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#### On the front cover

Sight of sights! Sound of sounds! We are at Montgomery Tunnel near Christianburg, Virginia., in 1955 on the Norfolk and Western Railway. Ace photographer O Winston Link has grabbed a pair of locals to pose for one of his renowned night-time shots of the N&W. The train is a coal train headed by one of N&W's hulking Y-class 2-8-8-2 compound engines, capable of over 6,000 horsepower, with probably another pushing in the rear. Every one of those 12,000 horses was needed on the steep grades of the N&W as it ascended the Blue Ridge. The train is carrying coal of course- probably 4,500 tons of it. Coal was the life blood of the N&W- there is even a pile of coal on the ground for the tower operator's stove. N&W eschewed the diesel locomotive in favour of locomotives which burned the product which sustained it. There was a nice symmetry about that. Twenty of these trains ascended the Blue Ridge every day.

The AATTC has just completed its 25th year of existence and, in March, The Times odometer will tick over to issue No. 300. To mark these events, President Victor Isaacs has begun work on a short history of the organisation, its people and its magazines and other productions. In the course of his research many long-forgotten gems have been unearthed. Many of our members have been with us for all of that guarter-century and probably know of many more such gems. If you have something you would like to see written into this history, (including photos of AATTC events and personalities) please contact Victor by email at abvi@webone.com.au, or send a letter to him at 43 Lowanna Street BRADDON ACT 2612.

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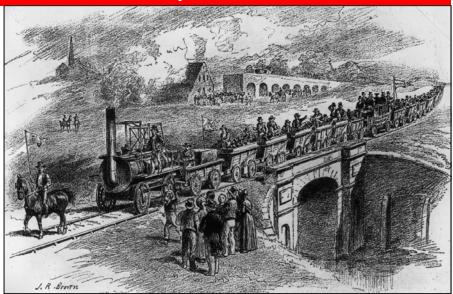
## Coal train timetables

**GEOFF LAMBERT** looks at timetables for coal trains—the first and continuing rationale for the existence of rail ways.

ere it not for coal, we would not have railways. Were it not for railways, it would have been impossible to make coal mining an economic proposition. Two-thirds of the world's rail traffic is coal. Were coal were to be banned on account of the greenhouse gases it pours into the atmosphere, most of the freight railway systems of the world would immediately become uneconomic. In Queensland, 90% of the freight task is devoted to coal. In NSW it is 87%- even 100 years ago, it was over two-thirds of the NSW freight task.

Humans currently dig some 5.5 billion tonnes of black coal out of the ground every year and a very large proportion of this moves at least a short distance by rail. This is particularly true for export coal (about 1 billion tonnes per year), which moves by rail at both its origin and its destination. Of this 5.5 billion tonnes, some 13% is used in the steel industry; most of the remainder is used for electricity production- 41% of which depends on coal (in Australia, nearly 100%). About three-quarters of a trillion tonnes remain in the ground... it sounds like a lot, but it will last barely a century.

In this article I take a look at the timetables of some of the world's and Australia's



significant coal railways. There are many more places around the world which could have been used to illustrate the dominance of coal— in the Ruhr, in Poland, in South Africa, modern China (which accounts for half the world's coal production) and Indonesia (second only to Australia as an exporter)— but these here will suffice for a glimpse. Australia is the world's largest exporter of coal, sending some 250 million

tonnes to (mostly) India, China and Japan.

Because coal railways were, and are, often "coal only" and practically a part of the coal mining machinery, formal detailed timetables did not always exist. Trains just ran "as needed"—but they were needed often and thus the service was usually intense. On page 5 is a short table summarizing the extent to which coal traffic dominated the traffic of the railways which

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we examine.

