

AFR Cryptic (Saturday 2/3/2024) Solution

¹ R	E	² A	S	³ S	I	⁴ G	N		⁵ C	⁶ U	R	⁷ S	O	⁸ R	
E		C		O		O		⁹ V		N		E		E	
¹⁰ C	O	C	H	L	E	A	R	I	M	P	L	A	N	T	
O		U		A		H		R		O		S		I	
¹¹ R	E	S	U	R	G	E	N	T		¹² P	A	C	E	R	
D		E				A		U		U		A		E	
				¹³ F	¹⁴ E	E	D		¹⁵ E	C	L	I	P	S	E
¹⁶ U		¹⁷ F		N						A		E		S	
¹⁸ P	R	A	N	C	E	D		²⁰ F	I	R	E				
G		S		I		I		A				²¹ R		²² P	
²³ R	A	C	E	R		²⁴ S	H	I	P	²⁵ S	H	A	P	E	
A		I		C		C		R		U		C		N	
²⁶ D	I	S	I	L	L	U	S	I	O	N	M	E	N	T	
E		T		E		S		S		U		M		A	
²⁷ D	O	S	I	D	O			²⁸ S	H	E	P	H	E	R	D

Across	Clue	Explanation
1 REASSIGN	Give a new job to fool in command (8)	ASS inside REIGN
5 CURSOR	Dog kind - tailless pointer? (6)	CUR + SOR(t)
10 COCHLEAR IMPLANT	One representative in a concert hall arranged help with audition (8,7)	(I + MP) inside anagram of A CONCERT HALL
11 RESURGENT	Reserve, pressing, is coming back strongly (9)	RES + URGENT
12 PACER	Racehorse review in need of backing (5)	RECAP reversed
13 FEED	Charge old copper for a plentiful meal (4)	FEE + D
18 PRANCED	Image department organised dance and showed off (7)	PR + anagram of DANCE
20 FIRE	Get rid of tree close to fence (4)	FIR + fenc(E)
23 RACER	Car changing gear regularly? (5)	Anagram of CAR + g(E)a(R)
24 SHIPSHAPE	Orderly has pipes repaired outside hospital (9)	Anagram of HAS PIPES outside H
26 DISILLUSIONMENT	Unionists milled around showing extreme disappointment (15)	Anagram of UNIONISTS MILLED
27 DO-SI-DO	Dance move is played back in party twice (2-2-2)	IS reversed inside (DO + DO)
28 SHEPHERD	Pastor quietly sat with her in storage unit (8)	(P + HER) inside SHED

