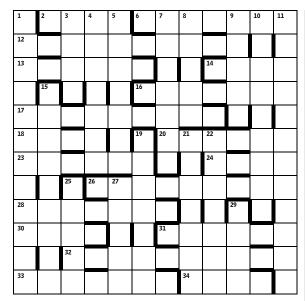
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Across

- 2 Ultimate in rank assuming first place, a shocker (4)
- **6** Architectural support, one of five in school (7)
- 12 Edible fish, maigre churning mud with rain (10)
- **13** Worthless types, droll, made room for by broadcaster (6)
- **14** Male member featuring in coarse stuff (4)
- **16** Vest's half in form of linen, ginger (7)
- 17 Like some windows, crumbled, one on inside (9)
- **18** Piece of parchment, variable length? Old one (4)
- **20** Temporary account supplied with money, \$1,000 (6)
- 23 Mother recalled a Spanish broom, for instance (6)
- 24 Like RNVR, open to attacks fended off (4)
- **26** Go-betweens mend shirt badly (9)
- **28** E. Anglian birds fiddle with wings over the Atlantic (7)
- **30** Like Scottish chips, lightly fried, not English (4)
- **31** Severe colic suffered in the trenches in places (6)
- **32** Fine stringed instrument Ravi is playing, including type of jazz (10)
- **33** CID officer briefly about to examine accompaniment (7)
- **34** Being enthralled by housemistress, one won't be wholly detached (4)

Down

- 1 Contest among varied rose beds made flat in a way (12)
- 3 Police officer that's lost her leg (4)
- **4** Bracelet Maria ordered with lines inscribed (7)
- 5 Is a bum term in vocab ... this possibly (from clerk)? (7)
- 7 Large salmon tavern served in country spot (7)
- 8 One interested in lumber once, grubby, but not if old (5)
- 9 Stale pud, still turning up, I swallowed (5)
- **10** Be subjected to officer commanding rude men being drilled (9, 2 words)
- 11 Sign yon sheep out? Result of counting them maybe (12)
- **15** Tea-time treat creating intense shudder for Spooner? (9)
- **19** Mother busy in lav, post one drops? (7)
- 21 See one former Persian ruler leaving university in his royal headgear? (7)
- 22 Hacking suits oddly put on have shortened (7)
- 25 Outdated unit not fit for purpose in
- 27 Exodus signalling (with time) dispersal of the Raj (5)
- **29** Junk shop purchases any merchandise, all but earliest bits disposed of (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2016) is recommended.

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Across 11, chee(k) in anag.; 15, 2 meanings; 20, t in pari-m(utuel); 22, ref. T. & Lyle, & hidden; 28, m in a bob; 33, y in anag.

Down 8, K + Emp.; 9, anag. incl. p; 10, R in mise + members; 25, anag. less anag.; 27, hidden; 29, me + s(it)e.

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