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P2507 & P2511 run 5373 empty wheat train in the thick fog at Greenhills, July 15th on the tier three York Quairading branch where services having only recently resumed. Photo Simon Barber

Eight Robe River Iron Associates CM40-8M locomotives many of them were withdrawn in May June 2009 following the arrival of further ES44DCi locomotives have been offered for sale by tender. The locomotives 9410, 9414, 9417, 9420, 9421, 9423 and 9425 are in Robe River yellow livery while 9424 is in yellow and grey Pilbara Iron livery. These locomotives together with Hamersley Iron CM36-7M 5051 and 5052 that were originally Mt Newman Mining 5507 and 5508 are located in Dampier inspection by appointment only. Ross's Auctioneers and Valuers are offering these locomotives on behalf of Rio Tinto with tenders closing 1700 WST August 6th. This is the second time CM36-7M 5051 and 5052 have been offered for sale.

Further information is available at:

<http://auctions.com.au/tenders/2010/08/06/for-sale-by-tender-diesel-electric-locomotives.html#8>

A naked man with a replica pistol climbed onto the billboard at corner of Barrack Street and Wellington on Saturday afternoon July 17th about 1445 causing severe disruption to trains services on the Armadale and Midland lines as the billboard is on PTA land adjacent to Perth station. All services ran to and from McIver station till about 1800 when a SWAT team was able to get the person down.



3091 & 3080 on new BHPBio steel train at Flashbutt Yard Bing on July 17th. Photo Toad Montgomery



3080 & 3091 on new steel train at Bing on July 17th. Photo Toad Montgomery





W903 & W920 run first double-headed steam trip from Pinjarra to Dwellingup through the Jarrah forest in Scarp Road area on July 18th.

Photo Murray Rowe



DBZ2313 & P2514 on 4345 grain train loading at Cadoux on July 14th.

Photo Simon Barber





P2511 & AD1520 run 4343 empty grain to Kalannie near Burakin on July 14th.

Photo Simon Barber



W903 & W920 run east on WestNet track towards Alumina Junction on July 18th.

Photo Murray Rowe





DFZ2406 & DFZ2401 shunt the mineral sands train in Narngulu yard July 17th.

Photo Phil Melling



5658 & 4340 at the head end of 336 empty ore cars at Goldsworthy Junction on July 19th with 4323 & 5637 visible in the distance 224 ore cars back.

Photo Toad Montgomery



BHPBIO SD70ACe #4323 has been named Courage and #4352 named Lightning.

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Nickel kibbles on flattops traffic that was hauled to Esperance on 443 freight train for export, has gone over to road transport with the fuel from Shell terminal Esperance being the only traffic now on the freight service. It's believed this fuel cartage will originate from BP Kewdale terminal in mid next year with West Kalgoorlie Esperance line only traffic then iron ore trains. The freight between West Kalgoorlie and Leonora of fuel and lead concentrate will continue to operate.

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SD40s continue to run on BHPIO ore trains occasionally while those transferred to ADP regularly run work trains in and out of Bing yard.

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2512 runs empty Eneabba mineral sands trains through Greenough on July 17th.

Photo Phil Melling

Mineral sands traffic between Narngulu and Eneabba had not operated since June 19th then on July 17th DFZ2406 & DFZ2401 run to the Iluka plant and hauled the empty sands wagons back to Narngulu yard. 2512 then ran the empty sands train to Eneabba with usual evening departure that night, the service again ran on July 18th also worked by 2512.

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B1603 at Midland Military Markets site was given away and removed from the property by road transport on July 2nd.

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QR National intermodal 3MP1 on July 20th had a loaded flat wagon between crew car and fuel and water tankers for Cook at the head of the train. This would be for safety reasons to have a wagon between crew car and fuel tankers.





P2516 & DFZ2407 on 5753 grain train climb the grade to Mt Tarcoola at Geraldton on run to CBH export terminal on July 15th. Photo Phil Melling



5658 and as yet unnamed SD70ACe 4340 passing GJ7 signal Goldsworthy Junction with route indicator showing DM for down main on this double track bi-directional line July 19th. Photo Toad Montgomery





FMG 006 & 005 on loaded ore train with its end visible in the distance rounds the curve at entrance to port unloader at Boodarie on July 20th. Photo Toad Montgomery



5649 runs of Goldsworthy line as it runs onto main line to Nelson Point July 19th. Photo Toad Montgomery





Sun goes down on 6074 & 5647 as they run through Goldsworthy Junction at dusk on July 19th on the run to mines to reload.

Photo Toad Montgomery

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