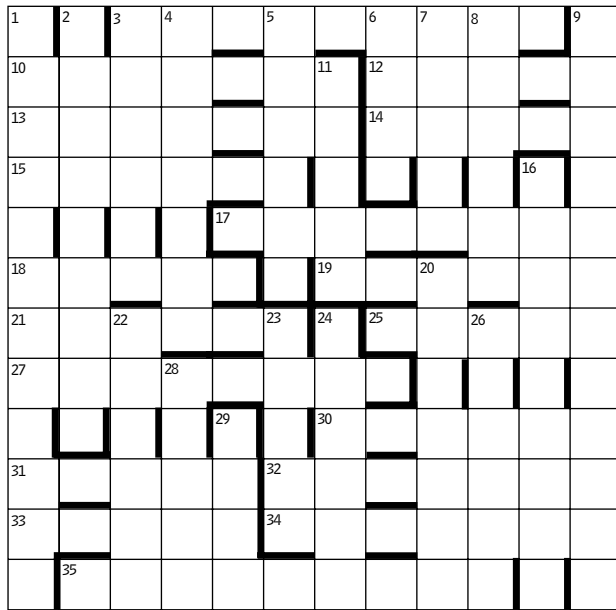


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- 3** Wager rarely about speed where rockets are launched (9)
10 Old Scot? A clue to be solved in birthplace (7)
12 Petitioned for termination of crocodile leather (5)
13 Barking shins, dad restrained language (7)
14 Fatty stuff: whole amount has sink almost stuffed (5)
15 About now in Israel, note, Bethlehem holds this (6)
17 Rounders fielder supports spinner (8)
18 Cold, then high temperature? It's deceptive (5)
19 Demand from appreciative audience welcomed by musician (cor anglais) (6)
21 Borrower, person alternating with ale drunk (6)
25 Dido, see, on a pyre lit with toyboy finally leaving? (5)
27 Reverse of old-fashioned on holding one crucifer (8)
30 Hide that's dropped in for clutch stabilizers? (6)
31 A physicist giving up day to identify source of exotic timber (5)
32 Westward travellers in Italy for putti (7)
33 Teething aid, child's first relating to the mouth (5)
34 P. Cézanne's friend follows rules in postponed case (7)
35 Reassembled tent in bag requiring wooden support structure (9)

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Across 1, pan + anag, in sagger; 14, bee in ricer; 15, cf. Kirk; 17, Hll in bask; 20, *Mame* (1966 US musical) + t; ref. David M.; 25, (bur)glary; 28, anag, in bed; 31, mo + it; 33, (p)age(a)nt; 34, rib for h in the.

Down 1, anag, in scag; 2, parish with a for s; 3, Herr in necking; ref. Max S., former German boxer; 6, comp. anag. & lit.; 7, gamma came Ra; 9, comp. anag. & lit.; 12, ll in ted; 18, spa TT + re (rev.); 19, ad in a blot; 23, le in anag.; 24, ref. Flute, the bellows-mender in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*; 28, cf. ASBO; 30, ref. Dawn French.

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DOWN

- 1** Love couple shown round ruined castle – it presents various challenges (12, 2 words)
2 One left phone off before service – it produces high blasts (9)
3 Like toffs in fur, open to prosecution (6)
4 Endlessly soft around evening, like river in idyllic setting (7)
5 Pumpkin when brought in to munch US-style (6)
6 Some chap's stentorian, attention-seeking utterance (4)
7 Blokes from Cape Town in French town run off south (5)
8 Oldie's stiff collar and jaunty boater (6)
9 E.g. mistletoe, making naughty pastime arise (12)
11 Dad's trapped this seal (5)
***16** Alien (9)
20 It's essential to indicate ransackers ... or one of them? (7)
22 S. American people certainly got on top of local rodent (6)
23 Boarding conceals king once shut in (5)
24 Numbers ruined in absence of right conductors (6)
26 Guest paying to imbibe a strong drink, gauging extent? (6)
28 Shoddy, old, in places it is covered in rust, maltreated (5)
29 Cross, but without anger or heat of old (4)