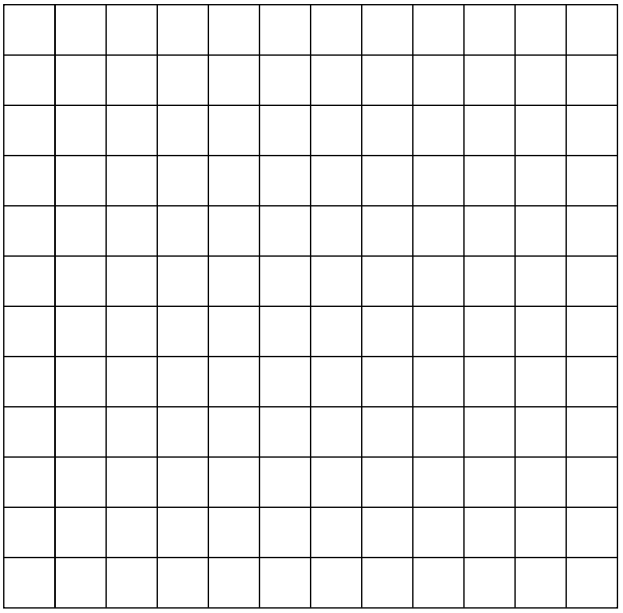
AZED No. 2,336 'Carte Blanche'



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The symmetry of the bars in the completed diagram is such that it would look the same if turned upside down but not if given a quarter turn. Clues are given in their correct order. Entries submitted should include bars, but numbers are unnecessary.

ACROSS

Raw at Murrayfield, between a couple of showers
Gazelles, the majority tailless, circling hunter, gutted
Tax exile, three short along the way, connecting with main branch
Some pond life one man found wandering in open country
Dwarfs train horses in Benin, strangely
Antipodean bird in gardens brought from east Australia
Poem in chapters – it converts electronic signals
In strike, Labour repeatedly in favour may look down on investors
Rejected old pen when edging something like parchment?
Screened info system causing distress when about to die, poorly
It replaces hips a lot
Governor of former village groups? Zapu changed name
Superstition surrounds this small American tree
After bit of work learner diving in escapes marshland
Lop off cooked oysters cut by wife of clerk
Dido, huge after gig
Like horses once harnessed in tandem and missing bits of elegant design
What you associate with Jack – no talk, little or none

DOWN

Women's hat, worn but repaired, a good buy in Edinburgh
Deportees, left out, fit north of the border
Grubby stuff one avoided in auction – not quite me!
Cask? One in charge is at this
Having the components of pull/rail/tire? Possibly (as a minimum)
Swinging both ways presents bit of dilemma – fancy Nigel, fancy Glenda
Disengaged from comprehending artificial language, unrepeatable
Free leaflets, thousand distributed
Gun – before loading one this may absorb you totally
Mediterranean vessel, conveyance round Italy
Miser with pep disposed of outer coat
On tee, six caddies sacked sine die – drivers no longer need them (2 words)
Make no secret of being single brought up with family member (left out)
Affliction of Ayr mount having to compete after spring
Hydrocarbon damaged coat, modern, wife got rid of
You need to be in Hamburg when imbibing it, in short
Relish stone one's taken off, on setter's middle
Large piece of meat stokes pet dog

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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Across 1, c + spiny (rev.); 12, 0 + anag.; 14, Rev. oke; 17, first letters & lit.; 21, p + anag. + ava; 25, scrim(p); 26, un h allow; 31, anag. incl. N; 33, anag. + y.

Down 1, knoc(k) (rev.); 2, ne + wager; 4, anag. less o; 6, arc in soma + l in toss; 7, ide + as 3; 10, anag. incl. 0; 15, comp. anag. with b; ref. Buzz Aldrin; 19, cre(w) in ea dip (all rev.); 22, c in a rana; 27, huma(n). 28, sv go.

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