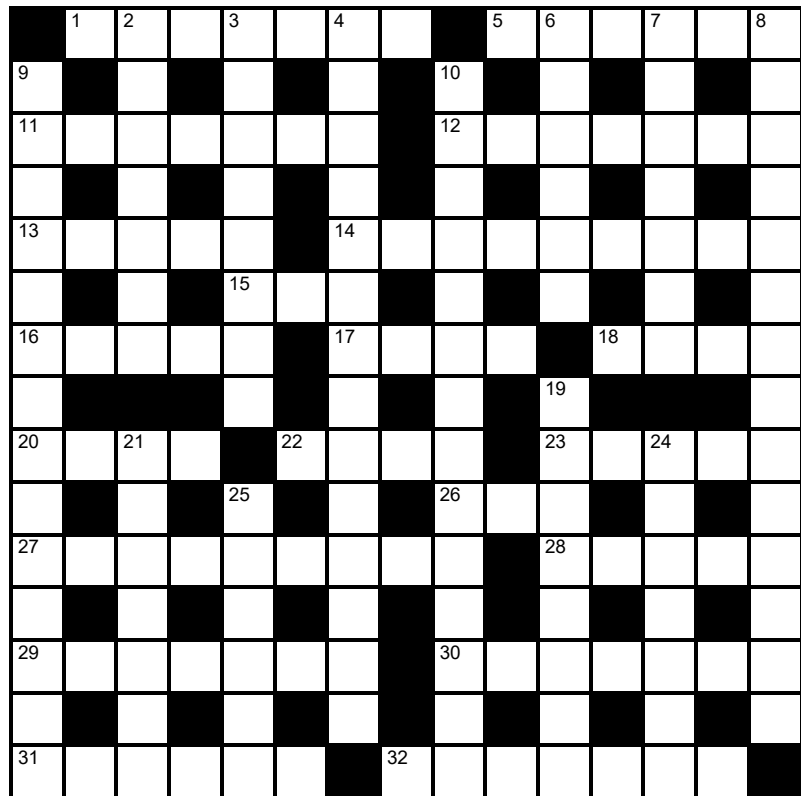


*The clue for 1 across is hidden in the completed grid.
Solve the puzzle, then find and solve the hidden clue.
Provide its answer to enter the competition.*

Across

- 1 See preamble (7)
- 5 A long way from politically correct... pinching bottom! (6)
- 11 Sly Max reserved funds to divorce wife (7)
- 12 Conceivably quaint, conclusively vintage (7)
- 13 This country's all about Open Society (5)
- 14 Iris radically customised Morris Motor, spending thousands (5-4)
- 15 Hide jacket and collars (3)



- 16 Patch puncture after leaving race in pole position (5)
- 17 Reminder for day (4)
- 18 Without finishing beer, compare skirts below the knee (4)
- 20 Just a day before the first of November (4)
- 22 Note, not quite thigh-length (4)
- 23 Beaming pedestrian overtakes characters on roundabout (2,3)
- 26 Opening speech "The European Dung Beetle" (3)
- 27 Adult on Ecstasy

- pickets church, returning damned (9)
- 28 Shoulder joint (5)
- 29 Illicit? Japanese school subject (7)
- 30 With it you bet right, I guarantee (7)
- 31 Lessen from head doctor (6)
- 32 Spun long story outlining mission plans (7)

Down

- 2 Prosecutor raised hand to condemn (7)

- 3 Experts admitted flavour lacking soupçon of sea salts (8)
- 4 Anticipating no changes to Jackson's work (6,8)
- 6 Arthur's time as a performer (6)
- 7 This, having elephantine trunk, providing quasi eco case for evolution (7)
- 8 American Bureau makes shrewd forecast (5,2,7)
- 9 Misrepresentation overlooks nurses regularly sloshed before 10 (5,9)
- 10 Adequate air to

- male choked by use of strings (4,2,8)
- 19 Danish chemist burning with just 2/3 of burner (8)
- 21 Leaving seat, run away from someone in denial (7)
- 24 Last bear in wild, migrated from South American province (7)
- 25 Saucy strip requires epilation at front for naked Lilian (6)