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ACROSS 1 Shape symbols craftily where components come together (12, 2 words)

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- 10 Victorian lurcher draws Her Majesty (6)
- **11** Hot dry wind keeping one in alone (6)
- 12 Cuff is concealing a strong fruity sweet (9)
- 13 Non-Thatcherites in retreat are worried (4)
- 15 Bits of shoe polish applied to gaiter (4)
- **16** Salt conveying tale out at sea (7)
- 20 Ditch leader forsaking member of minority party (4)
- 21 Weak acid, no help when dissolving (6)
- **22** Twisted rope, we hear? Sure (6)
- 24 I'll go aboard craft direct to Scotland (4)
- 27 Brushwood raked over in wood revealing wood snake (7)
- 28 Old suit in cheap leather (4)
- 31 Scots stagger, being drunk, IOUs written off (4)
- **32** Old brass and gold chalice, intricately wrought (9)
- **33** Stop Sabbath being bagged by non-specific believer (6)
- 34 Badger suffers, holding head (6)
- 35 In the sea, goes swimming it's certainly stimulating (12)

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## A monkey puzzle (Araucaria)

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Across 1, rhesus; 5, chacma; 10, anag. in oc; 11, jole in Car; 14, a nap + hora(1); 15, i.e. a tai in can; 16, on in net; see tunnel; 18, howler; 20, uakari; 23, trooper, proverbial swearer; 25, anag. in clue; 29, a + re(-)ally; 30, ref. *Taming of the Shrew*, set in P; 31, sagoin; 32, malmag. **Down** 1, bod + ach(e); 2, hen in was; 3, ammo (rev.) + tea; 4, patch in anag; 6, blade = leaflet; 8, 'curve'; 9, yet alternating with RN; 11, Cr + oaky (qv); 12, an in Jona(h); 18, ref. James G; 21, ou in diet; 23, anag. in oc; 26, first letters; ref Trevor Eve. actor.

## AZED No. 1,847 Prizewinners

1 Shirley Wise, Otley, Yorkshire 2 Jim Waterton, Glasgow 3 P.J. & S.K. Flynn, Macclesfield, Cheshire

#### DOWN

- 2 Ciliate protozoans, wriggling, suit orca (8)
- 3 Essayist, English, appearing in The Tablet (6)
- 4 Festival unsatisfactory? Switch halves (4)
- **5** Small leaf: trace unusually appearing in tree trunk (9)
- 6 Sprigs creating variable greens? (4)
- 7 Pap is hastily drunk (5)
- 8 Rocky path's wearing this may secure bonnet (6)
- 9 Adds gloss to crowns, nought quiet within (11)
- **10** Slugs, etc? Go round flower and legume with bit of aldrin (11)
- 14 Seven sharing power, power restricted by the Crash, undone (9)
- 17 Opponent, one with charisma on the up? (4)
- 18 Mongoloid has changed name (4)
- **19** Old-style tavern you no longer found in place (8)
- 23 Retaining energy, c-celebrate after climbing rock (6)
- **25** Shocker not yet announced in paper? (6)
- **26** Some sophistication in upbringing is understood (5)
- 29 Flick made with left hand when getting caught (4)
- 30 What comes from China and India primarily? (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2003) is recommended.