AFR Cryptic (Saturday 6/1/2024) Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 CRASH	Utter abuse about adventurous company's intensive	CURSE outside (RASH
COURSE	programme of instruction (5,6)	+ CO)
7 ROT	Tripe and bread not finished (3)	ROT(i)
9 SOLID	Upstanding one bound by auctioneer's call (5)	I inside SOLD
10 TUMBLE- DRY	Diseased myrtle bud is free of moisture (6-3)	Anagram of MYRTLE BUD
11 MARE'S TAIL	A break formed in protective covering and cloud (5,4)	(A + REST) inside MAIL
12 SHOWN	The way something is done in tin is demonstrated (5)	HOW inside SN
13 RAN AMOK	Class running around a short time, went wild (3,4)	RANK outside (A + MO)
15 DRIP	Drain's primary rupture is a plumber's problem (4)	(D)rain + RIP
18 EROS	God of love is tender in a different way (4)	SORE reversed
20 PIGMENT	Paint grand people during depression (7)	(G + MEN) inside PIT
23 AROMA	A tomato's smell (5)	A + ROMA
24 AIRSTREAM	Current racer's first in new Maserati (9)	(R)acer inside anagram of MASERATI
26 BAR	Hotel worker's fun ended early volatile Belarus (3,6)	FU(n) inside anagram of
USEFUL		BELARUS
27 TRACE	Mark left with time to fly (5)	T + RACE
28 EYE	Part of a needle, yes? (3)	needlE YEs
29 NERVE CENTRE	HQ's section of "bible" held in extraordinary reverence (5,6)	NT inside anagram of REVERENCE

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 CASHMERE	Crocheter primarily has knitted with pure and simple wool (8)	(C)rocheter + anagram of HAS + MERE
2 ALLURING	Desirable university checked by everyone with phone (8)	U inside (ALL + RING)
3 HADES	He has written about commercial hell (5)	HES outside AD
4 OUTBACK	Taxi trade union set up in very good part of Australia that's remote (7)	(CAB + TU) reversed inside OK
5 RAMBLED	Sheep ran and wandered (7)	RAM + BLED
6 ENLISTING	Line loosely wound for securing support (9)	Anagram of LINE + STING
7 RED-HOT	Very excited horde scrambled back to fort (3-3)	Anagram of HORDE + for(T)
8 TRYING	Difficult dignitary worked without aid (6)	Anagram of DIGNITARY minus AID
14 MORTAL SIN	A very bad offence - it's normal in a perverted way (6,3)	Anagram of ITS NORMAL
16 RELEVANT	Proper division seizing contaminated veal (8)	RENT outside anagram of VEAL
17 STAMPEDE	Charge impressed England's opener (8)	STAMPED + (E)ngland
19 STAFFER	Unlimited offer accepted by leading employee? (7)	o)FFE(r inside STAR
20 PAROLEE	Prisoner conditionally released from a job in gym (7)	(A + ROLE) inside PE
21 GARBLE	Type of roof accommodating right slant (6)	GABLE outside R
22 COWRIE	Marine creature that is following female whale, right? (6)	(IE after COW) + R
25 TITHE	One tenth initially included in the biblical offering (5)	[I + (T)enth] inside THE