

AFR Cryptic (Saturday 2/10/2021) Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 KNEES-UP	Lively party spot taken by punk going through withdrawal (5-2)	SEE inside (PUNK reversed)
5 EXCUSE	Let off partner once caught fronting operation (6)	EX + C + USE
9 RADIO	Brazilian hotspot probed by commercial broadcaster (5)	RIO outside AD
10 RECONCILE	One circle out of shape is square (9)	Anagram of ONE CIRCLE
11 COAL DUST	A cloud formed by site that is dug out? (4,4)	Anagram of A CLOUD + (SITE minus IE)
12 SCALES	They weigh small pieces of fish (6)	Double Definition
14 GOLD-MEDALLISTS	Reproduction of small digest containing past winners (4-10)	Anagram of SMALL DIGEST outside OLD
16 LARGE INTESTINE	Food processing section integrates cooking inside bar (5,9)	Anagram of INTEGRATES inside LINE
20 SATURN	Astronaut relocated down to a planet (6)	Anagram of ASTRONAUT minus (TO + A)
22 FORCEFUL	Dynamic captain punching official involved in foul (8)	(C inside REF) inside FOUL
24 NOTORIOUS	Denial made by suitor, upset about love, is legendary (9)	NO + (anagram of SUITOR outside O)
25 FROZE	Australian nabbed by ref out of line didn't move (5)	OZ inside anagram of REF
26 ANIMUS	One entering an arithmetic problem kept back intention (6)	I inside [AN + (SUM reversed)]
27 SOLIDUS	Slash firm land (7)	SOLID + US

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 KIRSCH	Risk not taken normally with church alcohol (6)	Anagram of RISK + CH
2 ENDEAVOUR	Revised an overdue essay (9)	Anagram of AN OVERDUE
3 SCOLDED	Slices of this cold edam should be served with rocket (7)	thiS COLD EDam
4 PARISIENNE	French woman and a gentleman set up one tucking into pasta (10)	[A + (SIR reversed) + I] inside PENNE
5 EACH	Every one separately considered some aspect of teaching (4)	tEACHing
6 CYNICAL	Bitter and heartless city, one overrun by nomadic clan? (7)	C(it)Y + I inside anagram of CLAN
7 SPILL	A lighter, small tablet (5)	S + PILL
8 LENSES	Journalist not committed to ordering of needless camera equipment (6)	Anagram of NEEDLESS minus ED
13 RACEHORSES	Drug taken by scorer has distracted competitors on track (10)	E inside anagram of SCORER HAS
15 SANGFROID	Cool frog disturbed one buried in sand (9)	(Anagram of FROG + I) inside SAND
16 LOSING	Being deprived of record about fall from grace (6)	LOG outside SIN
17 EARDRUM	Listening device heard headless spirit? (7)	(h)EARD + RUM
18 TACTFUL	Diplomatic court implicated in fault with resettlement (7)	CT inside anagram of FAULT
19 FLEETS	Fine alloy picked up for craft groups (6)	F + (STEEL reversed)
21 TITAN	Bird, an enormous thing (5)	TIT + AN
23 WOWS	Who was totally out of hearts really impresses (4)	W(h)O + W(a)S