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NR58 in steelink grey & NR88 run 4WP2 steel train that has a steel train livery locomotive hauling a steel train around the curve at Bellevue on July 5th also has EMU set #84 on rear.                      Photo Brendan Cherry

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Pacific National yard shunter 8039 had another rare run on the mainline when it hauled new Transperth EMU set #84 from Kewdale to old workshops Midland for fitting narrow gauge power bogies on July 6th.

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Final nine SD70MACe locomotives on order from EMCC in London Ontario for BHPBIO arrived on heavy lift ship MV Jumbo Vision in Port Hedland on July 6th after the long voyage from Canada. These locomotives were unloaded over July 6th, 7th and 8th then hauled on usual 116 wheel low loader to BHPBIO Nelson Point complex to be railed then taken to workshop to undergo commissioning. MV Jumbo Vision sailed mid afternoon on July 8th following unloading.

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Locomotive changeover between Avon Yard and West Merredin took place on July 5th when DAZ1904, AB1504, AB1502 together with DD2359 and empty XU and XW wheat wagons ran 1463 departed Avon Yard Northam about 0830 arriving in Narrogin around 1230. At Narrogin DD2359 and XY wagon were detached and stabled with DAZ1904, AB1504, AB1502 and XW wagon departing for Wickiepin where XW wagon was detached a wagon there and this XW will be attached to 1462 light engines. DB1904, AB1504 & AB1502 crossed 1462 light engines DAZ1903 & DAZ1906 at Yealering 1540.                      P:1



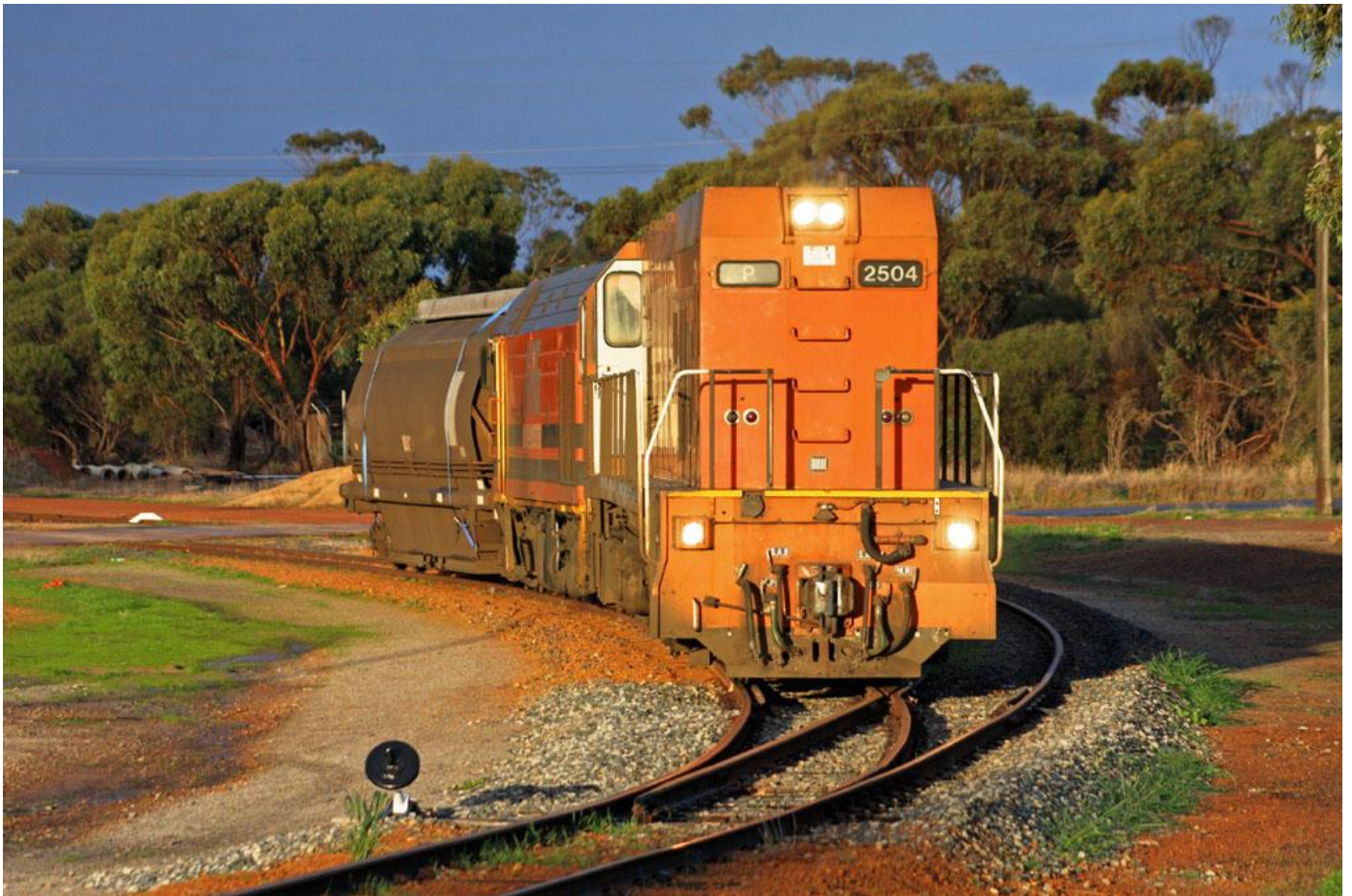
DAZ1904, AB1504, AB1502, DD2359 and two empty wheat wagons entering Narrogin on 1463 engine and wagon movement July 5th where DD2359 and XY wagon will be detached. Photo Don Copley



