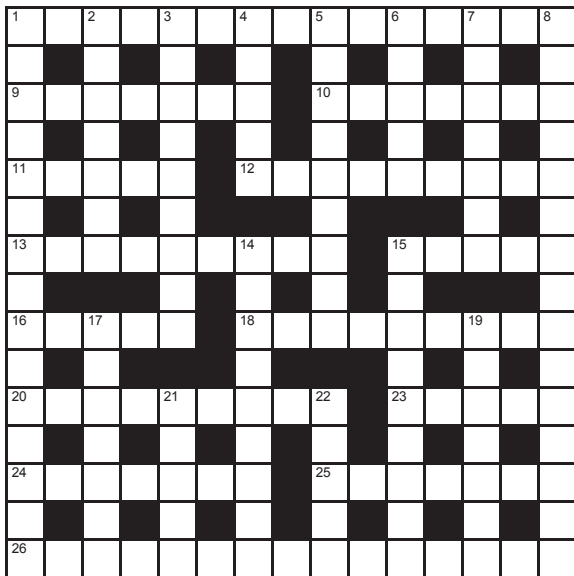


CROSSWORD

No. 16,043 Set by GURNEY



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 New Fiat progresses over time – these provide fillip? (2-6,7)
- 9 European Union attitude not new for this guy (7)
- 10 Beat dodge, we hear, referring to some teachings (7)
- 11 Too trusting spa town recalled (5)
- 12 Spider natural at swimming (9)
- 13 Show too much emotion about poor race, ultimately unimportant (9)
- 15 I'm surprised at soldier's dog (5)
- 16 Oddly sweet jump that's arranged beforehand (3-2)
- 18 No flexibility in turning up for these chaps initially – sadly some tire (4,5)
- 20 Country celebration in which posh had meal with magnificent starter? (9)
- 23 One unsuccessful, more miserly, losing head (5)
- 24 Being cheeky to seniors and upsetting children is not good at outset (7)
- 25 African gets old British coin at auction finally (7)
- 26 Bucket list advice, Italian style? (3,6,3,3)

DOWN

- 1 Gore's a huge sense for change - countering these? (10,5)
- 2 Celebrating quins is in Paris to be entertained? (7)
- 3 Hear corps somehow cultivate land (9)
- 4 Like two, tense, in pole vault maybe (5)
- 5 Provider of much liquid as art tour moves round (9)
- 6 Matches late in season causing quarrel (3-2)
- 7 One following United introduced to ship's officer (7)
- 8 It provides safety net in Council's areas after redevelopment (6,9)
- 14 In clear change, leave port (9)
- 15 Dance company at start taking in London celebrity (9)
- 17 Speak badly of exchange involving university clubs (7)
- 19 Give false information to Military Intelligence: deal's off (7)
- 21 When I expect to arrive, around six, for musical (5)
- 22 Alert watchman from afar, Gustav (5)