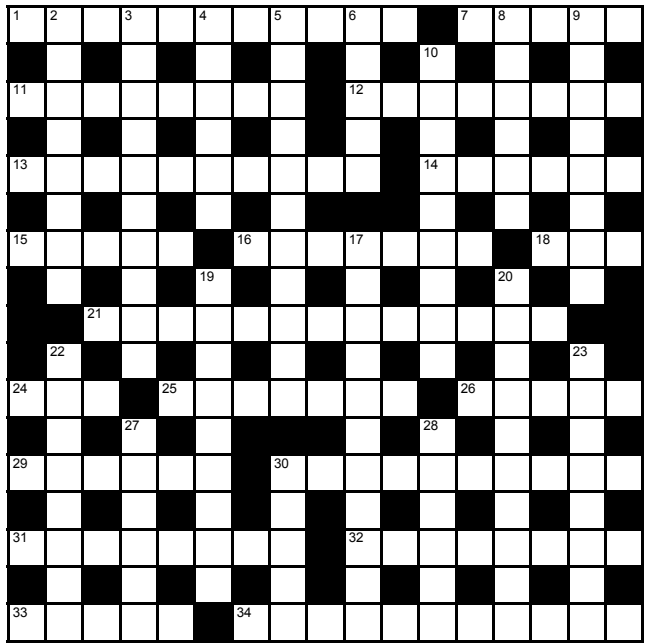


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ACROSS

- 1 Eye defect (11)
- 7 House made of sun-dried bricks (5)
- 11 Of vegetables, especially tomatoes, chopped (8)
- 12 Instrument for varying an electric resistance (8)
- 13 Park which hosted the Royal Show 1839-2009 (10)
- 14 Former unit of currency in Finland (6)
- 15 In Greek mythology, daughter of Tantalus (5)
- 16 Knotted lace edging (7)
- 18 Short-winged, black-and-white seabird (3)
- 21 Another name for the date November 1 (3,7,3)
- 24 Vineyard or group of vineyards (3)
- 25 Type of fly whose larvae attack wheat stems in America (7)
- 26 Scrimmage in Eton football (5)
- 29 Nickname of comedian Billy Connolly (3,3)
- 30 Sponsors of cricket's Sunday League in England and Wales 1969-86 (4,6)
- 31 Breed of golden-red beef cattle (8)
- 32 Norse myth about the ultimate destruction of the gods in a battle with evil (8)
- 33 Pen name of Belgian cartoonist Georges Remi (5)
- 34 Novel by Jeffrey Archer (4,3,4)



DOWN

- 2 Thick drink made with puréed fruit, milk, yoghurt or ice cream (8)
- 3 Early printed books, especially those printed before 1501 (10)
- 4 Mixture of ground spices used in Indian cookery (6)
- 5 Motown group whose original lead singer was Smokey Robinson (3,8)
- 6 Red wine grape (5)
- 8 To render defenceless (6)
- 9 Scottish rich dark fruitcake in a pastry case (5,3)
- 10 System of mind training to improve the memory (9)
- 17 Computer program that appears useful but is actually destructive or corrupting (6,5)
- 19 Largest town on the Isle of Sheppey (9)
- 20 Literally and figuratively, a clean slate (6,4)
- 22 Native ferrous sulphide, found in meteorites (8)
- 23 North American nickname for a Nova Scotian (8)
- 27 Robot made of biological and machine components (6)
- 28 One of a later generation (6)
- 30 Government formed after a coup d'état (5)

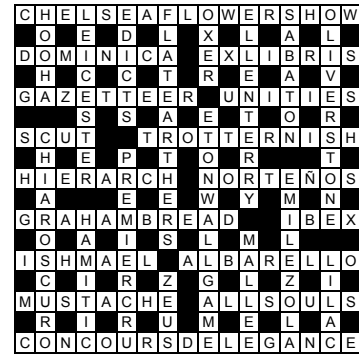
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