

AFR Cryptic (Saturday 21/8/2021) Solution

¹ F	O	² S	S	³ I	L			⁴ I	R	⁵ O	N	⁶ E	D	
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⁸ R	A	B	B	I		⁹ O	N	T	H	E	M	E	¹⁰ N	D
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¹¹ S	M	I	T	T	E	N		¹² R	A	T	T	A	I	L
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¹³ D	O	E	R			¹⁴ E	N	O	R	M	I	T	Y	
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	²⁷ B	E	A	N	I	E			²⁸ S	E	R	E	I	N

Across	Clue	Explanation
1 FOSSIL	Recalled part of material is so frightfully antiquated (6)	material IS SO Frightfully reversed
4 IRONED	Pressed on, breaking one light (6)	ON inside (I + RED)
8 RABBI	Timid person giving up time for spiritual leader (5)	RABBIT minus T
9 ON THE MEND	Sewn edge in torn tendon is recovering (2,3,4)	HEM inside anagram of TENDON
11 SMITTEN	Male in tent is badly afflicted (7)	M inside anagram of TENT IS
12 RAT-TAIL	Grenadier at start of tour transported by rail (3-4)	[AT + (T)our] inside RAIL
13 DOER	Editor, losing it, upset mover and shaker (4)	Anagram of EDITOR minus IT
14 ENORMITY	Hatred fuelled by our heartless act of wickedness? (8)	ENMITY outside O(u)R
17 ALDERMAN	Local representative alarmed corrupted leader of NSW (8)	Anagram of ALARMED + (N)SW
19 STAR	Main attraction is to begin shortly (4)	STAR(t)
23 ICED TEA	Cold drink, a diet Coke, oddly not keeping very well (4,3)	Anagram of A DIET COKE minus OK
24 CALLING	Trade clasp containing aluminium (7)	CLING outside AL
25 RAIN GAUGE	Weather monitoring equipment developed in garage with input from university (4,5)	Anagram of IN GARAGE outside U
26 STUNT	Check the progress of a dangerous manoeuvre (5)	Double Definition
27 BEANIE	Plebeian, out of place, changed hat (6)	Anagram of PLEBeIAN minus PL
28 SEREIN	Mist from sea not needing a check (6)	SEA minus A + REIN

