

Loplop Cryptic #005 [11x]

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Across

- 1 assembled oracles: "we like this sentence?" (9)
 LOWERCASE. Anagram (ORACLES WE)*
- 7 Put an end to street operation (4) STOP. Charade ST + OP
- 8 Mix it with chai for stress reducer (3,3) TAI CHI.
 Mixed (CHAI)* in (IT)<

- 9 With two hands, write following two articles? (6)
 ANALOG. Mixed AN + A + LOG
- 10 At first, all creative new endeavors face problems (4) ACNE. Acrostic All Creative New Endeavors
- 11 We turned around after six for scenery (4) VIEW.
 Mixed VI + (WE)<
- 13 Government upsets émigré (6) REGIME. Anagram (EMIGRE)*
- 15 Minister's corrupt circle (6) CLERIC. Anagram (CIRCLE)*
- 16 Pull hairy ox around back of caravan (4) YANK. YAK around [carava]N
- 17 Mobile recording of when you play yourself (4,5)
 CELL PHONE. Homophone "self own"

Down

- 2 Doable without leader taking ten, apparently (10) OSTENSIBLY. Mixed [p]OS(TEN)SIBLE
- 3 Boot something shocking with old version of Windows (5) EXPEL. Container E(XP)EL
- 4 Without reservations of a sort (11) CATEGORICAL.
 Double definition
- 5 Period of mourning after death of deity (5) SHIVA.
 Double definition
- 6 Astonished: "oh, Penn to host Nome's remarkable event" (10) PHENOMENON. Mixed (OH PENN)* containing NOME
- 12 Residents on the perimeter in distress: not so good (5) WORSE. R[esident]S in WOE
- 14 Part of ugly pharaoh character (5) GLYPH. Hidden uGLY PHaraoh