Although it was the r'aison d'être of railways, coal was not always welcome on them. Early railways took their cue from the Stockton & Darlington, but refused to countenance its coal. Capt. W. Bruyeres, a dour martinet from the London and North Western Railway, expostulated, "What! Carry coal by railway?... They will be asking us to carry dung next." To which George Stephenson reportedly retorted, "Tell 'B' when we carry him by railway, we do carry dung". Bruyeres eventually relented, but insisted that no more than 3 trucks be carried at a time and that the coal be covered with tarpaulins to avoid embarrassment. Nemesis dealt squarely with that policy and eventually the L&NWR was not above carrying dung, either.

#### **Stockton and Darlington**

Although the Stockton and Darlington did not dream up the idea of carrying coal by railway, it was nevertheless an icon, being the first public steam-powered railway to emerge from the extensive network of coal-carrying tramroads scattered throughout England and Wales. It was here that the Stephensons made their mark with the introduction of steam engines like "Locomotion". When it began in 1825 (picture, page 3), the coal won from the Yorkshire seams was carried to the coast and shipped to London for domestic and industrial purposes.

An experimental passenger service was established, initially a horse-drawn coach with horse provided by the driver. While passenger carrying was contracted out, locomotive coal trains were either paid by the ton, contractors providing their own fuel-which meant they tended to use the cargo (coal)-or by fixed wages.

The organisation of the S&DR bore little relation to that of most modern railways and was run in the traditional manner of the wagonways of the time. The S&DR merely owned the tracks and did not operate trains; anyone who paid the S&DR could operate steam trains or horse-drawn wagonloads on the line. This separation of track from trains resembled the canals,

where canal companies were often forbidden from operating any boats. There was no timetable or other form of central organisation. Trains ran whenever they wanted, and fights often broke out when rival operators came into conflict over right-of-way on the tracks.

This chaotic situation was tolerable on completely horse-drawn traffic wagonways, but with faster steam trains it soon became unworkable. New operating methods had to be developed.

By 1833, the S&DR had become entirely steam-operated, and it gradually began to resemble a modern railway. The S&DR became the sole train operator on the line, double tracks were built for trains travelling in opposite directions, timetables came into being and a crude signaling system was established. These methods of operation became standard on railways across the world.

The S&DR was absorbed into the North Eastern Railway in 1863, which merged into the London and North Eastern Railway (LNER) in 1923. Much but not all of the original S&DR line is still operating today

Our timetable (page 3) is from the LNER-a WTT for its North Eastern area dated 4-Jul-1933, a book of some 523 pages. Most of the "Goods" trains here were probably coal trains. In this area, a considerable number of collieries had their own lines which fed the LNER.

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<b>Great Britain</b>	1889	212	298	71%	
Great Britain	1935	169	266	64%	
N&W	1951	62	70	89%	estimate
BNSF	2007	440	1070	41%	estimate
VIC	1958	2.5	8.9	28%	
QLD	2006	162	183	88%	
NSW	1964	13	26	52%	
NSW	1996	70	81	87%	
World	1999	5000	7793	64%	

## Thunder on Blue Ridge- Norfolk and Western

In 1885, several small mining companies representing about 400,000 acres of bituminous coal reserves in Virginia grouped together to form the Flat-Top Coal Land Association. Norfolk and Western Railway bought the Association and reorganized it as the Pocahontas Coal and Coke Co.

As the availability and fame of highquality Pocahontas bituminous coal increased, coal demand swelled. The countryside was soon sprinkled with tipples, coke ovens, houses for workers, company stores and churches and towns. These coal towns flourished. The small community of Bramwell, West Virginia, boasted the highest *per capita* concentration of millionaires in the country.

In 1886, the N&W tracks were extended directly to coal piers at Lambert's Point (page 4, upper left– I like that name!), just north of the City of Norfolk on the Elizabeth River, where one of the busiest coal export facilities in the world was built to reach Hampton Roads shipping.

The opening of the coalfields made N&W prosperous and Pocahontas coal world-famous. By 1900, Norfolk was the leading coal exporting port on the East Coast. Transported by the N&W, and later the neighboring Virginian Railway, it fueled half the world's navies. Today it stokes steel mills and power plants all over the globe. Total freight traffic carried by the N&W reached 70 million (short) tons in the early 1950s. Most of it was coal.

