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LZ3109 on 1438 nickel train returning from Hampton smelter at Binduli February 5th. Photo Peter Donaghy

First 50 of CBH Groups new CBHS grain wagons arrived on MV Pacific Fighter at #4 Bulk Jetty Kwinana from Port of Lianyungang China February 9th. These standard gauge wagons are part of a contract for 574 wagons [128 standard and 446 narrow gauge] issued to Bradken in 2011 to be constructed at their Xuzhou plant in China. These wagons were loaded direct onto semi trailers and trucked to a storage facility to be held prior to being commissioned and put on rail. They are fitted with auto hatch and discharge doors as well as scanning technology and are of light weight aluminium construction that will allow some extra 10 tonnes of grain to be loaded per wagon than steel wagons. This is the first of a number of shipments of wagons planned to arrive from China between now and July.

DBZ2309 ran as 3120 empty wagon movement with three wagons from Forrestfield to Kwinana on February 7th. DBZ2309 ran its works trail on the 8th with DB2311 on 4223 caustic tankers to Calcine at Pinjarra.

Construction of the next 17 SD70MACe on order for BHP Billiton Iron Ore are well underway at EMD Progress Rail Services plant at Muncie Indiana with many of the locomotives nearly completed.



2210 on 3C12 AK track recording cars at Woodbridge February 7th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



AC4303 & ACB4401 on 1426 freight to Kwinana at Welshpool February 6th.

Photo Simon Barber



DBZ2309 stabled at narrow gauge loco February 6th.

Photo Evan Jasper



CSR006 first of SCTs new Chinese locomotives to be unloaded at Berth 29 Inner Harbour Port Adelaide February 4th these locomotives may be seen on SCT services to WA.

Photo Daven Walters



SCT013 hauls six new CSR locomotives to SCT yard for commissioning February 5th. Photo Daven Walters



AK2283 on rear AK car inspection train at Woodbridge February 7th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



DBZ2309 on works trial & DB2311 on 4223 caustic tankers at Pinjarra East February 8th. Photo Jim Bisdee



2210 on 3C12 the AK car inspection train departing West Merredin February 7th.

Photo Don Copley



Q4017 & Q4003 with Q4011 mid train on 126 car empty DPU ore train north of Hampton February 5th.



NR80 & AN11 on very late 4WP2 approaching Kalgoorlie February 5th.

Both photos Peter Donaghy



LDP003 & LDP001 runs 7PM1 intermodal with Cook tankers at Meenar February 4th. Photo Alex MacKay



LQ3122, LZ3103 & LZ3101 on QR grain approaching Goulburn NSW February 4th. Photo Peter Clark



G512 on AGWF grain wagons at Goulburn February 1st after return from use on a Pacific National grain train out of Newcastle to North West NSW in late January. Photo Peter Clark



CBH Groups new standard gauge CBHS grain wagon on truck at Kwinana February 11th. Photo Jim Bisdee



NR10, NR97 & NR11 on 6SP6 intermodal service at Binduli February 5th.

Photo Peter Donaghy



ACB4401 & AC4303 on 1408 acid tankers on east leg Binduli triangle February 5th. Photo Peter Donaghy



B series EMU set #83 with new City Link works in background February 3rd.

Photo Simon Barber



PA2819 on empty alumina train from Bunbury at Pinjarra East February 8th.

Photo Jim Bisdee

Rio Tinto ES44DCi 8176 was under test on General Electric test track in Erie PA on February 5th.



Another new CBH grain wagon is being lifted out of ships hold at Kwinana February 11th. Photo Jim Bisdee

The Midland Railway suffered storm damage in Moora area from flash flooding in late January and again has had services suspended till repairs are undertaken.