## AFR Cryptic (Saturday 25/11/2023) Solution

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|  | ${ }^{14}$ | N | S | ${ }^{15} \mathrm{~A}$ | F | E |  | ${ }^{16} \mathrm{E}$ | P | S | 1 | L | 0 | N |
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| ${ }^{24} \mathrm{R}$ | 0 | A | D | 1 | E |  | 25 | 1 | S | P | E | R | S | E |
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| ${ }^{26}$ S | T | E | W | E | D |  | ${ }^{27} \mathrm{~N}$ | E | C | R | 0 | P | S | Y |


| Across | Clue | Explanation |
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| 1 DEAD DRAW | Added new green for bowling of the highest level (4,4) | Anagram of ADDED + RAW |
| 5 FIBBER | Fellow organised bribe for one delivering fabrication (6) | F + anagram of BRIBE |
| 9 ARTERIAL | Antenna fitted to outside of radio transmitter, originally <br> having a main channel and many sub-channels (8) | AERIAL outside [(R)adio <br> (T)ransmitter] |
| 10 FEMMES | Nice women, say, made money initially cutting charges <br> (6) | [(M)ade (M)oney] inside <br> FEES |
| 12 EMPTY | Meaningless empathy not endorsed by a hospital (5) | EMP(a)T(h)Y |
| 13 UNRELATED | Run out of line, in high spirits, beside the point (9) | Anagram of RUN + <br> ELATED |
| 14 UNSAFE | Exposed section of run's a feature (6) | rUNS A FEature |
| 16 EPSILON | Piles troubled performing Greek character (7) | Anagram of PILES + ON |
| 18 P-PLATER | Father checking parking by learner, a new driver (1-6) | PATER outside (P + L) |
| 20 RUSTIC | Simple oxidation linked to coolant mostly (6) | RUST + (IC)e |
| 22 TRIANGLES | Head of Treasury realigns adjusted figures (9) | (T)reasury + anagram of <br> REALIGNS |
| 23 PASTA | Finished a dish high in carbohydrates (5) | PAST + A |
| 24 ROADIE | Member of support crew had pulled out of Radiohead's <br> organisation (6) | Anagram of RADIOHEAD <br> minus HAD |
| 25 DISPERSE | Scatter spiders awfully close to house (8) | Anagram of SPIDERS + <br> hous(E) |
| 26 STEWED | Boiled sweet ruined start of dinner (6) | Anagram of SWEET + <br> (D)inner |
| 27 NECROPSY | Treatment of corpse in main mortuary ultimately? (8) | Anagram of CORPSE inside <br> [mai(N) + mortuar(Y)] |
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| Down | Clue | Explanation |
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| 1 DIAPER | Agent with help set up American waste management unit (6) | $(\mathrm{REP}+\mathrm{AID})$ <br> reversed |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & \text { ANTEPENULTIMATE } \end{aligned}$ | Line up a tent shifted by companion third from the end (15) | Anagram of LINE UP A TENT + MATE |
| 3 DIRTY | Converted dormitory, lacking room, is filthy (5) | Anagram of DORMITORY minus ROOM |
| 4 AS A RULE | Generally scouts set out from assault course in a disorderly fashion $(2,1,4)$ | Anagram of ASSUALT COURSE minus SCOUTS |
| 6 IDEALISTS | Visionaries plan sets of things to be done (9) | IDEA + LISTS |
| $\begin{aligned} & \hline 7 \text { BIMETALLIC } \\ & \text { STRIP } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Limit cables reconfigured to set off part of thermostat $(10,5)$ | Anagram of LIMIT CABLE + TRIP |
| 8 RESIDENT | Gaping cut sewn up by team doctor (8) | SIDE inside RENT |
| 11 TREE | Genealogist's work on opening centre in Cheltenham (4) | RE inside chel(TE)nham |
| 15 ATTENTIVE | Observant native dropping pole outside portable shelter (9) | (n)ATIVE outside TENT |
| 17 UPSTARTS | Social climbers, sweet things, behind international carrier (8) | TARTS after UPS |
| 19 RILE | Tumbling act, not included in article, is upset (4) | ARTICLE minus anagram of ACT |
| 20 RESPITE | Postponement requested especially in ceremony (7) | ESP inside RITE |
| 21 SAFELY | Speak about iron left in one piece (6) | SAY outside (FE + L) |
| 23 PAPER | Flimsy copy used in public relations (5) | APE inside PR |
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