AB1502, AB1504 & DAZ1904 on 1463 light engines at Yealering crossing DAZ1903 & DAZ1906 on 1462 light engines that will run to Avon Yard collecting the two wagons at Wickepin. Photo Don Copley P2



Narrogin to Wagin section of GSR sees little traffic only occasional engine movements often after dark here DD2359 and empty XU wagon run in Piesseville area north of Wagin on July 6th. Photo Don Copley



P2504 hauling dead attached NJ1602 and damaged XU wheat wagon pulls out of CBH road in Wagin on July 6th at the start of its run to Avon Yard and eventually Forrestfield. Photo Don Copley Page 3

NJ1602 that's only use is on woodchip trains at Albany failed in last week of June and the service has been operated by DD2357 and various P class locomotives. DD2359 was hauled out of Avon to replace this unit with it running engine and wagon from Narrogin to Wagin on July 6th to be attached to Albany wheat train. DD2359 was hauled dead attached on 3643 wheat train from Wagin behind P2501 & DBZ2313 arriving in Albany 1055 on July 7th. NJ1602 was hauled dead out of Albany behind P2504 on night of July 5th it then hauled from Wagin to Avon Yard on 6th.

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When 3643 wheat train arrived at Albany on July 7th there were seven locomotives on three trains in the yard, being P2501, DBZ2313 & DD2359 on 3643, P2516 & DBZ2303 on empty 3642 wheat and DD2357 & P2313 on empty woodchip service about to depart for mill. SW

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DD2357 on empty woodchip train to mill crosses DD2359 dead attached on 3643 wheat train in Albany yards on July 7th in a rare not soon to be repeated working. Photo Stew Winston

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Cockburn Cement has begun using the Loongana Lime siding at Parkeston that has seen little use since Cockburn Cement bought out Loongana Lime in July 2006 and closed the works in August 2006. All lime for use in gold mining industry was then hauled from Cockburn Cement plant in Munster by rail on 025 Kalgoorlie freight and distributed from their West Kalgoorlie yard. This plant is now shunted twice per day morning and afternoon from West Kalgoorlie as train number C71.

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RL307, 869 & 8044 ran rail and ballast train into Parkeston on July 9th, that had dropped rail at Chifley and will drop rail at 1769kp where the deviation is still in use. This train has both old South Spur crew car together with EI 84 and small power car in use as crew car.

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P2504, DBZ2308, [dead attached] AB1503, DAZ1906 & NJ1602 ran 3362 wheat train Avon Yard to M G C Forrestfield 2230. DBZ2308, AB1503, DAZ1906 & NJ1602 were detached 2035 then P2504 ran MGC. P 4



Transperth EMU B set #84 on standard gauge transfer bogies on rear of 4WP2 steel train as it runs through Bellevue on its delivery run from its builders in Queensland on July 5th. Photo Brendan Cherry



Still a favourite among many railfans CLP and CLF locomotives here CLP10 & CLP4 run 3PA1 QR National intermodal through Hazelmere at beginning of the run to Adelaide July 7th. Photo Justin Brown