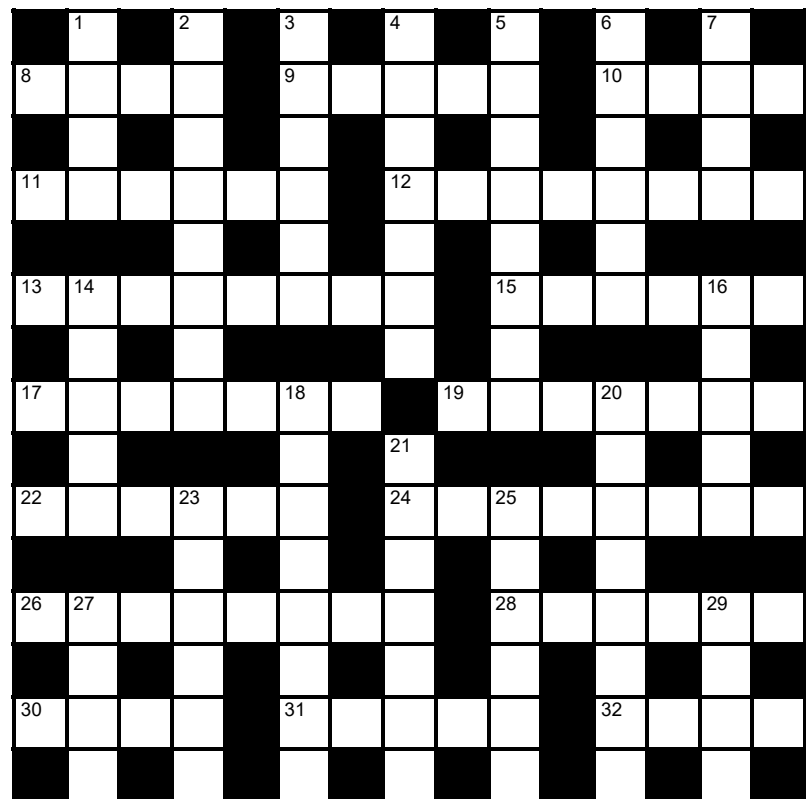


**Across**

- 8** Disapproving expression used at first for very short skirt (4)
- 9** Hard material sung by church group with husband absent (5)
- 10** Cunning ruse for drug addict (4)
- 11** British ultimately go teetotal before the Fench drinking bout (6)
- 12** Flower present between start of spring and fall (8)
- 13** Accepted as normal to be stationary on a trunk road (8)
- 15** A second class route overseas (6)
- 17** Primarily safeguard and enclose children's play place (7)
- 19** South African custom for traditionally barbecued meat dish (7)
- 22** Restrained frolicking cheats (6)
- 24** One copper after another with honour essentially awarded; it's said to be cool (8)
- 26** Redesigned rum label creating protective cover (8)
- 28** Way to erase spell of card playing (6)
- 30** Not completely bring to a standstill coalition (4)



- 31** Section of directory's right-hand page (5)
- 32** Sudden forward movement of Dutch branch of learning (4)

**Down**

- 1** Bouncing currency unit (4)
- 2** Tightly-closed large cask braced up (8)
- 3** Complaint of haywire maze supporting European Community (6)
- 4** Furiously cursed a vigorous campaign for change (7)

- 5** Problematic otalgia maybe for starter in this malignant tumour (8)
- 6** Poet's separate star rising blood-coloured (6)
- 7** Illustrious person found among the Romans (4)
- 14** Temperature and outbreak of spots? Nonsense! (5)
- 16** America's bird rises with hint of appetite for one eastern group of plants (5)
- 18** D-day invasion of Normandy concluded with an expression of surprise (8)

- 20** Bigshot's considerable torso (8)
- 21** Screechy noise of caught rodent in school (7)
- 23** Neat special Royal Ulster Constabulary base (6)
- 25** Crikey! Lecturer in circle of police (6)
- 27** Extract small measure and a thousand of them (4)
- 29** Noble almost beheaded with no end of ceremony (4)