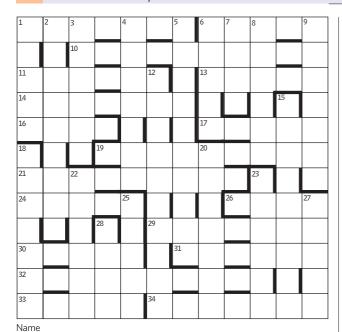
# AZED No. 1,882 'Cherchez la Femme'



All clues are normal. At ten intersections (squares at which across and down words meet or cross each other) it will be found that the relevant letters of the two words do not tally. In each case solvers should enter the letter midway between the non-matching letters alphabetically (treating the alphabet as cyclical), the two words affected becoming nonwords. The letters entered may be one, two or three letters away from the non-matching letters in each case, e.g. X might represent W/Y, V/Z or U/A. The ten letters thus entered, read row by row from left to right and top to bottom of the diagram, form a two-word proper name appropriate to the title of the puzzle. No across or down word in the diagram is affected more than once, and the replaced letters may occur in either order.

## **ACROSS**

- 1 Brightly coloured fabric, not available, one lining trolley? (7)
- 6 Stray wandering goat (5)
- 10 E.g. coal and oils may be extracted from this mineral (10)
- 11 Type of oak restricted by fencer, riskily (6)
- 13 One into clues following only 50% of me obscure language (5)
- **14** According to fixed rate in trat, one lira, ended with duck (7, 2 words)
- 16 It's a mistake senior churchman giving up work (4)
- 17 Muck about, admitting ultimate in tolerance strained (5)
- 19 Part of angling equipment that's fixed on reel in spinning (9, 2 words)
- 21 Low-down muse, right for producer (9)
- 24 Behind old sandarach tree, protecting back from glare (5)
- 26 Some Romeo weeping what one may hear out on the tiles? (4)
- 29 Float behind vessel, oddly porose one (7)
- **30** Is former husband (second) in church? One lays it on thick! (5)
- 31 Cheers in heart of Czechoslovakia relating to federation (6)
- 32 What resembles maiden's fate in being trapped by deceit (10)
- 33 I'd cut a dishevelled member of the family (5)
- 34 Form of ryebread prepared without a special brew (7, 2 words)

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Across 12, olio (rev.) + anag.; 13, no. 1 ro (all rev.); 14, inn in wa(it); 15, NB in boon; 17, b + ego + nett (rev.); 21, cf. darken; 32, I in (jo)urne(y); 33, I in hand(rev.); ref D. Sheridan, British actress; 34, pa's + me in seasure.

**Down** 2, anag. incl. r + s; 4, booboo + k; 6, event + he (rev.) in I dome; 11, platy + anag.; 22, arar at; ref. Noah's ark; 23, r + UDI + S(mit)h; 25, cl(aim) onus.

## AZED No. 1,879 Prizewinners

### LITTER BASKET

1 M. Barley (Rivermeade, Romsey Road, Ower, Hampshire SO516AF): See best & lit. take first place in results slip... and worst end here? (anag. incl r; slip vb). 2 Dr J. Burscough (Brigg, North Lincs): Transfer Battlestrike' to Recycle Bin? (anag.; ref. computer game).
3 R. J. Heald (Wakefield, West Yorks): Garbo can work better with talkies, letting out a bit of emotion (anag. less e; garbo = rubbish).

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#### DOWN

- 1 Assault and (I see included) battery (5)
- 2 Pincer with varied reach catching parasitic insects (9)
- 3 River entering dense thicket, like in Scotland (6)
- 4 Roll round institute, displaying swagger (7)
- **5** Pressure gauges: many will include deployment of remote (10)
- 6 Short s-sale by auction (5)
- 7 Centre making turnover, skilful even though old (4)
- 8 I'm a type of matting, whichever way you look at me (6)
- **9** Rudolph etc round Christmastime going skywards headed further off (7)
- 12 Sean got tangled with a lot of seals or a pelican? (10)
- **15** Carbohydrate, strangely not sensible after exercise (9)
- **18** A frothy loquacity, chief speciality of Trollope? (7, 2 words)
- 20 O, see riot played out about head of Bottom, 'mechanical' (7)
- 22 Admitted ingesting calorie as plant protein often (6)
- 23 Troop shortly may be represented in this tent (6)
- 25 How cardinal dresses, lean in dimension? The opposite (5)
- 27 Rissaldar's mount imported from Scotland's best, right? (5)
- 28 Cloud following with the rain around (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2003) is recommended. **34** appears as a cross-reference at the entry for its second element but is not defined explicitly at the entry for its first.