PUNK WHIZ 14: STATE OF THE PUN

ANIL
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In this mostly easy pun quiz all the answers are states or provinces of the US, Canada or Australia. (4|4) means the answer is a charade of the state’s name whose two parts are hints—homophonic puns of words or phrases that are not necessarily 4 and 4 letters. Answers are out back.

1. the oblong state (4)
2. the principal state (5)
3. the cheerful state (4|4)
4. lots of soft drinks (5|4)
5. a sweater I just got (3|6)
6. inside Deanna Durbin (2|5)
7. a truckload of laundry (7|3)
8. Are a lethal weapon (2|1|3)
9. I went to a prostitute (2|1|2,)
10. work at or upon an adit (5|1|3)
11. the scam artist’s manners (3|8)
12. a can floating in the ocean (4|5)
13. where fish eggs pass away (5 |6)
14. a ridiculous utility vehicle (2|2!)
15. My prize was a Big Foot. (8|1|3.)
16. Gays descend from the sky. (6|4.)
17. a crucial position in football (3|3)
18. the West’s sinful deception (3|3|3)
19. cognizant of a wooded valley (3|5)
20. possessor of a mistaken answer (4|3)
21. Be indebted to one’s odd color. (5|2|1)
22. an island named after the President (2|5)
23. a fresh-made copper-zinc unlocker (2|4|2)
24. Are you a scam artist—or a scholar? (2|3,)
25. the ungrammatical state that tins are (4|2,)
26. I’ll see if my wife knows the answer. (2|3|1.)
27. to populate a lake in northern Sumatra (3|1|4)
28. a greeting asking after one’s health, etc. (3|3?)
29. Anna, please defecate without difficulty. (3|3|3)
30. why everyone is so exhilarated to be there (3|5!)
31. conceited about your writing implements (7|3|2)
32. a big crowd that sits and sneezes in unison (4|4|5)
33. Noah the carpenter’s mental preoccupations (3|2|3)
34. Peeve the sick and poorly—but not do it well. (3|5)
35. tending to hide away its knowledge at the edges (3|5)
36. wondering about the reason you’re headed home (2|5?)