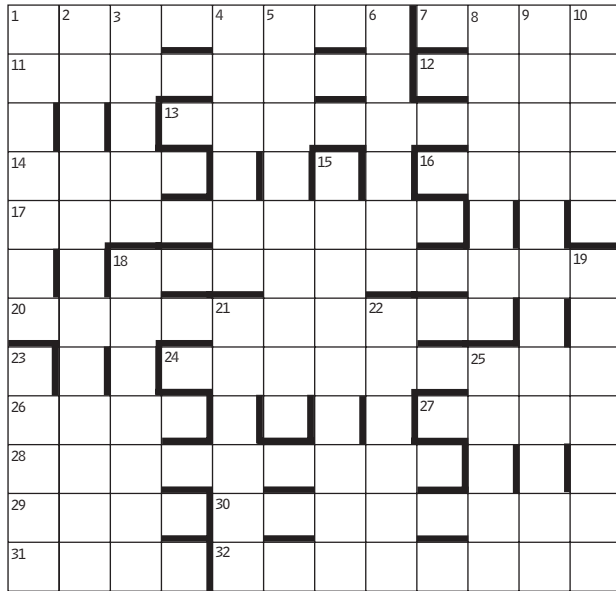


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ACROSS

- 1 School book kept in reserve showing antelope (8)
- 7 Musician, not flat in two parts, yet producing awful old racket (4)
- 11 Creation? Old artist introduces three about love (8)
- 12 New in post, unpleasantly wet (4)
- 13 'Notoriety' marker attached to bar (9)
- 14 Pet dram? Supposing that 's swallowed by one who shouldn't (4)
- 16 Card game – game secured when king's captured (4)
- 17 Those at uni (valued male intake) (9)
- 18 Company repaired old china showing type of fracture (10)
- 20 Crazy hot on girl displaying thingamy (10)
- 24 TV camera technician, beautiful girl, name-dropping old flirt (9)
- 26 Scotsman's down and out, taking pound at head? (5)
- 27 See palm for biographical summary (4)
- 28 Mum in grip of drastic trembling, emoting wildly (9)
- 29 Climb down – come, quite the opposite (4)
- 30 Scriptural critic touchy about companion? The opposite (8)
- 31 Nut tree, red leaves clipped (4)
- 32 Called up one's mum, distraught with dad (no notice given) (8)

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Across 9, 'high' + poid(s) (Fr. = weight); 11, out + age; ref. recent US storm causing extensive power cuts; 15, (do)zing; 16, ire (rev.) + nys; ref. Eumenides; 19, moo + BO in not; 24, cf. shiner (= black eye); 27, tea, leaf = marijuana; 29, rib in cella; 30, anag. in II; 31, anag. less n, & lit.; 32, ob sole sc(l)ence.

Down 1, ch apes s; 2, anag. incl. ten; ref. US confectionery company; 4, I'd for O in body; 5, r + al(l) in 'obo; 8, erg in CE; 10, cf. dues; 19, m on dial; 20, (in)ter(fer)ence; ref. Roman comic poet Publius Terentius Afer (c185–c159 BC); 24, sty. lo, & lit.; 25, g + leg(end); 26, lin call (rev.).

PRIZERULES

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DOWN

- 1 Rough diamond's brought to court house, in the soup (7)
- 2 Man in battered RR, not hip, bird-like figure (12)
- 3 American female in matching outfit without it? *This* is more appropriate for Chinese woman (5)
- 4 Concoction of phenol that's given relief in former days (6)
- 5 Pan or pair of cups as a precaution (9)
- 6 What'll start Kiwis off, ranting eternally re Oz? (6)
- 8 Ran amok with flood enveloping race track (7, 2 words)
- 9 Cripple a panic disturbed, name receiving cheers (12)
- 10 Essential in case of risk, e.g. getting stabilizer of a kind (5)
- 15 Gentile's faith of old hidden in mini-chest (9)
- 18 Graces bust – cache for love-letter (7)
- 19 Lord cuddling wife, irritated, put out of joint (7)
- 21 Rear peeled off confusing upcoming special Turkish troops (6)
- 22 Corporal maybe making name at head of highlanders' attack, dishing English (6)
- 23 The way tot takes in party, from the bottom up (5)
- 25 Chaps imbibing one over the eight in malodorous heap (5)

The Chambers Dictionary (2011) is recommended.