Azed No. 2,486 Plain - Competition Puzzle

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Azed No. 2,500

There will be a special lunch in Wolfson College, Oxford on Saturday 2 May 2020 to mark Azed No. 2,500. For full details please send an sae to Richard Heald, Azed 2,500, 13 Eshton Court, Mapplewell, Barnsley, South Yorkshire S75 5QG, or email heald.richard@googlemail.com. Please allow a few weeks for a reply.

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Across

- 1 Blood type and fingerprints together causing extreme nervousness (6)
- 6 Put off with poem being broadcast at quite a lick? (7)
- 11 Parisian prank, OK when wild dare's involved (8)
- **13** Musical as of old that's returned to Broadway location (4)
- 14 José's informally clad when in this (prompt, in front of orchestra) (6)
- **15** White wine regret bins being ransacked with last of vintage in (11)
- 16 Porcelain for oriental tea bowls? Bun's served with this in local puppet theatre (4)
- **17** Where stars such as Leo may be seen almost every day (4)
- **18** Fantastical dream poet's kept within bounds (5)
- **23** Coffee avoided by those trying to give up, frenzied in a way (5)
- 24 Carriage, one protected by soldiers (4)
- **25** Catch one placed in bottom of boat but not left (4)
- 26 Little in Italian court one comprehends, words being truncated (11)
- **30** Rock-cut tunnel of Middle Eastern country? Not one, ten (6)
- 31 Scottish race put on for audience (4)32 Doughnut: fruit mostly has to form
- lining inside (8) 33 Running leet, sited where it runs and was running (7)
- **34** Transfers: financial arrangements involving clubs (6)

Down

- 1 What's appearing post-harvest in the manner of rat? (10)
- *2 Fuss (7)
- 3 Madonna topped middle in inner sanctum (6)
- 4 US party in tart's place, well away (4)
- **5** Primate mounting ambition to cut wrongdoing (6)
- 6 Without admission Christian died having gone round in it (11)
- 7 Ruin meat that's cooked I left out? But you could trust me (7)
- 8 Sudden tidal surge always brought about end of bathing (4)
- 9 Spotted wildcat that's spread, alas (6)
- **10** Ruff for senior churchman (4)
- 12 Some Franciscans remain in college fraternities (10)
- **17** Painkiller not for being injected in face (7)
- **19** Disc that's wavy in part (except for the last bit) (7)
- 20 Unruly baron, English, behaved as of old (6)
- 21 Firework to get going inside picnic basket? (6)
- 22 Bilious stomach pain, hot inside (6)
- 27 The old want former radio company (see name inside) (4)
- **28** He removed the coins on leaving damaged Greco–Roman box (4)
- **29** Not working with reduced wages loses peripheral pass (4)

The Chambers Dictionary (2014) is recommended.

Azed No. 2,483 solution & notes

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Across 1, a gal in anag.; 14, Fr. = thing; 15, BL + anag.; 16, hithe(r); 27, ell in anag.; 28, anag. less Ar.; 32, (C)ornis(h); 33, ris(k) + (ty)re (rev.); 35, anag. in prism.

Down 2, skol lie; see stretcher; 3, tegu(ment); 6, Alme(ida); 9, (b)lush; 10, i.e. ree surge in try; 19, CA (qv) in anag.; 22, Mme in bars; sv bampot; 26, E + Trier; 31, is so (rev.).

Rules and requests

Send correct solution (one only) and clue to replace definition asterisked (on separate sheet also bearing name and address, securely attached) to Azed No. 2,486, PO Box 518, Oxford, OX2 6WX. Entries should be postmarked no later than Saturday. Please add a brief explanation of your clue (one entry only). E35, £30, £25 prizes and Azed bookplates for the three clues judged best. The Azed slip, containing details of successful competition entries and Azed's comments, is available on subscription at £16 a year. Cheques, payable to the Azed Slip, should be sent to The Azed Slip, Combe Farm, Awbridge, Romsey SO51 OHN. To receive a sample slip, please send an sae to this address.

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