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6SP7 arrives at Parkeston after sunset with NRs 32 and 107 hauling 8222, 16th September. The 82 was destined for Koolyanobbing – Esperance iron ore trains, the first of four or anything up to ten, depending on various rumours. However, subsequent stories claim insufficient clearance between railhead and bottom of fuel tank under ARC rules has since seen the 82s banned in WA.

Photo: Peter Donaghy



Fresh from overhaul and repaint, 8222 arrives into Parkeston on 6SP7, 16th September – the first 82 into WA.
Photo: Peter Donaghy



RHAs 1020 & 1007 unload a Roy Hill train, 19th September. Note a pair of pink hoppers have already strayed from their own rake and mixed in with an older set.
Photo: Mark Bennett



MRLs 006 & 004 run 5P31 at Bellevue, collecting rail wagons, 20th September.

Photo: Simon Barber



CBHs 008 & 011 on 5G51 grain at Narngulu, 20th September.

Photo: Phil Melling



The Aurizon rail grinder being converted from standard to narrow gauge, Bellevue, 21/9. Photo: Simon Barber



WEA031 & WEB041 race through Midland on their way to West Merredin, 21/9. Photo: Mitchell Radford



WDB012/WDA002/WDB011/WDA001 work the Prospector from Kalgoorlie, Midland, 21/9. Photo: Jim Bisdee



CBHs 006 & 023 lead 6K27 empty grain through Midland, 21st September. Photo: Mitchell Radford



S3303 runs 6112 empty wagon transfer Avon-Forrestfield through Midland, 21/9.

Photo: Mitchell Radford



HL203 runs 1RT1 empty rail train at Bellevue, 23rd September.

Photo: Jim Bisdee



HL203 at Midland with 1RT1 rail train, 23rd September.

Photo: Jim Bisdee



ACNs 4148 & 4144 on 1764 empty Karara ore at Narngulu East, 23rd September.

Photo: Phil Melling



RHAs 1014 / 1016 unload a rake of pink hoppers, around 23rd September.

Photo: Mark Bennett



Qs 4006 & 4016 run 1430 empty sulphur through South Guildford, 24th September.

Photo: Simon Barber



RHA1020 on the Roy Hill fuel train, 24th September.



Fortescue Metals' 006 & 717 run light back to the port following servicing, 24th September.

Both photos: Mark Bennett



Busy Kanyirri, late on 24th September. 716 & 707 on a loaded ore; 714 & 710 on the fuel train; 007 stabled; 006 & 717 ex servicing, waiting to follow the loaded to the port. Photo: Mark Bennett



MRL002 and a pair of MHPY hoppers have been stabled on the engineer's siding at Parkeston since 24th September for training of PN's Kalgoorlie drivers. 2PM5 passes on the main, 25th September. Photo: Peter Donaghy



S3308 in the simplified Aurizon colour scheme works 4936 through Mundijong, 26th September.



4253 passes through Mundijong behind colourful DBZ2311, 26th September.

Both photos: Simon Barber



B1610 awaits repairs at Boulder Loop Line museum, 27th September.

Photo: Peter Donaghy



MRLs 004, 006, 005 & 8121 at Perth Freight Terminal provisioning centre, 27th September.

Photo: Evan Jasper



Z1153 under restoration, Boulder Loop Line museum, 27th September.



"Planet" on display, Boulder Loop Line museum, 27th September.

Both photos: Peter Donaghy



Y1108 awaits further refurbishment at Boulder Loop Line. 27th September.

Both photos: Peter Donaghy



Trailing unit in August's Coonana derailment, damaged NR120 is hauled into Kalgoorlie by NR104, 28th September.



Damaged NR bogies, BRS223 and NR54 at Parkeston, 28th September, to haul east on 7PX4 the following evening.



Damaged BRS223 on the engineer's siding at Parkeston, 28th September.

Both photos: Peter Donaghy



Damaged NR54 ex the Coonana derailment a month earlier, Parkeston, 28th September. Photo: Peter Donaghy