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## ACROSS

1 Foxburying headinmound (4)
4 Ne'er-do-well who gets heroin, bypassing a rule (8)
11 Pastor with peculiar haircut I noted at the sides, and nothing ontop! (9)
12 Language group current in Bhutan (not hard) (5)
14 Vamp's covering minor quarrel, and felt furious (4)
16 Spicy food, hot and not English - detestable? (7)
17 One of the hardwood trees, the genera wild rook nests in (10)
19 Embarrassed by over, have a second try (4)
20 Royal favourite in power cutting do (6)
21 Mixed martini, not right for covering of blood vessel? (6)
23 The essence of Italy, Latin penned by a master (4)
25 Ruth in corn, to it appearing alien? (10)
27 Left hour for dipping into a trusty old catholicon? (7)
29 Orcadian gullies, reverse of steep? I'll plunge in (4)
30 Ball for Andy, set showing one with no games for opponent? (5)
31 Veryuncivil in RSC, lan replaces one queen in part of another inplay? (9, 2 words)
32 Shed duke rebuilt, once stripped of outer casing (8)
33 African chief, one clad inleather (4)

## AZED 2,397 Solution \& notes

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## PRIZERULES

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Uuotation:'OLady, we receivebut what we give' (Coleridge)

Across 1, chocoholic; ch(ew) $\times 2+$ lic(k); 7, Sclavs;scav(age)s; 13,technomania; 14, cladode; alternateletters; 15 , yapped;a+Depp(rev.);16,headwater; headater;18, sweep-washer;s+ anag. incl. w, w; 19, litres; 20, ingesta; 22, sacella; ainsella; 24, Nesiot;is in ton(allrev.);26, thornbill; anag. +bll; 29, vigilante; gilanin anag.;31, cresset; comp. anag. \& lit.; 32, fivebob;|'ve in FO; 33, idolatrous; dolatro(n) inis; 34, nonetto; 35 , walliest.
Down 2, alexia; hale + X + A1(rev.); 3, cha; Hinca. + a; 4, hodge; 5 ,icetea; $1+$ anag. + wea(k); 6, chop; Choep(horoi); 8, copra; 9, ampassy; passlin Amy; 10, nesh;hiddenrev.;11, sideration; anag. +tieon; 12, schalstein; anag. + anag.; 17, stemson; anag. + son; 20, inlier; in + anag. less and $+1 ; 21$, tortes; ort in Tees; 23, lisle; l, $r$ + isle; 25 , Stasi; is in stai(d); 27,hero;28,beta;30,NVQ;qinnv,e.

## DOWN

1 Bandage that's elastic l put round large end of oxter (8)
2 Soldier joining revolutionary group of vassals (6)
3 Spithead has berth for this core section (4)
5 Skull-cap: each strangely is inscribed with something like an X (7)
6 Object, getting fit, runs included (5)
7 I support inland revenue going into fiction bookselling (9)
8 N. American deer making a den in Wisconsin (6)
9 Intercommunicate, like cat with a scent around (10)
10 Rudefellow annoyedhusband (4)
13 A geek coming up interrupts a row? It raises one's blood pressure(10)
15 Recollection, as in names recollected (9)
18 Without last rites due possibly when Granny L's interred (8)
20 Small winding rope in the sea, short length thrown in (7)
22 Plain cotton for India, quantity in swatch half rejected (6)
24 What gula reveals? It's not far from it (6)
26 Form of divorce? There's gossip about one (5)
27 Pike follows acting typical of seniors in Dad's Army? (4)
28 Care for the old with cold on the chest (4)
The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended. It does not give 32 (in the OED and Webster).

