AFR Cryptic (Saturday 10/2/2024) Solution

¹ B	U	² S	Т	³ R	Ι	⁴ P	S		⁵ A	⁶ C	Ι	⁷ D	Ι	⁸ C
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Across	Clue	Explanation
1 BUS TRIPS	Tourist drives and cuts after break (3,5)	RIPS after BUST
5 ACIDIC	Sharp one played twice in Australian rock band (6)	(I,I) inside ACDC
10 LIARS	Fabricators use a boat to travel back across river (5)	SAIL reversed outside R
11 ROAD TRAIN	Long-haul vehicle busted radiator close to Darwin (4,5)	Anagram of RADIATOR + darwi(N)
12 AFTERWARDS	Fine received by trader was adjusted at a later date (10)	F inside anagram of TRADER WAS
13 SHOT	Onset of suffering eased by powerful injection (4)	(S)uffering + HOT
15 BODIES	People disappear with boss mostly hanging around (6)	DIE inside (BOS)s
16 TAMARIN	Monkey pruned tangy fruit tree (7)	TAMARIN(d)
19 WITNESS	Is outside broadcast rewound following woman's initial testimony? (7)	[IS outside (SENT reversed)] after (W)oman
21 BY-LINE	Journalist's final piece is so long, holding nothing back (2-4)	BYE outside (NIL reversed)
23 LAND	50+ acres? (4)	L + AND
25 COLLECTION	Company and IT unit recalled working group (10)	CO + (IT + CELL) reversed + ON
27 INDOLENCE	Popular benefit once given after initial laziness (9)	IN + DOLE + (o)NCE
28 TRIPE	Stomach of shorthorn ready to be eaten? (5)	shor(T)horn + RIPE
29 GARDEN	A road cut through general area used for cultivation (6)	(A + RD) inside GEN
30 DEADENED	A study in legal documentation may be toned down (8)	(A + DEN) inside DEED

Down	Clue	Explanation
1 BALLAD	Everyone sitting tight during rotten song (6)	ALL inside BAD
2 STARTS OUT	A university degree in beer begins (6,3)	ARTS in STOUT
3 RESTRAINED	Calm reserve prepared for action (10)	RES + TRAINED
4 PERHAPS	Page ending with unusual phrase, possibly (7)	P + anagram of PHRASE
6 CITY	User, not detained by security, disrupted a popular spot (4)	Anagram of SECURITY minus USER
7 DEATH	Departure date changed by hospital (5)	Anagram of DATE + H
8 CONSTANT	Clip from Intergalactic, on Stan, that's not changing (8)	intergalactiC ON STAN That
9 BANDIT	Thief by the way in possession of piece (6)	AND inside BIT
14 IMPLICATED	Under suspicion, one government representative lied about criminal act (10)	(I + MP + LIED) outside anagram of ACT
17 RENDITION	Construction - finish it in wrought iron (9)	(END + IT) inside anagram of IRON
18 DWELLING	Digs section of uncovered well in garden (8)	uncovereD WELL IN Garden
20 SPOONS	Consumers employ these youngsters outside post office (6)	SONS outside PO
21 BELIEVE	Busy person, possessed by evil, butchered judge (7)	BEE outside anagram of EVIL
22 INDEED	One broadcast ended positively (6)	I + anagram of ENDED
24 NADIR	Bout of depression, a dire low point? (5)	depressioN A DIRe
26 FLEE	Leave leader of Labor in charge (4)	(L)abor inside FEE