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S311 first ex VR S class to come to Parkeston with RL309 loads 8M20 empty ballast train on the main line ballast pit at 1774km about a kilometre east of Parkeston yard on April 18th. Photo Peter Donaghy

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FMG SD90MAC-H 902 and 904 were unloaded overnight April 10th 11th with one hauled to FMG Rowley yard just after sunup on 11th and the second hauled out of Port Hedland Town wharf around 1000. Both of these locomotives were then placed on rail and hauled to workshop to enable commissioning.

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FMG have recently named CW44-9W 012 Peter Tapine in memory of a respected Fortescue Mining driver who suffered a fatal heart attack while off duty. This is the first locomotive to be named by FMG.

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Final six Rio Tinto EVO ES44DCi #8157 thru #8162 departed GE Erie Pa on special NS movement to Norfolk VA on April 16th. These locomotives were loaded at the NS port onto heavy lift ship BBC Europe that departed in late evening of 20th for Dampier.

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Some 20 CFCLA refurbished former Goldsworthy/BHPBIO ore cars coded CHCH arrived on rear 5MP1 on April 17th as the initial wagons to be used on ARG operated ore trains to Kwinana.





FMG 005 & further CW544-9W on loaded ore train undergoing inspection at Rowley Yard April 10th.



FMG fuel tanker TK03 at Rowley yard fuel gantry on April 14th.

Both photos Toad Montgomery





4340 & 5637 run empty ore rake from Finucane Island unloader to Boodarie yard under FMG conveyor on April 14th. Photo Toad Montgomery



Name plate on side of FMG CW44-9 honouring Peter Tapine April 14th. Photo Toad Montgomery





DAZ1902 runs 6283 engine and wagon through Toodyay West April 15th.

Photo Sean McGarraghy



Q4019 on 6058 grain at Donkey Crossing Toodyay on April 15th.

Photo Sean McGarraghy





DFZ2402 the first ARG narrow gauge locomotive painted in QR National livery following its conversion outside Forrestfield workshop on April 19th. Photo John Purcell



NR27 & NR74 on 6SP5 at Woodbridge on April 10th. Photo Sean McGarraghy





LZ3101, LQ3122, DC2206 & LZ3101 at Goulburn NSW on April 3rd.

Photo Chris Jones



AGWF24735-H former narrow gauge XW grain wagon converted to standard gauge for use hauling export grain to Port Kembla at Goulburn shortly after arrival on April 3rd.

Photo Chris Jones



S311 & RL309 are undertaking a ballasting programme on western end of ARTC Trans line out of Parkeston till around the end of May that sees the first former Victorian Railways S class to operate in Western Australia as it is hired to South Spur Rail.



Q4015 & Q4016 on 7430 empty sulphur train at South Guildford April 17th.

Photo Jim Bisdee

Two more XF alumina hoppers have been completed in early April by Gemco Forrestfield for BHP Billiton Worsley and are stored at narrow gauge loco awaiting delivery.

Services on Fremantle line between Daglish and Fremantle were suspended from around 1900 on April 21st till last train on April 24th to allow Shenton Road Bridge replacement works to be undertaken.

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