

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2012-07-26 3D

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=amj-q-zfiLU>

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"A blast of steam whistles" is a random collection of steam whistle clips (train and boats) featured in many video clips that I have already uploaded to YouTube.

This is an updated version of Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 2012-07-26, with some extra whistles and the material is digitally altered from 2D to provide a 3D effect.



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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kybZXWx16uA>

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1990-01-04

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=441_RYR7FCI

On 04/01/1990, we boarded the Australian National Transcontinental Train at the Perth Terminal (East Perth, West Australia) for a return rail journey to the Adelaide Terminal (Keswick, South Australia).

This brief video clip captured snippets of the journey east from Perth to Adelaide as far as Dry Creek (an outer Adelaide suburb).

Related video clips, already uploaded, include:

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-12-13

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-12-18

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-12-19

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-12-29

Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-12-31.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-12-31

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k6Nlpc1Tfxc>

On 31/12/1989, we visited Whiteman Park which is located 18 kilometres N.E. of Perth, where we went for a tram and train ride run by the Bennett Brook Railway. The train was diesel hauled and ran on a 2' (610 mm) gauge line.

This video clip captured snippets of the tram and train activities.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-12-29

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FsKK1gl7Zyo>

On 29/12/1989, we joined WestRail's, standard-gauge "Prospector" train at the Perth Railway Terminal, West Australia, for a trip to Kalgoorlie.

This 4 car train was made up of diesel powered and non-powered passenger railcars which were drawn from the original "Prospector" set of 9 units.

At the time of its implementation, the "Prospector" train was the fastest passenger train in Australia.

On 30/12/1989, we returned to Perth on the "Prospector Express" - a single diesel powered railcar with reduced stops and a faster schedule than the 3 remaining cars which followed later.

This video clip captured snippets of the round trip.

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-12-19

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YT_EUefID0Q

On 19/12/1989, we boarded the narrow-gauge, diesel powered, Western Australian Government Railways, railcar set "Australind" and travelled south from the Perth Railway Terminal to Bunbury Railway Station.

On the 22/12/1989, we again boarded the "Australind" for the return journey to Perth.

This video clip captured snippets of the round trip. (This updated video clip replaces the one dated 21/12/1989).



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1989-12-18

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=60WzPe4pkul>

On 18/12/1989, we joined the Hotham Valley Tourist Railway train tour from the Perth Railway Station (West Australia) to the Fremantle Railway Station (West Australia) then later to Gingin Railway Station 90 kms north of Perth, and return.

The train was hauled by WestRail narrow-gauge, F Class, diesel locomotive F40.

This brief video clip captured snippets of the outward bound journey as far as Gingin.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1987-09-16

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EkD0dJqUb_o

On 16/09/1987, we boarded Australian Nationals (AN) Transcontinental Train at Perth Terminal, West Australia, for a home bound trip to Adelaide Terminal, South Australia. For this trip, we also used the motor-rail service (flat car) to transport our station wagon and trailer.

The Transcontinental Train was initially hauled by WestRail's, standard-gauge, diesel locomotive K207 from Perth to Kalgoorlie where AN standard-gauge, diesel locomotives GM17-M and GM7-E took over and hauled the consist through to Adelaide.

This video clip captured snippets of WestRail's "Prospector" train leaving Perth Terminal for Kalgoorlie (and seen later, on standby, at the Kalgoorlie Station), local Perth commuter train traffic, motor-rail staff securing our station wagon and trailer on a Transcontinental flat car, narrow-gauge steam locomotive 542 "Bakewell" on static display, and locomotive changeover at Kalgoorlie Station.

The video clip starts at Perth Terminal and concludes at Kalgoorlie Station.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1987-09-15

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yzN9MhSvVWU>

15/09/1987: the steam driven, paddle ship, "PS Decoy" on the Swan River, Perth, Western Australia.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1987-09-13

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vba9YiyYzFA>

On 13/09/1987, Hotham Valley Tourist Railway (West Australia) ran a tourist train from Pinjara (West Australia) to Dwellingup (West Australia) and return.

The train was double-headed by two ex-WAGR (West Australia Government Railways), narrow-gauge, 4-8-2, W Class steam locomotives.