Norfolk & Western was especially famous for one thing—it used the product which it carried to fuel its locomotives, long after other roads had shifted to diesel power. The demands of the traffic and N&W's infatuation with the steam locomotive led to the development of some of the world's most powerful engines, including a massive steam turbine electric locomotive, the *Jawn Henry*.

As with most U.S. roads, N&W dispensed with *timetabled* coal services before the middle of the 20th century, all trains running when needed and sent over the line not by timetable but by flexible dispatch-

ing methods. The Employe Time Table (ETT) did however contain tables of the coal loads that could be hauled by the various locomotives. On our page 4 is one such table from the Radford Division ETT of 25-Apr-1948. This covered the steepest part of the line, where "pusher" locomotives were required. Most of the traffic was handled by Y-class lcocomtives of varying stages of development. All of these engines were true Mallet locomotives- that is 4-cylinder compound expansion engines. N&W stuck with compounding to the end in 1961, long after other roads had abandoned it as a bad idea. Engines like this could exert some 156.000 of tractive ef-

There are tables here for loads for "Time" freight (non-coal) and for "Slow" freight (coal); for trains with and without a pusher. The notes at the foot of the table regarding trains 99 and 85 refer to Time Freights, rather than coal trains. The times of Time Freights and passenger trains did appear in the timetable section of the ETT, but those of the coal trains did not.

N&W's successor Norfolk Southern hauled 50 million tons of coal in the third quarter of 2008, an all-time quarterly high driven by strong export demand and more shipments of domestic metallurgical coal. Export coal tonnage was up 55 percent over the same period in 2007, to 6.26 million tons from 4.05 million tons, the majority of it used to make coke for steel production.

#### In the valley of the Powder River

One hundred trains, each grossing some 10,000 tons, set out every day from Wyoming's Powder River basin for points up to 1,500 miles to the east. This is the heaviest, most intense and longest-haul of coal in railroad history, anywhere in the world. The traffic is new and is the consequence of U.S. anti-pollution legislation designed to reduce atmospheric levels of sulphur dioxide. The biggest source of low-sulphur coal is in the Powder River basin, where some 150 billion tons of it lie under the rolling landscape.

These trains are run by the U.S.A.'s two biggest railways the Union Pacific (40

trains) and the Burlington Northern (60 trains). Track capacity is increasing at an dizzying pace, with lines being doubled, tripled and even quadrupled continuously.

On our page 6 is a page from BNSF's Powder River ETT of 28-Apr-2004, the last to appear on the BNSF's web-site before the Department of Homeland Security banned their publication. The ETT, which covers most of Colorado also, has some 66 pages, not one of which contains a train time. We can see how intensively the line must be used however, through the listing of the number of tracks required to handle it... a good proportion is triple track (3ML- Main Lines), all of them CTC-signaled for bi-directional running and with crossovers every few miles.

### <u>Victorian Railways</u>— <u>Lignite and Briquettes</u>

Victoria has no black coal to speak of, though there are small deposits at Wonthaggi which were used to fuel VR engines at various times and others at Korumburra. VR felt this lack particularly because it had to rely on interstate coal to fuel its engines. It was the political imperative of making VR independent of coal miners' union action in NSW which lead the Victorian Government to set up its "State Mine" at Wonthaggi.

But this was never enough and VR forever remained beholden to NSW and a 700 mile haul to obtain its coal. Worse yet, the coal had to be transshipped by back-breaking manual shovel work from one gauge to another at Albury. It was positively Dickensian. Carrying its own locomotive coal from Albury was the predominant coal traffic task of the VR. When engine coal consumption peaked at 0.7 million tons per annum in the 1930s, VR was carrying a mere 0.2 million tons of other peoples' coal.

