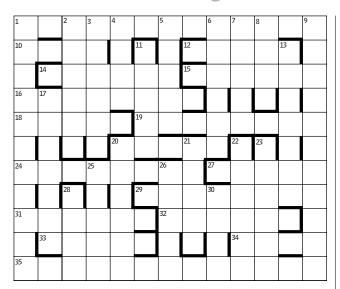
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Clues are of two types. In each of the **acrosses**, the cryptic part leads to the answer to be entered and the definition part leads to an anagram of that answer. In each of the **downs**, the definition part leads to the answer to be entered and the (cryptic) remainder leads to an anagram of that answer. All grid entries and anagrams thereof (except the anagram of **26 Down**) are in *The Chambers Dictionary* (2008). Bracketed numbers after clues refer throughout to grid entries. Anagrams of entries at 1 Across, 1 Down and 26 Down each consist of two words, that at **26 Down** being a familiar phrase not given specifically in Chambers.

ACROSS

- 1 Old French measure map entering wrong place to fill up at (13,2 words)
- **10** Listen to piece in your headphones (4)
- 12 Ethereal maiden, a help when retiring (5)
- 14 Saint, mature man of God (6)
- 15 Flowering plant is briefly seen in East African river (6)
- **16** Keep scratching last in Civil Service (8)
- 18 Injury involves active bitterness (5)
- 19 With e.g. Brighton ahead, monarch briefly turned back (8)
- **20** Herb, one planted in places of research (5)
- 24 Pressing tasks? Abo woman knocked back turps extract (8)
- **27** Mole blood vessel injected with Ecstasy (5)
- 29 Top bit of masonry to choose round most of cover (8)
- 31 Sour porter maybe: one brought in light beer (6)
- **32** Cartographer, American, absorbed by homework? (6)
- **33** Old-fashioned adventure tale, say, is in French (5)

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Across 1, anag.; ref. party logo; 10, viein bour(don); 13, hidden; 14, 'wrigglin''; 17, cf. abu; 19, one in anag.; 20, m + all rats!; 23, i.e. (Edgar Allen) Poe + t(0); 27, ad in nene; 29,tae+l;30,dragon+sini.e.;32,anag.+ e in anag

Down 2, ro + anag.; 3, anag. in null; 4, (here)tical; 5, ma in here; 7, e in Ngoro(-Ngoro) (rev.); 8, 'royal'; ref. former Royal Yacht Britannia; 10, bar R + A + anag.; 11, ene stella; 16, (si)te o call I; ref. Mexican temple site; 18, bag + anag.; 19, anag. incl. ar(e); 21, e.g. inlier; 22, hintrice; ref L. Carroll: I have answered three guestions, and that s enough'; 25, a s sad; ref. Syrian supremo (father and son); 26, hidden rev.; 28, daft; ref. saying, 'as d. as a brush'.

AZED No. 1,988 Prizewinners

1 N. C. Dexter (456 Banbury Road, Oxford OX27RG): Partly a pauper, I queued for possible refill of bowl. (Twist, maybe) (hidden; ref. Oliver T.).
2 T. J. Moorey (London EC1): Spaintake cracking game sealing final that 'll make a quid or two (Er in pique (t); seal = set apart; ref. World Cup semi-final).
3 T. C. Borland (Cuckfield, W. Sussex): Priest leading High Requiem Massleaves pungent smoke (P + anag. less m).

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- 34 I'll come after section leaves (4)
- 35 Cockney bum suffering torment, against protesting strongly? (13, 2 words)

DOWN

- 1 Parasitic worm: I'll reach tremblingly inside can (11)
- **2** Move rapidly, concerned with delay (6)
- **3** All-weather track material? Raced round dry one (6)
- 4 Funeral ceremonies gripped with love (4)
- **5** Unit for measuring timber forest, top to bottom? (5)
- **6** Piebalds drink up measure of water displaced (6)
- 7 Plant juice essential for muscular lesions (5)
- **8** Blue stuff marked track for swimmers, we hear (4)
- 9 Slit in the sea: how it all began (11, 2 words)
- **11** Works trim first sign of overmanning (5)
- 13 Clubs hospital accommodating footballing legend (7)
- 17 Thin plates mum put in a row (7)
- 20 We'll fill niche, looking up, than which one can sink no further (6)
- **21** My old rose, initially without thorns (5)
- 22 Shaping again what local goes to at Doncaster? (6)
- 23 A maiden always: special bowler (6)
- 25 Wiseacre taking King in is furious (5)
- **26** Conceited person despatching jay: perfect score (5)
- 28 Cereal crop, good with light breeze (4)
- **30** One's highly strung, quite energized in part (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2008) is recommended (see preamble).