This video clip captured snippets of the journey, starting at Hotham Valley Tourist Railway's Pinjara depot and concluding at the Dwellingup Railway Station.

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1987-09-12

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xzf1F6YWDqE>

On 12/09/1987, the Hotham Valley Tourist Railway ran a tourist special train from the Perth Railway Station (Western Australia) to the Northam Show via the Avon Valley. The train was hauled double-headed by two ex-WAGR (Western Australian Government Railways) W class steam locomotives. NOTE: adjacent dual gauge track along the Avon Valley: narrow gauge generally used by Western Australia Government Railways (WAGR) and standard gauge for interstate traffic (goods and passenger, eg. Indian Pacific Passenger Train).



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1987-09-06

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fyuDxGgkAR4>

From the Dwellingup station (Western Australia), the Hotham Valley Tourist Railway runs the Etmilyn Forest Tramway, which runs 8 km east to Etmilyn (Western Australia). This video clip was taken on 06/09/1987.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1987-08-29

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IAcHNd8eUg8>

On 29/08/1987, chasing Hamersley Iron train leaving Paraburdoo (Western Australia) with a load of iron ore bound for terminal near Dampier (Western Australia). The train has three leading diesel locomotives supported with an additional three locomotives pushing at the rear end. Each train is operated by a single driver, and comprises up to 234 ore cars, each ore car with a load capacity of approximately 112 tonnes. A fully loaded train weighs approximately 31,000 tonnes and is about 2.4 kilometres in length.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1987-08-28

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GdfGIKNv9M4>

Timber sleepers have been traditionally used in Australian railways and throughout the world due to their dependability, affordability and availability. However, long haul requirements of large iron ore trains has required a changeover to concrete sleepers.

This video, taken on 28/08/1987, shows the conversion from wood sleepers to concrete by Hamersley Iron in the Pilbara, near Paraburdoo, Western Australia.

A specialised, self contained train was used during gaps in ore train traffic to progressively complete the conversion of small sections of the track. This train remained on the track during conversion, but straddled over the section where the lines were removed from the wooden sleepers, spread wide apart so that the wooden sleepers were removed from the ballast and conveyed upward between the lines and replaced with concrete sleepers dropped in their place. The line was then squeezed back to its standard gauge setting and laid down on the new bed of concrete sleepers. Throughout this process, the train remained on the track and was moving forward, albeit at a very slow walking pace. Note the person walking alongside the unit with the remote-control. Sleepers stacked on the train's flat cars were shuttled along the train by a mobile gantry crane, running on its own set of rails mounted on the train. It supplied the feed conveyor with concrete sleepers and removed and stacked the wooden sleepers from the extraction conveyor. Crew placed pandrol e-clips on each concrete sleeper ready to be pressed in place to hold the rails firm. A unit for hydraulically pressing these clips in place followed just behind. A rail alignment unit followed next to lift the track, tamper the ballast and align the track.

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1987-08-24

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UCmW3bCITvE>

On 24/08/1987 we toured the Mount Newman Mining railway and iron ore processing works at their terminal in Port Hedland, Western Australia. This video clip records some activity in the area, on the day, including a "grinding train" engaged in rail profiling and a 210 car ore train hauled by two leading diesel locomotives and supported by two additional remotely controlled locomotives located in the middle of the train.

Wikipedia states: "The Mount Newman railway runs for 426 kilometres, from Newman to Port Hedland and is one of Australia's longest private railways...It has the longest and heaviest trains in the world. The railway line was officially opened on 22 January 1969 by Sir David Brand.

The rail journey from Newman to Port Hedland typically takes about eight hours for the ore trains which are up to 3.75 kilometres long. Each rail car carries up to 126 tonnes of ore and trains consist of up to 208 cars, leading to the trains pulling 26,000 tonnes of ore."



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1985-10-29

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qDb6i0VByOg>

On 29/10/1985, we visited two more West Australian locations of railway interest:

(1) Merredin Railway Station Museum, Merredin, West Australia

(2) The Loopline Tourist Railway, Boulder, West Australia.

This brief video clip captured snippets of of the railway heritage display, railway artefacts, train exhibits at both museums, and mining scenes viewed from the loopline train at Boulder.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1985-10-28B

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MpoA8Tc3mhQ>

On 28/10/1985, we visited the Railway Museum at Bassendean, Perth Western Australia.

