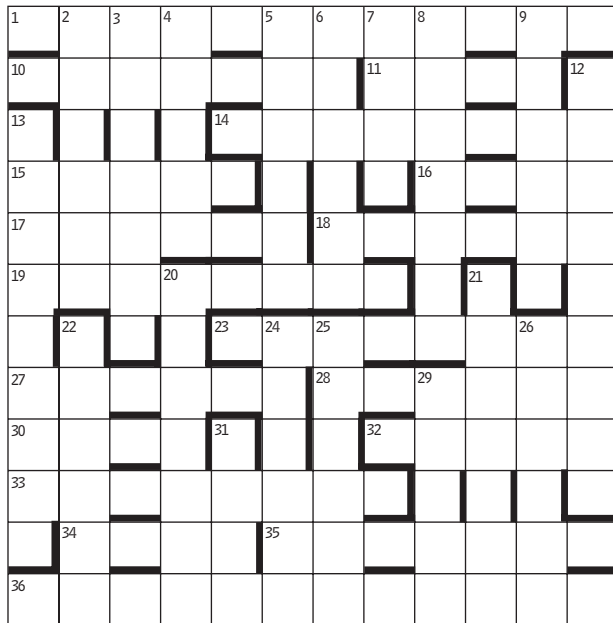


# AZED No. 2,132 Plain



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## ACROSS

- 1 Veteran male facing fire, in grip of familiar pain? (12, 2 words)
- 10 As neck-rings are applied – creating —'s grace? (7)
- 11 One that's seen in untold years? (4)
- 14 Astronomical treatise produced by sorcerers in high-flown mood (as it were) (8)
- 15 Earl with pound on e.g. horse (5)
- 16 Wealth in coin once pocketed in outer limits of empire (4)
- 17 Foot-warmer dirt and chance similarly diminished (6)
- 18 Timber frame good for endless saw (6)
- 19 Exemplars of industry round pub introducing Southern Comfort for Scotch (8)
- 23 Fogey: cunning one is confronting onset of trendyism (8)
- 27 Fox, end of tail drooping north of the border (6)
- 28 A delay involving run that's off course (6)
- 30 Maori tribes, old certainly (4)
- 32 Birds not holding it back move with flowing drapery (5)
- 33 A diet's abandoned – at tucking in gets this (8)
- 34 Brothel customer that's grand certainly concealing name (4)
- 35 Costermonger's knocking pence off some spuds (7)
- 36 Kerb with mouldy smell in grip of tough weed (12)

## AZED 2,129 Solution & notes

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**Across** 1, hum<sup>2</sup> + blesse(d); 14, bur lti; 17, ge(t) + minis; 18, tin eats; 19, it in FT (Financial Times); 22, CE sci. in marble; 29, hidden; 30, (D) odona (site of ancient Greek oracle) + ta; 33, plan + ar (qv); 34, l(a)y in pope<sup>2</sup>; 35, n in tecs (rev.).

**Down** 2, bun in utu; 4, l in bitter; 5, lath(l); 6, anag.; ref. F. S. Lowry, artist; 7, Shem (son of Noah) + a; 8, ani in bee; 12, l, G, H, F in heather; 23, lin apolo; 24, run in bet; 27, do (rev.) + eon; 31, hidden rev.

## PRIZERULES

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## DOWN

- 2 As for Ali, jewellery designer, oriental diamond is required (6)
- 3 What new recruit did, we hear, caught in highland downpour? (7)
- 4 One of men on board steamer i' life jackets (5)
- 5 Different form of link in central part of duet (6)
- 6 Mum stitches holes in gentleman's underwear (6)
- 7 Little chap admitting love for loathsome creature (4)
- 8 School subject: rejoice endlessly when it's given up before academy? (7)
- 9 Posy's transformed under hard sprinkler (8)
- 12 It converts speech into shorthand notes in a form person will follow (9)
- 13 Early instrument player Mabel, stricken, laid in tomb (9)
- 20 Roll up to celebrate ministry? (7)
- 21 Mammals swimming in sea islander consumed after gutting (7)
- 22 Neat, mature leguminous climber (6)
- 24 Section of forest emptied in drive upstream (6)
- 25 Head of ancient goddess cast in copper as a gift (6)
- 26 Cowherd's cabin, one amid scattered trees (6)
- 29 Local puff, slant getting women involved? (5)
- 31 Come to rare track on land (4)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2011) is recommended.*