

AFR Cryptic (Saturday 12/12/2020) Solution

¹ D	I	² S	T	³ R	E	⁴ S	S		⁵ H	⁶ A	⁷ M	⁸ P	E	⁸ R
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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 DISTRESS	Is time in ensemble torture? (8)	(IS + T) inside DRESS
5 HAMPER	Hold up a container of food and drink (6)	Double Definition
10 TENTS	Heard anxious occupants of a camping ground (5)	Sounds like TENSE
11 RINGTONES	Band on set re-recorded "Music of the Modern Age" (9)	RING + anagram of ON SET
12 SUPERGIANT	Explosion of inert gas probed by excited, bright star (10)	Anagram of INERT GAS outside UP
13 TARO	Taproot, once out of pot, is edible stuff (4)	TA(P)R(O)O(T)
15 STRIDE	Pace car's behind after time in position (6)	[ca(R) after T] inside SIDE
16 HARNESS	Make use of mended shears around back of garden (7)	Anagram of SHEARS outside garde(N)
18 CORRECT	True cross-section of arc or rectangle (7)	arC OR RECTangle
20 SPEECH	Use the toilet during school talk (6)	PEE inside SCH
23 DUMP	Drop Queensland's tailender in front of sports official (4)	queenslan(D) + UMP
24 ATTACHMENT	A match organised in temporary refuge is fitting (10)	A + (anagram of MATCH inside TENT)
26 MANGETOUT	Staff produce a variety of pea? (9)	MAN + GET OUT
27 UNITE	Couple's nickel delivered in versatile vehicle (5)	NI inside UTE
28 CREASE	Scooter ultimately coming to rest in area of stop line (6)	scoote(R) inside CEASE
29 ACCENTED	Stressed expert died in possession of little money (8)	(ACE + D) outside CENT

