

Puzzle 305 – Freestyle 270

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Across

- 1 ___-Pakistani War (event of 1947, 1965, 1971, or 1999)
 5 Afghan protection grp.
 9 It's struck when playing a set
 14 Mass centerpiece
 16 They buy souvenirs along La Rambla
 17 "The nerve of that one, huh?!"
 18 Struck
 19 With "The", official journal of the American Ornithologists' Union
 20 Be on the trail of
 21 Lower-priority number
 22 "___ So Unusual" (Cyndi Lauper's debut album)
 24 Go for a round, in a way
 26 Swim
 28 Awards for mystery writing
 32 Figures in mystery writing
 35 It's not close to reaching its goal
 36 Imp's antithesis
 39 More restrictive
 40 Like the earliest stages of development
 41 ___ chair
 42 One trying to hit a "googly" or "leg break"
 43 Power couple?
 45 Hardly a metropolis
 47 Kind of note
 51 Austro-Hungarian romantic poet
 53 Word often preceded by a preposition
 55 Janitorial base
 56 Literally, "second generation"
 57 Revealing bottom
 59 Mountain shower, perhaps
 60 Made for the screen
 61 Parts of rounds
 62 Some crossovers
 63 "Get that outta my face!"

Down

- 1 Some Nebraska natives
 2 Playground denial

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- 3 He has the most Billboard Hot 100 charted singles of any solo act in history
 4 How something may be repeated
 5 Martyr often depicted with an axe
 6 Whiz
 7 Clorets alternative
 8 Old storm shelter?
 9 Frustrated, in a way
 10 Place where suits are dismissed
 11 First pick of the 1993 M.L.B. draft
 12 Satyr's kin
 13 Montpellier, vis-à-vis Toulouse
 15 "Very nice!"
 21 Classic film sobriquet
 23 Won't even touch, with "of"
 25 Golfer Jay or tennis pro Tommy
 27 Cold greeting?
 29 Poison, e.g.
 30 On the safe side
 31 Some are digital, for short
 32 Surprise on Oscar nomination night

- 33 Pocket material
 34 He made his acting debut in "Breakin'", 1984
 37 Gaping, maybe
 38 Body imperfection
 43 How one may be invited to stay
 44 Bennies
 46 Little mouser
 48 It has a flared bottom
 49 Hardly an instrumental component
 50 Go for
 51 Act of God?
 52 One of 1,192 in the Maldives
 54 Salt of a certain amino acid, for short
 56 Catch stealing
 57 Bad name for an anger management counselor?
 58 One with all the answers