Crossword Puzzle: Soooo Punny

By Warren Manners

Finding the solution to this issue’s crossword puzzle will not only provide you with a fun and entertaining break from work, you’ll also get your name mentioned in an upcoming issue of Risks & Rewards! The solution to this puzzle will be provided in an upcoming issue of Risks & Rewards along with the names of those who were able to successfully complete it. Submissions should be made to sphillips@soa.org by May 31, 2023.

Across
1  Sad endings
2  A hole in the wall
5  Severe
9  Recent Ballon d’Or winner whose name is not Leo or Cristiano
14  Recent Ballon d’Or winner whose name is not Leo or Cristiano
15  Online pub.
16  Diarist
17  Start of pun
20  These
21  Tither
22  Like bowling alleys
25  California Grenache
26  Tipton
30  Oklahoma Indian
32  “Dancing With ____”: Rolling Stones
34  One of seven
35  Fantasy world
37  German equestrian

39  Pun continued
41  Reatas
43  Large kettles
46  Madison Avenue output
47  ____ zone
49  Establish boundaries
50  It’s seen in bars
52  World’s most northern desert
54  Its calling code is +39
55  Ancient rabbi
57  Ivanoic of tennis
58  End of pun
60  Oklahoma Indians
66  Rhine feeder
67  Harp of the heavens
68  Grateful Dead “____ to Last”
69  Minor criticisms
70  Pros

Down
1  800-mile Asian river
2  Eat well
3  Ring letters
4  Farberware set
5  Surveys
6  Big name in semiconductors
7  Coen Brothers film of 1996
8  Vanity case?
9  Pot filler
10  Joe of G.I. Joe
11  Oklahoma native
12  Driver’s aid
13  Act human
18  One editing
19  Disallow
22  NASCAR circuit
23  Northern constellation
24  Queen: ____ antagonist of Disney’s Enchanted
25  Parks in Alabama
27  Skull tumor
28  Miss identification
29  Hearing aid
31  Cooler
33  Newsroom concern
36  M.I.T. bestowal
38  With petulance
40  Muslim judge
41  Andalusian article
42  Pother
44  Squat
45  Shoat’s home
48  Wilde character
51  Advisory group
53  Persian faith that promotes spiritual unity
56  Greater number
57  1st and 2nd in NYC
58  Gander; goose: ____ swan
59  Sumarian sun god
60  Beach party dish
61  Uffizi display
62  Red or black follower
63  Diamond stat.
64  ____ al Ghul (Batman villain)

Solution to “Zero,” February 2022

Warren Manners, FSA, CFA, MAAA, is the actuarial process and controls lead at Swiss Re in Armonk, N.Y. He can be reached at warren_manners@swissre.com.