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Another empty rake departs the port behind 719 & 011, 16th June.

Photo: Pilbara Railways

Blocks of WOE and MHPY hoppers began to run together on some of Mineral Resources' Koolyanobbing ore trains during June, separated by the distributed power units.



Ps 2503, 2514 & 2505 roll through Narngulu on 7721 loaded Mt Gibson ore, 20th June. Photo: Phil Melling



DPU MRL002 & AC4307 separate WOE's and MHPYs on 7043 at Binduli, 20th June. Photo: Peter Donaghy



X47 required workshops attention during June, so SCT brought 8026 across the country as shunter, seen here going about its duties in Forrestfield yard, 21st June, as Q4010 watches on.
Photo: Simon Barber



Due to problems with AC4307, one of the mid train locos in 7043 loaded ore the previous evening, Q4016 was slotted in as an additional unit to assist the train to Esperance. This was the first Q to work a Kooly ore train since Mineral Resources took over the mine, and to mid August, remains the only Q to do so. AC4306 / NR101 / hoppers / Q4016 / MRL002 / AC4307 offline but operating as the slave control unit / hoppers. Q4016 is being turned on the turntable at Esperance on 21st June, prior to being returned to West Kalgoorlie on an empty ore.

Photo: Phillip Martin



Q4016 balances on the Esperance turntable, 21st June.

Photo: Phillip Martin



P2503 runs light engine through Narngulu South on its way to Forrestfield, 22nd June.

Photo: Phil Melling



Loram RG24 power generating and driving module (above) and workshop, water and fuel tank wagon (below), at Nelson Point yard, 22nd June.
Both photos: Pilbara Railways





Overview of the Loram RG24 rail grinder (above) and the grinding and driving module (below), Nelson Point yard, 22nd June.
Both photos: Pilbara Railways





FMG's 723 & 010 with a loaded ore at Woodstock at sunset, 22nd June.

Photo: Mark Bennett



Ps 2502, 2506 & 2515 unload 2723 Mt Gibson ore, Geraldton Port, 23rd June.

Photo: Phil Melling



Freshly overhauled and repainted P2515 is third unit unloading 2723 Mt Gibson ore, Geraldton Port, 23rd June.



4K23 empty grain passes Dalwallinu railway station, led by CBHs 025 & 001, 24th June. Both photos: Phil Melling



CBH012 loads 4K43 grain at Cadoux, 24th June.



SCTs 014 & 005 approach Merredin with 2MP9, 25th June.

Both photos: Phil Melling



AC4308 & MRL004 lift 5034 empty ore through Monjingup, on the northern outskirts of Esperance, 25th June. Two-thirds of the way down the train are remote units MRL001 & ACB4402. Both photos: Phil Melling





NRs 19 & 42 approach Esperance with 5445 empty fuel from Kalgoorlie, 26th June.



MRL002 & NR101 shuttle a loaded rake from Esperance yard to port, Sinclair, 26th June. Both photos: Phil Melling



NR19 shunts the Esperance Viva fuel depot, 26th June.



AC4306 & NR24 on 6040 empty ore crossing 6041 loaded ore, Grass Patch, 26th June. Both photos: Phil Melling



AC4306 & NR24 depart Grass Patch loop with 6040 empty ore after a cross, 26th June.



ACC6032 & CF4405 on 6041 loaded ore, Monjingup, 26th June.

Both photos: Phil Melling



Two-thirds of the way along 6041 loaded ore are DP units AC4305 & MRL003, 26th June. Photo: Phil Melling



Sadleirs have recently repainted RLSY18718. Seen at West Kalgoorlie, 27th June. Photo: Peter Donaghy



7030 empty ore passes through Gibson, MHPYs led by ACB4402 & MRL001, with distributed power units NR101 & AC4308, 27th June.
Both photos: Phil Melling





SCT011 leads 6PM9 out of Kalgoorlie, after donating SCT003 to ailing 5PM9 a day earlier, 27/6. Photo: Peter Donaghy



S3310 brings a load of bauxite through the tangle of rails at Pinjarra, 27th June.

Photo: Peter Chandler



A load of caustic soda is hauled through Alumina Junction by DBZ2310, 27th June.



PA2819 races through Alumina Junction on an empty alumina rake, 27th June.

Both photos: Peter Chandler



S3303 snakes through Pinjarra with an empty bauxite rake, 27th June.



A lime train hustles through Pinjarra behind corporate S3301, 27th June.

Both photos: Peter Chandler



Another load of alumina passes through Alumina Junction behind P2511, 27th June.

Photo: Peter Chandler



AC4306, NR81, AC4304 & Q4005 add hoppers to 1040 after the Q had brought them out from West Kalgoorlie yard. The rear two locos were then shunted off and returned to West Kal, Binduli, 28th June. Photo: Peter Donaghy



WDA003, WDC021 & WDB013 race through Brigadoon as 1085 to Kalgoorlie, 28th June. Photo: Graham Saunders



AC4308 & NR101 are DPU in a loaded ore in Esperance yard; AC4307 outside shed, 28th June. Photo: Phil Melling



NRs 89 & 49 approach Camargue Drive crossing, Brigadoon, with 6SP5, 28th June. Both photos: Graham Saunders



CBH119, G511 & CBH122 lead 1S56 towards Camargue Drive crossing, Brigadoon, 28th June.



1PM5 approaches Brigadoon, led by NRs 44, 120 & 13, 28th June.



CBH119, G511 & CBH122 pass the CBH silos at Forrestfield with 1S56, 28th June.

Both photos: Graham Saunders



VL361 (above) and VL357 (below), de-hired by Watco several months ago, and stored at Forrestfield since then, 28th June.
Both photos: Graham Saunders





Q4001 stabled at Forrestfield, 28th June.



S3303, DAZ1901 & AB1504 at Forrestfield, 28th June.

Both photos: Graham Saunders



Q4001, S3303, DAZ1901 and AB1504 at Forreestfield; in the foreground is the roadbed of the former line into the Aurizon terminal, 28th June. Photo: Graham Saunders