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SD70ACe 4429 & 4428 with DPU 4386 & 4352 hauling an empty ore Newman main line as it climbs grade between Garden and Shaw on June 20th.

Photo Toad Montgomery

Aurizon continued to receive new intermodal wagons with QQWY 2xpack well wagons arriving from Bradken wagon plant in China at Fremantle then hauled by road to Forrestfield to be railed and readied for traffic. These new wagons will replace obsolete and hired wagons presently used on intermodal traffic. New crossovers being installed at City West over evening June 19th to early morning of 22nd that will give more operational flexibility to suburban train running. Completion of electrical connections were delayed on 22nd causing severe problems and disruptions to morning peak services on Fremantle and to lesser extent Midland line that saw Fremantle line closed after morning till afternoon peak with services operating Daglish to Fremantle and rail replacement busses running Daglish to Perth. AK car inspection train made its quarterly visit that saw LZ3109 run it on Brookfield territory and GWA 22 class on ARTC. P2517, PA2819 and P2502 ran light engine to Albany June 20th to replace DBZ2309, DBZ3210 and DBZ2311 on woodchip traffic. DBZs ran back to Forrestfield arriving evening on 21st to be withdrawn stored. NR114 & NR119 ran 8 ore cars to Mt Walton to load then onto Bonnie Vale to weight to test MRL weighbridge



CM40-8M 5642 in its last weeks of service on a ballast train at Flashbutt Yard Bing on June 19th.



EM80 track recorder car stabled at Mooka June 19th.

Both photos Toad Montgomery



LZ3114 on 2CR6 AK car track inspection train on Cockburn Forrestfield line Thornlie 22/6. Photo Jim Bisdee



NR1 & NR25 on 1PM5 intermodal at Herne Hill June 21st.

Photo Simon Barber



BHPBIO 4343 & 4385 on loaded ore at Walla June 19th.

Photo Toad Montgomery



4465 & 4450 DPU units of the loaded ore at Walla June 19th.

Photo Toad Montgomery



Q4002 on 3438 empty nickel wagons from Hampton negotiating Binduli triangle 9/6. Photo Peter Donaghy



Q4002 on 4430 empty sulphur ex Malcolm going thru Midland June 11th.

Photo Phil Melling



DC2205 & DC2213 on 3144 ILS container train at North Port Fremantle June 9th.

Photo Phil Melling



Failure of NR45 in desert, had NR47 hauling 5SP5 into West Kalgoorlie June 6th.

Photo Peter Donaghy



Ten new Roy Hill ES44ACis 1005 thru 1014 stored in their Flashbutt Yard Port Hedland June 20th.



Roy Hill ES44ACi RHA1008 stored in Flashbutt Yard Boodarie June 20th.

Both photos Toad Montgomery



Roy Hill Port and Rail facility under construction at Boodarie June 19th.

Photo Toad Montgomery



Closer view of Roy Hill facilities under construction at Boodarie June 19th.

Photo Toad Montgomery



BHPBio Boodarie facilities with FMG unloaders in background June 19th. Both photos Toad Montgomery



Two empty ore rakes, one on ready tracks other on bi-directional main at Boodarie on June 19th.



SD70ACe 4315 & CM40-8M 5636 on empty ore awaiting departure at Bing 19/6. Photo Toad Montgomery



NR8 & NR31 on 6P31 light engines crosses CBH008 & CBH012 6K66 grain Midland 19/6. Photo Jim Bisdee



CW44-9 012, SD9043s 915 & 906 on loaded FMG ore crossing the East Turner River on June 20th.



4474 stabled on empty ballast train at Quarry 8 June 20th.

Both photos Toad Montgomery



DBZ2309, DBZ2310 & DBZ2311 with XOA wagon at Albany to depart as 7304 to F/F 20/6. Photo Gary Lamb



NR18 on 1PA8 Indian Pacific interstate passenger departing Midland June 28th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



MRL003, MRL006, off line NR114 & NR119 on 5030 Polaris ore Northam on June 25th. Photo Jim Bisdee



4454 & 4403 on empty ore climbing grade between Garden and Shaw 20/6. Photo Toad Montgomery



4438 & CM48-8M 5653 DPU units on empty ore between Garden and Shaw 20/6. Photo Toad Montgomery



Q4007 & Q4003 on 7410 acid tankers ex Hampton at Binduli June 20th.

Photo Peter Donaghy



P2501, P2509 & P2504 on 721 ore entering the Port of Geraldton on June 29th.

Photo Phil Melling



LZ3114 on 7RC2 AK inspection cars on Leonora line on outskirts of Kalgoorlie 27/6.

Photo Peter Donaghy



MRL004 & MRL002 on 1035 empty Polaris ore departing Forrestfield June 28th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



4409, 4328, dead [failure] 4407 & 4430 on loaded ore rake at Port Hedland 21/6. Photo Toad Montgomery



Saturday Avonlink service to Northam at Herne Hill on June 20th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



Prospector ex Kalgoorlie about to enter the Avon Valley at Northam 20/6.

Photo Jim Bisdee



Q4015 on very late 2141 ILS container train owing to PTA line problems at Thornlie 22/6. Photo Jim Bisdee



CBH008 & CBH005 on 2K64 Watco grain on east leg of Woodbridge triangle June 22nd. Photo Jim Bisdee



4377 & 4327 on empty ore in a cutting between Garden and Shaw on June 20th. Photo Toad Montgomery



MRL003 & MRL006 off line NR114 & NR119 on 5030 Polaris ore at Grass Valley 25/6. Photo Simon Barber



BHPBio Plasser ballast regulator and Plasser tamper #3 at Walla siding June 19th. Photo Toad Montgomery



New Aurizon 2xpack QQWY well wagons on trailers waiting to be railed Forrestfield 21/6. Photo Jim Bisdee



4466 & 4458 on Chichester Deviation with loaded ore the original line to Hesta is left of the loco June 20th.



SD70ACe 4315 & CM40-8M 5636 on empty ore at Walla June 23rd.

Both photos Toad Montgomery



FMG CW44-9 005 & SD70ACe 715 in cutting Solomon line with GNH to rear 23/6. Photo Toad Montgomery



Ex Mobil NTAF NSW fuel tanker being hauled by road out of West Kalgoorlie 17/6. Photo Peter Donaghy



P2505, P2514 & P2504 on 3720 empty ore entering Narngulu June 16th.

Photo Phil Melling



Five NTAF tankers stored on the ground at Parkeston June 20th.

Photo Peter Donaghy



CBH003 & CBH001 both long end leading on Watco grain at Thornlie June 22nd.

Photo Jim Bisdee



6029 & 6028 on 7PM1 Aurizon intermodal at Woodbridge June 27th.

Photo Jim Bisdee



MRL003 & MRL006 on 1030 Polaris ore at Bellevue June 28th.

Photo Jim Bisdee