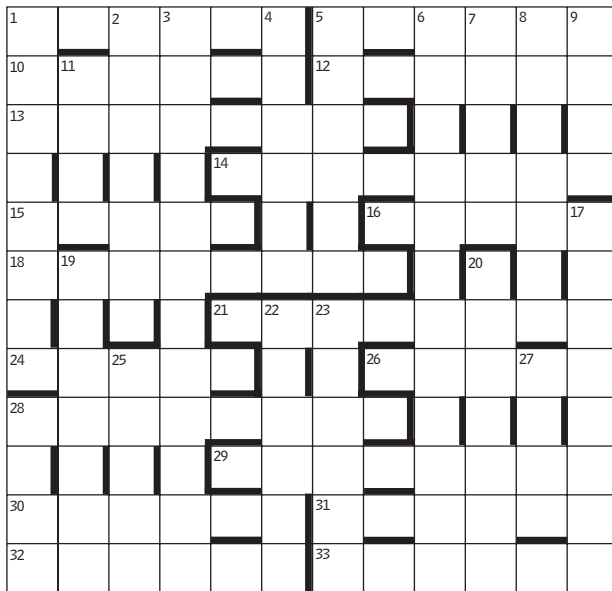


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## ACROSS

- 1 A ram must —, much the worse for wear (6)
- 6 Rope-makers having lives restricted by endless cut back (6)
- 11 Long-distance race – messed up Round One, on dropping out (6)
- 12 Dark blue tile, cracked, to remain in the open? Rarely (6)
- 13 Railway enters cutting, turning aside (8)
- 14 Moulding of a star with investment of a grand (8)
- 15 I'll cut trees back to make a beam (5)
- 16 E.g. Peter, one of many demonstrating charm? (5)
- 18 Charge made by leader of Trinovantes as Roman eagle wavering (8)
- 21 Bite inside layer that's increasingly peppery (8)
- 24 Inclination around start of evening for something like ouzo (5)
- 26 Hard old gang leader causing a fair bit of consternation (5)
- 28 King's English penned by cranky, dodderly old hack ends up here? (8)
- 29 After backward rolls one's damaged part of pug's face? (8, 2 words)
- 30 Former skin disease to drain self-confidence (6)
- 31 Travellers use this – such tips are given by spiel that's rendered deviously (6)
- 32 Trouble experienced with slut around? (6)

## AZED 2,187 Solution & notes

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**Across** 1, chast(e) hen in anag.; 11, Hin jee; 14, un pays (Fr.) = a country; 16, ref. R. Bacon, & 2 meanings; 24, RN in hoist; 26, urus + h + anag.; 28, sad + ZA; 30, (Be)twee(n); 33, anag.

**Down** 4, Hayle(y Mills, actress); 5, anag. + e, & lit.; 6, 't + anag.; 7, i.e. 'hertz'; 8, gin (rev.) + in in rose; 10, B + undo + bust; 12, anag. in ale; 15, lud in anag.; 19, net in not i; 21, phi + lem(on); fade = disappear; 22, rin in Dawn (French, comic actress); 23, Shaw, M(artin), actor playing George Gently in TV series; 27, ref. Christian B., film actor.

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**33** You'll find wives congregating here are absorbed in a bit of sewing (6)

## DOWN

- 1 Annoy greatly, as tiresome fellow interrupting pub drink? (8)
- 2 Keep this on the autoroutes? Roadie's worried about it (7, 2 words)
- 3 Tenter lucked out, reaching top of crag? (12)
- 4 Some Bangladeshi cash, I, in old money one quarter of an anna (6)
- 5 Knitted cape (from Sweden on label) (6)
- 6 Bung the last of veg, cooked, in sieve (12)
- 7 Ditzzy gal with 'in' dress (5)
- 8 College: learner having entered one must accept rule (7)
- 9 Colander remains upside down (4)
- 11 Seizure of a kind starts on nerves and activates muscles (4)
- 17 Hardwood tree, note, coated with old frostiness in the morning (8)
- 19 Speak hesitantly, as genial pop, first to last (7, 3 words)
- 20 English well in line for Tuscan location (7)
- 22 Partners at the table holding dab up earlier (6)
- 23 Mavis, displaying fungal disease, hurts badly – hospital follows (6)
- 25 A pal's shattered after end of work – a very long day! (5)
- 27 Cur is cut with this, once scratched (4)
- 28 Bites of — etc melting could show softest bickies (4)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2011) is recommended. One plural form is logical but somewhat questionable.*