Crossword 15,572 Set by Mudd

ACROSS
1 The appeal of sport in Oz – what could it be? (6)
4 Design of top welcomed by county, tight garment (3,5)
10 Desert rat wearily set off again (9)
11 Friend, could I be shot? (5)
12 Start relaxation finally, having pile of money in retirement (4)
13 All-round competitor having cheated, let off (10)
15 Same class in higher education? (7)
16 Eye beautiful person (6)
19 State of shock complete in short attack (6)
21 Bound to don suit somewhere shabby (7)
23 A lying couple's intimate conversation? (6,4)
25 Fly very many miles, bypassing centre (4)
27 Rover, no barking! (5)
28 List containing every one willing to learn (9)
29 Academic rarely moved to admit it (8)
30 Time to wear rings, beautiful delicate things? (6)

DOWN
1 US killer touring Edinburgh having rubbed out blockhead (5,3)
2 Certainly no corporation getting filthy paws on effluence, did you say? (4,5)
3 Distanced from world views, leader in Trump, sadly (4)
5 Occasional party character (7)
6 Toy poodle's tail blocking dad's nose (10)
7 Sound of piano is excruciating (5)
8 Hail despicable lot (6)
9 Current energy about right (6)
14 Cleaner rubbish proposed with 2/5 of waste (4,6)
17 Plant first of bulbs in joy (9)
18 Those looking to cover bottom in shock – nude! (8)
20 Turner that turns (7)
21 Bird has some colourful markings (6)
22 Bias with almost all of a particular column? (6)
24 Around 1001 books bound (5)
26 Small tool that's over a foot (4)

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