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8121 & MRL002 nose to nose on 7PX4 at Parkeston, road locos are refuelling 23/5. Photo Peter Donaghy

Lloyd Street grade separation project at Midland saw the up main slewed back to its original alignment following completion of new bridge on the up main overnight May 9/10th, to be followed by having down main slewed back to its original alignment overnight on May 14/15th. Work on this grade separation project continues with old Midland yard sidings and flashbutt being booked out of use till mid June. EMU set 105 entered service on May 18th, as yet EMU set 104 has not entered service as is believed to have problems with the frame on one or more cars. PTA Speno rail grinder has been used on night rail grinding of Armadale line during the month. Q4002 first of the Q class to be overhauled in an overhaul programme that will see the whole class so treated ran light engine trial Forrestfield to Kwinana on May 6th. On May 22nd it re-entered service running 426 shunter to Kwinana. A fleet of new Chinese built QBBY skeleton wagons and QBAY five pack skeleton wagons arrived at Port of Fremantle from builders May 15th. These new wagons for use on Aurizon intermodal services will old wagons presently in use scrapped and leased CFCLA wagons returned to their owner.



New QQBY skeleton wagons on 12 North Wharf following arrival from China May 18th. Photo Jim Bisdee



QQBY flattop on extendable trailer on wharf to be hauled to Aurizon Forrestfield 18/5.



S3111 on 3962 bauxite with last of original XBC wagons on lead at Keysbrook May 19th. Photo Jim Bisdee



BHPBIO CM40-8M 5666 & SD70ACe 4334 on loaded ore Nelson Point Yard 23/5. Photo Toad Montgomery





New style and old style BHPBIO fuel tankers at Nelson Point May 23rd.





Ex BNSF Pumpkin SD70ACe 4327 leads 4402 on ore in Nelson Point yard 23/5. Photo Toad Montgomery



New SD70ACe 4486 & 4459 leads empty ore car rake away from Finucane Island after unloading May 23rd.



4474 named "Raymond White" after loco driver behind 4379 on empty car rake departing Finucane Island with new Roy Hill conveyor in background May 23rd.

Both photos Toad Montgomery



4434 & 4435 run loaded rake under Roy Hill conveyor Finucane Island 23/5. Photo Toad Montgomery



DC2205 & DC2213 on 7144 container train at Kenwick May 23rd.

Photo Jim Bisdee



P2508 on loco wagon transfer between Narngulu and Narngulu East May 18th. Photo Phil Melling



NR37, NR104, MRL002 & 8121 on 7PX4 at East fuelling point Parkeston May23rd.



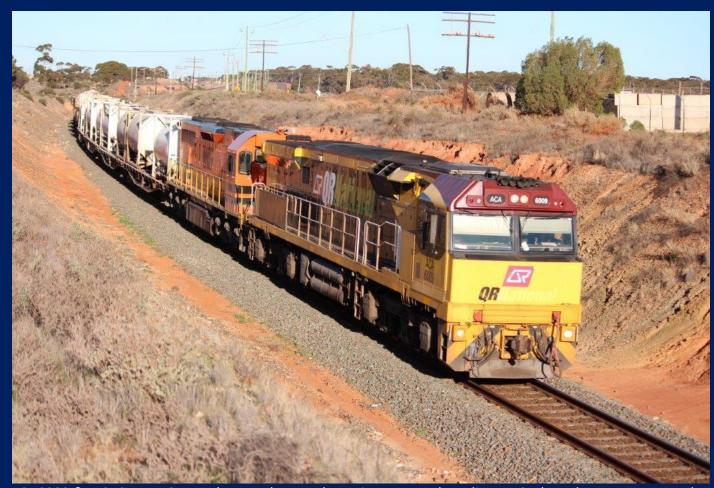
NR105 & MRL006 returning to WA on 5MP2 at West Kalgoorlie May 24th.

Photo Peter Donaghy



S3301 on 3223 empty alumina Kwinana to Calcine at Keysbrook May 19th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



ACA6009 & LZ3107 on 1C71 Parkeston shunter departing West Kalgoorlie May24th. Photo Peter Donaghy



S3307 on 3944 bauxite to Kwinana at Keysbrook May 19th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



SCT002, CSR008 & SCT010 on late 6PM9 SCT freight rare triple header at Golden Ridge May 16th.



