

May 2026 Slot 5 by Betelgeuse

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Across

- 1** Concluding note takes an attitude embodying erroneous fact (8)
- 5** Organiser of the 20 is rather crudely-spoken! (6)
- 10** Almost connect with one of old sayings (5)
- 11** Gave a talk, a prerequisite for those about to 20 24 (9)
- 12** What a pity! Returning more than half-naked gets one in a state (7)
- 13** Old rain dance involving exercise outside (4,3)
- 14** Disorganised headmistress, taking hours for a small cup of coffee . (9)
- 17** Realise lack of deliveries of data storage medium (4)
- 20** Station support (4)
- 21** Learner, in driving on stretch of sand, caused coral degradation (9)
- 24** They permit messages by 20 (7)
- 26** Left one company at front of building (7)
- 28** Wrapped up standard battery and 11 to the centre of Sweden (9)
- 29** Utter deviate (5)
- 30** With little trouble ASIO duck out into cathedral city. (6)
- 31** Lent sum to cover vehicle at church. (8)

Down

- 1,23** Colour indicates where to 20 wine (6-3,3)
- 2** Pulp magazine is recalled before one of the Greek 24s (5)
- 3** Fish not good below open river. (8)
- 4** Worn by the recipient of never ending 24? (5,4)
- 6** Started work with need for development (6)
- 7** Witnessing the assigned place after the heroin removed (9)
- 8** Note honest action regarding 24 when wrongly 11 (8)
- 9** Expressing surprise at first of Daisy's shoplifting outings. (4)
- 15** Never never see smarty confused! (4,5)
- 16** Rushed to impress newspaper bosses (9)
- 18** Parish priest into beer and snack kind of order? (5,3)
- 19** Tea is given to parent right inside - a personal gift (8)
- 22** Where's Ealing? Centrally located? Close again! (6)
- 23** See 1
- 25** Convinced to join without hesitation (4)
- 27** Cure coeliac without cobalt affecting the small intestine? (5)