

ACROSS

- 1 Leading directors are right, in the main (9)
- 9 Points to identical cry to open (6)
- 10 An almost accurate summary (6)
- 11 Lord makes a comeback in free parking area (4)
- 12 Acidic type of critic (6)
- 13 Blimey, there's free gold stars, originally, in passage-ways (9)
- 15 Care deeply about absorbing shade (3)
- 16 Sharp fellows associated with 17 27 (6)
- 19 It's creepy when quiet (3)
- 21 They have cups for the aged in woman's grasp (7)
- 22 Winding lanes artist sends back to the club (7)
- 24 Ready for some court action (3)
- 26 Turf is dislodged by apples and pears (6)
- 29 A Catholic curve (3)
- 31 See 17 Down (9)
- 32 Expressions used by little girl in Isle of Man's grip (6)
- 34 Pair of posts built in the theatre, initially (4)
- 35 Fighters' limbs - that is contained (6)
- 36 Sounds of head honcho's songs (6)
- 37 Opening green in Toulouse for one shunning com-pany (9)

DOWN

- 2 The first gaffe sparks dread (6)
- 3 Tape firm is right in 15 (6)
- 4 Individual boy infiltrates a legal position (6)
- 5 Writes pieces about wine at Spithead (7)
- 6 Realise one's amiss and do it in instalments (9)
- 7 See 14 Down (6)
- 8 (27 Down) Fresh players join the French in duet composed for club (9,6)
- 9 Dry little period! (3)
- 14 (7 Down) Red Admiral's flitting around club (4,6)
- 17 (31 Across) Steely community we send out for 24 hours at club (9,9)
- 18 Step out with some hot stuff for 30 days (9)
- 19 Singer's decapitated by idiot (3)

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- 20 He/she could pose a threat at source (3)
- 23 Geeky person's last confusion with 15 (4)
- 25 Always a heavyweight club (7)
- 27 See 8 Down (6)
- 28 Ugly football body in terrible ruin (6)
- 29 Writer discovered when I relocate out East (6)
- 30 Vehicle's always finding vocation (6)
- 33 Titled person's irritable at being captured (3)