But, Victoria has plenty of Lignite or brown coal. This stuff, generally regarded as young black coal yet to be properly matured by geological processes, occurs in rather large fields in Victoria, but it is an inferior fuel in many ways. Chief among these are its low heat content and its high water content. These mean that power stations must burn more of it to release the same amount of energy and that much of this energy is wasted because the temperature of combustion is so much lower. One method of overcoming these difficulties is to powder the coal, dry it and then compress it into hard dry dense "briquettes". After such processing brown coal is almost the equal of black coal for heating and steam-raising purposes. Briquettes were also easier to transport and did not disintegrate like lignite. Briquetting was not only suitable for brown coal, but could be used for other low-energy fuels and even stuff that wasn't ever meant to be a fuel- cement for instance.

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		123.1	EAST FISHER		1	-	5.5		On east and west legs of wye at Rojo Jct., Coal Creek Jct., to Reno Sub and Nacco Wye Jct
		117.1	SHAWNEE JCT	JX(2)	2MT		7.1		MP 49.5 to North Rochelle Mine
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		90.5	CROSSOVER 90.5	X(2)	1		5.0		on sidings unless otherwise specified
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	33158	62.5	EAST NACCO	X(2)T	1		0.3		Trains 100 TOB and over
	33158	62.2	NACCO WYE JCT	1	1		0.3		Trains up to 100 TOB
			(To Rochelle 4.7) (To North Antelope 4.7)						Cold Weather Restrictions—When the temperature is minus 10 degree Fahrenheit or colder, do not exceed the following speeds:
	33158	61.9	WEST NACCO		1		3.8		Trains 100 TOB and over
	3158	58.1	CROSSOVER 58.1	X(2)		1	5.6		Trains up to 100 TOB
	33142	52.5	CROSSOVER 52.5	X(2)			3.0		See Item 1 of the System Special Instructions for addition
		49.5	MP 49.5	J			2.2		speed restrictions.
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	33142	43.0	MP 43.0	J			0.9		Maximum Gross Weight of Car Bridger Jct. to Donkey Creek
	33142	42.1	CROSSOVER 42.1	JX			0.7		Bridger vol. to Borney Great
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		34.1	CROSSOVER 34.1	X(2)			7.6		CTC—in effect: Bridger Jct. to Donkey Creek Jct.
	33125	26.5	EAST COAL CREEK	X	2MT CTC		0.3		
	33125	26.2	COAL CREEK JCT (To Coal Creek 2.1)				0.3		Two Main Tracks MP 0.0—MP 58.1
	33125	25.9	WEST COAL CREEK	X			1.4		MP 103.6—MP 123.1
		24.5	SUNEDCO JCT				0.7		Three Main Tracks
		23.8	EAST CORDERO JCT (To Cordero 2.2)	х			2.7		MP 58.1—MP 103.6
		21.1	WEST CORDERO JCT	х			3.3		
		17.8	EAST ROJO JCT	х			0.4	4.	General Code of Operating Rules Items
	33117	17.4	ROJO JCT (To Caballo Rojo 0.7)				0.1		Rule 1.10—On the Orin Subdivision, crews on trains being delayed on mine property may read magazines, newspap
	33117	17.3	WEST ROJO JCT	х			0.9		or other literature not related to their duties while their train
	33115	16.4	EAST BELLE AYR JCT (To Belle Ayr 1.8)		1		1.4		stopped.
	33114	15.0	CABALLO JCT (To Caballo 0.4)	х	1		0.3		Rule 6.19—When flagging is required, distance will be 2.0 m
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Briquettes had first been produced experimentally at Morwell in the 1890s, but the technology could not be perfected and was abandoned for another 60 years. It is not something that Victorians liked to think about much, but the briquetting process really came from Germany, as did the other processes which Victoria adopted to handle the vexatious problem of lignitethe Lurgi gasification process and the Stugg process for firing locomotives. It was the briquette which, at long last, gave the VR something it could call "coal" to carry on its trains for its customers. The first briquettes started to flow from the Morwell Briquette Plant in the 1950s. "Coal" traffic rose to over 2 million tonsa trifling amount by the standards of this story, but still a 900% increase on what had gone before and a 25% boost to overall traffic levels. That was something worth having.

