ACROSS

- 1 Part of a list (4)
- 4 Of vital importance (8)
- 8 Wrestle (6)
- 9 Signify, mean (6)
- 10 In those times (4)
- 11 Make easier to understand (8)
- **13** Make an attempt (3,4,4,2)
- **16** Without knowledge (8)
- **19** Cover with thin slabs (4)
- 20 Sacred chant (6)
- 22 Carrot-coloured (6)
- 23 Nicola ____, former SNP leader (8)
- 24 Advanced (money) (4)

DOWN

- 2 Serum that makes people talk freely (5,4)
- 3 Craft of building in stone (7)
- 4 Shout 'hurrah' (5)
- **5** Extensively (2,5)
- 6 Hidden (feelings) (5)
- 7 At a ship's rear (3)
- **12** Clip-firing tool (6,3)
- **14** Not realising (7)
- 15 Seven-a-side game (7)
- 17 Riverbank mammal (5)
- 18 Spike on a plant (5)
- **21** Insect (3)

