## Azed No. 2,593 Plain



Azed 50th Anniversary
There will be a lunch at Wolfson College, Oxford, on Saturday 28th May to celebrate the 50th anniversary this year of the Azed crossword. For details please email heald.richard@googlemail. com, or send an SAE to: Azed 50th Anniversary, 13 Eshton Court, Mapplewell, Barnsley, South Yorkshire S75 5QG.

Name

## Address

## Across

1 Blokes in musical genre displaying
military headgear (8)
7 Face reverse, left trapped, feeling low (4)
10 Broadening on each side, timber tree to work at (10)
11 Death? Saint accepts short way (6)
12 At standing in chain of command returned for settlement (6)
14 Spiritual leader removing hat for mature lady (in US) (4)
15 Abbey, English, displaying blend of metals ( 8,2 words)
19 A devil, back to front, appearing as heathen in poetry (5)
20 Feature of cage for budgie adjusting its pose (7)
22 Wine? One's drunk about a mug (7) 24 Cast point of view that may be acute (5)
27 The inducement that includes love and opening to heaven for believer in karma? (8)
28 Path no longer in use: it is heading west and east (4)
30 Pearl oyster has borne? Could be this stone, yes? (6)
31 Burning green logs, nip one of them in pieces(6)
32 Organise RN at sea fit for defence (10)
33 Something like yoghurt to lift recipe? (4)
34 Prevent freshwater fish being wiped out (rare) (8)

## Down

1 House in Warsaw Susan and James
briefly vacated (4)
2 WC avoided by women, one in pub like a sewer? (7)
3 Creator of music composing minor share (10)
4 See me going up in plane, one responsible for silverware (8)
5 Unpleasant ooze from Pret à Manger fare, ignoring recipe (6)
6 Tail of Moby-Dick and ray no good as source of whalebone? (5)
7 Giant fee, misplaced penalty for
disobedience (8
s Naked figure, head out of position, in Italian tourist town (5)
9 Some spies put out to dry, as victims of hostility (8)
13 Mistaken in grog a tar's laying claim to (10)
16 Old weapons right inside sheaths (8)
17 Very small amount of pressure curtailed bacterium, mark shaved at edges? (8)
18 Gaiter and what it's part of, forming a thin layer (8)
21 Prelude to downing of Guinness entails getting tipsy? (7)
23 Jock's crested tuft, very soft within (6)
25 Nach dancing before king displaying part of girl's adornment (5)
26 Vehicle, we hear, for one-time star of silver screen (5)
29 Following rising generation daughter produces swearword (not too offensive) (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

## Azed No. 2,590 solution \& notes




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${ }^{28}$ \& $E$ \& T \& H \& E \& R \& E \& A \& L \& C \& R \& D \& W <br>
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${ }^{30}$ \& $P$ \& $I$ \& $R$ \& $A$ \& $Y$ \& $A$ \& $G$ \& $I$ \& $T$ \& $A$ \& $N$ \& $O$ <br>
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${ }^{32} T$ \& $O$ \& $B$ \& $R$ \& $U$ \& $S$ \& $D$ \& $M$ \& $R$ \& $I$ \& $M$ \& $U$ <br>
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Across 10, E in hay (rev.); 12 , cf. cipher; 17 , per nancy; 18 , anag. of alternate let ters; 19 , dere knub (rev.); $24, \mathrm{~h}+\mathrm{ill}$; see rough breathing; 28 , here in et al; 31 , it an in go; ref. gypsy caravan; 33, (P)rimu(s)®; 34. anag. incl. h. 0, in tarter (rev.): 25, ry indup; 27, win soun(d).

## Rules and requests

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$£ 25$ in book tokens for the first three correct solutions opened.
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