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CBH013 following commissioning hauls off line ZB2120 on 3KO8 light engines out of Forrestfield to CBH Kwinana October 2nd to enter service. Photo Jim Bisdee

Severe disruption to commuter services on Northern Suburbs line occurred around 7:40am on October 3rd when a Perth bound two car A series EMU sets #16 and #47 suffered an incident after leaving Warwick Station. It appears the overhead contact wire was caught up with pantograph tearing the catenary down and lashing along the side of EMU set #16 causing some minor damage. The catenary was brought down for some 1500 metres south from vicinity of Erindale Road to where the four car EMU set came to a stop. There were no injuries in the incident but passengers were kept on the cars until it was safe to evacuate them and busses were at the scene to pick up the passengers. Initially EMU's ran Clarkson to Whitfords with Rail Replacement buses running Whitfords to Leederville and EMU's running Leederville to Perth Underground then onto Southern Suburbs line. About 4:00pm the EMU's were extended to Stirling and Rail Replacement

busses then ran from Stirling to Whitfords Stations. Repairs were undertaken but it soon became evident that the damage was far worse than first thought with hopes of having repairs affected by early morning of 5th not being able to be achieved. MA1862 ran light engine to Stirling Station out of Claisebrook about 9:30pm on 3rd to recover EMU sets #16 and 47 then crossed over to the up line and attached the EMU's then hauled them back to Claisebrook for repair. Repair crews worked round the clock repairing both the overhead and other transmission infrastructure that also suffered damage in the incident. The catenary was repaired to an extent to be able to run two test trains over the section at very slow speed on afternoon of 5th. Following these tests the line was not immediately reopened but crews continued to work on repairing the overhead. Full services resumed at 11:15pm with first northbound service departing Perth Underground while first southbound service ran out of Whitfords 11:20pm. Following the last five late night runs operating successfully normal services resumed with first services on Saturday 6th.



6021 & LDP008 on 2PM1 QRN intermodal shunts out on Esperance line that is also the eastern leg Binduli triangle at West Kalgoorlie October 3rd. Photo Peter Donaghy

DBZ2311 overhaul completed ran 6172 light engine to Kwinana on September 28th to undertake a loaded works trial following overhaul out of Kwinana. Following this trial DBZ2311 ran light engine back to Forrestfield as 6122 on October 5th.

K205 ran rail train to Toodyay West on September 29th to distribute rail in Toodyay Avon section. While on October 3rd 8030 and K205 ran 4K05 rail train dropping rail on Woodbridge triangle in the Avon Valley before running east to Hampton.

ZB2120 hauled WAMX3303 [CBH015] to Gemco Forrestfield for commissioning October 2nd that then saw CBH013 enter service by hauling ZB2120 off line from Gemco to CBH Kwinana.



NR11 & NR69 on 7MP7 bypassing SCT002 & SCT013 on 6MP9 at Parkeston 30/09. Photo Peter Donaghy



8030 & K205 on 4QB5 rail train after dropping rail on freight main waiting line clear while EMU set #45 on suburban line passes at Woodbridge on October 3rd. Photo Jim Bisdee



P2502 & DFZ2502 on 5112 freight at Guildford of four new JP caustic tankers recently fabricated by URG Bassendean being delivered to QRN Forrestfield October 4th to be then hauled Picton. Photo Simon Barber



Q4013, LZ3119 & L3113 on 1143 empty fuel tankers to Esperance at West Kal 30/09. Photo Peter Donaghy



P2509, DAZ1902 & AB1502 on grain passing R1902 on ballast at Kirwan October 3rd. Photo Simon Barber



8030 & K205 on 4QB5 rail train dropping rail on Woodbridge triangle October 3rd.

Photo Jim Bisdee



ZB2120 with WAMX3303 [CBH015] propelling back into Forrestfield yard October 2nd. Photo Jim Bisdee



SSM7 former Pemberton Mill loco has been repainted and cleaned up and now looking good in preservation at Pemberton October 1st this locomotive ex WAGR53 is last remaining early G class. Photo Jeff Austin



2512, DAZ1905 & DFZ2406 on empty ore ex Geraldton Port at Narngulu West 29/09. Photo Phil Melling



ACN4147 on ballast train of CFCLA CHNY/CHOY wagons on new line at Wilroy south of Mullewa with the abandoned original Perenjori line in the foreground September 29th. Photo Phil Melling



CBH011 & CBH004 on 4K63 empty Watco grain train at Dowerin October 3rd.

Photo Simon Barber



Q4007 & LZ3106 on 2030 ore train to Kwinana at Thornlie October 1st.

Photo Jim Bisdee



K205 on 7QB5 rail train at Millendon Junction September 29th.

Photo Simon Barber



ALZ3208 & Q4011 on very late 6029 sulphur train just north of Kalgoorlie 29/09.

Photo Peter Donaghy



6006 & 6021 on 6PM1 QRN intermodal service at Swan View September 28th.

Photo Simon Barber



6021 & L3108 on 3MP1 QRN intermodal at Millendon Junction September 27th.

Photo Simon Barber



ACN4149 DPU unit on 100 wagon Karara trial east of Narngulu September 23rd.

Photo Phil Melling



ACN4168 & P2508 on loaded Rividini ore train at Bringo September 22nd.

Photo Phil Melling

EMU set #16 suffered only minor superficial damage in the incident south of Warwick October 3rd and was quickly repaired returning to service on 7th.



ACN4149 & ACN4146 on 6762 empty Karara ore train crosses P2508, DAZ1904 & P2501 on 6723 Mt Gibson Perenjori ore train at Leda loop on first revenue cross to take there October 5th. Photo John Stephens

On the last day of the Royal Show October 6th B series EMU set #58 ran on the Thornlie service during morning as has been regular occurrence recently during the week but not on weekends.
