)
- 18 The middle third of the court, halfway between the net and the back boundary line. (8)
- 21 One of the persons who compose a team or club. (6)
- 23 A common name for the racket. (3)
- 24 A shot hit softly and with finesse to fall rapidly and close to the net on the opponent's side. (4)

Down

- 1 Facility for playing and get-together. (4)
- 2 Back third of the court, in the area of the back boundary lines. (4,5)
- 4 Sports bat. (6)