This brief video clip captured snippets of the railway heritage display, railway artefacts, photos and train exhibits at the museum.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1985-10-28A

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p5eM2261JLA>

On 28/10/1985, Hotham Valley Railway (Western Australia) ran two narrow-gauge, steam locomotive hauled, tourist trains on a ring-route of Perth and Fremantle (Western Australia).

The Pinjara (Western Australia) based ex-WAGR (West Australian Government Railways) W Class, steam locomotive W920 "Pinjara" ran the clockwise route and W903 "Marrinup" ran anti-clockwise.

Note: early in the journey the W920 hauled train passes the site of the Perth based Bassendean Rail Museum which is located on the left side of the line.

This video clip commences and concludes at the Perth Railway Station.

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1985-10-27

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iVEBtYNYb1c>

On 27/10/1985, we visited two more West Australian locations of railway interest:

(1) "Forest Park Railway" - South West Model Engineer's Association (W.A.) Inc., Bunbury, Western Australia.

(2) "Boyanup Museum" - rail and transport museum, Boyanup, West Australia. This museum, at the time, was the home for the narrow-gauge, steam locomotive, G 233 "Leschenault Lady". The "Leschenault Lady" is the oldest Australian built steam locomotive still in serviceable condition. It was built in 1898 by James Martin & Company, Gawler, South Australia.

This brief video clip captured snippets of live steam model train activity and some shots of the "Leschenault Lady" at home in the museum.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1985-10-26

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rJNwB7Zj8qU>

On 26/10/1985, Hotham Valley Tourist Railway (Western Australia) ran two tourist trains from Pinjara (Western Australia) to Dwellingup (Western Australia) and return on the same day.

Both trains were hauled double-headed by ex-WAGR (West Australia Government Railways), narrow-gauge, 4-8-2, steam locomotives, requiring one locomotive from the first train to back track from Dwellingup to assist the second train.

The first train was hauled by W920 "Pinjara" and W903 "Marrimup", and the second train by W920 "Pinjara" and W945 "Banksiadale".

This video clip was started at Hotham Valley Tourist Railway's Pinjara depot and concludes on the outskirts of Dwellingup.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1985-10-15

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1n0c0ZCZqn4>

On Tuesday 15/10/1985, we spent some time at the Perth and Maddington Railway Stations in West Australia to watch some of the passing passenger trains (mainly suburban commuter trains).

This video clip captured snippets of this activity.



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1985-10-14

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JEn-eos8wnE>

On Monday, 14/10/1985, while passing through Collie in West Australia, we stopped to video some stored ex-WAGR (West Australia Government Railways), narrow-gauge steam locomotives in near proximity to the Collie railway yard.

The locomotives included FS452, W943 and V1215.

While there we videoed WAGR diesel locomotive XA 1402 hauling a timber train.

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Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1985-10-13

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Knrzk0LguDA>

On 13/10/1985, we joined "The Karri Tourist Train" tour from Manjimup, West Australia to Northcliffe, West Australia and return.

The tour ran through Karri, Marri and Jarrah forests and over a number of trestle bridges.

On this occasion the consist of old narrow-gauge, "dog box" carriages (no corridor and individual swing out doors for each compartment) was hauled by West Rail's diesel locomotive G51.

This video clip captured snippets of the journey from Manjimup to Northcliffe.

(It appears that the tour is now reduced to running between Pemberton and Northcliffe and is managed from Pemberton Railway Station by the Pemberton Tramway Company.)



Train Enthusiast's Video Diary 1985-10-12

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=432jggYYggE>

On 12/10/1985, we went for a drive from Donnybrook, Western Australia, toward Northcliffe looking for logging train activity. On the Pemberton to Northcliffe line we came across a Suzuki Inspection Car (converted to run on narrow-gauge lines). On the advice of the inspector we were able to follow a timber train through to Bridgetown. At Bridgetown, this train crossed a south bound train heading for Manjimup with a consist of "dog box" carriages to be used for "The Karri Tourist Train" tour from Manjimup to Northcliffe and return the next day (13/10/1985). We went on the tour.

This video clip captured snippets of the train activities listed above (the tour was recorded on another video clip, dated 13/10/1985).