

**Across**

- 7 (& 9) Lessen span of game (8)
- 9 ( see 7 across) (6)
- 10 Top player from the Belfast area (4)
- 11 Loan unusual coin set - it's part of the rules (10)
- 12 Small insult (6)
- 14 Next real spin is well outside (8)
- 15 Free cash won't endlessly make sense (6)
- 16 That's about half roll you'll need to swallow (6)

- 19 A sign of growth in Dodge City? (8)

- 21 Dad starts to get stranger and become a bit gaga (6)
- 23 "Mr President, carry on playing golf, " said Spooner , "that's a switch!" (4,6)
- 24 Strange start to 19 in part of London (4)
- 25 Painful condition if girl gets Ian upset (6)
- 26 Comic gets funny- no good getting 'lippy' (8)

**Down**

- 1 Resting place of the 'ghost' elephant (6)
- 2 10 gets the first person, for a mix (4)
- 3 Style of singing in 'Parsifal', set to music (8)
- 4 Aim to be in opposition (6)
- 5 Do shorties get off with all the girls (10)
- 6 Some sign or anticipation one doesn't know (8)
- 8 League starts taking medicine (6)
- 13 Player, way past sell by date

- .Hope manager gets exchange out east (10)

- 15 Put in a new place mad hero got second hand (8)
- 17 Living for the day he's silly mid-on (8)
- 18 Still getting interference (6)
- 20 To do with learner leaving 12 (6)
- 22 China tea drunk, left AA, to describe minority group (6)
- 24 Search for that Indian sound (4)

