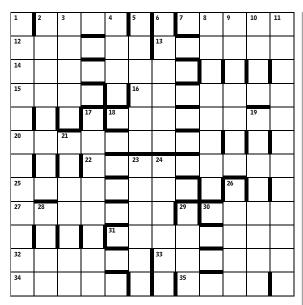
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Across

- 2 X and what follows Y a swindle (4)
- 7 Old copper collection (of pans, say) it's well worth having (5)
- 12 Keeper dismissing No. 3 for a duck Aussie's hard projectile (6)
- 13 Cicero? He comes to prominence after Caesar's end (6)
- 14 US labourer given guidance, jokingly happy (8)
- **15** French artist recalled (no date), one of seven historically? (4)
- **16** Small work reproduced close up (7)
- 18 Posture after imbibing hard liquor initially in Scotch bar, upright (8)
- 20 Tresemble worker ant eager to work alongside queen (9)
- 22 Trophies arranged on special Orthodox Church table (9)
- 25 I've a tiny waist see it merge fantastically with intake of very small weight! (8, 2 words)
- 27 Show passion getting in variety of seed potato (7)
- **30** Health food with alcoholic additive died away (4)
- **31** Record once achieved by two girls (nothing between them) (8)
- **32** Dagger: native American beginning to sharpen end of blade (6)
- **33** What may make hacking suits unusually small? (6)
- **34** Something akin to cod, ingredient for ragout or skink (5)
- **35** Range? First of superior lot probably Aga, versatile (4)

Down

- 1 Clutch twisted, badly iced inside? Hot plate required (12, 2 words)
- 2 Test in cliff revealing limestone rock (8, 2 words)
- **3** Bird shedding top (i.e. with no hint of chagrin) in Edinburgh joint (5)
- 4 Italy's pre-eminent spot for pasta (4)
- **5** Shield protecting centre of pectorals in S. European sport (6)
- **6** Pen rat struggling in snare once (6)
- **8** What's specially threaded puts sailors on course? (8)
- **9** Verse in church? Appeal for help when penning little one (7)
- **10** Base of heraldic border moved to top for old peer (4)
- 11 Deforestation? Sense steres being chopped with little latitude (12)
- 17 Pit prepared in hollows for victims of war? (8)
- 19 Eastern mine without alteration leads to catastrophe (8)
- **21** Comedian introducing bit of grossness grates badly (7)
- 23 Portentous people having entry in big book of words (6)
- 24 Very small score with No. 2 changing direction completely? (6)
- **26** Abrupt snob cutting in (5)
- **28** Waterway fully feeding West Bank city? (4)
- **29** Attractive shell the old man found with gold inside (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended. It does not give the reference in 27.

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Across 15, vera(city); 17, a then a; 19, 0 in signe(d); 21, cf. caddis fly; 26, ref. 'the n. Roman of them all'; 33, c in a laic; 34, ven(i)son in e.g.; 36, ref. starting pistol. Down 5, the wed; 7, rev + Ellie (rev.); see Names in C.; 14, ph(ARA)oh; 27, B + Elga(r); 31, comp. anag. & lit.

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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 and upcoming Christmas competition (to run on Sunday 19th December 2021) are not affected and will continue as normal. Entry rules for these will appear as usual.