# **AZED** No. 2,023 Plain COMPETITION PUZZLE

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## ACROSS

1 Oldies' get-together that has Bess and matangling with a sort of eel (12)

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- **10** Anticoagulant needed in a mucro wound (8)
- **12** Goal for American body-builder? (4)
- **13** Way, first to last, for one opening another's closet? (5)
- **15** Constituent of bauxite bits oddly found in scoff (8)
- 16 Ailment in a face that's distinctively pronounced (7)
- 17 Spyhole, one set into masses of coal (5)
- 18 Scotsman's box is kept in his outer room (5)
- 20 Dance, hard for whales to take in, lots abandoned (6)
- 22 Percussion instrument rarely used to fluster conductor (6)
- **24** Burning log, good in part as Yuletide warmer (5)
- **26** Grandpa's pipe (not getting snuff out) alight as of old (5)
- **28** Flivver in air, fuel running out (7)
- **30** In hearing is informed about prohibited part of bridle (8)
- **32** Stout after 50, I abandoned tight suit, last bit of 'trendy' (5)
- **33** Stay away from work, finally denied parking place (4)
- **34** Subaqueous variety of emeralds (8)
- **35** Edge Reds out, allowing crowd in post–apartheid? (12)

## AZED 2,020 Solution & notes

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### RULES AND REQUESTS

Send solution and clue to replace definition asterisked (on separate sheet also bearing name and address. securely attached) to Azed No. 2,023, PO Box 518, Oxford, OX2 6WX. Entries should be postmarked no later than Saturday. Please add a brief explanation of your clue (one entry only). £35, £30, £25 prizes and Azed bookplates for the three clues judged best. The Azed Slip, containing details of successful competition entries and Azed's comments, is available on subscription at £13 a year for 13 issues (£16 for overseas subscribers). Cheques payable to the Azed Slip, should be sent to The Azed Slip, Coombe Farm, Awbridge, Romsey SO510HN. To receive a sample slip, please send an sae to this address. For much more information on the Azed Slip, visit www.andlit.org.uk

Across 1, see no. of puzzle; 10, Rex is (rev.); 15, hearin spin; 16, E + ared; 17, cant(us); 23, morein at ax (all rev.); 25, (t) orso; sv so'; 31, elan(d); 33, (e) manati(ons); 34, i.e. ten am. (rev.); 35, i.e. cycl and elate = cycle late. **Down** 1, anag, incl. m; 3, 'exed + ear (rev.); 4, ap (ull) in need; 5, anag. + tie; ref. Sir Chay Blyth, famous yachtsman; 6, anag, lessn; 8, rape (rev.) + ch; 9, anag. + net; 12, it in pent lande; 21, an Agra P (all rev.); 26, comp. anag. & lit; 29, terra (rev.).

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#### DOWN

- **2** A couple of very small amounts in savings scheme (6)
- **3** New among West Africans, it's scanty summer outfit for kids(7)
- **4** Talk in archaic slang? Chap's good in that (4)
- **5** Bit of rope in ship's bucket? It'll secure furled sail (5)
- 6 Old-fashioned distiller, I'm on northern stream below loch (7)
- 7 Dawn not quite rising, university friend appears rarely (9)
- 8 Merry nest as of old includes rumpy-pumpy (5)
- 9 Big cat, he-cat that's savaged horse? (6)
- \*10 Architectural decoration (10)
- **11** A free gulp's abused it's distinctly ominous (10)
- 14 What goes up at Xmas? Distribution of cards husband leaves the lot wretchedly for stuffing (9)
- **19** Vandal maybe, radical holding cheap eatery up (7)
- 21 Company suite adapted for one into auto-suggestion (7)
- 23 Opener dismissed, give support to English declaration as before (6)
- 25 Sea-goddesses, Greek, doubly aged (6)
- **27** Judge cut short ninnies (5)
- 29 What can make this resin pay? A pine may (5)
- 31 Trace holding in Land Registry (4)