AFR Cryptic (Oz Day, 2024) Solution

1 A	N	2 G	U	3 I	S	4 H		5 T	Y	6 P	I	7 S	T	8 S
D		R		N		O		R		A		L		Y
9 E	X	A	C	T		10 B	R	A	S	S	B	A	N	D
L		B		E		A		N		T		V		N
11 A	M	B	E	R	G	R	I	S			12 D	I	V	E
I		E		M		T		E		13 P		S		Y
14 D	A	R	W	I	N			15 P	E	R	T	H		
E				X		16 C	U	T		I				17 B
		18 S	I	E	N	A			19 L	E	A	20 P	E	R
21 S		T		D		N		22 R		S		E		I
23 A	M	E	X			24 B	R	E	A	T	H	E	R	S
L		A		25 C		E		D		H		R		B
26 M	E	L	B	O	U	R	N	E		27 O	P	E	R	A
O		E		D		R		E		O		S		N
28 N	I	R	V	A	N	A		29 M	O	D	I	S	T	E

Across	Clue	Explanation
1 ANGUISH	An outburst admitting one's suffering (7)	(AN + GUSH) outside I
5 TYPISTS	Psychiatrist, giving up chair, distracted key workers (7)	Anagram of PSYCHIATRIST minus CHAIR
9 EXACT	Court, going after hacker, sent back claim (5)	CT after (AXE reversed)
10 BRASS BAND	Musical group's bass varied in quality (5,4)	Anagram of BASS inside BRAND
11 AMBERGRIS	A male oceanic traveller is after right whale's discharge (9)	A + M + BERG + (IS after R)
12 DIVE	Joint distributed short version of video (4)	Anagram of (VIDE)o
14 DARWIN	Ward not treated properly in a tropical place (6)	Anagram of WARD + IN
15 PERTH	Lively hotel's location in the west (5)	PERT + H
16 CUT	Cricket shot is attractive for the most part (3)	(CUT)e
18 SIENA	Displaced aliens overlooking large city in Tuscany (5)	Anagram of ALIENS minus L
19 LEAPER	Outcast providing shelter for a bounder (6)	LEPER outside A
23 AMEX	Plastic part of webcam exploded (4)	webcAM EXploded
24 BREATHERS	Swimmers, floating around, are lacking a number of snorkels, for example (9)	BATHERS outside (ARE minus A)
26 MELBOURNE	One rumble damaged GP's Australian home (9)	Anagram of ONE RUMBLE
27 OPERA	Section in media report backed a musical performance (5)	mediA REPOrt reversed
28 NIRVANA	Transporter in Iran mismanaged a delightful place (7)	VAN inside anagram of IRAN
29 MODISTE	Fashionable dressmaker and poet housed by the writer (7)	ODIST inside ME

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 ADELAIDE	City of churches guided a returning embassy worker (8)	(LED + A) reversed + AIDE
2 GRABBER	Avaricious person is right into gossip (7)	R inside GABBER
3 INTERMIXED	Changed index containing expression, one jumbled up (10)	Anagram of INDEX outside (TERM + I)
4 HOBART	Watering hole located in sultry southern city (6)	BAR inside HOT
5 TRANSEPT	Ten parts formed wing of a cruciform church (8)	Anagram of TEN PARTS
6 PAST	Associates of Trump, as tweeted, should be finished? (4)	trumP AS Tweeted
7 SLAVISH	Servile person from eastern Europe is hard (7)	SLAV + IS + H
8 SYDNEY	Australian capital, say, losing a third ultimately against rise of Japanese currency (6)	SAY minus A + thir(D) + (YEN reversed)
13 PRIESTHOOD	Is inquisitive gangster after time in religious order? (10)	PRIES + (HOOD after T)
16 CANBERRA	Head to Callion, a barren, unsettled part of Australia (8)	(C)allion + A + anagram of BARREN
17 BRISBANE	Animated Barbie's screening close to garden city in Queensland (8)	Anagram of BARBIES outside garde(N)
18 STEALER	One who takes a left during drive (7)	(A + L) inside STEER
20 PEERESS	Noble never evenly treated in crowd (7)	n(E)v(E)r inside PRESS
21 SALMON	Fish shop extended by metres (6)	M inside SALON
22 REDEEM	Buy back diamonds owned by emeer abroad (6)	D inside anagram of EMEER
25 CODA	Company recalled commercial's last piece of music (4)	CO + (AD reversed)