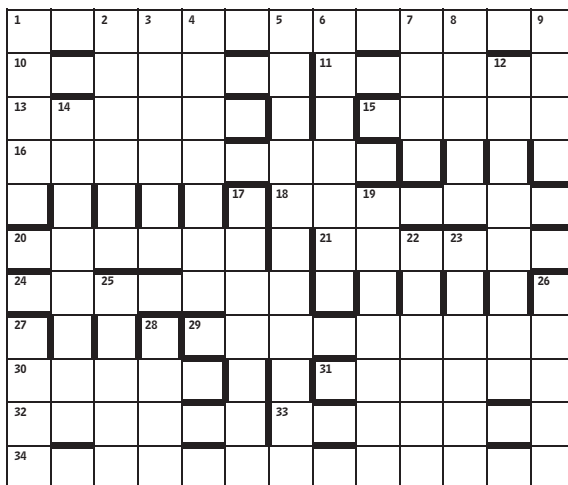


## Azed No. 2,502 Plain



### Azed No. 2,500

In light of the coronavirus crisis, it has been decided to postpone the lunch at Wolfson College, Oxford, originally planned for Saturday 2 May, until Saturday 26 September. For all details send an SAE to Azed 2,500, 13 Eshton Court, Mapplewell, Barnsley, South Yorkshire S75 5QG, or email [heald.richard@googlemail.com](mailto:heald.richard@googlemail.com)

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### Across

- 1 Churchman with financial duties distributed cash in pub? Loth (13, 2 words)
- 10 Function as earl – nothing to boast about (7)
- 11 Traveller over sea, mostly calm (6)
- 13 Armadillos at heading west to the States (6)
- 15 Flowering plant college planted in vain, shrivelled (5)
- 16 Oils smeared interrupting anatomical bulge – nervous affliction (9)
- 18 Shape formed with squares, diverting to minor (7)
- 20 Reversed image alongside equivalent of his monogram? (6)
- 21 Sweet one in tow, might one suppose? (6)
- 24 Love goddess, one to get one going endlessly? (7)
- 29 One that's mad about sermon? The opposite – he's creating wreckage (9)
- 30 Special accelerator, component of pedal in a car (5)
- 31 She's a wanderer, an' a touch backward (6)
- 32 One needs help from behind, showing sluggishness (6)
- 33 Supplies new handle for tiller (stern only) seamen cracked (7)
- 34 Today's lingo, broadly modish, general misused with name for one (13, 2 words)

### Down

- 1 Bird, petite, keeping dry (5)
- 2 The Parisian visit? Don't hold back! (6, 2 words)

- 3 Bend low – cane's beginning on Bunter's rear – that hurts! (6)
- 4 One transporting goods to the French press in a short time (7)
- 5 Was one at Waterloo, say? There we sat, nervously, following Napoleon's lead (11)
- 6 Rook, one among fellow creatures, appears above ground (7)
- 7 Big shots turning up in Aussie lair once (4)
- 8 Going rhinal? It could be this with a girl, involving front of nose! (5)
- 9 Heraldic fur, soft, covering old bear (4)
- 12 Back-stage staff (Scots) moan having to turn up in Cologne endlessly? (8) ...
- 14 ...It's turning up in Cairo that's wretched, getting past without auxiliaries? (8)
- 17 Poet's missing words with wife, high-pitched (7)
- 19 Vessel encapsulated by Argo at sea, setting forth? (7)
- 22 Alcohol derivative? Most recent cases inverted (6)
- 23 Claim from self – confessed runner maybe rearing aquarium fish? (6)
- 25 Ready to play part of contest – unedifying (5)
- 26 Trudge as leader of tour over unsightly spots (5)
- 27 Romanticize one of those in the woopie class (4)
- 28 The old pass away, having died in northern creek (4)

**The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.**

## Azed No. 2,499 solution & notes

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10	U	H	A	P	U	A	U	P	T	I	L	T
14	P	A	R	R	I	T	C	H	O	R	A	R
15	P	R	O	A	R	R	H	Y	T	I	N	A
17	E	A	T	U	P	O	E	R	S	H	U	N
18	R	T	I	G	O	O	P	I	N	E	S	S
23	C	A	N	T	O	N	I	S	E	R	E	F
26	R	U	M	P	T	B	N	P	S	O	R	A
30	U	P	A	T	R	E	E	E	E	T	A	T
34	T	I	T	I	A	N	A	T	O	M	E	Y
36	G	R	E	E	N	G	R	O	C	E	R	Y

**Across** 1, comp. in anag.; 15, pro + a; 16, h in anag. incl. (s)tin(g); 17, ea + put (rev.); 19, ref. parade ground commands; 20, opine in Goss; 26, rump(us); ref. R. Parliament; 23, t + elt (rev.) in list; 36, green (Verdi = Greens in Italian) + anag.  
**Down** 6, comp. anag.; 8, alternate letters; 10, per crus in anag.; 13, r ans (i) f in tatty; 21, anag. & lit.; 22, e rote me; 24, a + up air; 25, i.e. end of pencil.

### Special announcement

We regret to announce that, until further notice, we are unable to offer prizes for solvers of the Azed weekly crosswords. The special monthly Azed clue-writing competitions are not affected and will continue as normal. Entry rules for these will appear as usual.