Guardian cryptic crossword No 28,111 set by Paul

This is Paul’s first puzzle, published in the Guardian 25 years ago tomorrow, with a few clues updated.

**Across**
8 Name sewn into footballers’ underwear (8)
9 Spare time occupied with last letters in mailbox and cabinet (5)
10 One hears the Queen’s off fish (4)
11 Jack: knave covered by queen? It’s on the way? (10)
12,3 Smothering people in manure is rational (6,6)
14 Activist carrying bomb, bully (8)
15 Hot inside wide heat-resistant receptacle (7)
17 Eccentric return of stuttering Labour Party? (7)
20 Most bubbly girls drained from glasses, help to drink last of champagne (8)
22 Fairly attractive ... (6)
23 ... wire broken in old office equipment (10)
24 Belligerent god in paradise, rather laid back (4)
25 Scottish town’s appearance in news? (5)

**Down**
1 Rising endlessly, Finland’s river, one that’s vast (8)
2 Came by a roundabout route to 24 down (4)
3 See 12
4 With a leg either side, sit and read novel (7)
5 Still cold, shivering male tucked in? (8)
6 Within a board, reform ain’t possible (10)
7 Rolls may be kept here (buns originally removed from trash) (6)
8 Shop that’s opening, one in mountainous route over lake (10)
16 Jack, queen, king, ace: no trumps anomalous? (8)
18 Educated general quaffing dry wine (8)
19 Giant finally caught by David, say – that’s the law (7)
21 Unspecified individual in company on edge (6)
22 Not quite finding a space for oatmeal cake (6)
24 Top secret monkey? (4)

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