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**NB Competition clues submitted should begin with an appropriate letter so as to complete a hidden message.**

**ACROSS**

- 1 Flattened parasitical growth causing higher bp when bitten by a nasty fly (12)
- 10 Outing, a mind-blowing experience (4)
- 11 Ready for nomination, a concoction of bone meal (one for nothing) (8)
- 12 Twelfth letter rendered implausible when written by husband (6)
- 13 Yo-yo, one trailing a girl (5)
- 15 Frenzied orgiast on the fringes cheers political activists (9)
- 16 It's often performed in vitro (not very complicated) (3)
- 18 Vertebral peg displayed in reception room? Not on (6)
- 19 Early diet left one with 'dead' label (7)
- 23 You may see nag struggling in thrust from behind delays (7, 2 words)
- 26 Excluding our appearance has to damage fan (6)
- 28 Activate part of process (purification) (4)
- \*29 Song of praise (9)
- 31 Smoky like some whiskies, a type that's blended (5)
- 32 On a slope in Scotland I set off to whizz downhill fast? (6)

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1	S	P	R	I	N	G	H	A	S	M	A	
2	E	A	O	R	H	A	I	R	T	A	I	L
3	S	C	R	O	W	S	T	S	P	L	A	T
4	C	H	Y	N	D	H	M	E	D	I	S	E
5	H	A	R	M	A	L	A	Y	F	A	M	R
6	E	C	H	O	S	Y	N	T	O	N	I	N
7	R	A	W	L	P	L	U	G	P	I	C	A
8	I	P	H	E	S	A	N	G	L	I	S	T
9	C	R	A	N	T	S	C	B	I	T	T	E
10	H	I	N	D	U	P	A	N	N	U	A	L
11	I	N	A	U	R	A	T	E	G	T	I	Y
12	A	E	U	N	T	R	E	A	S	U	R	E

**Across** 12, airt in hail; 15, ch. + first letters; 16, l(ran) in anag.; 22, anag. in r, g, & lit.; 26, 'piker'; 28, L in angst; 31, first letters; ref. famous *Fawty Towers* episode; 33, comp. anag. & lit.; 35, anag. in irate; 36, anag. + sure. **Down** 2, cf. a chap; 3, see Names in C.; 5, ash in (u)gly; 6, hit + man(y); 8, Sal + lan; 9, a s in Mimi + c; ref. *Madame Butterfly*; 10, tern in a lately; 11, rich l in anag. less e; 20, cf. a prince; 24, l + C in asar; 25, uncle with at for l; 27, i.e. Stu(a)r; e.g. Bonnie Prince Charlie; 30, t + utu.

**RULES AND REQUESTS**

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- 33 Following initiate eat furiously, having food course? (8)
- 34 At lakeside this appears universal – row round (4)
- 35 Zany salt on RN term: 'What'll I have to enlighten me?' (12, 2 words)

**DOWN**

- 1 Spear-thrower, range slightly reduced with extremes of toil (6)
- 2 Bum that is dismissed by Murphy? (4)
- 3 Monkey in tree climbing wholly to get umbellifers (10)
- 4 Pontiac's tailboard extending outwards, with loveless hound on board (7)
- 5 Indian lady rarely holds up international degree (6)
- 6 Black marks distinguished soldier (5)
- 7 Evidence of disturbance produced by worker in cliques (8)
- 8 Those on the fringes, frightful trash in part (6)
- 9 Miserable slice of meat I disposed of without difficulty (6)
- 14 Spacecraft may enter it: I soon changed pressure at this point (10)
- 17 One can clock up miles travelled, having motored freely round Spain (8)
- 20 One cheers to know Mafeking remained so (7)
- 21 Head's topped by merest hint of smoke – a wisp? (6)
- 22 Wretched, old and workshy, in having been shunned? (6)
- 24 First helping of soup served in fine china making one bristle? (6)
- 25 Particle rapidly showing displacement of neutron (6)
- 27 Law almost broken by artist, no townie, of old (5)
- 30 Wolf not following at rear abandoned growl (4)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.*