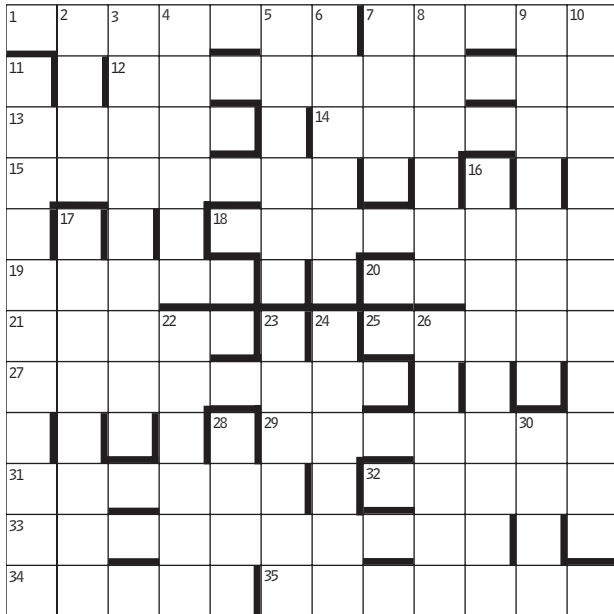


AZED No. 2,322 Plain COMPETITION PUZZLE



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ACROSS

- 1 Liqueur isn't drunk in a British hospital (7)
- 7 Bother includes this for new parent – it's bottomless (5)
- 12 Paddy's receiving benefit, splashing out beer (not English)? Oh no! (11, 3 words)
- 13 Horseman in the wars, separated from gig, laughing wildly (5)
- 14 Lad found wild vetch in trees (6)
- 15 US backwoods no longer on one's doorstep? Shows displeasure about that (7)
- 18 Like a damp squib? Hate it going off cold after 6th of November (8)
- 19 Navigational aid for planes created in Alberta (Canada) (5)
- 20 Fine US novelist in a lather (5)
- 21 Server making erstwhile tennis star tense (5)
- 25 Vessel for one – or none? Stick around (5)
- 27 Scotsman's mean, sister admitting a rage when hard done by (8)
- 29 Small radius in two records, rarely separate (7)
- 31 Australian enters wearing hat with patterned ornamentation (6)
- 32 Name of distinguished scientists I introduced to their priest? (5)
- *33 Having a prominent belly (10)
- 34 Something like a moraine found in The Skerries (5)
- 35 Self-conscious about comb reduced to fragments (7)

AZED 2,319 Solution & notes

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Across 1, b in a mass + a dress; 13, tar in anag. incl. N; 14, ca. in must; 16, p(rot)est; 20, miles (L = soldier) + tone; 25, hidden & lit.; 27, vers(us); 31, rew + rap; 33, USN + ea.

Down 2, que in matte³; 5, state lines s; 8, spas(m); 9, i.e. a get in sea; 11, or chest rate; 23, tri(b)une; 26, s + a in nep; 30, t sez (rev.).

PRIZERULES

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DOWN

- 2 Beat type, vagrant swapping portions (4)
- 3 Poor soil, a mixture of chalk and so on (9)
- 4 Small fish I set before granny, good inside (6)
- 5 Energy spent, the harvest reveals Scot's traditional belief (6)
- 6 Poet's vow to produce opening of elegy in a hurry (6)
- 7 Left inside, the old carry on with proficiency (4)
- 8 Bed rug having slipped off, one's stirring (6)
- 9 Some Peruvian money restricting source of action, a sweetener (8)
- 10 Wee Scots birdie, she comes fluttering through (11)
- 11 Real advances before almost headlong start of enfilade (11)
- 16 Drunk? Drunk having imbibed barrel – not good, right? (9)
- 17 Roughly looks at housing senior service in old barracks (8)
- 22 Worker losing openings for work after that political scandal (6)
- 23 Worsted ribbon, most ungentlemanly? (6)
- 24 Vacate clubhouse couch (6)
- 26 Tax, common custom added at foot of bill (6)
- 28 Celtic strip, exciting for the fans without ambient chant? (4)
- 30 Mansion's closing? It's free to go round outside (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.