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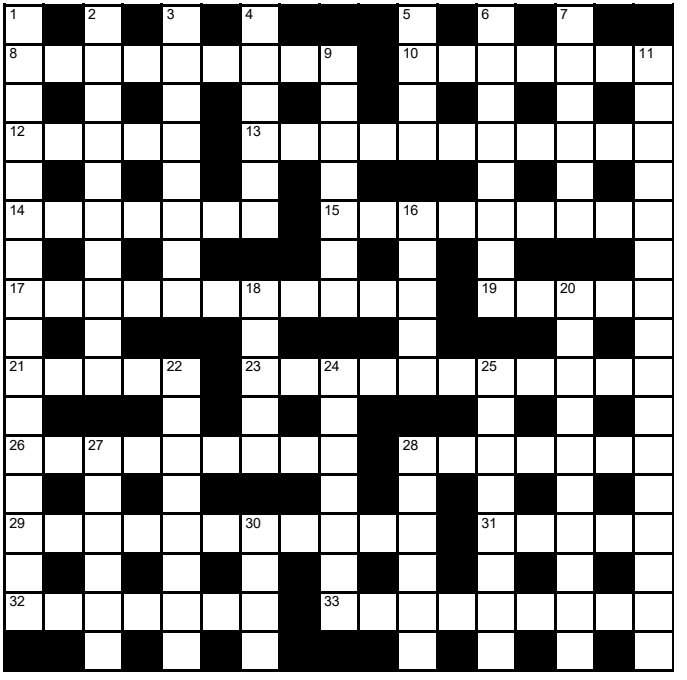

ACROSS

8 Inflammation of the intestines, especially the small intestine (9)
10 Soft greyish ductile metallic element, atomic number 41 (7)
12 The Swinging Blue ___, Merseybeat band whose singles include *Hippy Hippy Shake* (5)
13 Member of the German medieval school of mainly aristocratic lyric poets and musicians (11)
14 Hairstyle in which the head is shaved except for a long central band of hair, often spiked (7)
15 Lawrence ___, England's number eight in the 2003 rugby World Cup final (9)
17 National Hunt racecourse by the river Teign, Devon (6,5)
19 Zulu name for the city of Johannesburg (5)
21 Body of Muslim scholars expert in Islamic sacred law and theology (5)
23 2019 crime thriller film starring Ian McKellen and Helen Mirren (3,4,4)
26 Canada's northernmost and third largest island (9)
28 Form of musical entertainment, literally 'empty orchestra' in Japanese (7)
29 Writer and presenter of the 2000-02 BBC TV series *A History of Britain* (5,6)
31 Type of witchcraft, folk magic or medicine originating in Africa and practised in the Caribbean (5)
32 Capital city of Cameroon (7)
33 Type of tropical epiphytic fern frequently forming tufts in tree crotches (5-4)

DOWN

1 Birth name of the US comedic entertainer Jack Benny (8,8)
2 Actor who played Todd Anderson in the 1989 film *Dead Poets Society* (5,5)
3 Sparkling, unusually dry, white wine produced in northeast Italy (8)
4 Pollen-producing part of a flower, consisting of anther and filament (6)
5 William Ralph ___, 1860-1954, English theologian known as 'the gloomy dean' (4)
6 Anglo-Saxon Benedictine monk and missionary martyred in Frisia in 754 (8)
7 ___ Tracy, pilot of Thunderbird 2 in the eponymous TV series (6)
9 Small edible Pacific flatfish of the flounder family (4,3)
11 The first British chef to be awarded three Michelin stars, in 1995 (5,6,5)
16 Lorenzo ___, High Renaissance, Venetian-born painter, draughtsman, and illustrator (5)
18 West Bromwich Albion footballer who scored in every round of the 1968 FA Cup (5)
20 Device for measuring the length of curved lines, especially on a map (10)
22 In prosody, having rhyming vowel sounds, regardless of consonants (8)
24 In the Book of Samuel, symbolically a poor man's only possession, or one's dearest possession (3-4)
25 Small, furry-tailed, squirrel-like rodent that becomes torpid in cold weather (8)
27 Greek island in the northern Aegean Sea historically noted for its medicinal earth (6)
28 Brand of fruit drink meaning 'good health' in Maori (3-3)
30 Member of an Algonquian-speaking Native American tribe in Montana and parts of Canada (4)

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