

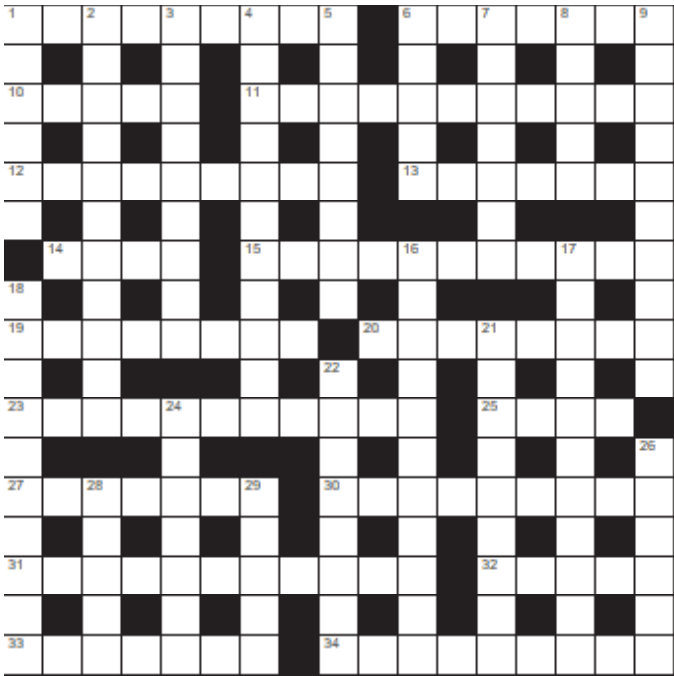
POLYMATH 1,354 by HAMILTON

ACROSS

- 1/25** Debut novel by Berkshire-born author (1920-2016), published when he was 52 (9,4)
- 6** Month that marks the start of the Michaelmas term at Oxford University (7)
- 10** Dance music originating in Jamaica and derived from reggae (5)
- 11** Organ in which certain creatures store offensive or defensive toxins (6,5)
- 12** Clarifying agent once used in the beer and wine industries, made from fish bladders (9)
- 13** Enjoying a run of success (2,1,4)
- 14** In short, an all-male, pre-wedding celebration (4)
- 15** A large check pattern typically used for suits and jackets (11)
- 19** Male natives of the Hebrides, Orkneys or Shetland (8)
- 20** A female assistant in a church, theatre or cinema (8)
- 23** A masterpiece, especially in literature or art (4,7)
- 25** See 1 Across
- 27** Ghanaian president between 1960-66 (7)
- 30** Adjective used by rapper Christopher George Latore Wallace in his stage name (9)
- 31** Tennis player who boycotted Wimbledon from 1988-90 over the 'all-white kit' rule (5,6)
- 32** To lay claim to, in the context of a children's game (4,1)
- 33** Device used to improve air quality in an indoor setting (7)
- 34** 2023 Pixar romantic comedy-drama film (9)

DOWN

- 1** Tablet used to treat parasitic worm infections, also known as mebendazole (6)
- 2** Type of pasta named from the Italian 'to cut' (11)
- 3** Midfielder who made 672 appearances for Manchester United, scoring 114 goals (4,5)
- 4** Jackie Joyner-Kersey or Jessica Ennis-Hill (11)
- 5** Large carnivorous marine reptile that lived between 220 and 70 million years ago (8)
- 6** In architecture, a rounded convex moulding (5)
- 7** Scottish TV detective originally played by Mark McManus (7)
- 8** A children's comic or a party (5)
- 9** Former deputy fuhrer who in 1966 became the sole inmate of Spandau prison (6,4)
- 16** A drink such as port taken after a meal (7,4)
- 17** In a state of nervous excitement or anxiety (11)
- 18** *WKRP in ____*, US sitcom starring Gary Sandy which ran for four seasons (1978-82) (10)
- 21** That which is painful but can be withstood (9)
- 22** To pass out of sight or memory (8)
- 24** Jerry ____, founder and co-songwriter of The Specials (7)
- 26** Philosopher, economist and politician, author of the 1859 essay *On Liberty* (1,1,4)
- 28** Radioactive gas of the noble series, atomic number 86 (5)
- 29** 'Horrible' cartoon character created by Dik Browne (5)



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