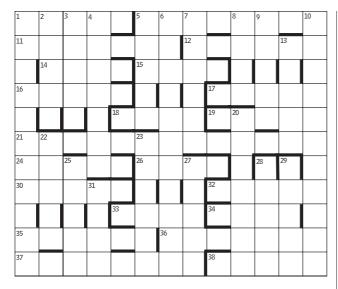
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ACROSS

- 1 Falconer's frame caught a pike (5)
- 5 Consults together about independence due to lord's superior (8)
- 11 Shift completely round, describing spots of colour (7)
- 12 Pass snake, going round sheltered side (6)
- 14 Row, touching, about sex appeal (4)
- **15** Old surgeon, always painful (4)
- **16** Distinctive phrase sung, part of melody learnt (5)
- 17 Mostly bombastic American falls in Canada (5)
- **18** Support energy plan (4)
- 19 Watery bundle beside river (5)
- 21 Classical verse Chalcis adapted about love, more fitting (13, 2 words)
- 24 Odd bits of nitre in erbium alloy (5)
- 26 Listener's a townie, old (4)
- **30** Extremely distressful moment succeeded fine (5)
- 32 Slang, American, seen in 'dreck'? (5)
- 33 King historically holds height (4)
- **34** Like Paddy, endlessly chewed leaf (4)
- **35** Old Scottish chopper: one turned in the chopping (6)
- **36** Thoroughly garbled sign, worrying (7)
- 37 Soak got up round end of bender he mends well? (8)
- 38 Having imbibed third of litre, judged tight (5)

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Across 1, broke in anag. less r; 12, 'meat'; 16, dro ng 0; 18, g in anag. less l; 23, N in urent; 27, Iona in dea; 29, Iow in bout; flat = puncture; 33, ref. traditional story Jack the Giant-Killer; 34, I gloo(m); 35, cf bone (qv); 36, I cellar in anag.

Down 1, jo(in) in pack; 3, anag.; 3, bosh + ret. (rev.); ref. Pat Rafter, Australian tennis player; 6, 'Endon; 9, e.g. gin in less; 15, anag. in elite; 17, mil(d) + tonic; 2, r in gone d; 24, (es) tamine(t); 25, bb in Æ; 26, budge(t); 28, I in Albi; 30, a

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DOWN

- 1 State of applied science to study disadvantage in modified rye (11)
- 2 Slav maybe, cold in a rocky height (5)
- 3 Perished climbing last bit of Parnassus with lateral faces (5)
- 4 Salad harvest holds me up (7)
- 5 Measure of elastance one's enveloped in white paint (5)
- 6 Gold box to be worthy of rich chocolate cake (11)
- 7 By reason of this, being old-fashioned, the lady's getting up to dine (6)
- 8 Snooze before afternoon betel (4)
- 9 Childless? Grieve no more it's lovely! (5)
- 10 Spy, a hundred, having repose with maturity (11, 2 words)
- 13 Drags up something with hawk on the end? (5)
- 20 We have brushes, look, and we'll be around rising master (7)
- 22 Radioactive element in meadow touching vital organs (5)
- 23 Stick together mostly when tackling special tasks (tedious) (6)
- 25 Trunks, rarely part of chariot superstructure (5)
- 27 Singers stop when in credit after one (5)
- 28 A liquor incorporating recipe with embellishment at table (5)
- 29 Sun coming up because of being inside here's product of combing (5)
- 31 Eyes fixed, taking in chapter (4)

All answers and anagrams of answers are in The Chambers Dictionary (2003). **10** and **21** are both of two words as anagrams and as answers. A sense referred to in **31** is given in the SOED.