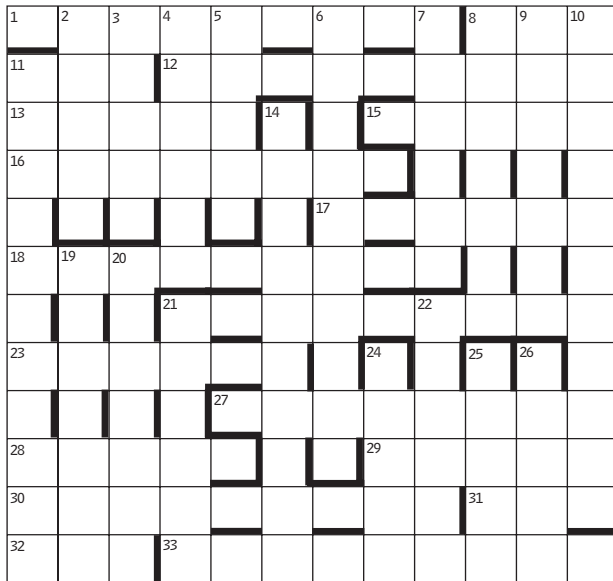


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## ACROSS

- 1 In recess, work towards destruction of cells, naturally (9)
- 8 Expletive: machine deleting it? Explosive results (3)
- 11 Food that ignores recipe – where's Jock's going? (3)
- 12 Old brass and gold chalice melted down (9)
- 13 Stakes once lowered defensively, rascal switching first pair (5)
- 15 Good-for-nothing learning alongside learner (5)
- 16 Ancient paths maybe inly trampled within meadows (8, 2 words)
- 17 Operatic heroine, by the sound of her one prone to hysterics (6)
- 18 Prove stain must be treated with care (9)
- 21 Jerk beset by malicious women gossips (9)
- 23 Old pro, Guthrie, among leaders of high-class theatre? (6)
- 27 A clue I'm ploughing, little good in it – it's certainly sticky (8)
- 28 Re serious disease, coffee gets rid of one before and after (5)
- 29 Club heading league playing piece in game (5)
- 30 Oral tumours to work on inside stoma on being treated (9)
- 31 Quite a large edifice but lacking height (3)
- 32 It was run by Nazi official, unit avoided by SS (3)
- 33 GR accepts decision for poor old author (9)

## AZED 2,266 Solution & notes

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**Across** 1, anag. incl. 0, 0 + antis; 11, s + posy (rev.); 14, al(l) in anag.; 15 ro + anag. less w; ref. Joe R. (Yorkshire and England cricketer); 16, it h in large; 17, hie + MS; 20, 'Thames'; t + Ems; 23, co(a)ch + in; 29, Gogo(l); 30, E in stamina (rev.); 33, i.e. senselessness (anag.) = E.

**Down** 3, anag. & lit.; 4, Ha(r)po (rev.); ref. Marx brothers; 6, anag. in (r)equie(m); 7, sv Archaean; 8, no wand a gain; 10, m in lago; 11, arcs (rev.) + anag.; 13, tern in anag.; 18, vita in été (Fr. = summer); 22, (a)ge in wars; 24, r in oo.i.e.; 28, MP (military policeman) in is.

## PRIZERULES

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## DOWN

- 2 Way of recovering nuclear fuel king found after rising's overthrown (5)
- 3 One specializing in childbirth etc moved on by leader in geriatrics (5)
- 4 Octopus mostly mashed, stuffed with egg (6)
- 5 Cereal, recipe I regularly included, not allowed at e.g. Passover (5)
- 6 Circuit diagrams confused chemists alternating current (10)
- 7 Tin with duck in for one who can't be bothered (6)
- 8 Bone projections to target, whale coming up (7)
- 9 Woolly stuff, hot, I have doubled up in bed (7)
- 10 Cassis includes this Ethel M.'s drunk with ruin (11)
- 11 Huge amphibian: almost half of it is pickled in alcohol (11, 2 words)
- 14 Old-style teacher, trendy shoemaker formerly taking girl in (11)
- 19 Declaration of faith in king with a big knife! (6)
- 20 Deer mostly rotting, tail gone, black inside (7)
- 21 Activity of setter I found trapped in cleft (6)
- 23 Philosopher, head cast very low, but most unlikely to need a doctor? (6)
- 24 Around afternoon ice sometimes cracks (5)
- 25 Where Maoris congregate, sun going in West? (5)
- 26 Swanky Scot to lie in water upside down (5)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2011) is recommended. 17 appears in earlier editions.*