

# The Stickler Weekly 50 Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 MAINSTREAM	Conventional mother isn't changing a lot of sheets (10)	MA + anagram of ISNT + REAM
6 PORT	Drink a little nightcap or tonic (4)	nightcaP OR Tonic
10 DEPARTMENT STORE	People involved in trade protest damaged big shop (10,5)	MEN inside anagram of TRADE PROTEST
11 STUMPERS	Difficult problems must upset person not working (8)	Anagram of MUST + (PERSON minus ON)
12 ANDES	A geographical feature, part of Australian Desert (5)	australiAN DESert
14 RANGER	Guide looked after source of disease mostly (6)	RAN + (GER)M
16 CYLINDER	Chamber in motor is repositioned nicely around end of manifold right (8)	[Anagram of NICELY outside MANIFOL(D)] + R
18 PREACHER	Contact brought in for a minister (8)	REACH inside PER
20 SETTER	Times invested in visionary crossword creator? (6)	(T x 2) inside SEER
22 EQUIP	Supply ecstasy and crack (5)	E + QUIP
24 REACTORS	They work on hot stuff about stage performers (8)	RE + ACTORS
27 ESPRESSO MACHINE	Maker of coffee and cream in shop sees broadcast (8,7)	Anagram of CREAM IN SHOP SEES
28 SURF	Swell fellow behind contracted firm (4)	F after (SUR)E
29 CANDESCENT	Depth charge, way down, is glowing (10)	CAN + DESCENT

<b>Down</b>	<b>Clue</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
1 MODE	Mark creative writing with style (4)	M + ODE
2 IMPOTENCE	Dysfunctional topic men dislike ultimately? (9)	Anagram of TOPIC MEN + DISLIK(E)
3 SCRUM	Ball carrier yielding to retreating group of forwards (5)	SCROTUM minus (TO reversed)
4 RAMMED	A couple of million invested in wine may be impacted (6)	(A + MM) inside RED
5 AMNESTY	A refuge involved in gracious act of forgiveness (7)	A + (NEST inside MY)
7 OF OLD	Round enclosure in which animals could be seen long ago (2,3)	O + FOLD
8 TREASURERS	Money handlers varied rates holding steady, right? (10)	Anagram of RATES outside (SURE + R)
9 ASTATINE	A country area transporting in radioactive material (8)	A + (STATE outside IN)
13 PROPHETESS	Forecaster supports carrying these at sea (10)	PROPS outside anagram of THESE
15 ESCAPEES	They got away to visit the ladies involved in different cases (8)	PEE inside anagram of CASES
16 CUR	Tail docked of short dog (3)	CURT minus T
17 DETERMINE	Come to a decision to put off excavation (9)	DETER + MINE
19 EURASIA	Continental land mass, close to Honolulu in area, is unsettled (7)	HONOLUL(U) inside anagram of AREA IS
21 MAIMED	Wounded major at the front prepared to shoot (6)	(M)AJOR + AIMED
23 UPPER	Top meal lacking starter (5)	SUPPER minus S
25 TACKS	Approaches assessment from a sound perspective (5)	Sounds like TAX
26 LEFT	Punch, perhaps, not consumed (4)	Double Definition

