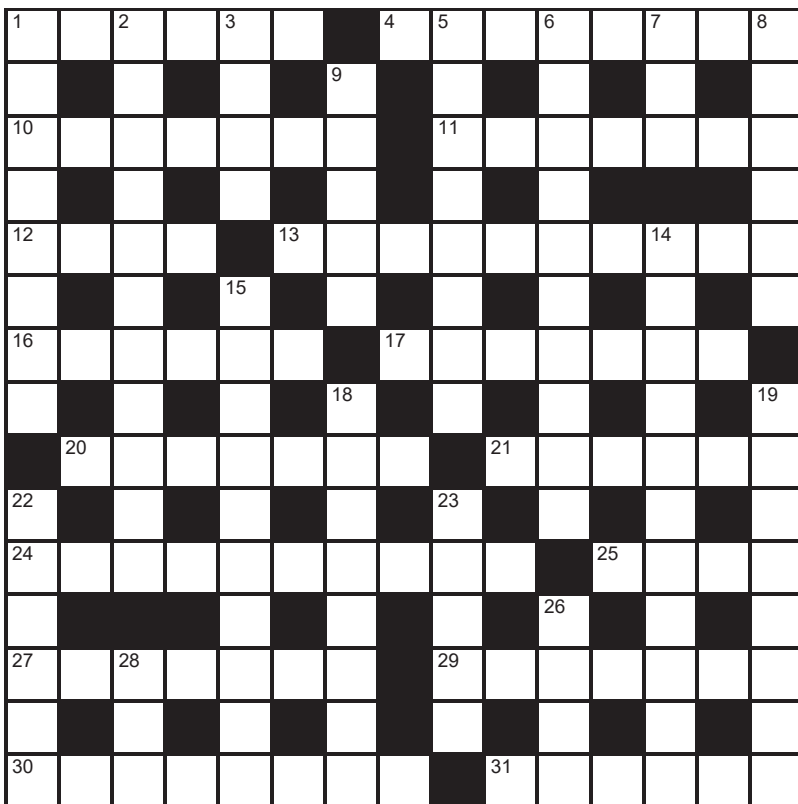


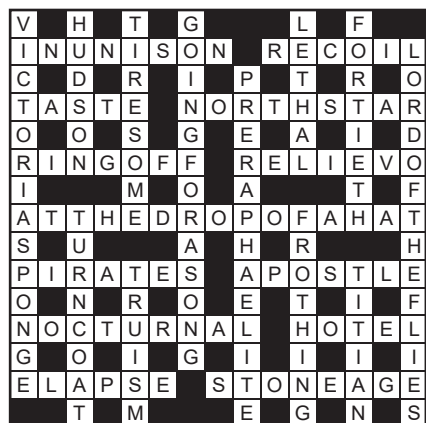
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ACROSS

- 1 Oppose indigenous Australian changing leader (6)
- 4 Old campaigner, regularly AWOL, oddly succeeded with retrospective appeals (8)
- 10 Escape from Arab's condemnation (7)
- 11 I'm obsessed with missing streetwalker, as street's evacuated (7)
- 12 At least a fortnight reeling, unfocused and awry (4)
- 13 Reform inject millions into development of beers and ales (10)
- 16 Match 50% of upturn in French company (3,3)
- 17 Public set to embrace New Age (7)
- 20 Potentially hot stuff in Macbeth's introduction? (7)
- 21 Thanks given to about two-thirds of top performing military (6)
- 24 One almost passed on, desperately killing time (4,6)
- 25 Land that's surrounded by small lake — or the opposite? (4)
- 27 Disqualify ruler such as George III? (7)
- 29 Legendary power base cased by PI (4,3)
- 30 Decline to go off after fellow pinching wife (8)
- 31 Secret place to sleep could be remote (6)

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JOTTER PAD

DOWN

- 1 Outstanding performer in school play? (5,3)
- 2 Superb work of, perhaps, King and Queen? (11)
- 3 Scrap involving a queen's consort? (4)
- 5 Outcome where officer leading special forces starts to take extreme risks? (8)
- 6 Pet eats mice as directed (7,3)
- 7 Church brass declines, I'm afraid (3)
- 8 Test the suitability of North American tin cans (6)
- 9 I'm going to pass on gold stocks (5)
- 14 It's said to make kippers more appealing (6,5)
- 15 Thing made by this working group? (5,5)
- 18 Threaten to pacify? (8)
- 19 Idiot earl and countess possibly upset by the Crown (8)
- 22 Ban rector and bishop implicated by old ministry papers (6)
- 23 Sort of dog that gets into fights (5)
- 26 Help attacker to vanquish resistance on all sides (4)
- 28 Naked hostility exhibited in review (3)



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