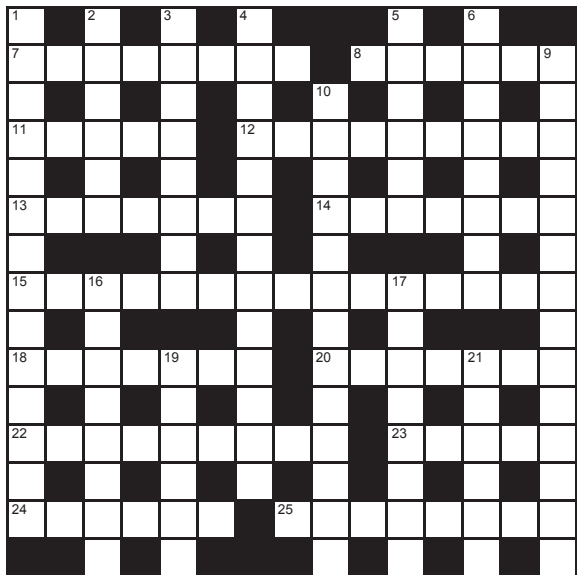


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JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 7 Poor monarch is overwhelmed by light banter (8)
- 8 Colour of country exuding a vitality (6)
- 11 Imagine name for female? Here's one (5)
- 12 Horrible smell surrounds one boy – one result of bad food? (9)
- 13 Heavy individual needs to stir up, lacking energy (7)
- 14 Maybe Dad's heading off in high spirits (7)
- 15 Strange yen in afternoon's resulting in sporting invitation (6,3,6)
- 18 Chicken and duck included in list (7)
- 20 Given a tribute, with wet clay cast into grave (7)
- 22 Stood still, as reported, holding a weapon unloaded (9)
- 23 Sportsperson in line meeting royalty (5)
- 24 What might help contribute to wiser Monday? (6)
- 25 System for message transference in company in office period (8)

DOWN

- 1 Saboteurs run so wild -- 'thunderous' beasts (14)
- 2 One looking forward to match in country – one's knocked right out (6)

- 3 Gloss over what Antrim team may do? (4,4)
- 4 Novel form of software displayed in chart (6,2,5)
- 5 Country needs a new aim being half twisted (6)
- 6 A class problem in more ways than one? (8)
- 9 Reconsider Magi, travelling and taking things in systematic way? (9,5)
- 10 Bigwig outside church, guest who assists the top man? (4-9)
- 16 The old old fellow has upset your chaps on estates, as before (8)
- 17 Finish drinking awful lager, getting puffed out? (8)
- 19 Speaker – the last character in parliament to irritate? (6)
- 21 Change of policy when hospital women get engaged in strike (6)

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