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Across

- 1 International law signed and sorted out (12, 3 words)
- 9 Old slut making name in right marriage (7)
- 12 Special pack, amateur, having run around (5)
- 13 Behave regally, even during leave (7, 2 words)
- 14 Reverse of sure about kiss? Certainly not (4)
- 16 Counterpart in part of old Scotland (4)
- 17 Older nippers? Nits with search are removed frantically (9)
- 19 Wherein hands are put up, left and right, with ending of homily (5)
- 20 Zoom for instance to finish around end of pandemic (6)
- 21 A cut in, going off course? It's rarely to do with steering at sea (6)
- 23 Makes Scotch Mist, strong drink passed round in centre of vessel (5)
- 24 Desperate character getting charge after parking in a lake (9, 2 words)
- 26 Craze returning with time – crazy indeed (4)
- 28 Minks etc making sound suggestive of moorland shrub (4)
- 29 Valley skirting tiny bit of Caledonia in Roman province (7)
- 30 Screech like old moggies lacking training in walk (odd ones only) (5)
- 31 Source of plastic cushion, new, in half-hose (7)
- 32 Cowhide: finished large quantity round brogue's heel (12, 2 words, apostrophe)

Down

- 1 Lotion put on fine hair leading to severe reprimand (12)
- 2 Guys in contact sport displaying paunch (5)
- 3 What's Aussie in the grip of drink? Yes (4)
- 4 Pasty party laid on that's disgusting with bit of yoghurt added (6)
- 5 RN seem set on new course – thanks to us? (9)
- 6 Lady's man, all out, Sandy's indication he's ready for bed? (4)
- 7 US haberdashery giving one ideas (7)
- 8 Mason, sloshed, actually being taken in by bishop (12, 2 words)
- 10 Just after rising up Sioux, maltreated, harmful (7)
- 11 Source of egregious mane tailored (for hero) (5)
- 15 Bays spotted, school I'm with lunches, not one inside (9)
- 18 Last person expected to close door ultimately (7)
- 19 Rumpus caused by tatterdemalion turning up in nude (7)
- 22 Money made by sound judgement, according to auditors? (5)
- 23 Changing sitrep displayed by movable icon (6)
- 25 No. 1 statuette, figless? (5)
- 27 Scotch mat clot turned upside down (4)
- 28 Keep half or third, but not all (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

Azed No. 2,526 solution & notes

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Across 12, hidden rev. & lit.; 14, ref. film, *Who Framed R. Rabbit?*; 15, mo in o'er (rev.); 17, a hr in gun (all rev.); 22, geck(o); 31, blackjack, type of truncheon; 33, mand(a Tory); 35, anag. + rede (rev.).
Down 2, o in barque; 5, cf. a talk; 6, r ogle in f(as)t; 7, udo in Sr; ref saying, 'Horses sweat, men perspire and women merely glow'; 9, see piste; 18, G. and Alf; ref. characters in *Till Death Us Do Part* and *Lord of the Rings*; 23, cabb(age) + i.e.; 25, (Art) Tatum (jazz pianist) (rev.) + E; 27, comp. anag.; ref moth balls, made with naphthalene; 29, alternate letters.

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