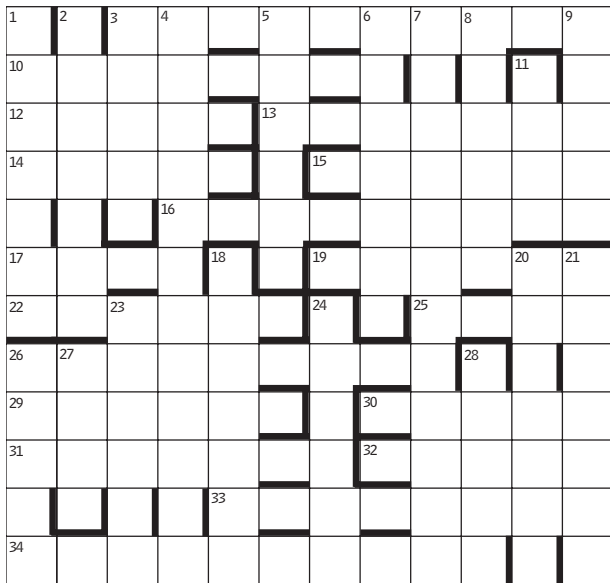


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ACROSS

- 3 The world of hack journos is irritating, wooden, with little great penning (10, 2 words)
- 10 Like hints from everyone I see in employment (6)
- 12 Head for pool, full-length, in old-style dive (5)
- 13 Counterfeit murals I reproduced (7)
- 14 Board games like this, endlessly dreary, looking back (5)
- 15 This lawyer provides some support – granny's in step (6)
- 16 Old silken cloth, splendid round a border (9)
- 17 Stumped, admitting uncertainty in filtering process (4)
- 19 Proput foot down in souped-up motor (6, 2 words)
- 22 Meat chopped with a chisel partly (6)
- 25 Hot? I have put on that old straw hat (4)
- 26 Amino acid: number mostly short of multiple thereof (9)
- 29 One wandering around Romania and America (6)
- 30 Once off course, sailor lost point (5)
- 31 Symptoms originating in subcontinent, reverse of ideal (7)
- 32 English rose? Rose less red at the edges (5)
- 33 Showing dramatic style is in A. Behn, not hard to work out (8)
- 34 Nobleman, one with land scattered round Spain and a little bit of Oman (10)

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Across 1, lin catch; 6, so w ans.; 10, ago + hob in rape; 12, anag. in Q & A; 14, water-chestnut commonly used in Chinese cuisine; 15, i.e. up = at uni; 22 in tub + ate; 28, (rip)pling; see shriek; 29, anag. for ha in that; 31, S in Irit (rev.); 32, anag. + anag.; 34, i.e. gab sag (rev.).

Down 1, shew app in anag. incl. E; 3, I in to one; 4, cf. nacre; 7, W + oundy; 8, idea in about(t); 9, ate men t in sting; 20, tow in sing; 26, it in (Ala)ska, & lit.; 27, r in anag. of Azed.

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DOWN

- 1 Stale beer, messy lap getting caught in facial hair (7)
- 2 Distorted declaration of affection, we hear, stuff that's settled in bed? (7)
- 3 Good line introducing poem passed smoothly for poet (5)
- 4 Mediocre series, frequently on edge and incompetent (12)
- 5 Writer welcoming hush in eaterie (6)
- 6 Shrine people found in ancient Ionian location (7)
- 7 Being converted bothered nun having died crazy (12, 3 words)
- 8 New retreat after conclusion of battle being discussed (3 words, apostrophe)
- 9 Form of grate, or grill (Scottish) (5)
- 11 Steer on avoiding collision (4)
- 18 One opening OED at random spies Linnaean class (7)
- 20 Common feature Ravel adapted in one of his pieces? (7)
- 21 Dad with need for a change, lacking prospects (7)
- 23 Bit of classical Latin read in translation, or crib (6)
- 24 A youngster brought up before strict heartless old judge (6)
- 26 Little girl? That's her, without a man, in a Turner (5)
- 27 Suspended disused trading company (4)
- 28 Fine medley, part of exam submission (5)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.