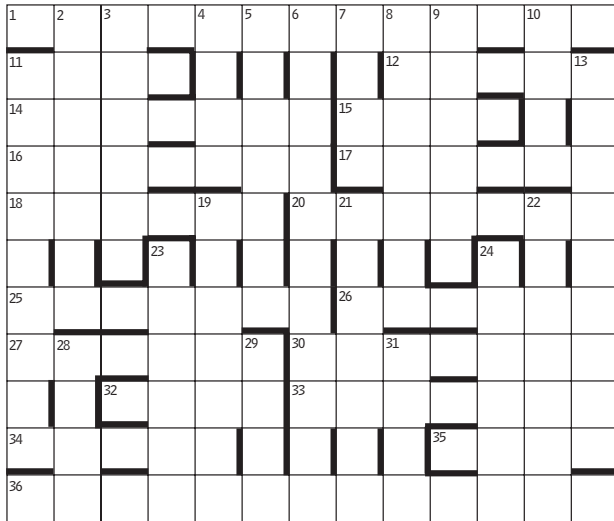


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ACROSS

- 1 Ruthless financier when placed before one revealing all (13)
- 11 Scottish person asked for by name? (4)
- 12 Words in verse on occupant of rank? (5)
- 14 Bit of shoulder armour lord damaged in clinch (7)
- 15 One carries flowers as once to throw possibly (4)
- 16 A Rechabite ceremony making one repentant through fear (7)
- 17 One aiming for pass probably, quite steep in part (6)
- 18 After turning fat almost stop sugar source (6)
- 20 Melon fool put in handbag (7)
- 25 Journeyman, one in trains off the rails? (7)
- 26 Brazier, innermost part hot (6)
- 27 Old English division wary about start of war (6)
- 30 Tense when confronting mysterious goddess, sheathed (7)
- 32 Alme dancing in festival abroad (4)
- 33 First-class beer making comeback in the Big Smoke (7)
- 34 Small cup and saucer one dropped, shattered (5)
- 35 What was the time (or so it's said) to get hitched? (4)
- 36 Nepali arch sculpted with art in division of Indo-European (13, 2 words)

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Theme: girls' names replacing boys' names, i.e. 'Penny for the Guy' before Bonfire Night.

Across 12, anatomy; a + map (rev.) in any; 13, same; moan (rev.) in i.e.; 14, madam; mun + a; 16, trumpeters; anag. + me in SS; 19, scarlet; anag.; 22, hidden; 27, s in enate; 28, a in anag.; 31, probe; erg (rev.) in anag.; 35, anag. in tent; 36, Adonai; arose + ai; 38, (pumper)nickel; 39, sandal; end in sena; 40, hysterical; anag.

Down 1, troncs; my in scat (rev.); 2, U in inla(y); 3, malanders; d in manners; 4, ax in lape (rev.); 6, oleo; 0 + Marge with I for g; 8, nargiles; are ric(h) in NA; 10, limerick; i' ME in lines; 21, times; tie in hates; 23, inurned; I + anag.; 25, Sal in seat; 26, viands; v + s, s in beds; 29, epaule; e HE bee; see main entry in C.; 34, I in Iona; see Names in C.

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DOWN

- 2 Necklace gentleman takes in car (7)
- 3 Sweltering despot, tan yielding to effort? (6)
- 4 Plant receptacles gobbled in rotavator incident (4)
- 5 Blind spot exhibited by e.g. Jock over parent? (7)
- 6 New cornet blown? Implement gripping that is what modifies sound (11, 2 words)
- 7 Murrayfield score: half time try almost converted (4)
- 8 Result of Paris student's binge, having left off his books on banks of Seine? (7)
- 9 Get our lot in place for meal of old legumes (6)
- 10 Move very slowly when entering centre of reef (4)
- 11 Special rice, first off cold, rarely moving jerkily (9)
- 13 Bass, one in ginger? Dough is all I really care about (9)
- 19 Trull, she? Possibly, when given latitude (7)
- 21 Remains of pyre – death of Cleo – packed with African timber? (7)
- 22 Non-drinker that is entering pub, more than simply crazy (7)
- 23 Like the nation's elite if sent abroad (6)
- 24 Decorative plant from ME region showing length not breadth (6)
- 28 Jam specialists concerned with dip (4)
- 29 Representation of mortality featuring in many a mass (4)
- 31 Ignorant neologism getting reporter stripped of 'Liberal' name (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.