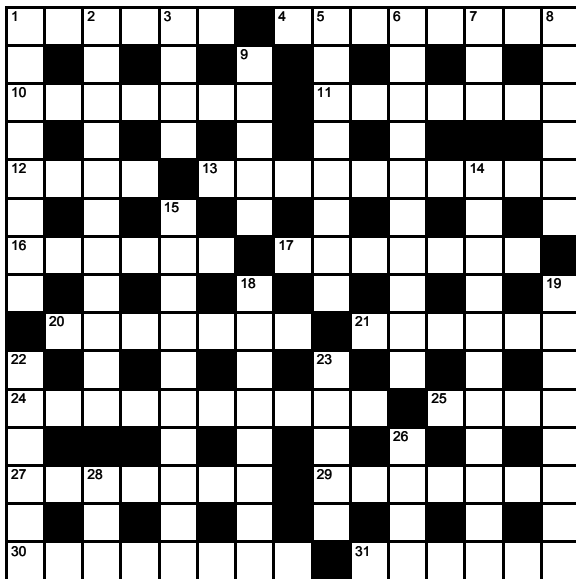


CROSSWORD

No. 13,607 Set by AARDVARK



JOTTER PAD

ACROSS

- 1 Divert funds quietly during backing of man's cricket side (6)
- 4 TV doctor once broke rake by burial-place (3,5)
- 10 Wading bird, part gull (7)
- 11 Such breaks disrupt most of Italian car plant (7)
- 12 English river, primarily like French one (4)
- 13 Accomplished area for flowers without borders – daringly innovative (5-5)
- 16 Dirty fellow leaves amusement showground (6)
- 17 Producer of rum shorts originated here (7)
- 20 Artist cut back hair (7)
- 21 After work's over, adolescent finds booze illicitly (6)
- 24 Getting through pasty, European Merlot's drunk – it's fruity (10)
- 25 Thesaurus contains scriptural character (4)
- 27 Department finally shifted rats in passage (7)
- 29 Reportedly ferry the French musical instrument (7)
- 30 Clothing Marco starts to notice, knocking around City (4,4)
- 31 Dog – it's retrieved within minute (6)

DOWN

- 1 Composer is opposing single covered by blues fake (8)
- 2 Disguise weight with big hairstyle in boat (3,2,1,5)
- 3 Cooker demonstrated has price dropped (4)

- 5 Criminal who's last joining F wing in US (8)
- 6 Fanzine perhaps withdrawn a day after second game (10)
- 7 1960s movie makes millions, before losing (3)
- 8 Merchant with no time to digest European academic (6)
- 9 Jack reversed truck into Kate, who's gutted (5)
- 14 Film director delivered line Glaswegian possibly said (6,5)
- 15 Police branch meddlesome about US writer (4,6)
- 18 Learner driver seen in City repeatedly jerking, ranging wide (8)
- 19 Brood somewhere Caribbean in middle of winter (8)
- 22 Revise two plays hampered by drink (4,2)
- 23 Love to enter competition, with prize ultimately a car (5)
- 26 Group of women – male's elusive target at dog track (4)
- 28 Trouble – that's beer talking (3)

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