CROSSWORD
No. 15,446 Set by WANDERER

ACROSS
1, 5 City’s game won, wrapped up by 20’s side (7,7)
9 Easy and fair clue, this? (5)
10 Second offence, involving periodical disorderly struggle (9)
11 Problem with Observer writer’s stated tax (9)
12 Spanish area with Portuguese-speaking city prior to Munich Agreement (5)
13 Solicitor eating a little raw fish (5)
15 Swimmer embarrassed by haircut (3,6)
18 Messi having run rings round Man Utd at beginning of each half, popular back provides protection (9)
19 Primate called round earlier (5)
21 Left injured, hit with a stick (5)
23 Group of 18 down army finally captured during conflict in Spain? Olé! (9)
25 Novel run in poor quality paper? (9)
26 Mixed signals, if not initially savvy with current jargon (5)
27, 28 Alcoholic possibly sober before supper (7,7)

DOWN
1, 18 Bad singer still touring Kiribati, as before (7,7)
2 Odd bits of gold we found reflected in a standard piece of bait (9)
3 Bird, say, turning over twig (3,2)
4 Clever dicks, eg Ernie & Eric as one’s left in hysterics (6)
5 Monarch appearing in series broadcast again (5)
6 A wee Italian, possibly oneself (6,3)
7 Mythically one of nine per cat? No, not originally (5)
8, 20 Actor portraying conflict in film, good in Alien (7,7)
14 Sportsman playing sport in poor 9? On the contrary (6,3)
16 Saw about leaders in Europe seeking love, left forlorn (9)
17 Bit of a bloomer, perhaps, in what page is saying? (9)
18 See 1
20 See 8
22 Wrote about upstanding Blackpool resident? (5)
23 Aches from cycling round EU country (5)
24 Second generation immigrant in Boston is 8 (5)

Solution 15,445

JOTTER PAD