

# AFR Cryptic (Saturday 21/10/2023) Solution

<sup>1</sup> C	O	<sup>2</sup> R	R	<sup>3</sup> E	S	<sup>4</sup> P	O	<sup>5</sup> N	D		<sup>6</sup> C	<sup>7</sup> H	I	<sup>8</sup> T
A		E		U		A		I		<sup>9</sup> S		A		R
<sup>10</sup> R	A	D	I	C	A	L		<sup>11</sup> G	L	O	B	U	L	E
N		E		A		P		H		U		N		A
<sup>12</sup> A	N	N	U	L		<sup>13</sup> A	N	T	A	R	C	T	I	C
G		S		Y		B		S		C				L
<sup>14</sup> E	X	I	T	P	O	L	L		<sup>15</sup> R	E	C	<sup>16</sup> I	P	E
		G		T		E		<sup>17</sup> R		M		R		
<sup>18</sup> B	U	N	K	U	M		<sup>19</sup> C	O	M	A	T	O	S	<sup>20</sup> E
O				S		<sup>21</sup> H		U		T		N		N
<sup>22</sup> L	I	<sup>23</sup> M	I	T	L	E	S	S		<sup>24</sup> E	N	E	M	A
S		A		R		A		E		R		D		C
<sup>25</sup> T	A	N	G	E	N	T		<sup>26</sup> S	H	I	P	O	U	T
E		U		E		E		O		A		U		E
<sup>27</sup> R	O	S	Y		<sup>28</sup> T	R	A	N	S	L	A	T	E	D

Across	Clue	Explanation
1 CORRESPOND	Run in hearts added to pool tally (10)	R inside CORES + POND
6 CHIT	Leading member of choir reached note (4)	(C)hoir + HIT
10 RADICAL	Basic form of carbon used in composition of tyre (7)	C inside RADIAL
11 GLOBULE	Luminous appearance almost ruined blue bead (7)	GLO(w) + anagram of BLUE
12 ANNUL	Cancel yearbook lacking a section towards the back (5)	ANNU(a)L
13 ANTARCTIC	An approach cut by river near the south pole (9)	AN + TACTIC outside R
14 EXIT POLL	"Exploit wavering head of Labor" - it's what the voters think (4,4)	Anagram of EXPLOIT + (L)abor
15 RECIPE	Price varied in line with drug's formula (6)	Anagram of PRICE + E
18 BUNKUM	Junk with no capital value included in worthless garbage (6)	(j)UNK inside BUM
19 COMATOSE	Sleeping partner occupied by overseas company at the start (8)	(MATE outside OS) after CO
22 LIMITLESS	Undefined time left in development of missile (9)	(T + L) inside anagram of MISSILE
24 ENEMA	Hostile force almost completed a process to ensure evacuation (5)	(ENEM)y + A
25 TANGENT	Touching line, one close to peg, in tent (7)	[AN + pe(G)] inside TENT
26 SHIP OUT	Transport military personnel hit mostly in jet (4,3)	(HI)t inside SPOUT
27 ROSY	Optimistic group returned from enemy sortie (4)	enemY SORTie reversed
28 TRANSLATED	Time scheduled after service is explained (10)	T + (SLATED after RAN)

<b>Down</b>	<b>Clue</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
1 CARNAGE	Murder annoying one in charge (7)	NAG inside CARE
2 RED ENSIGN	Flag secluded places in command (3,6)	DENS inside REIGN
3 EUCALYPTUS TREE	A cute pet surely chewed gum (10,4)	Anagram of A CUTE PET SURELY
4 PALPABLE	Concrete Picasso mostly painted in white (8)	(PABL)o inside PALE
5 NIGHTS	Times when people find it hard to see things at sea (6)	Anagram of THINGS
7 HAUNT	Frequently visit hospital with a member of the family (5)	H + AUNT
8 TREACLE	Last bit of breakfast cereal, mixed with syrup (7)	breakfas(T) + anagram of CEREAL
9 SOURCE MATERIAL	Original documents friend and show-off recalled after changing course (6,8)	[MATE + (LAIR reversed)] after anagram of COURSE
16 IRONED OUT	Put right function in rewritten routine (6,3)	DO inside anagram of ROUTINE
17 ROUSES ON	Reprimands wake up junior family member (6,2)	ROUSE + SON
18 BOLSTER	Support one who takes off maintaining heading of south (7)	BOLTER outside S
20 ENACTED	A court, in need, reorganised and legislated (7)	(A + CT) inside anagram of NEED
21 HEATER	Hard consumer could be warmer (6)	H + EATER
23 MANUS	Staff employed by country area of PNG (5)	MAN + US