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ACROSS

- 1 Pud – all pester cook for this? (12, 2 words)
- 10 Shakespearean coward, Trojan, left page outside (7)
- 11 Learned theologian contributing to useful emails (5)
- 14 Protective body covering? King with season confined to bed (8)
- 15 The old man beside Indian tree, a Muslim formerly? (5)
- 16 & 24 Alert at sea aboard e.g. yawls, they think they know it all (11, 2 words)
- 17 Identification code, British, in paying back rating lost (7, 2 words)
- 20 Burrower turns over regular parts in this? (4)
- 21 Make crude scam, taking in bum (7)
- 22 Classy chap experienced returning dither (7, 3 words)
- 26 Second-hand blouse, darned in part (4)
- 28 Mineral in bundles? Could be *this* left in lab urn (7)
- 29 Organizers of carnival were excited with king opening it (5)
- 31 Source of music from South Africa, New Zealand and Spain (5)
- 33 Swag enclosed above back (8)
- 34 Gay dog consuming eastern liquor (5)
- 35 — Iseult, oddly, displays a Russian title! (7)
- 36 Lack of feeling, being reverse of yielding among shadiest, crooked (12)

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S	P	L	A	S	H	P	R	O	O	F	E
U	A	D	R	I	E	L	O	L	D	E	N
B	R	O	I	D	E	R	O	L	I	N	D
C	A	P	S	H	L	I	M	A	Z	E	L
O	D	H	P	A	B	P	I	V	B	S	E
M	I	O	M	B	O	R	E	V	E	T	S
M	A	L	K	I	N	O	R	M	E	R	S
I	D	E	H	L	E	F	S	N	E	A	S
T	R	A	I	L	B	I	K	E	A	R	C
T	O	L	L	M	B	L	A	S	T	E	R
E	M	U	L	E	L	E	T	H	E	G	E
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Across 10, or + lei (rev.); 12, hidden rev.; 13, I'd in anag. + R; 14, ref. Jenny L., the Swedish Nightingale; 16, maze in anag.; 22, v in steer (rev.); 24, RM in anag.; 29, arc(h); see seadog; 34, ref. Ethel Merman, US actress/singer; 35, to nest in shrow; ref. *The Taming of the Shrew*.
Down 1, anag.; 3, in loo pole; 5, he elbo(w) ne; ref. Achilles heel; 6, Moor (rev.) + anag.; 9, anag. less a; 17, anag. in dims; 18, pr. + anag.; 19, bee(f) eaten; 21, anag. in ben; 39, ref. Paula R.

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 2 Dr. I. S. Fletcher (Cirencester). Football Association has seen corrupt transactions within coming to light (anag. + tr. in FA; ref. FIFA scandals).
 3 M. Hodgkin (Barnet, Herts); Free Santa after backside'e left jammed in vent (anag. less a).

DOWN

- 2 Hare up mountains, requiring a rest when climbing (4)
- 3 Full assembly that indicates choice introducing measure (6)
- 4 Unguent? Very little is taken up in time of abstinence (8)
- 5 Looked like thunder? Led off in yacht over the pond (4)
- 6 Carmen's passion was racing before being laid up? (6)
- 7 Welsh girl in e.g. Conway presenting foreign nationals (8)
- 8 Always involved, drag up slippages? (4)
- 9 Master involved in university award (first missed) brought up issue (6)
- 12 Conference delegates, number inside seated uncomfortably (9)
- 13 Ask Scots about blockhead cave man (9)
- 18 Good old Aussie mate's victory, English involved (8)
- 19 Autumn period that didn't last, warm and dry but fogbound (8)
- 23 Eel, new in, served with a cheesy sauce (6)
- 24 See 16
- 25 Gets fit, notice, when taking in gym activity? (6)
- 27 Some Pakistanis representing Diss? (6)
- 30 Part of column, stuff mostly rehashed (4)
- 32 Variable educational institution for Native American (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.