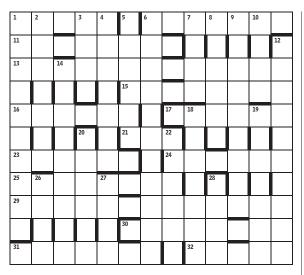
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Across

- 1 American guy requiring doctor it's potentially devastating (5)
- **6** Goatish character, spirited and what he advocates? (7)
- **11** Pair of sandpipers sheltered by edges of fjord like *some* wind? (8)
- 13 Some brachiopods? Try one coach is eating (13)
- **15** They form distribution for car store (8)
- **16** Withdraw from judging playground practice (6)
- 17 Cause of disease in cattle? Tribe has groups replacing bone (6)
- 21 See's neighbour in endless legal transaction (3)
- **23** Device for increasing thrust blasting the ear (6)
- 24 Christmas entertainment, dancing not included in action (6)
- **25** Type of dropsy, one of the nose mostly, secreting sort of discharge (8)
- 29 Strong stuff, including immorality with daily? It'll go on the bill! (13, 2 words)
- **30** I entwined net with snare it aids adhesion of a kind (8)
- **31** Hit the target none adrift in 200 by tourney's leader (7)
- **32** Refrain about English grammar (5)

Down

- 1 Growth following shocking time? Seeking drug (10)
- 2 Patented screen held in stock in Scotland (7)
- **3** Boundary in home test (4)
- 4 Carriage, former railway one, task for restoration (7)
- **5** Was scouting in decline mostly round college? (6)
- **6** Peer over shimmering scene, in part lustrous (11)
- 7 Tennis star's losing heart in Wimbledon his lowest score? (4)
- 8 Legging it in frantic rage (6)
- **9** Literary editor, one turning up I dispensed with (9)
- **10** Muslim bigwig always following leader in mosque (4)
- 12 Tax due? Mess sorted out in compliance (10)
- **14** It sweetens bag with tea in (9)
- **18** What's written up on an outhouse in ruins (7)
- **19** I turn up in footwear for highland fling? (7)
- **20** Wandering about shaven for a month in the synagogue? (6)
- 22 Stone ras erected showing calendar differences (6)
- **26** Notorious fiddler caught in headline robbery (4)
- **27** Monsieur's abandoned state, being *plus agé*? (4)
- 28 What'll make jackdaw turn out litter? (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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Across 5, OK in anag.; ref. Australian cricket ground; 11, i.e. (ro)bes (ro)om; 13, tan (vb) in scurf (rev.); 14, cf. troche; 20, vita I tip (all rev.) in anag.; 27, cf. circle; 28, INRI + X + a; 29, die t + cite (rev.); 30, minis(try); ref. RU score.

Down 3, I c he in MR (qv); 8, anag. + ai/c (rev.) & lit.; 19, ref + aces; see zebra; 21, rep (rev.) + alternate letters; 23, scam(pi); 24, k (= kilo) in a lie.

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