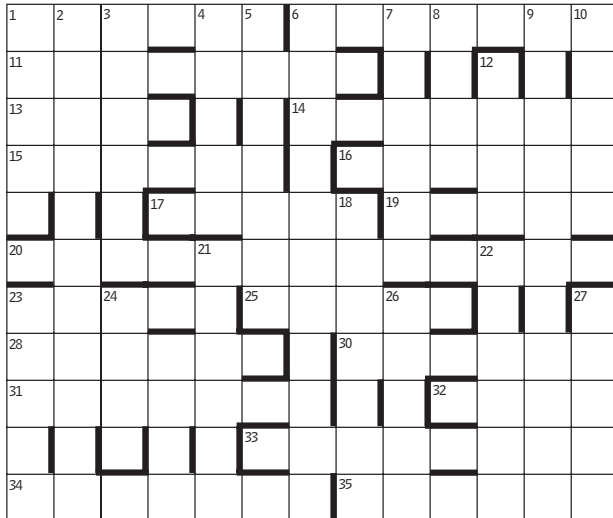


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ACROSS

- 1 Bishop's vestment, second buttonhole short? (6)
- 6 Receptacle for food, like hotchpot, is hot (7)
- 11 Bit part in lodging-house, reversing foundations (8)
- 13 Prat getting less than halfway through philosopher (4)
- 14 Ball in middle of green rolled over? Trouble (7)
- 15 Gutter beginning to rust without tenants (6)
- 16 Old chestnut to cut down bordering avenue (6)
- 17 See elm rise with this oddly? It's a palm tree maybe (5)
- 19 Posh (old-fashioned) lounge adjacent to yard (5)
- 20 It's a palm tree? See elm rise with it, oddly (13)
- 23 In-group lingo, once current fashion in trade (5)
- 25 Tree fern, no good among meadow grass (5)
- 28 Space separatin' lines of type in introduction (6)
- 30 Bend (go right for north) – it may follow blow-out (6)
- 31 Nasty discoloration in firs, trouble to deal with (7)
- 32 Top class Latin and English? Not good at all (4)
- 33 Molluscs, some suspect, in estuaries (8)
- 34 Indian fish has relocated in old lake (7)
- 35 Road surface to discern whereon magpie's seen? (6)

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Across 3, pace in sport; 10, anag. in bp; 13, pa in anag.; 19, comp. anag.; 21, anag. alternating with one; 23, c + anag. less y; 27, lin mumsy re (rev.); 30, skin with eggs for in; 31, a Fara (day); 34, r + É (douard) Manet.
Down 1, anag. in 0 brace; 2, a1 + anag. + RN; 3, U in sable; 4, ene in pian(o); 7, (R)ouen + S; 11, hoc in pa; 22, ay + mara; 23, embar (king); 26, a gin in pg; 28, a² in anag.; 29, salt (ire); see salt².

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DOWN

- 1 Electrician positioning front of spotlights above pitch (5)
- 2 Strong liquor in bar i.e. all drunk – such strength is sky-high! (11)
- 3 Sticky fish caught in Cyprus (6)
- 4 Moth trapped by hotel workers in lift (5)
- 5 Convertible frequently parked in halt (7, 2 words)
- 6 Bellboy takes dad up takeaway? (11)
- 7 Roll up minced lamb in centre of omelet (6)
- 8 Fuel oil under van (middle part thereof) (4)
- 9 Oil e.g. sizzling in small pan reduced to make thin soup (11)
- 10 Striking head cold that makes one very up and down (7)
- 12 One exacting blood vengeance set about start of ordeal (4)
- 18 Like some stars, exercise complete I left off (7)
- 21 Possible misprint in Shakespeare was disturbing? Not quite (6)
- 22 Wagering, lost? Hoax includes snare (6)
- 23 A chimney, black inside – it may contain scraps (5)
- 24 Bit of ornamentation essential for impressing audience (4)
- 26 Ancient golf ball a p-pull's lofted (5)
- 27 Braced framework, support under it shortened (5)
- 29 Mercury, say, alight but not brown inside (4)

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