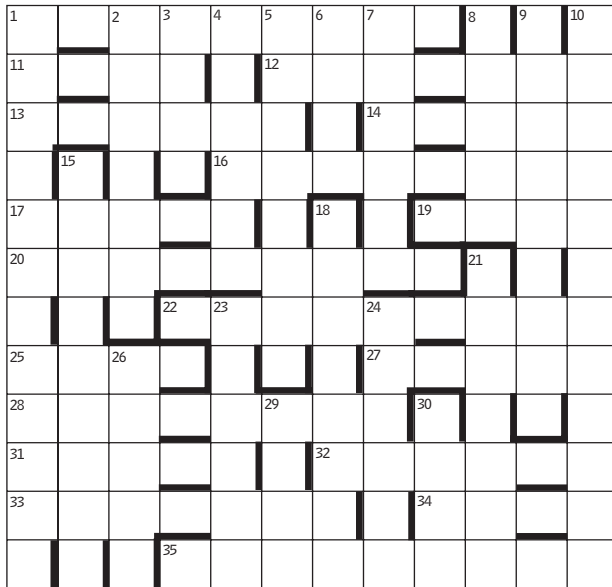


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ACROSS

- 1 What develops from spawn – twitching proleg? Scratch inside maybe (9)
- 11 Bad news for trawlermen? Cheer when it recedes about one (4)
- 12 Plentiful Scotch? Debauchee consumes this endlessly (7)
- 13 Riot at the RSC? Fury about rerun of Othello half cut (6)
- 14 Dyestuff used in monarchic apparel (5)
- 16 Aerials not available in Nantes oddly (8)
- 17 Is it turning out as old-style element? (5)
- 19 Palace officer Hal got rid of calling for damages (5)
- 20 Rise above one in theatre company and mind about that (9)
- 22 Host with banjo developed craft on US waterways (9, 2 words)
- 25 Grand title denotes a Manchu? Some (4)
- 27 Composition of blue square in oils (5)
- 28 Treatise to flog in outline (8)
- 31 What a doctor hopes to effect backing herbs (5)
- 32 Hillary seen upset? Could be this that Bill didn't do, slyer possibly! (6)
- 33 Locust, something charming in swirling rain (7)

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Across 1, anag. less!; 10, air c in hut; 11, 'high pose'; 12, i.e. i(t)ching; 16, 2 meanings & g rip; 17, anag. + link edge; 20, duc (Fr. = duke) in see; 24, zo in scan; 28, see sprite; 30, Nail(r) in; 31, comp. anag. & lit.; 32, k(l)ne(l)l(t); 34, a day x 3 (rev.).

Down 1, whisky Fri. sky; 4, (K)rug + E in GR; 5, Strauss with d for us; 6, anag. in chap; 8, is c in anag.; 9, no men in anag. less!; 13, hidden; 15, Ieric in city; 19, anag. + n a; 24, 1c in sped; 25, It. In Zi(on); 27, on in ced(e).

PRIZERULES

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- 34 Face-to-face, virago polishing off dram (4)
- 35 Statesmen messed up form of assessment (9, 2 words)

DOWN

- 1 Place to contemplate story H. Pinter contrived (12)
- 2 Scots at full speed take east road out of capital (7)
- 3 Women grab a snack (4)
- 4 Which Scottish bulbs appear in spring? Answer: — (6)
- 5 Measure introduced, abnormal charge for wine (8)
- 6 Made for the open? Bar inside to taste (4)
- 7 Fodder: 50 head of cattle devouring universal old make? (6)
- 8 Bit of a jaw with a mate (5)
- 9 Bad habits a wretch introduced in parish offices (9)
- 10 Fresh calculation about Roman coins granted, millions included (12)
- 15 Incendiary missile creating heat in litter (9)
- 18 Polo, e.g., an event broadcast I'll enter (8)
- 21 Yarn in prison, what US bank-robbers'll be after? (7)
- 23 Hydrocarbon – chemist gutted over one found in unit (6)
- 24 Goes left in dog-legs? (6)
- 26 A bum, crazy with yen for bitter tipple (5)
- 29 What'll begin *Alto Rhapsody* is 'Aber ...' melody (4)
- 30 Rebel receiving Henry's pardon? (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.