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### ACROSS

- 1 Ladder, second missed? Here's horrid old snake (4)
- 4 Yard in Glossop converted for cottonseed extract (8)
- 10 Cockney's false claim about Victorian murder investigator, a self-aggrandiser? (10)
- 11 Sailor travelling in foreign parts (6)
- 13 Reverse of silence, also included loud laughter? (5)
- 15 Quake, not the first, making Geordie move out? (6)
- 16 South African country admits little positive in hesitant policy (6)
- 17 Pacific island one introduced to eucalyptus (4)
- 19 Having small swellings cut, bleed badly round centre of perforation (9)
- 21 One seriously disturbed? Coop is wrong in place of hospital (9)
- 24 Heads for refuge in monsoon under conifer (4)
- 25 Macho man with 'Whoopee!' joined film company (6)
- 27 Control's back, seizing power one picks off the unwary (6)
- 29 Warm or cold, requiring a hat (5)
- 30 After party in prison I'll be seen in sporting get-up (6)
- 31 Hating hard work? So pub'll have charm (10)

### AZED 2,334 Solution & notes

A	P	R	E	S	O	R	I	U	M		
T	R	I	P	N	A	M	E	A	B	L	E
L	A	M	E	D	H	U	A	N	I	T	A
A	T	P	A	G	I	T	A	T	O	R	S
T	R	I	O	A	B	S	P	I	N	A	L
L	A	N	D	T	A	G	U	N	O	S	Y
S	D	E	O	E	H	A	N	G	S	U	P
C	O	L	M	A	R	R	T	S	P	U	R
A	L	L	E	L	U	I	A	H	H	S	O
P	E	A	T	Y	R	S	K	L	E	N	T
E	N	T	E	R	A	T	E	U	R	A	O
S	T	O	R	M	L	A	N	T	E	R	N

Initial letters of across clues read 'Forty-five yea(r)s of AZ'.

**Across** 1, pressor in a pium; 11, anag. with a for o; 13, nit a after a; 16, anag. less v; 18, pin in sal(on); 19, lan d tag; 23, anag. in push (rev.); 26, col(our) + mar; 32, sk(l) + Lent; 24, u + oar (rev.).

**Down** 1, Atla(s) + t, l; 2, prat (i.e.); 3, imp in pine + all (rev.); 4, d(O)g in enate; 5, has (rev.) + iBA; 6, ref. Jan S.; 9, m + eas(l) ly; 14, anag. + p + here; 20, un taken; ref. relief of Mafeking in Boer War; 21, s + capes; see wisp; 25, cf. pronto; 27, RA in rul(e); 30, snar(f).

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- 32 Requests doctor replacing hospital for confinements (8)
- 33 Hard drinks? Try some oulong instead (4)

### DOWN

- 1 Sewer, a mess when it's burst, to soak up (8)
- 2 Small number after soft or hard stuff? (5)
- 3 Old bucket, mostly bent (6)
- 4 Riotous rag *before* degree? One probably avoided that (4)
- 5 One that's ambitious furling spritsail (9)
- 6 Rock king replaced by name in field of activity (6)
- 7 Upmarket retirement association favouring public transport (6)
- 8 Surviving excursion with cargo on board (10)
- 9 Break down 'alternative facts' de nos jours, we hear (4)
- 12 A minute bit in mixture to prepare as road surface? (10)
- 14 Aussie footballers score O so freely (about 100) (9)
- 18 Members of barberry family: chap circling house is holding one (8)
- 20 Not on the right track? Third taking lead looked pleased (6)
- 22 Tense person departs, say when climbing (6, 2 words)
- 23 Crufts entry maybe turned up good and clean, with grand following (6, 2 words)
- 26 Laundryman in Frankfurt that is given sash (5)
- 27 Holder of weapon that's slashed bard – here's mark of earlier wound (4)
- 28 Signs of dismissal of old, as 'Push off!' (4)

*The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.*