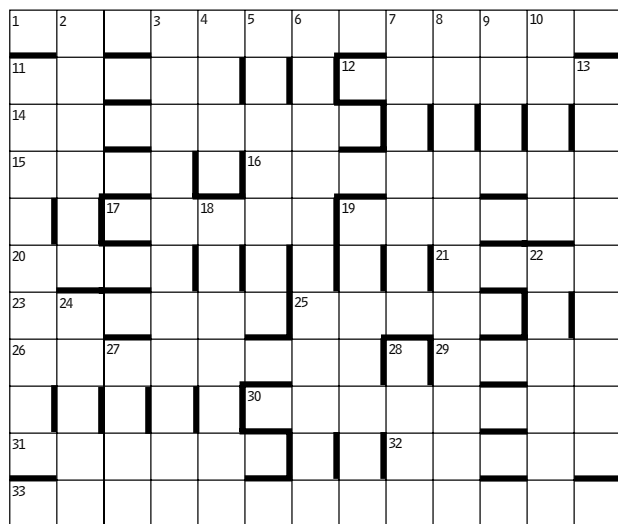


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ACROSS

- 1 Supper, two eggs, scrambled – those against showing effect of taking communion? (13, 2 words)
- 11 Computer engineer succeeded, reverse of affected (5)
- 12 Good accommodation for strappers? (6)
- 14 Pit vipers almost entirely confined to courts rattled (8)
- 15 Batsman dismissed on two, losing wicket, going back (4)
- 16 Lead monoxide that's copious, and it's hot inside (8)
- 17 Bard's cold period – poet's to make haste with writing (5)
- 19 Trainer getting section of regiment organized (6)
- 20 Riddle: what sounds like a river, then initially another? (4)
- 21 Day ending with beard beginning (4)
- 23 Chicken trainer sacking centre on the spot (6)
- 25 Number tackled by alto vibrato according to key (5)
- 26 Something akin to a wasp features at or near both ends of a cow? (8)
- 29 Erotic line taken from Russian writer (4)
- 30 Energy involved, returning fortitude is exciting (8)
- 31 A quick zizz, essential for busiest always (6)
- 32 No longer in good health, support start of therapy (5)
- 33 Idiocy? This possibly indicates Ecstasy! (10)

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N	V	A	C	S	U	C	O	M	E	A	N	E
I	1	C	2	I	3	N	4	E	5	T	6	A
R	E	H	A	B	R	A	I	D	I	S	A	C
P	7	S	8	I	9	L	10	O	11	E	12	D
O	L	I	D	T	R	A	L	L	I	S	E	E
P	13	S	14	N	15	G	16	A	17	E	18	G
P	R	P	L	A	P	O	N	A	C	A	R	
U	19	H	20	I	21	L	22	S	23	A	24	A
D	I	S	I	N	I	L	A	B	A	R	A	C
E	25	G	26	G	27	R	28	E	29	N	30	O
R	I	N	I	S	P	A	L	L	C	A	I	V
A	31	O	32	T	33	C	34	U	35	T	36	E
F	E	S	R	A	N	S	E	S	D	E	B	R

1, vacherin; 2, biscacha; cach(e) in bis a; 3, Brancusi; ran in anag, less m; 4, comedian; cast media in con; 5, side meat; 6, Castanea; cast an ea; 7, polisher; 8, dishabit; dish a bit; 9, arbitral; bra (rev.) + anag.; 10, allodial; laid olla (rev.); 11, idolises; 12, seedcase; anag, in see E; 13, propolis; 14, displant; is plan in DT; 15, tragopan; comp. anag.; 16, lagoonal; a goon a in ll; 17, canalise; c + anag.; 18, cargeese; (b) argees in c, e; 19, proudish; 0 in prudish; 20, plainish; INI in plash; 21, pollinia; pollinia; 22, balloons; all in boons; 23, baracans; Barac(k Obama) + ans.; 24, caracara; raca in car + a; 25, ringside; hidden; 26 sing-sing; ref. US penitentiary; 27, sparring; spar + ling; 28, labellar; lab + anag.; 29, barnacle; anag, in bare; 30, Racovian; 31, farinose; far I nose; 32, arsonist; son is in art; 33, capstans; c + anag.; ref. former cigarette brand; 34, calluses; call uses; 35, sulcated; anag.; 36, abbreviate; verb (rev.) + I ate.

PRIZERULES

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- 2 Father given year inside for what jewel thieves may be after (6)
- 3 What's taking steins and shots out of control? (11)
- 4 Big fish sending Marx up heartlessly? (4)
- 5 Luxury saloon in Mall, broken down – quibble about it (7)
- 6 Scouring-rushes arranged in a set within borderless mass? (11)
- 7 Like primeval US rocks, each found in ruined ranch (7)
- 8 No sign of authority, an advantage occasionally (11, 3 words)
- 9 Pleasure trip near ancient city (4)
- 10 Perfect stage villain taking maiden in (5)
- 11 Equine disease bends mounts, chest heaving (9)
- 13 Rudder support stops working, seabird nesting therein (9)
- 18 The old avoid life in summer months abroad (8)
- 19 Cows do what they do? Depends (7)
- 22 Hazards of yesteryear, a lost time involved in hostilities (6)
- 24 Local fleece that is about right for Scottish chill (5)
- 27 Local watercourse? Try to avoid getting back in (4)
- 28 Redcap interrupting lives shoots as before (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.