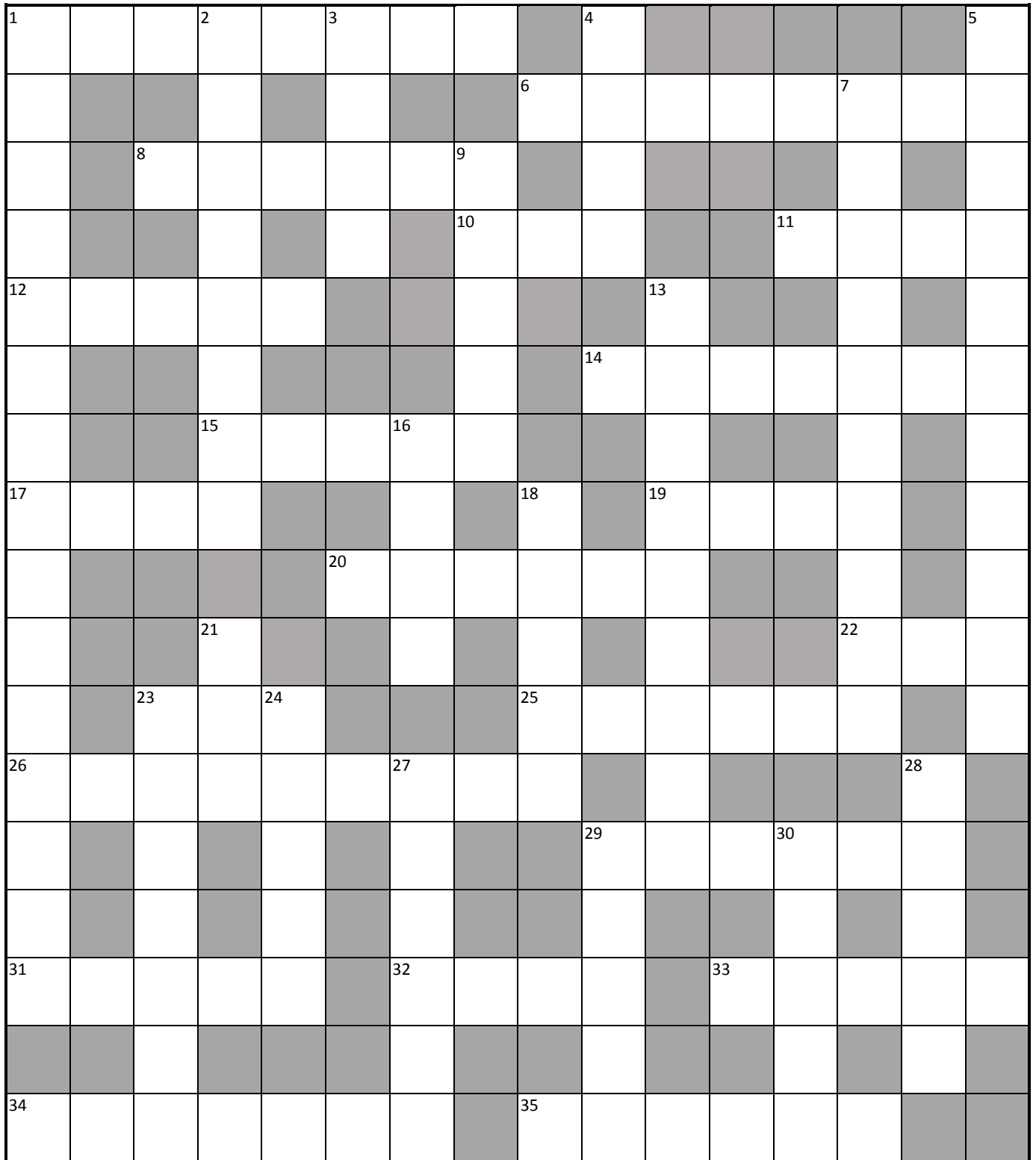# Vic Skeptics MARCH 2019 Crossword

Theme – *Predicting the Future*

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(With standard and cryptic clues)

STANDARD CLUES

ACROSS:

1. Reveal the future by divine inspiration [8]

6. One who tells the future by reading animal entrails [8]

8. Shrine of a prophetic deity [6]

10. Irritate [3]

12. A null result for a date prediction [5]

14. An effort to attain a certain standard after a period of unavoidable delay [7]

15. Prediction using a card deck [5]

17. Russian newsagency [4]

19. See 23 Down

20. Site of ancient Greece's major 6 across [6]

22. Intestinal tract [3]

23. Signal to get ready [3]

25. Bequest, inheritance [6]

26. Divination through cheese [9]

29. See 28 Down

31. & 32 across: "Nostradamus" is the Latinised version [5, 4]

32. See 31 across

33. Effulgent [5]

34. Snail, for example [7]

35. Astral [6]

DOWN:

1. The act of foretelling from signs or symptoms [15]

2. Indication of coming calamity [8]

3. Every [4]

4. Position within a hierarchy [4]

5. Estimate by projecting known data [11]

7. Prediction of elections and political trends [10]

9.   Perfect cube [5]

13.   Omen; sign [9]

16.   Phenomenon supposed to portend good or evil [4]

18.   To make a formal submission OR to be relevant [5]

21.   Twosome [3]

23.   & 19 across: Gypsy fortune teller's apparatus [7, 4]

24.   Portray one's feelings theatrically [6]

27.   Culture with which runes are associated [6]

28.   & 29 across: The trick-taking cards in a Tarot deck [5, 6]

29.   One who is recognised as having the gift of prophesy and/or other paranormal accomplishments [5]

30.   Official ancient Roman seer [5]

CRYPTIC CLUES

ACROSS:

1.   Use shop pyre to see the future [8]

6.   It is disembowelled. Now we know. [8]

8.   A small lightweight boat drops a hundred for the prophetic deity [6]

10.   Annoy and the rattier I become [3]

12.   Noble gas with Queen after five? Not at all. [5]

14.   The fishing net is landed so let's swap news [7]

15.   Sailor on overtime? It's on the cards [5]

17.   Agency model meets US bum [4]

19.   See 23 Down

20.   Pi held locus of predictive powers [6]

22.   Yank gets upset stomach [3]

23.   It could be a mere nod [3]

25.   Gift that's willingly given [6]

26.   Blessed are the cheese makers for they shall see [9]

29. See 28 Down

31. Tear demon apart in the cathedral

32. See 31 across

33. Shining with heat, it makes the law go wrong [5]

34. Gangster's friend goes to American clubs for a slug, perhaps [7]

35. Initial scent may linger on such a night [6]

DOWN:

1. In favour of philosopher no one thanks over forecast [15]

2. Left with Ear, Nose and Throat specialists, add sulphur – ominous signs [8]

3. Every variety of ache [4]

4. Old film distributor's status [4]

5. Lax operetta to project us into the unknown [11]

7. Cast a vote? Who knows? [10]

9. Some outweigh top rowing team [5]

13. Processed grain herb indicates what is to come [9]

16. Remove Motor Transport from torque to give clue to the future [4]

18. Is this all the bill poster has to do to get the job? [5]

21. Dante usually orders starters for two [3]

23. & 19 across: Most authors suggest that this should be used in a dimly-lit and quiet room, so as to foster visions and more easily allow the onset of a trance state [7, 4]

24. Overact, turning e-book over [5]

27. Some minor dictator from Scandinavia [6]

28. & 29 Across: Officer takes part of circle with extinct airline and comes up trumps (two words, [5], [6])

29. Clever enough to be given a small department? [5]

30. Work on a guru to read the will of the gods [5]

SOLUTION

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