## AFR Cryptic (Saturday 11/5/2024) Solution

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| Across | Clue | Explanation |
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| 1 MOTHER <br> LODE | Main vein remaining close to normal during <br> procedure (6,4) | [OTHER + norma(L)] <br> inside MODE |
| 7 GLAD | Happy place in a forest that's clear mostly (4) | (GLAD)e |
| 10 HELLENIC | Hot spot excited nice Greek (8) | HELL + anagram of NICE |
| 11 UGANDA | Land dug and aerated to some extent (6) | dUG AND Aerated |
| 12 USEFUL | American developed fuel of great importance (6) | US + anagram of FUEL |
| 13 SEAMLESS | Marine left in dining area with no apparent <br> interruptions (8) | SEA + (L inside MESS) |
| 14 GEAR | Parts connected to engage a rotating mechanism (4) | engaGE A Rotating |
| 15 <br> WHOLEGRAIN | Who left, for example, source of water with seeds? <br> $(10)$ | WHO + L + EG + RAIN |
| 18 ARNHEM <br> LAND | Opening of new hospital inside reappointed <br> alderman's indigenous region (6,4) | [(N)ew + H] inside <br> anagram of ALDERMAN |
| 21 VETO | Rule out letters written in native tongue (4) | natiVE TOngue |
| 22 TRAIN SET | Wet weather, interrupting test, set back small railway <br> system (5,3) | RAIN inside (TEST <br> reversed) |
| 24 SERVER | Computer unit part with resistance installed (6) | SEVER outside R |
| 25 SCAMPI | Devil one seafood dish (6) | SCAMP + I |
| 26 BOILOVER | Young man largely dealt with one partner's <br> surprising result (8) | (BO)y + I + LOVER |
| 27 SHED | The woman had a place to keep things outside (4) | Double Definition |
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| FREIGHTERS | Soldiers taking on merchant ships (10) | FIGHTERS outside RE |


| Down | Clue | Explanation |
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| 2 OVERSTEER | Support at back of servo corrected right turning problem (9) | (TEE after anagram of SERVO) + R |
| $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { HOLD } \\ & \text { FORTH } \end{aligned}$ | Lecture in ancient garrison built between two hotels (4,5) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (OLD + FORT) inside } \\ & (\mathrm{H}+\mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ |
| 4 RUNS LOW | Dodgy urn, heating gently, becomes depleted ( 4,3 ) | Anagram of URN + SLOW |
| $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline 5 \\ \text { OCCASIONAL } \\ \text { TABLE } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | So, a local cabinet, fully restored, is ornamental furniture? $(10,5)$ | Anagram of SO A LOCAL CABINET |
| 6 EDUCATE | A teacher initially brought in to develop school (7) | [A + (T)eacher] inside EDUCE |
| 8 LUNGE | Suddenly come forward with ring lost in sitting-room (5) | LOUNGE minus O |
| 9 DRAGS ON | University fellow checking newspapers seems to take forever $(5,2)$ | DON outside RAGS |
| $\begin{aligned} & 16 \text { RIVER } \\ & \text { BOAT } \end{aligned}$ | Vessel arranged to arrive around opening of bar (5,4) | Anagram of TO ARRIVE outside (B)ar |
| 17 IN THE REAR | Rescheduled train carrying present is behind (2,3,4) | Anagram of TRAIN outside HERE |
| 18 ARTISTS | Creative people sit around splitting up parts without piano (7) | SIT reversed inside (PARTS minus P) |
| 19 MASTIFF | Mother's pet dog (7) | MAS + TIFF |
| 20 DASHING | Odd character, nursing part of leg, is competing in a sprint (7) | DAG outside SHIN |
| 23 AWAKE | Come to a watery track (5) | A + WAKE |
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