Commissioner Harold Clapp saw a great future for the traffic and convinced the

Government to approve electrification of the line to Traralgon to accommodate it. As well as electrification, a considerable program of regarding took place between Drouin and Warragul more than halving the grade to 1 in 110 and a completely new line was constructed through the Haunted Hills between Herne's Oak and Morwell. It was all part of *Operation Phoenix* designed to raise the VR from the ashes of war.

Electrification was a mistake, as indeed it was in NSW where the Lithgow line was electrified on a similar unfulfilled promise of massive coal traffic.

Brown coal was also carried from other places in Victoria, most notably from Bacchus Marsh, where 3 trains per day (300,000 tons per year) of the stuff was railed to Melbourne. Lignite was also transported by rail in the Latrobe Valley mines of course—millions of tons of it—but this does not quite fit the category of coal transport by rail— "common carrier" rail, anyway.

In the 1958 WTT shown on page 7, there is a paucity of trains by the standards of other railways, but listed are both briquette trains (from Morwell) and brown coal trains (from Yallourn). The right-hand columns are for Sunday trains, when the briquette traffic dominated.

#### **Queensland Railways Central Coal Lines**

Queensland's first steam train (to Ipswich) was powered by local coal (from Ipswich). This conjunction seems eminently logical. For most of the time that QR ran steam trains, Ipswich is where it got its coal. Railway and domestic demand ate all the coal, none went to export. This was true even when its great rival in coal, NSW, was already establishing a coal export industry. Apart from the timetables for the Bundamba field near Ipswich, coal traffic did not warrant anything called a "coal train".

We probably have Joh to thank for the emergence of the coal export industry and the consequent coal railway network in Queensland. He was apparently very fond of the stuff (there was some under his peanut farm). Railways would have been the natural choice to haul the coal anyway, but as a good agrarian socialist, he leapt upon the idea of having *his* railway do the job. Queensland quickly grew to be the biggest coal exporter in the world and Joh's bucolic little railway grew to be one of the biggest and slickest coal transporters in the world too. The coal comes from the Bowen Basin one of Australia's huge coal deposits

Despite being ostensibly an Open Access regime, an iron curtain of timetable secrecy has rung down across the QR system and it has proved impossible to uncover a timetable for this very busy railway. This was not so in the last century, where QR went so far as to publish a separate volume of the WTT devoted entirely to Coal Train Services in its Central Division. On page 8, I show a page from the 1990 edition, when coal traffic was barely one-third of its current level.

The two main ports for coal from the Central Division were Hay Point (near Mackay) and Gladstone. A good deal of the line from Coppabela to Hay Point was double track by this time and considerable sections of the Blackwater-Gladstone line had also been doubled. All of these lines were electrified.

Compared with many of the "timetables" we have examined so far, this page is bewilderingly intense with times— there are some 420 of them. About 45 of this 52-page booklet looked like this. An arrival and departure time is given for each location, probably at each end of a loop. The loops on the single line were generally about 1800 metres long and the trains moved at about 60 km per hour. Where a

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greater time between arrival and departure is shown, a cross with an opposing train probably occurred but the timetable, frustratingly, does not show these crosses in the old-fashioned way. I have a feeling these times are only notional anyway and have been generated by a simple-minded computer program (like a spreadsheet), rather than by proper train planning program. If one casts them into graphical form, the timetable becomes full of single line collisions.

