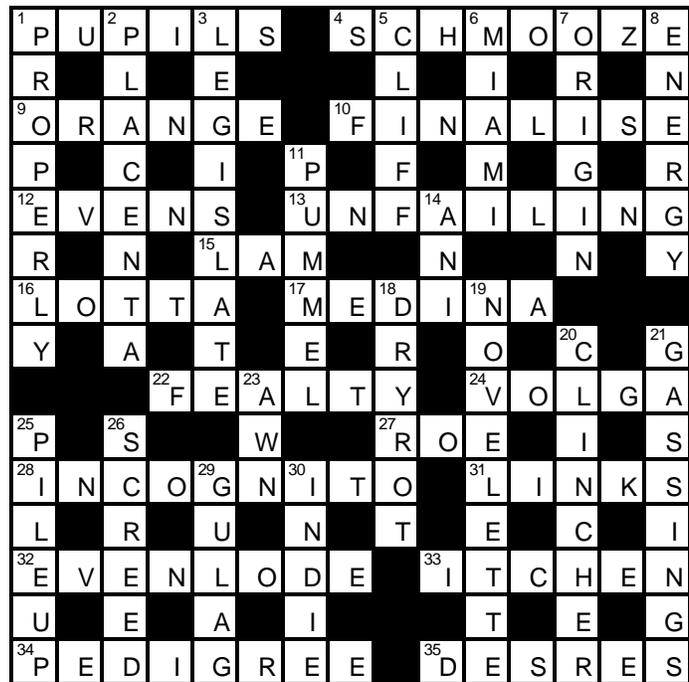


Across:

1. I's are letters or **PUPILS**,
4. MOOCHES + Z - Chat in a crowd - **SCMOOZE**,
9. Anagram of O and ANGER - **ORANGE**,
10. Anagram of IF ALIENS. To end is to **FINALISE**,
12. The odds are **EVENS**,
13. Anagram of IN and GAINFUL - **UNFAILING**,
15. Fifty (L) before the morning (AM) and **LAM** is to strike,
16. **LOTTA** is short for Charlotte,
17. Anagram of MAIDEN. **MEDINA** is in North Africa (NA),
22. Thank you (TY) at the end of flea (FEAL) - **FEALTY**,
24. GAL+ 50 (VO) - **VOLGA**,
27. Oh (O) about (RE) - **ROE**,
28. Anagram of COINING TO- **INCOGNITO**,
31. **LINKS**,
32. Not odd (EVEN) with the dole - **EVENLODE**,
33. Itchin' sounds like **ITCHEN**,
34. **Pedigree** chum is a dog food brand,
35. Desire in short (DES) +to live (RESIDE and in short (RES)) - **DES-RES**.

Down:

1. Deletion of TOTS from LOST PROPERTY - **PROPERLY**,
2. Anagram of ANT and PLACE - **PLACENTA**,
3. Maid or made a bill. To **LEGISLATE**,
5. **CLIFF** follows the clue to give suspense,
6. My ami sounds like **MIAMI**,
7. 0, 0 are **ORIGIN** points in mathematics,



8. Matter is **ENERGY** according to $E=mc^2$,
11. Back up (PU) two thousand (MM) with 'el (EL) - **PUMMEL**,
14. An eye sounds like **ANI** which is a cuckoo,
18. Doctor (DR) in the Tory (TORY) - **DRY-ROT**,
19. This month (NOV) +LET + TEE - **NOVELETTE**,
20. 150 (CL) + " (INCH) and the trump is the **CLINCHER**,
21. He (GAS) +SINGS - **GASSINGS**,
23. A bored action is a **YAWN**,
25. 1 across is PUPIL + E is a **PILEUP**,
26. The deer is back (REED) with hundreds (CS) - **SCREED**,
29. Gee (G) + you (U) +lag- GULAG, 30. Within D sounds like with **INDIE**.