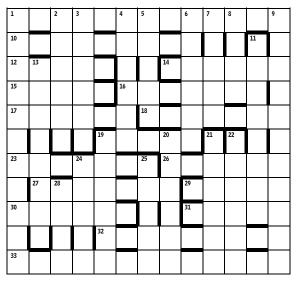
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Across

- 1 Large glasses leading to heart slogan displayed by motorist (13, 2 words)
- **10** Surfing accessory: sailor's alongside, as having entered (9)
- 12 I'll be pursuing one in pack, woolly (5)
- **14** Rummage around for thin ribbon (6)
- **15** This Jewish doughball etc, cooking ... thickens maybe (5)
- **16** Crustacean genus students found beside Welsh lake (7)
- **17** Some tourists on a tack. Pastoral perhaps (6)
- **18** Give glossy look to veg without (Italian) coating (7)
- **19** Large tree suffering from drought, notice (5)
- **23** Look to muscle in repose (7)
- **26** Directly opposes monk having more than half tonsure cut (6)
- 27 Church council introducing a Latin series of masses (7)
- **29** To start, my short exchanged for the French tonic? (5)
- **30** Ribboned hairpiece that is in fashion (6)
- **31** About to revise one's faith (5)
- **32** Lie square after changing score to draw level (9)
- **33** Trump's excessive sensitivity? After publicity stunt he's appearing in wild satire (13)

Down

- 1 Supports crib to give mutual favours (11)
- 2 Mouse enclosed within old wall (6)
- **3** Adult type of sclerosis in hand? This makes tricky incision (6)
- **4** Attachment for outback safari? Rumpus when last is lost, we hear! (6, 2 words)
- **5** Epic tales? Second's a delight (5)
- **6** Having had a brainwave I exploit, retaining one (6)
- 7 Name associated with giant mincer never includes it (5)
- **8** Brain disease universal among West African people (4)
- **9** Conifer portions are chopped up (11)
- **11** Experiencing ecstasy with grass around? Took ill (8)
- **13** Prank involving pickled roe that puts you off your food (8)
- **19** One rejecting old coin (6)
- **20** Love being in an apartment and out of debt (6)
- 21 Scotch bonnet? In short it's drooping for Jock (6)
- 22 Cloudy? Sun's come out if not (6)
- **24** Bird from N. America or Peru, very small (5)
- **25** Sloping part of fortification sultan mostly reconstructed (5)
- **28** Variety of cider apples? Crop thus spliced maybe (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

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Across 1, anag. + e in hard; 13, n in anag.; 14, VA in yep (all rev.); 18, con (rev.) in sat; 23, OS + meter + A1 (rev.); 31, C-in-C+t; 33, I c in a vulture; 34, (f)leet.

Down 3, comp. anag.; 4, AV in hocked; 7, anag. with I for r; 11, L egret in altos; 19, i.e. no sed(at)ive; 20, ref. brand of whisky; 25, (kit)chenet(te); 26, utu in St (rev.); 30, cf. Azed.

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- **2 Dr I. S. Fletcher** (Cirencester, Gloucestershire): Sips do calm a burst of hiccups, maybe (*anag*.).
- **3 M. Barley** (Ower, Hampshire): Occasional unsound entry to Azed comp is, sadly, not unknown (*anag. incl. A less y*).

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