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LZ3120 & LZ3119 on 2034 the second half ore train to Kwinana at Thornlie May14th. Photo Jim Bisdee

ZB2125 ran 3KO2 wagon trial hauling 2xpack CBHN narrow gauge grain hoppers from CBH Kwinana Terminal to Brunswick returning as 3KO3 on May 22nd to conduct ride, handling and speed tests on the new wagon class. On arrival at Brunswick ZB2125 was turned on the triangle to enable short end leading running in both directions. This was a successful trial that sees CBH/Watco WA Railway narrow gauge operations move closer to commencing.

First Fortescue Mining Group SD70MACe locomotive #701 is nearing completion with it being painted now at EMD Muncie Indiana plant. The remaining 18 locomotives #702 thru #719 are in various stages of production. This FMG order is for 19 locomotives not 20 as it appeared in issue #192 showing numbering #701 through #720. It is believed all these 19 locomotives will be dispatched and exported together.



2512 & DBZ2312 on 4303 empty grain train at Kenwick on May 22nd.

Photo Simon Barber



SCT014 & SCT012 on 7GP1 with Tantini ex Overland car at Binduli May 21st.

Photo Peter Donaghy



Former Overland car Tantini sold by GSR to G&W on 7PG1 SCT Parkes freighter being hauled to Gemco Forrestfield for conversion to a crew car May 21st. Photo Peter Donaghy



P2517 damaged in Mooliabeenee derailment on transport float being hauled to QRN Forrestfield for repair at Midvale May 19th. Photo Simon Barber



FMG new Pilbara mine its Solomon extension showing loading point under construction May 21st.



Construction of the new FMG Solomon mine railway line extension its formation under heavy earthworks looking east away from minesite along Hamersley Ranges May 21st. Both photos Don Copley



VL361 & VL357 on 5WG2 Watco grain train on main at Hines Hill May 17th.

Photo Kieran Wright



ACN4141 on 7874 empty alumina hoppers at Brunswick May 12th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



ACA6005 & ACA6012 on 5030 ore train at Hines Hill May 17th.

Photo Kieran Wright



DBZ2306 on 7238 empty caustic tankers at North Pinjarra on May 12th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



P2509, P2507 & DD2358 on 1663 grain train at Moojebing cutting May 13th.

Photo Don Copley



L3118 shunting BRS222 crew car and intermodal loading at east end of West Kalgoorlie yard on May 19th for collection by that evening by 7PX4 mixed freight.

Photo Peter Donaghy



SD9043MAC #909 & CW44-9 #15 on loaded ore train near Barker Siding May 7th.

Photo Don Copley



ZB2125 on 3K03 CBHN wagon test train at Waroona May 22nd.

Photo Jim Bisdee



4336 & 4334 with 112 empty cars 4322 & 4309 further 112 cars at Walla South May 5th. Photo Don Copley



P2505 on transport float being hauled in for repair at Forrestfield May 21st.

Photo Jim Bisdee



P2517 on rail at Forrestfield May 20th following delivery by road from derailment site. Photo Kieran Wright



Origin Energy gas tanker at West Kalgoorlie discharge point May 10th.

Photo Matt Hayes



DAZ1901 & AB1504 propel loaded ballast train through Bringoo May 19th.

Photo Phil Melling



SCT015 on 1WG4 grain train running through Northam on May 13th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



DC2206, LZ3104 & LZ3101 on 9358 grain train at Towrang NSW May 22nd.

Photo Leon Oberg



Brand new SD70ACe first of 17 US built locomotives being delivered to BHPBIO at Nelson Point Yard May 26th unusually these locomotives have all numbers covered.

Photo Baden Tidd



Brand new SD70ACe B end and 4341 in Nelson Point yard May 26th.

Photo Baden Tidd



P2507 at Albany loco May 23rd showing quick release windscreen and ladder on nose.

Photo DeeJay Page

To enable Meltham Station on the Midland undergo a station upgrade and improvement it was closed as a stopping place from May 19th to June 24th for these works to be undertaken. Services will resume stopping at Meltham on June 25th following completion of the upgrading. During this closure a shuttle bus service will operate between Meltham and Maylands Stations. Queens Park Station on the Armadale line is having platform surface upgrading taking place at present that is not affecting services.



ZB2125 hauls WAMX2700 [CBH001] on 5WG9 through South Fremantle May 17th. Photo Simon Barber

MV Daniella berthed at Port Hedland Town Jetty May 25th to discharge six SD70ACe locomotives # 4374 thru #4379 for BHPBIO. These six locomotives are the initial delivery of a 17 locomotive order that will be delivered in two further batches over next few months.