At this time the Gladstone-Bluff section (now part of the "Blackwater System") carried some 12 trains per day each way, pretty evenly-spaced throughout the 24 hours

#### **NSW Hunter Valley**

One of Australia's first "railways" was built at Newcastle in 1829 for coal traffica short skip road down to a wharf . "Real" railways came to Newcastle in the 1850s and were also mainly for coal. Carrying coals to Newcastle had become a big industry by the end of the nineteenth century. Most of the mines were in a belt around the city and many operated their own private railways to connect with the Government system. One notable private line became a common carrier- the South Maitland Railways and had its own passenger service for many years. Its coal trains were handed over to the New South Railways at East Greta Junction, just outside Maitland. From here the NSWGR hauled them forward Port Waratah, developed in the late 1800s

Traffic over the lines from Maitland to Port Waratah was very intense, but relatively slow because the trains were composed of 4-wheel unbraked hoppers. They got in the way of faster passenger and goods trains and so, by 1913-1914, the already double-tracked line was quadruplicated. After this, the shambling coal trains trod their own path, although they still crossed the "Main" line at an inconvenient crossing near Hanbury Junction. After a flyover was built here, the separation was complete.

Largely at the initiative of local area managers, the NSWGR produced a special WTT covering the Newcastle area only, in the early 1960s. It focused on coal trains, but as an added bonus, had several pages SMR passenger trains. At this time the SMR operated its own diesel rail cars. Neither of these tables appeared in the "normal" Northern District WTT of the day, although the coal trains appeared in other periods. These tables originally covered also the coal lines which ran to the south of Newcastle, but these seem to have disappeared some time early in the 20th Century. Until the 1950s the coal tables had also included trains which ran on the coal lines for only a short distance before diverting to another private network radiating from Wallsend- but there were not many of them. In the Newcastle-only WTTs, there were also separate tables for coal trains running on the line beyond Maitland to Muswellbrook. Such a table never appeared in the North book.

I have a couple of these Newcastle "specials" and , on our page 9 appears a

page from the April 1962 edition for the East Greta-Waratah coal traffic. There are 6 pages like this one and a total of over 1,360 trains per week are listed. Trains numbered in the 1000 series are all coal trains running mainly on the coal lines between Port Waratah and either East Greta Junction or Hexham, where there was an exchange with another private railway, that of J&A Brown. The latter are referred to as "Brown's Coal" in the table. A few trains ran to Bloomfield- where there was another short private line. Trains with numbers under 10000 run further afield, mostly to the Main North line, but also in later years to collieries developed on the North Coast line.

It was all steam of course. In 1962 Port Waratah loco housed 48 steam locos and Broadmeadow an astonishing 140. Many an hour have I spent standing in the Hexham swamp photographing them as they came and went along the coal lines, with the traffic so heavy at times that one had to pass up every second train in order to properly photograph the first.

Many of the Main North trains were hauled by 60-class Garratt locomotives, but the great bulk of the shuffling coal trains were drawn by Standard Goods engines of the 50- and 53-class. A small number of 19-class 0-6-0 engines, already 90 years old, in the 1960s were retained at both Port Waratah and Broadmeadow to shunt the coal trains within the yards.

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Steam haulage of coal trains on the Government system ceased in 1973, but persisted into the 1980s on the private lines. Coal coming off the private lines also gradually dwindled as the small mines they served became uneconomic or worked out. Traffic from Hexham disappeared many years ago, but coal trains continued on the SMR with Government diesels until they too finally disappeared.

But bigger things were afoot. There had for many years been mines further up the Hunter Valley, as far as Singleton. Some of these were developed to feed Government power stations, but many produced coal for domestic consumption and for export. The early mines strung out along this railway were small underground mines run by small companies and the line in many ways resembled that closer to Newcastle. Later mines were much larger developments and were mainly for export traffic. Several were open cut mines. The coal basin here is one of the largest on the planet and extends all the way north and west to Gunnedah and Ulan respectively. Mine development at the latter led to the re-awakening after 30 years of the nevercompleted Sandy Hollow line and coal trains now flow along it from Ulan to Port Waratah. Coal traffic from Gunnedah is now exceptionally heavy. On the line between Maitland and Muswellbrook literally dozens of mines opened (see map, page 9, courtesy of "Australian Railway Routes") and fleets of trains of an intensity to rival those from East Greta Junction in the old days now rumble down the line. But these trains are different from those of 40 years ago. A typical train can stretch to 1,500 metres and trains grossing up to 10,000 tonnes have been run as a trial. Such a train carries more coal than a week's worth of trains which came off the SMR. These trains run to Kooragang Island, adjacent to Port Waratah.

