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The second-last Aurizon train departed Esperance on 18th June: approaching Binduli at sunset, ACC6031, ACB4401 & AC4306 haul 160 hoppers as train 2414 straight through to Forrestfield for storage. Photo: Peter Donaghy



4325 & 4431 lead an empty ore down through the Chichester Range between Shaw and Hesta, 16th June.



Sunrise at Quarry 8, with a load of ballast being washed down for the MAC line, 19th June.

Both photos: Mark Bennett



Grubby Q4015 leads Q4012 on 2430 empty sulphur ex Malcolm, South Guildford, 19th June.



ACC6031, ACB4401 & AC4306 haul 2414, 160 empty WOE ore hoppers ex Esperance, through Midland on 19th June for storage on Long Arrivals, Forrestfield.

Both photos: Jim Bisdee



FMG’s 7012 & 011 run through Kanyiri on approach to the port with a load of ore, 20th June.



711 and 713 on an empty ore cross the above inbound loaded train at Kinyiri, 20th June.

Both photos: Mark Bennett



An empty BHP ore waits on 2 road as the sun sets over Boodarie Yard, 20th June.



902 & 713 approaching the port, Kinyiri, 21st June.

Both photos: Mark Bennett



RHA1006 shunts the yard, 21st June.

Both photos: Mark Bennett



4390 & 4386 bring another load of BHP ore over the causeway to Finucane Island car dumper 4, 21st June.



5416, the final Aurizon movement from Esperance approaches Binduli at sunset, 21st June. ACC6032 & ACB4404 haul ACs 4301 & 4307, a flat wagon with tanktainers of loco sand and fifty ore hoppers which were returned to Hampton for storage the next day. All that remains in Esperance yard are a couple of rakes of ore hoppers (and the PN fuel train).



The sun has set as 5416 arrives in West Kalgoorlie yard next to Q4014, 21st June.

Both photos: Peter Donaghy



NR85 & AN3 guide 3MP5 through South Guildford, 22nd June.

Both photos: Jim Bisdee



5AP8 Indian Pacific nears the end of its journey as it rolls through Bellevue behind NR26, 22nd June.



Same loco as the previous trip – NR30 hauls 7AK2 into Kalgoorlie, 23rd June, having run to Parkeston as PK82.



White lettering on pale grey background! A shiny new SCF curtainsider on 6MP4, 24th June.

Both photos: Peter Donaghy



Ps 2517, 2508 & 2515 on 1720 empty Mt Gibson ore, Old Grants, 24th June.



CBHs 007 & 003 on 2G50 empty grain, preparing to depart Geraldton Port, 25th June.

Both photos: Phil Melling



714 & 003 lead a loaded FMG ore through Indee Station, 25th June. The length of the train contrasts nicely with the vastness of the countryside.



A loaded FMG ore passes through Indee Station behind 714 & 003, 25th June.

Both photos: Mark Bennett



CM40-8Ms 9418 & 9422 remain in shunt service at Cape Lambert, beside compressor car CB09, 27th June. Photo: Roland Depth



8146, 8145 & 8117 approach Cape Lambert with a load of ore, 27th June. Photo: Mark Bennett



8146, 8145 & 8117 on a load of lump ore at 12.5km, Deepdale line.



7066, 7081 & 8127 pass through the 38.5km grade crossing on the Deepdale line, 27th June.

Both photos: Roland Depth



7066, 7081 & 8127 at Waterpipe Hill, 27th June.

Both photos: Mark Bennett



Likely a loco transfer to the mines, a quad leads an empty rake – 8114, 8160, 8101 & 8182, 27th June.



Quad 8114, 8160, 8101 & 8182 with an empty consist at the 38km curve, Deepdale line, 27th June. Photo: Roland Depth



7072, 8157 & 8191 lead a loaded ore at the 38.5km crossing, Deepdale line, 27th June. Photo: Mark Bennett



9118, 9115 & 7098 round the curve at the 69km on the Deepdale line with a loaded train, 27th June.



Crossing the 67.3km culverts on the Deepdale east main are 9118, 9115 & 7098.

Both photos: Roland Depth



9114, 9104 & 9112 fight the 1.18% grade through the 86.5km crossing on the Deepdale line, 27th June. Photo: Roland Depth



9114, 9104 & 9112 climb to Maitland Siding on the Robe line, 27th June. Photo: Mark Bennett



9114, 9104 & 9112 power up the grade towards Maitland Siding, 27th June.

Photo: Mark Bennett



8129, 7050 & 8194 lead an empty train past the 65km on the west Deepdale line between Green Pool and Western Creek, 27th June.

Photo: Roland Depth



8129, 7050 & 8194 depart Green Pool, passing the water from which the site takes its name, 27th June. Photo: Mark Bennett



Ps 2506, 2505 & 2513 at Indarra with 5725 Mt Gibson loaded ore, 28th June. Photo: Phil Melling



Wearing a fair amount of red WA mud, CBHs 002 & 008 load 5G31 grain at Mullewa CBH, 28th June.



CBHs 003 & 004 with a load of grain ex Marchagee at Geraldton Port, 28th June.

Both photos: Phil Melling



Watco's G511 enters PTA territory at Midland, 29th June.



CBH006 hauls DR1564 around the west leg of Woodbridge triangle to Gemco Forrestfield, the DR's first mainline run since its return from Tasmania, 29th June.

Both photos: Jim Bisdee



NR30 on 7AK2 departs north service storage roads, Kewdale, after stabling overnight, 30th June.



Earthworks have commenced for the new flashbutt rail siding at Kenwick, 30th June.

Both photos: Jim Bisdee



SCT have purchased thirty of Aurizon's sixty QQWY double well wagons; seven formed the first transfer east on 6PM9 through Parkeston on 30th June, two pairs being loaded, with the other five empty on the rear. Photo: Peter Donaghy



NR301 leads 7AK2 track inspection train through Spearwood, bound for Fremantle North Quay, 30th June. Photo: Jay Stavert



Fresh P2507 leads sisters 2505 & 2513 through Mullewa with 7725 loaded Mount Gibson ore, 30th June. Photo: Phil Melling

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