ACC6031, Q4010, & ACA6010 on late 7415 short 106 car ore at Binduli 16/5. Both photos Peter Donaghy



DBZ2304 last DBZ in service on 3253 empty Soundcem coal at Keysbrook May 19th. Photo Jim Bisdee



Rebuilt on the Alco frames BHPIO CM40-8M locomotives waiting scrapping 22/5. Photo Toad Montgomery



CM40-8M 5646 Goninan/GE built new not rebuild being scrapped at Sims Metal Wedgefield May 22nd.



Scrapping of 5646 at Sims Metal Wedgefield 22/5 taken with permission. Both photos Toad Montgomery



CM40-8M locomotives to be scrapped at Sims Metal Wedgefield May 22nd.Both photos Toad Montgomery



CM40-8M 5646 with 5647 both were built new and 5647 will be next to be scrapped May 22nd.



5659, 5640 and 5638 waiting to be scrapped at Sims Metal Wedgefield on 22/5. Photo Toad Montgomery



CM40-8M locomotives lined up to be scrapped at Sims Metal Wedgefield 22/5. Photo Toad Montgomery



New Aurizon skeleton wagons on 12 North Wharf May 18th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



NR6 & MRL003 on 6030 Polaris ore to Kwinana at Midland May 22nd.

Photo Jim Bisdee



NR10 Pacific National Yard shunter at Kewdale on 7P51 shunter entering Kewdale 23/5. Photo Jim Bisdee



NR28 & NR82 on 1PM5 crossed NR64 & NR42 at Forrestfield yard entrance 24/5.

Photo Jim Bisdee



Q4007 on 1478 nickel with new rare earth traffic on rear at Kalgoorlie 24/5.

Photo Peter Donaghy



6025, 6001 & 6028 on 3MP1 Aurizon intermodal in West Kalgoorlie Yard 28/5.

Photo Peter Donaghy



CBH005 & CBH010 on empty grain to Mingenew just out of Narngulu May 28th.

Photo Phil Melling



LZ3106 on 6RT9 rescue to collect flattop left by 5426 at Cunderdin, Bellevue May 29th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



ACN4170 leads loaded Karara ore near Bringo May 31st.

Both photos Phil Melling



P2505, P2515 & P2503 heading out of Geraldton port on empty Mt Gibson ore at Beachlands May 31st.



Q4009, LZ3117 & failed Q4007 on 6029 sulphur at Bonnie Vale May 23rd. Photo Peter Donaghy



Q4002 overhauled in Aurizon livery on 4197 Soundcem shunter at Bibra Lake 27/5.

Photo Rodney Beard



Q4009 & Q4012 on late 5426 Kalgoorlie Kwinana freight at Midland May 29th.



S3310 on 1172 light engine Forrestfield to Kwinana at Kenwick May 24th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



Q4010 & ACB4401 on 7415 ore Koolyanobbing to Esperance at Bonnie Vale 23/5. Photo Peter Donaghy



ACA6005 & AC4307 as DPU units on 7415 ore at Bonnie vale May 23rd.

Photo Peter Donaghy



MRL005 & NR95 on 7033 empty Polaris ore cross Prospector railcars at Midalnd 30/5. Photo Jim Bisdee



NR26 on 5AP8 Indian Pacific at Midland passing new hospital May 30th.



NR34 & NR104 on 7PM5 intermodal at Woodbridge May 30th.

Photo Toad Montgomery



MRL004 & MRL001 on 1035 empty Polaris ore at Midland May 31st.

Photo Toad Montgomery



NR29 & NR13 on 6PM6 intermodal at Bonnie Vale May 23rd.

Photo Peter Donaghy



SCT001 & SCT011 on 5MP9 SCT freight at 638km peg EGR line May 23rd.

Photo Peter Donaghy



New EMU set 108 being delivered to WA on rear 5MP2 steel at Midland May 31st.

Photo Jim Bisdee