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L3113 leading L3118 on 1142 fuel train through S curves at Cowan November 18th. Photo Brendan Cherry

Overhaul of 2208 continues at Aurizon Workshop Forrestfield with it recently being repainted, now classed DC2208 and having new corporate identity Aurizon on its sides.

Specifications for CBH MP33C Co-Co standard gauge locomotives numbered CBH118 to CBH122 are; weight 133.8tonnes, axle load 22.3 tonnes, length 20.22m, fitted with Cummins QSK78-18 2610kw [3500hp] rated at 2461kw [3300hp] for traction.

As is usual at this time of year extra pre Christmas services are run to WA with SCT running AP9 Adelaide Perth special arriving on November 28th. Pacific National to cover extra loading ran DL48 with two NRs on 2MP5/5PM5 services November 15th while XRB561 ran between two NRs on 3MP7/6PM7 arriving and departing from Kewdale on November 23rd with XRB562 running on 2MP5/5PM5 arriving and departing on November 22nd, then XRB561 running on 2MP5/5PM5 arriving and departing on November 29th.



SCT007 runs 2AP9 SCT special service arriving West Kalgoorlie November 27th. Photo Peter Donaghy



SCT001 & SCT010 on very late 2PM9 SCT freight crossing SCT007 on 2AP9 on SCT special Adelaide to Perth freight on a rare cross at West Kalgoorlie November 27th. Photo Peter Donaghy



DD2359 on caustic tankers at Roelands November 27th.

Photo Justin Brown



WAMX3308 [CBH120] on its RO/RO transport float at North Quay November 9th.

Photo Kieran Wright



6022 & CLF1 run 2PM1 QRN intermodal at Toodyay Road Stratton October 15th.

Photo Justin Brown



SCT012 & SCT015 on late 3PG1 SCT Parkes service at Parkeston crossing NR67, XRB561 & NR104 on 2MP5 National Rail intermodal with rare use of XRB to WA November 28th.

Photo Peter Donaghy



NR67, XRB561 & NR104 on 2MP5 intermodal at Parkeston November 28th.

Photo Peter Donaghy



DBZ2303 on 7813 alumina train at Waterloo November 24th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



DBZ2308 on 7271 lime train at Harvey November 24th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



DD2358 & DD2355 on alumina train at Burekup November 26th.

Photo Justin Brown



DBZ2309 on empty coal train north of Brunswick November 26th.

Photo Justin Brown



CBH118 & CBH120 on 5S56 Watco grain at Woodbridge November 29th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



ACB4405 & Q4013 on 7426 freight to Forrestfield November 25th.

Photo Simon Barber



DC2215 & ACA6011 on 2034 ore train at Thornlie November 26th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



NR18 & NR2 on 6SP5 intermodal at Herne Hill November 25th.

Photo Simon Barber



Q4012 & ACB4405 on 1025 Kalgoorlie freight at Millendon November 25th.

Photo Simon Barber



P2501, DFZ2402 & P2516 unloading 7722 ore at Port of Geraldton November 24th.

Photo Phil Melling



P2501, DFZ2402 & P2516 unloading 7722 ore with ACN4145 & ACN4147 on 7763 ore entering Karara Mining rotary dumper at Port of Geraldton on November 24th.

Photo Phil Melling



6024 & 6006 on very late 7PM1 owing to overnight storms at Binduli November 25th. Photo Peter Donaghy



NR85, NR6 & NR78 on 6SP7 express through Binduli November 25th.

Photo Peter Donaghy



ACN4152 DPU on 00000 empty ore passing Station Limits board at Pintharuka with abandoned old line in the foreground on November 17th. Photo Phil Melling



NR104, XRB561 & NR67 on 6PM7 express passing under the Maritana Street Bridge with Kalgoorlie Station in the background November 24th. Photo Peter Donaghy



Ex Westrail NB 1872 with ex Comalco L277 at Dynon s/g turntable Melbourne 16/11. Photo Kieran Wright



SCT008 & SCT013 on 5MP9 SCT freight in usual move of crossing Q4001 & Q4011 on 7415 ore train as it crosses over at Binduli to Esperance line November 24th. Photo Peter Donaghy



LZ3112 on 2B14 ballast train at Moorine Rock November 19th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



Q4012 & ALZ3208 on 1025 freight ex Forrestfield at Kurrawang November 19th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



DPU Q4009 & Q4002 on 6420 empty ore at Hampton November 16th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



ACB4403 & Q4018 DPU on 1414 empty ore at Kambalda November 18th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



ACB4401 & AC4304 on 1414 empty ore at Kambalda November 18th.

Photo Brendan Cherry



S3302 on 7865 alumina train at Brunswick November 24th.

Photo Brendan Cherry

SCT014 that failed on a Watco service mid November being first stored at Avon Yard, then at Forrestfield was hauled out dead November 25th on 1PM9 SCT freight to Adelaide. This short term hire of SCT locomotive to run CBH/Watco services has ended with arrival of CBH118 and CBH120.



S3303 on 7813 alumina train at Waterloo on November 24th.

Photo Brendan Cherry

Aurizon are wasting no time in getting their new brand out in the market place P2504 has been re-branded Aurizon with Forrestfield Workshop having QR National painted out and Aurizon name applied.

BHP Billiton Iron Ore switched over Train Control to its new Integrated Control Centre located on 23rd floor of City Square office building in Perth 0630 on December 2nd. This brings to a close 40 years of Train Control being undertaken in Port Hedland with its panels being switched off and secured that day.

P2506 & DD2356 with two XT grain wagons departed Albany for Avon as 1302 empty wagon movement on November 18th with P2507 & P2509 running as 1303 light engine Avon to Albany also on 18th. These two locomotives will run woodchip service with P2511. Watco are still running two sets into Albany with CBH012 & CBH013 on one set CBH014 & CBH015 on the other.

BHPBIO new Car Dumper 5 at Finucane Island saw its first test train of 26 cars hauled by 5631 & 5633 on November 26th following the successful test, 4359 & 4384 hauled first service rake through CD5 on 27th.

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