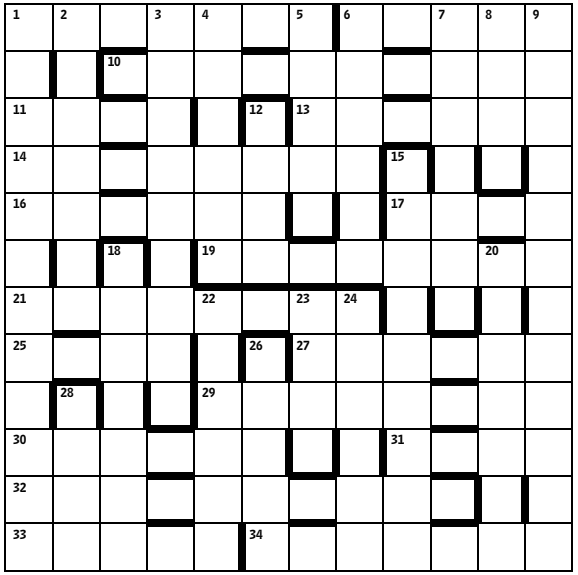
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Across

1 Trip freely with disco music around – such as this? (7)
6 Enthusiasm and energy gripping us with time (5)
10 Senior military man, awfully rash admiral out of depth (10)
11 Trim eucalypts back (4)
13 Transfer forward given care of inside (6)
14 Dull shrub found around foreign state (8)
16 Lizard to pester losing tail, last character thereof? (6)
17 Festal period, old – deserve missing it (4)
19 Convert a degree making switch – little new in that (8)
21 At a display, in being admitted (8)
25 Miserly Scot coach has left behind (4)
27 Develop fondness, returning half of it (6)
29 Parisian dans la nuit et perdu? (8)
30 Snare using net, unusually slick (6)
31 With duty performed, we hear, as directed (4)
32 Feature of wartime, castle holding on a bit, battered (10, 2 words)
33 Club court (5)
34 Muslim presented to HM formerly, increasingly chipper (7)

Down

1 Little weak hush oddly retained by supporters, country-dwellers (12)
2 Rat tailed quivering mouse, spurred? (7)
3 Soothing stuff, gimlet bar mixed (9, 2 words)
4 Purveyor of gossip supplied by Tatler (6)
5 Fare regularly served in trat, yesterday's one (5)
6 Those heartlessly after poet's favour, keening for him (6)
7 Entertainer presenting week in Monash reviewed (7)
8 Tree creature, passerine but not German (4)
9 Page with English lord, devious and pathetic, one laying claim to throne (12, 2 words)
12 Bucks, last in bank, stuff labelled 'audit' (4)
15 Sedge plant yielding unpleasant smell, dry in Congo grown wild (9, 2 words)
18 Part of fugue translator included in intense contest (7)
20 Underrate fee, about to wash up (7)
22 Men in the field dismissing bat for quid pro quo (6)
23 Annoyed, led away, clear (4)
24 Number occupying flat (Glaswegian) continuously (6, 2 words)
26 Love informally given up, not specified, is wounding (5)
28 Nick part of hiking kit, bed removed (4)

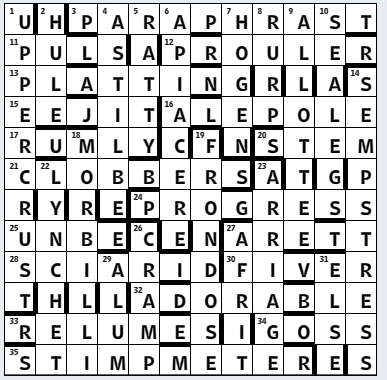
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Across 1, Aphra's in part (ref. A. Behn); 13, p + anag.; 16, pol (qv) in alee; 21, cf cobblers; 24, press with ogre for e; 25, use with NB for s; 27, E in art(is)t; 28, sci(on) + arid.
Down 1, (s)upper + crus 't; 6, acer in a pie; 8, prur(ient) (rev.); 14, s + st in empress; 23, (m)arriage; 29, alum(ni); 31, i.e. (Ch)else(a).

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