## Azed No. 2,441 Plain



## 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 ford 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 lentwined 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)
9 Iturn 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.

## Azed No. $\mathbf{2 , 4 3 8}$ solution \& notes

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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, vital tip (all rev.) in anag.; 27, cf. circle; $28, \mathrm{INRI}+\mathrm{X}+\mathrm{a} ; 29$, die t c cite (rev.); 30 , minis (try); ref. RU score.
Down 3, Ic he in MR (qv); 8 , anag. + a i/c (rev.) \& lit.; 19, ref + aces; see zebra; 21, rep (rev.) + alternate letters; 23, scam(pi); $24, \mathrm{k}(=$ kilo ) in a lie.

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