

AFR Cryptic (Saturday 27/4/2019) Solution

		¹ A	² C	³ C	³ E	³ S	⁴ S	⁴ O	⁵ R	⁵ I	⁶ E	⁶ S			
⁷ F		L		O		A		P		R		H		⁸ M	
⁹ E	S	T	A	P	O	L		¹⁰ A	I	R	B	A	S	E	
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¹¹ C	O	M	M	U	N	A	L		¹² A	T	R	E	A	T	
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¹⁴ R	A	T	E		¹⁵ N	E	V	E	R	N	E	¹⁶ V	E	R	
		E		¹⁷ H		R		R		T		A			
¹⁸ B	A	R	T	E	N	D	E	R	S		¹⁹ F	L	I	²⁰ P	
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²² R	E	²³ T	U	R	N			²⁴ G	R	O	U	N	D	E	D
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²⁶ A	R	M	E	N	I	A			²⁷ S	H	O	R	T	E	N
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		²⁸ D	I	S	C	R	E	D	I	T	E	D			

Across	Clue	Explanation
1 ACCESSORIES	Score is compiled in ones and extras (11)	Anagram of SCORE IS inside ACES
9 ESTAPOL	Finish section of test, a polygraph (7)	tEST A POLygraph
10 AIR BASE	Capital from Austria and Serbia renovated military installation (3,4)	(A)ustria + anagram of SERBIA
11 COMMUNAL	A column edited about male joint (8)	Anagram of A COLUMN outside M
12 A TREAT	Rat scattered feed extremely well (1,5)	Anagram of RAT + EAT
14 RATE	Consumer finally had a course to judge (4)	consume(R) + ATE
15 NEVER-NEVER	Remote and isolated region in north, continually taken over (5-5)	(N + EVER) twice
18 BARTENDERS	Pub workers finish up in trades (10)	END in BARTERS
19 FLIP	Toss fine sauce (4)	F + LIP
22 RETURN	Get back ID taken from deranged intruder (6)	Anagram of INTRUDER minus ID
24 GROUNDED	Crushed journalist is suspended from usual activity (8)	GROUND + ED
26 ARMENIA	Song about People's Republic of Asia (7)	ARIA outside MEN
27 SHORTEN	Political leader is skittish or tense to some extent (7)	skittiSH OR TENSe
28 DISCREDITED	Record, restricted and changed, is questioned (11)	DISC + R + EDITED

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 ALTIMETER	Time put in to change navigational aid (9)	TIME inside ALTER
2 COP-OUT	Excuse Head of Orthopaedics after surgery suturing cut (3-3)	[(O)rthopaedics after OP] inside CUT
3 SALSA VERDE	Serve salad tossed with dressing (5,5)	Anagram of SERVE SALAD
4 OPAL	Precious gemstone ring found by friend (4)	O + PAL
5 IRRITANT	Nuisance disrupted train trip greatly (8)	Anagram of (TRAIN TRIp
6 SHARE	Division has moved on (5)	Anagram of HAS + RE
7 FENCER	Swordsman is unusually frenetic without it (6)	Anagram of FRENETIC minus IT
8 MENTOR	Workers, corrupt, set up counsellor (6)	MEN + (ROT reversed)
13 TERRORISED	Blunder admitted by editors oddly caused great fear (10)	ERR inside anagram of EDITORS
16 VALIDATED	Volume and date stamped inside a lid is confirmed (9)	V + DATE inside (A + LID)
17 HEARINGS	He's holding a syndicate's judicial investigations (8)	HES outside RING
18 BUREAU	Holiday unit with gold furniture (6)	BURE + AU
20 PEDANT	Stickler replaced note-pad with nothing missing! (6)	Anagram of NOTEPAD minus O
21 CUT OUT	Suddenly stop copper confronting illegal ticket seller (3,3)	CU + TOUT
23 TAMED	Subdued team worked on display's opening (5)	Anagram of TEAM + (D)isplay
25 FAIR	Just light (4)	Double Definition