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5648 CM40-8M, 4309 SD70ACel/c & 3092 SD40R three different types of locomotives run loaded ore train through Garden in Chichester Ranges on August 11th 2006. Photo Jim Bisdee

This special edition is a tribute to Richard “Toad” Montgomery who I consider it a great honour to call a friend he is a great railfan and a legend in Port Hedland. I have known Toad for over 10 years and every time I go to Port Hedland I always catch up. Toad has now moved on in his life departing Port Hedland with his partner Donna for Queensland. Toad is known across the world by virtue of his web site on the Pilbara lines and to a number of railfans and railway modelers he has helped with detailed photos and information. This is a tribute to a great guy who has done a huge amount for the railfan hobby, whose home many have been able to stay in over the years and been taken around by him. Yes Toad thanks for everything. These photos were taken by Toad or myself when he took me along these lines in 2005, 2006, 2009 or 2011.



6074 & 3085 run loaded rake to Finucane Island car dumper August 11th 2006.

Photo Jim Bisdee



013 & 000 on loaded FMG ore train approaching Chapman loop on June 20th 2011.

Photo Jim Bisdee



5637 on rail train recovering old rail on Mt Newman main at Mooka on June 19th 2011. Photo Jim Bisdee



5636 hauling Sundowner car on way to old Goldsworthy townsite June 24th 2005. Photo Toad Montgomery



5636 & 5646 on loaded ore at Goldsworthy Sundowner car in loop June 25th 2005. Photo Toad Montgomery



5648 hauls Sundowner car over Petermaer Creek on return to Port Hedland June 26th 2005 following its use at Goldsworthy on last Black Rock race run from there to Hedland. Photo Toad Montgomery



4329, 5633 & 4303 empty ore cross 6075 second dpu on loaded at Tabbra June 20th. Both photos Jim Bisdee



Sundowner observation car with some old ore cars and SD40s stored at Finucane Island August 22nd 2009.



DR8401 & DR8402 stored on short piece of track in transport yard at Wedgefield August 22nd 2009.



5657 & 6071 on loaded descending Chichester Ranges on August 11th 2006.

Both photos Jim Bisdee



5662, 3093 & 3089 mid train remotes on loaded at Woodstock August 21st 2009.

Photo Jim Bisdee



5633, 5657, 3097 & 3096 on empty ore at Woodstock August 21st 2009.

Photo Jim Bisdee



4337 & 4354 on empty ore rake departing Finucane Island dumpers August 22nd 2009. Photo Jim Bisdee



3082 and 3085 SD40-2s withdrawn and stored at Finucane Island on August 22nd 2009. Photo Jim Bisdee



5634 on loaded Yarrrie ore just east of Port Hedland August 23rd 2009.

Photo Jim Bisdee



4340 & 4329 on empty ore at Broome Road August 23rd 2009.

Photo Jim Bisdee



012 & 014 on loaded ore at Barker loop on June 19th 2011.

Photo Jim Bisdee

These BHPBIO and FMG ore trains photos and more taken on my last four trips to the area without Toads help I would have got few photos outside Port Hedland. The Pilbara will not be the same for me now and I really appreciate all Toad has done for me over the years with information and photos. All the best for the future Toad Enjoy!!

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