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SCT004 and CSR005 cross Bulong Road and enter Parkeston main line, while 8165 is stabled on the engineer's siding, 13th November.

Photo: Charles De Bruin

Finally – November, part 2! Apologies for the delay, the laptop hard drive corrupted on Christmas Day as this issue was being prepared. Fortunately, when the PC Doctor reopened after New Year, all data and files were able to be recovered to allow completion of this particular e-mag.



702 & 907 push a compressor set from the port to Kanyiri Yard for maintenance, 13th November.



702 & 907 push the compressor set into Kanyiri Yard as 708 & 001 wait to enter the balloon loop with a load of ore, 13th November.

Both photos: Mark Bennett



CBHs 023, 016, 010 & 009 on 5K26 grain passing through Jandakot, 15th November. Photo: Simon Barber



LDP002 & SCT015 bring a late 3MP9 through South Guildford, 16th November. Photo: Jim Bisdee



MRLs 005, 002 & 003 lead nine hoppers ex the Norseman derailment as train 5040, South Guildford, 16th November. The locos and hoppers were all heading for workshops attention. Photo: Jim Bisdee



DRs 1564 & 1565 prepare to transfer new EMU B set #123 at Midland, 16th November. Photo: Simon Barber



7PX4 through Swan View on 17/11 had NR45 haul MRL005 to West Kalgoorlie for ore duties. Photo: Simon Barber



Crew coach RZAY985A wears a coat of splattered oil from a defective loco, 17/11.

Photo: Peter Donaghy



CBHs 025, 023 & 003 on 1K53 empty grain, South Guildford, 18th November.

Photo: Jim Bisdee



NRs 35 & 9 on 1PS6 await a signal at Hazelmere, 18th November.

Photo: Charles De Bruin



MRLs 004 & 006 lead 84 hoppers on 1030 empty ore on approach to Binduli, 18/11.

Photo: Peter Donaghy



NRs 50 & 76 on 6SP5 wait in the loop at Tammin as they are crossed by 1PS6, 18th November.

Photo: Charles De Bruin



ACN4149 on a Karara rake and CBH008 on a grain rake, both stabled at Geraldton Port, 18/11. Photo: Phil Melling



NRs 13 & 48 run 5MP2 onto the main at Hines Hill to cross 1PS6, waiting on the loop, 18th November.
Photo: Charles De Bruin



Southern Spirit NRs 85 & 84 smoke through Binduli with 6SP7, 18th November.



MRL001 & NR106 lead 84 loaded hoppers as train 1033 into Binduli, 18th November. Both photos: Peter Donaghy



MHPY hoppers from Esperance to workshops trail 5MP2, Hazelmere, 18th November. The hoppers were added to the train at Parkeston. Both photos: Jim Bisdee



Still without hoodside Pacific National signage following fire repairs several years ago, NR48 hauls MRL002 through Woodbridge as 2P25 shunt from Perth Freight Terminal (Kewdale) to UGL workshops at Bassendean, 19th November.



MRL005 shunts empty fuel tanks through West Kal yard as Q4011 awaits its turn to move. NRs 55 & 86 were placed on the front of the MRL to form 2445 to Esperance, 19th November. The MRL had arrived on 7PX4 two evenings earlier, being returned from UGL workshops at Bassendean. Both photos: Peter Donaghy



NR106 & MRL001 lead 2034 empty ore from Esperance to Kooly past the 7km peg on the Esperance line, 19/11.



NR106 & MRL001 lean into the curve approaching Binduli with train 2034, 19th November. Photo: Peter Donaghy



G511 runs 3RT2 combined empty ballast and empty rail train through Bellevue, 20th November. Photo: Jim Bisdee



A “ryegrass meet” rather than a “cornfield meet”? Q4009 on 2430 empty sulphur from Malcolm crosses G511 on 3RT2 on the loop at Midland, 20th November. Photo: Jim Bisdee



SCTs 004 & 009 on pre-Christmas extra service 1MP9 wait outside Golden Ridge for 2PM9 to clear in on the loop for the cross, 20th November. Photo: Peter Donaghy



SCT015 & LDP002 on 2PM9 creep cautiously along the loop at Golden Ridge, 20th November.



2½ years since its last use, RZBY910R is freshly refurbished, Parkeston, 22/11. Both photos: Peter Donaghy
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Ps 2507, 2513 & 2517 lead 7720 empty ore through Bringoo, 24th November.



Ps 2508, 2506 & 2511 pass through Northern Gully on 7721 loaded ore, 24th November. Both photos: Phil Melling



ACNs 4152 & 4172 head 7762 empty Karara ore through Tardun, 24th November.



7725 loaded ore passes through Tardun, led by Ps 2503, 2514 & 2509, 24th November. Both photos: Phil Melling
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MRLs 004 & 006 approach Binduli (above) with 7032 empty ore from Esperance, 24th November, then blast upgrade (below) fifteen minutes later, following a crew change. Both photos: Peter Donaghy





Following the ore train on line clearance through Binduli is CSR009 & SCT012 on 5MP9. Photo: Peter Donaghy



ACNs 4149 & 4151 on 7764 empty Karara cross a loaded Mt Gibson ore at Northern Gully, 24/11. Photo: Phil Melling



Empty ore 1032 led by MRLs 005 & 001 at the 7km peg, 25th November.

Photo: Peter Donaghy



ACB4402 runs 2158 fuel shunt, Kenwick, 26th November.

Photo: Sean McGarraghy



It's 0200 on 27th November, and HL203 & G511 have just arrived at North Quay with 2144 container service. Watco were busy through mid November into December, with three return services operating most days, including weekends.

Photo: Kieran Wright



NR105 shunts Long Arrivals at Forrestfield, 27th November.

Photo: Charles De Bruin



HL203 & G511 lead 3146 port shuttle through Jandakot, 27th November.

Photo: Sean McGarraghy



NRs 19, 55, 6 & 47 being rearranged at West Kal while AC4304 waits, 28th November.

Photo: Peter Donaghy



Due to West Kal yard congestion, 438 and 410 were combined ex Hampton – AC4306 & Q4016, 28th November.



Due to AC4308 failing at Parkeston, Q4002 was sent to collect C74, 29th November.

Both photos: Peter Donaghy



Failed AC4308 was left at Parkeston overnight and towed back to West Kalgoorlie on C74 the following afternoon.
29th November.

Photo: Peter Donaghy