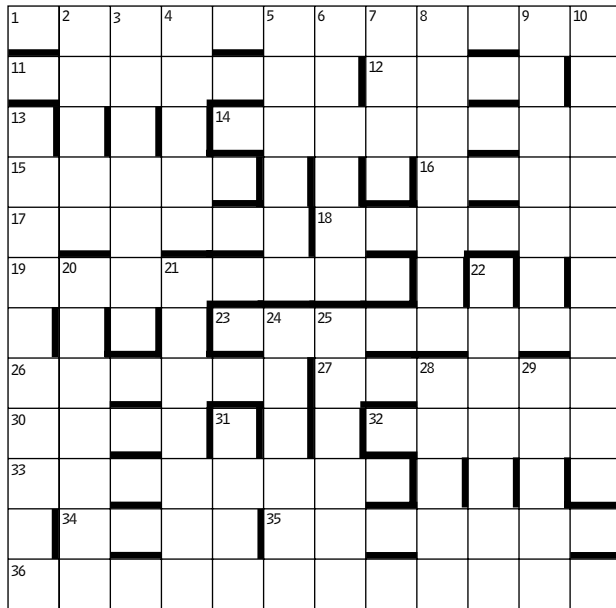


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ACROSS

- 1 Cocksfoot or leaf beet? Tell (12)
 11 Priest leading High Requiem Mass leaving pungent smoke (7)
 12 Bird e.g. once famously in tow, left dull fatty? (4)
 14 Liquor, hard, imbibed by Bastien when squiffy? (8)
 15 Scrap metal – measure length (5)
 16 Small weight, something that helps to get wheel turning round (4)
 17 Old vegetables, when fed to farm worker (6)
 18 Displaced person from unstable regime (6)
 19 Crudity displayed by e.g. Cossack, a little hollow inside (8)
 23 Vehicle for aristos guillotined, the French in gingham? (8)
 26 Maddened by heat in the outback? It's too much (6)
 27 A dandy item (6, 2 words)
 30 What audience might take to be ring for old opponents? (4)
 32 Queen dressed in black or pink (5)
 33 Unfashionable repro confused old auctioneer (8)
 34 Dessert wines aren't that essential for these courses (4)
 35 Tots are knocked back – it facilitates student mobility (7)
 36 Something like textspeak, form of e.g. parley endlessly accepted by this lot (12)

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Azed apologises for the clash in 33 Across/21 Down. Either letter, or both, were accepted.

Across 10 a N A b l O sis; 14, S + crawler; 15, ref. C. Run, bobsled venue; 16, an (rev.) + R in ule; 17, hard O K E; 19, hope with y for O; 25, (ch.) oosy; 27, r a v in cat; 30, anag. + Deo (rev.); 33, l'état t l in titter.

Down 1, anag. in packet; 3, pin to; 4, so (rev.) in raker; 6, salt in (s)ai(!); 7, cf. nowt; 8, i.e. d in lay = lady; 11, pent in pers.; 13, RA tor in O, O; 18, add in anag.; 24, (X)masti(me) (anag.); 28, vol. + 't.

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DOWN

- 2 Government department responsible for mountain climbing (5)
 3 Vintage bustle shrouding Inez's rear – it was current in Brazil (7)
 4 Charters shown in great detail (when there's space within)(5)
 5 Old stone, mostly broken, black inside (6)
 6 Start of staining inside is damaging once attractive property (6, 2 words)
 7 Peeper enthralled by inviting limbs (4)
 8 What's left of Jock's Apple, I mean without one requirement for program (7, 2 words)
 9 Round shape formed with both hands, briefly? (7)
 10 Sleek? Wrong – tag as descriptive of extreme emaciation (10)
 *13 Freethinker (10, 2 words)
 20 Stir soup vigorously with rouille (oil left out) (7)
 21 Time going, rage over e.g. Osborne leaves one pink no longer (7)
 22 Whence plant growth develops, cherry rises in jerks (7)
 24 Char, work person given money up front (6)
 25 Flowering shrubs? Arbour by the sound of it overshadows one (6)
 28 Swish woman with O so wayward husband (5)
 29 Sea-gulls are possibly (not eagles, silly) (5)
 31 Name of instrument producing low note (one below piano's lowest) (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.