

AFR Cryptic (Saturday 22/2/2020) Solution

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26	R	I	D	G	E		27	E	X	T	R	A	C	T	O	R						

Across	Clue	Explanation
1 AUTHENTIC	Trustworthy relative embracing the one heading to court (9)	(AUNT outside THE) + I + (C)ourt
6 PACKS	Groups of animals, standing apart, returned from paddocks (5)	PADDOCKS minus (ODD reversed)
9 ICED TEA	Cold drink, a diet Coke, strangely lacking in order (4,3)	Anagram of A DIET COKE minus OK
10 TRANCHE	US stockholder bound by limits of tradeable block of shares? (7)	RANCH inside (T)h(E)
11 LEARN	Study river cutting through slope (5)	R inside LEAN
12 SCHEMATIC	A chemist adjusted copyright for detailed plan (9)	Anagram of A CHEMIST + C
14 POOL	Put together a flight manoeuvre heading west (4)	LOOP reversed
15 ATTRACTIVE	Lovely tart cooked on the go (10)	Anagram of TART + ACTIVE
17 EXTRICATED	Distribution of direct tax after one quarter may be released (10)	Anagram of DIRECT TAX after E(ast)
18 ACTS	Court posted in, for instance, formal written records of a legislative body (4)	CT inside AS
20 INEPTNESS	Lack of competence is keeping broadcast writer in retirement (9)	IS outside [(SENT + PEN) reversed]
21 AMBER	Part of light beam deviated right (5)	Anagram of BEAM + R
23 TRAINED	Conditioned cadet finally fell down (7)	cade(T) + RAINED
25 ETERNAL	Unchanging consumer not taking a computer system back (7)	(EATER minus A) + (LAN reversed)
26 RIDGE	Travel across Germany's primary elevation of land (5)	RIDE outside (G)ermany
27 EXTRACTOR	One who takes out bit player not supporting a film star (9)	EXTRA minus A + ACTOR

