

AFR Cryptic (Saturday 10/7/2021) Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 EXTRA LARGE	Pretty big old friend, with skill, knocked back brewed lager (5,5)	EX + (ART reversed) + anagram of LAGER
6 CALL	Summon everyone hanging out behind clubs (4)	ALL after C
10 DRIPPED	Opening to duct split and showed evidence of leaking (7)	(D)uct + RIPPED
11 AMNESIA	Problem with recall affected men in a heavily populated region (7)	Anagram of MEN inside ASIA
12 RETRAINED	Transplanted retina, preserved in alcohol, is prepared for a new role (9)	Anagram of RETINA inside RED
13 HINGE	Flexible joint is part of something else (5)	somethING Else
14 DRAWER	One who commits to paying compensation back (6)	REWARD reversed
16 COMMAND	A division in the military, not deployed initially (7)	COMMA + (N)ot (D)eployed
17 HOG	Get away from sheep and pig (3)	HOG(get)
19 TALIBAN	A politician finishing time with an Islamic movement (7)	[(A + LIB) after T] + AN
20 ARDENT	Hot diamonds included in a payment to landlord (6)	D inside (A + RENT)
23 HOO-HA	Who reportedly has not finished song and dance? (3-2)	Sounds like WHO + (HA)s
24 RE-ELECTED	Displayed shock about leader of equity court given another term (2-7)	REELED outside [(E)quity + CT]
26 GROWLER	Unfriendly dog, say, left in the care of farmer (7)	L inside GROWER
27 INFLATE	Exaggerate information not totally supplied behind schedule (7)	(INF)o + LATE
28 SASH	Bearing has fixed part of a window (4)	S(outh) + anagram of HAS
29 SPIDER WEBS	Networks were excited after decline turned around in SBS (6,4)	(Anagram of WERE after DIP reversed) inside SBS

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 EL DORADO	Section of goldfield, or a dodgy place of reputed wealth (2,6)	goldfiELD OR A DODgy
2 TWIST	Fool grabbing head of sharp screw (5)	TWIT outside (S)harp
3 ALPHABETICALLY	Party associate checking each bit amended in order (14)	(ALP + ALLY) outside anagram of EACH BIT
4 ADD-ONS	Peripherals expert included in commercial listings (3-3)	DON inside ADS
5 GUARD DOG	Member of security division bashed a drug lord up (5,3)	Anagram of A DRUG + (GOD reversed)
7 ASSONANCE	Child, one involved in case, composed sound correspondence (9)	(SON + AN) inside anagram of CASE
8 LOAFER	Employee of a bakery, one who doesn't want to work? (6)	Double Definition
9 IN THE MARKET FOR	Wanting to buy a tent from hiker abroad (2,3,6,3)	Anagram of A TENT FROM HIKER
15 ANALOGOUS	Like a record kept by a talent (9)	(A + LOG) inside (A + NOUS)
16 CON	Kid caught working (3)	C + ON
17 HAIRGRIP	Security device that controls the movement of locks? (8)	Cryptic definition
18 STUDIERS	They examine wall support that is undersized in the middle (8)	STUD + IE + inde(RS)ized
21 THIGHS	Some bits of meat get heated initially in this (6)	[(G)et (H)eated] inside THIS
22 PERIOD	Keen resentment turned around in school time (6)	IRE reversed inside POD
25 TEASE	Wind up when in a part of a golf course (5)	AS inside TEE