



**Across**

**1** Pushy exchange after first tackle's rash? (6)

**5** Almost sacked chasing after FA's trophy WAGs? (8)

**9** Attack roaming striker's head and body? (8)

**10** Ex-player seen at Boundary Park (6)

**11** Train to be tougher pro at United? (12)

**13** 0-0 after second-half starts off! (4)

**14** First eleven marred a remix of *Brown Sugar* (8)

**17** Turn away foreigner playing in amateur centre (8)

**18** In lead at end of match? (4)

**20** Scouting network? (6,6)

**23** Her sin was playing on hallowed ground! (6)

**24** Huddersfield Town's borders, perhaps (8)

**25** Punched leading scorer after off-side in press (8)

**26** Protest from Torres is typical (6)

**Down**

**2** Roy Keane's first-half performance for City (4)

**3** First-choice, *Petr Cech* lacks heart upon hearing positive result over loudspeaker, perhaps (9)

**4** One isn't playing after Wright-Phillips'

last touch for Southampton? (6)

**5** Hostile team reducing bid for football club (9,6)

**6** Standard of professional footballer's header that finds centre of goal, rounding *Raul Meireles* initially (3,5)

**7** Golden Ball given to a leading defender in middle of broadcast? (5)

**8** Stretch former Liverpool player starts after extra-time change-of-formation (10)

**12** Town anthem played following Chelsea's first-half appearance (10)

**15** United's Dion Dublin takes European Silver Boot! (3,6)

**16** Recklessness from Shearer, showing no hesitation in play, secures couple of points (8)

**19** Image rights carry nothing on satellite? (6)

**21** Even without an old Ronaldhino, a beast! (5)

**22** A Real Madrid striker leads with elbows, presumably (4)