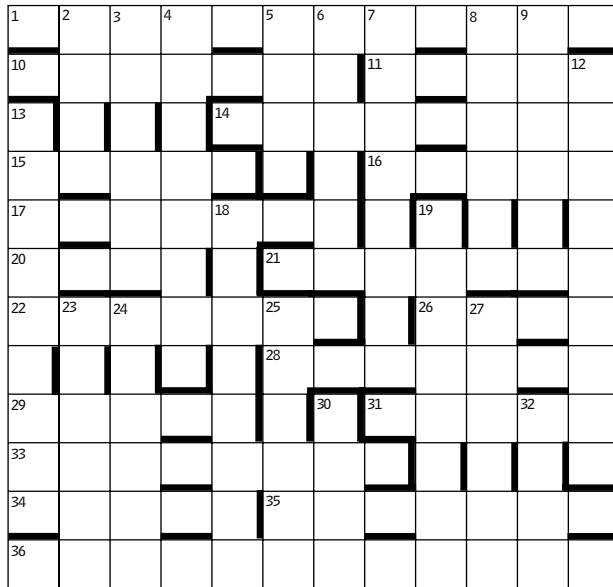


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## ACROSS

- 1 Pud – all pester cook for this? (12, 2 words)  
 10 Shakespearean coward, Trojan, left page outside (7)  
 11 Learned theologian contributing to useful emails (5)  
 14 Protective body covering? King with season confined to bed (8)  
 15 The old man beside Indian tree, a Muslim formerly? (5)  
 16 & 24 Alert at sea aboard e.g. yawls, they think they know it all (11, 2 words)  
 17 Identification code, British, in paying back rating lost (7, 2 words)  
 20 Burrower turns over regular parts in this? (4)  
 21 Make crude scam, taking in bum (7)  
 22 Classy chap experienced returning dither (7, 3 words)  
 26 Second-hand blouse, darned in part (4)  
 28 Mineral in bundles? Could be *this* left in lab urn (7)  
 29 Organizers of carnival were excited with king opening it (5)  
 31 Source of music from South Africa, New Zealand and Spain (5)  
 33 Swag enclosed above back (8)  
 34 Gay dog consuming eastern liquor (5)  
 35 — Iseult, oddly, displays a Russian title! (7)

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**Across** 10, or + lei (rev.); 12, hidden rev.; 13, I'd in anag. + R; 14, ref. Jenny L., 'the Swedish Nightingale'; 16, maze in anag.; 22, v in steer (rev.); 24, RM in anag.; 29, arc(h); see seadog; 34, ref. Ethel Merman, US actress/singer; 35, to nest in shrow; ref. *The Taming of the Shrew*.

**Down** 1, anag.; 3, h in loo pole; 5, he elbo (w) ne; ref. Achilles heel; 6, Moor (rev.) + anag.; 9, anag. less a; 17, anag. in dims; 18, pr. + anag.; 19, bee(f) eater; 21, anag. in ben; 39, ref. Paula R.

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**36** Lack of feeling, being reverse of yielding among shadiest, crooked (12)

## DOWN

- 2 Hare up mountains, requiring a rest when climbing (4)  
 3 Full assembly that indicates choice introducing measure (6)  
 4 Unguent? Very little is taken up in time of abstinence (8)  
 5 Looked like thunder? Led off in yacht over the pond (4)  
 6 Carmen's passion was racing before being laid up? (6)  
 7 Welsh girl in e.g. Conway presenting foreign nationals (8)  
 8 Always involved, drag up slippages? (4)  
 9 Master involved in university award (first missed) brought up issue (6)  
 12 Conference delegates, number inside seated uncomfortably (9)  
 13 Ask Scots about blockhead cave man (9)  
 18 Good old Aussie mate's victory, English involved (8)  
 19 Autumn period that didn't last, warm and dry but fogbound (8)  
 23 Eel, new in, served with a cheesy sauce (6)  
 24 See 16  
 25 Gets fit, notice, when taking in gym activity? (6)  
 27 Some Pakistanis representing Diss? (6)  
 30 Part of column, stuff mostly rehashed (4)  
 32 Variable educational institution for Native American (4)

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