AFR Cryptic (Saturday 10/8/2024) Solution

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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 CUT-PRICE	Temperature maintained in container with grain is reduced (3-5)	T inside CUP + RICE
5 STOKED	Australian, thrilled, tended a fire (6)	Double Definition
9 UPRAISE	Exalt pair newly married in service (7)	Anagram of PAIR inside USE
10 MAGENTA	Publication developed neat colour used in printing (7)	MAG + anagram of NEAT
11 THERAPISTS	They heal the detectives bitten by rats (10)	THE + (PIS inside RATS)
12 FAWN	Sandy bearing jammed inside air conditioner (4)	W inside FAN
13 ROOKIE	Novice mob member found with knives regularly (6)	ROO + (K)n(I)v(E)s
14 FREEHOLD	Reef damaged part of ship's property (8)	Anagram of REEF + HOLD
17 SPRINTER	Small computer device - one that's fast to finish (8)	S + PRINTER
18 DOES UP	Secures employment in school heading in a new direction (4,2)	(USE inside POD) reversed
21 REEL	Five pulled out of riotous feast and dance (4)	REVEL minus V
22 POTATO PEEL	Something used to cook a very good fish and vegetable slice (6,4)	POT + A + TOP + EEL
24 KEEP OUT	Stay away as king adjusted toupee (4,3)	K + anagram of TOUPEE
25 SWIMMER	Athlete's boil lanced with wire initially (7)	(W)ire inside SIMMER
26 RELATE	Alter revised conclusion of the report (6)	Anagram of ALTER + th(E)
27 ALL-SORTS	Odd group left couple so taken in by arts (3-5)	(LL + SO) inside ARTS

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 CLUSTER	Yours truly, perhaps, entertaining street gathering (7)	CLUER outside ST
2 THREE- COURSE MEAL	Latecomer - he sure cooked a big dinner (5-6,4)	Anagram of LATECOMER + HE + SURE
3 RUINATION	Defeat, one accepted in rugby union country (9)	I inside (RU + NATION)
4 CREDIT	Head of Coles tried changing a person's financial standing (6)	(C)oles + anagram of TRIED
6 TOGO	West African country had backed end of embargo (4)	GOT reversed + embarg(O)
7 KANGAROO STEAMER	A market's oregano transformed outback stew (8,7)	Anagram of A MARKETS OREGANO
8 DRAINED	Weak adder moved around outside home (7)	Anagram of ADDER outside IN
10 MOTORS	Time spent in open waste lands goes quickly (6)	T inside MOORS
15 ECONOMICS	Financial matters not detailed in e-books of a humorous nature? (9)	NO(t) inside E- COMICS
16 DEPORT	Exile tied up leader of terrorists (6)	ROPED reversed + (T)errorists
17 STRIKER	Cycle ridden by senior member of a soccer team? (7)	TRIKE inside SR
19 POLARIS	Star with nothing left in Olympic city (7)	(O + L) inside PARIS
20 TASSEL	A group of fashionistas selected a hanging ornament (6)	fashionisTAS SELected
23 COST	Taxi not accepting a penalty (4)	COAST minus A