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Across

- 1** Vegan café at 207 Albert Street, Brunswick with amusing name (not *Pie Curious*) (4, 4)
- 8** Elaborate deception (*Protocols of the Elders of Zion*, moon landing etc.)
- 9** Clinton-era evil (initials)
- 10** Ship sailed by Jason to Colchis to retrieve Golden Fleece (with carved head of Honor Blackman at stern offering guidance to hero during journey in greatly loved sword and sandals of 1963)
- 11** Greatly loved Spanish actor best known for work with Luis Buñuel and William Friedkin
- 12** American island (not Long, Ellis or Fantasy)
- 14** Café at Spencer Street Station (in 80s)
- 17** Oh, yes! (in French)
- 18** 1974 blockbuster with Steve McQueen as intrepid fire chief notable for all-star cast and multiple fiery celebrity deaths for delectation of audiences in 70s (initials)
- 20** Touching, anti-war protest song by Donovan from 60s (also action series with Jean-Claude Van Damme as cryonically frozen soldier killed in Vietnam reanimated in 90s in secret program to create ruthless killing machine) (with Dolph Lundgren, as nemesis) (initials)
- 21** Person who propels themselves at high speed down piste
- 23** *The ... Rose* 1976 Masterpiece of Australian experimental film by Michael Lee drawing on personal experience of 60s counterculture after conservative catholic upbringing in Brisbane

Down

- 1** Benighted capital of Sudan known for last stand of Victorian-era hero Charles 'Chinese' Gordon, Clinton-era bombing of Al-Shifa pharmaceutical factory (as distraction from *Zippergate*) and dire present-day advice to "reconsider travel due to crime, terrorism, kidnapping and armed conflict"
- 2** Popular music genre associated with discerning mature age listener and mellowness
- 3** Unreformed offender who has served multiple prison terms (slang UK) (traditionally preceded by "old")
- 4** Memorable Max Von Sydow role (not anguished knight, merciless emperor, morally weak former violinist or Jesus)
- 5** Artful concealment revealed on spelling the initial characters (initials)
- 6** Iconic hipster in *Metallica* collaboration known for extremely negative reception and amusing *YouTube* comments such as "Can you imagine being the engineer or producer and having to look at them and say, "That was great!"" etc.)
- 7** *Beatles*-derived term for French pop singer from 60s such as Françoise Hardy (2-2, 4)
- 13** Henry Kissinger *or* Hans Knappertsbusch *or* *Hello Kitty* (initials)
- 15** *The ... Crucifixion* Controversial Henry Miller trilogy (comprising *Sexus*, *Nexus* and *Plexus*) banned in US and described by one reviewer as "a shower of lavatory filth"
- 16** Ari Up (initials)
- 19** Light evening meal such as tomato soup and toast (before early night)
- 20** Kissinger invasion (initials)