

# AFR Cryptic (Saturday 3/10/2018) Solution

		<sup>1</sup> B	<sup>2</sup> O	<sup>3</sup> O	<sup>3</sup> S	<sup>3</sup> T	<sup>4</sup> E	<sup>4</sup> R	<sup>5</sup> S	<sup>5</sup> E	<sup>6</sup> A	<sup>6</sup> T		
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<sup>11</sup> A	S	S	A	I	L	E	D		<sup>12</sup> S	L	I	P	U	P
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<sup>26</sup> R	E	M	O	V	A	L		<sup>27</sup> O	P	E	R	A	T	E
A		E		E		E		N		S		T		D
		<sup>28</sup> N	E	R	V	E	C	E	N	T	R	E		

Across	Clue	Explanation
1 BOOSTER SEAT	Vocal protests by a setter adversely affected child support (7,4)	BOOS + anagram of A SETTER
9 CHEATER	Cold air-conditioner, one with a dodgy reputation (7)	C + HEATER
10 SIGNAGE	Drug gang is sent back with instructional material (7)	(E + GANG + IS) reversed
11 ASSAILED	When drunken ladies may be set upon (8)	AS + anagram of LADIES
12 SLIP UP	Returning students fail (4,2)	PUPILS reversed
14 SEND	Move point next to boundary (4)	S(outh) + END
15 NATIONWIDE	Writer's introduction featured in an edition distributed across the country (10)	(W)RITER inside anagram AN EDITION
18 FASCINATED	New model of die-cast fan caused great interest (10)	Anagram of DIE CAST FAN
19 SPAR	End must be cut off remaining rafter (4)	(SPAR)E
22 DIRECT	Administer terrible court (6)	DIRE + CT
24 STEERING	Mechanism used to control energy, twice reset in line (8)	(E + E) inside STRING
26 REMOVAL	Veteran, originally restricted by poor morale, may be taking off (7)	(V)ETERAN inside anagram of MORALE
27 OPERATE	Make a speech about gym work (7)	ORATE outside PE
28 NERVE CENTRE	HQ's section of "bible" held in extraordinary reverence (5,6)	NT inside anagram of REVERENCE

<b>Down</b>	<b>Clue</b>	<b>Explanation</b>
1 BLESSINGS	Singles mingled in bars, not occupied with godly gifts? (9)	Anagram of SINGLES inside (B)ar(S)
2 OBTAIN	Secure boat worked on at home (6)	Anagram of BOAT + IN
3 TURNED AWAY	Detective, engaged by weary aunt, refused and refused to help? (6,4)	D inside anagram of WEARY AUNT
4 RASP	File contents of folder as presented (4)	foldeR AS Presented
5 EGGPLANT	For example, plan adopted by great vegetable producer (8)	EG + (PLAN inside GT)
6 TRAMP	Transport taken by quiet drifter (5)	TRAM + P
7 SCRAPS	Breaks up fights (6)	Double Definition
8 KELPIE	Product of the sea that is a farmer's friend (6)	KELP + IE
13 MINISTRONE	Digger crossing street with a certain starter perhaps (10)	MINER outside ST + ONE
16 IMPLICATE	Associate edited clip received by one partner (9)	Anagram of CLIP inside (I + MATE)
17 DISCOVER	Find sound recording too much (8)	DISC + OVER
18 FEDORA	A sports official turned up carrying party hat (6)	(A REF) reversed outside DO
20 RIGGED	Outfitted one Governor-General dressed in a bright colour (6)	(I + GG) inside RED
21 BEHEST	Command is most beneficial when he's involved (6)	BEST outside HE
23 RAMEN	Selection from diner, a menu item containing noodles (5)	dineR A MENu
25 FLEE	Leave Labor's leader in charge (4)	(L)ABOR inside FEE