The line is choked with trains and the inability to move them exacerbates problems already existing at the ports. A massive program of duplication, triplication and extension of crossing loops is taking place on the Muswellbrook line. A flyover like that at Hanbury Junction has been built at Sandgate to remove a flat crossing of the Coal Lines with the Main Lines. There is even talk of eliminating the onerous crossing of the Liverpool Range by a major tunnel underneath it. Under current ARTC plans, it is hoped to more than double annual export of coal traffic to 200 million tonnes- if the Enhanced Greenhouse Effect doesn't kill the idea first.

The coal basin extends also some distance up the North Coast line and, at Stratford, more major coal mines have been developed. Coal trains to Stratford are the focus of our next coal train timetable. In contrast to all the other timetables here, this is a graphical timetable. Although timetables like this have been around since 1843 and are the standard method of representing train paths by modern timetabling software, they rarely make it into the public arena. This is an exception. It has been produced by the people who manage ARTC's NSW lease (the ARTC National people have had such a TT for some years) and still shows signs of teething problemsor at least signs of a roundabout production process.

These are not graphical timetables in the form that a purist would prefer because the vertical axis is not distance-based and so the speed of trains is often distorted. But, with a little bit of tweaking, we have made something visually comprehensible out of it. For some reason not explained, ARTC-NSW does not publish a graphical WTT for its Main North coal lines, but this North Coast version is a good second choice for displaying how coal traffic still dominates railways in the 21st century.

The chart covers the whole line from Islington Junction to Acacia Ridge. Thus it covers all coal trains out to Maitland and the coal trains to Stratford, but they are all dreadfully scrunched up in the Maitland region. Beyond Stratford there are vast tracts of white space on the page, even though this is a busy line by Australian standards and already at capacity.

The southern section has been unscrunched in an enlargement below the main chart, enabling us to see that, even in the wee small hours of Thursday morning, 4 to 6 trains per hour make their way across the Hexham swamp. Those that appear or disappear in the region of Sandgate are the coal trains, some are clearly coming off the lines to the south, but the majority come and go from the north.

#### The future for coal railways

All of the above sounds pretty exciting to a railway administration and even to railway aficionados. But what if it goes pear shaped? What if the global financial crisis and an emissions trading scheme mean the demise of coal? What will happen to the railroads; what will happen to the towns and societies that depend on both? Many railways will go down the gurgler. Will the towns also die when coal dies? Perhaps not. Gilfach Goch didn't.

#### Gilfach Goch

Gilfach Goch's main claim to fame is that it is the childhood home of Richard Llewellyn, the author of the classic "How green was my valley", written at the end of the Depression, about life in his Welsh coal-mining town 40 years before (picture left bottom, page 10). Gilfach was served by a single line branch off a single line branch from the Ely Valley branch of the Great Western Railway when How green was my valley was written. The line had been opened in 1864 as a broad gauge line. It was worked under electric staff conditions, plus an extension to the terminus worked under train staff and ticket. In typical Welsh fashion, there had been up to a dozen collieries clustered around the railway in this valley, but at the time Llewellyn wrote his book, the major colliery was the Britannic Extended, which used its own engine to bring coal to the sidings, from where the GWR trains took over. There were no passenger trains (though there had been in the 1890s and there were to be again after the Depression had lifted), but the line was served by "mineral" trains- i.e. coal trains. The GWR WTT of the time didn't show tables for mineral trains, but it did display a summary table of what coal "trip train" services were worked from certain depots. From this, we can see that a shuttle service of 3 coal trains ran during daylight hours, working for a total of 32 hours per day. They delivered coal to the junction at Llantrisant on the South Wales Main Line, a distance of just over 7 miles, so we can surmise that the service would have been nearly continuous. This was only a minute fraction of the coal services then running in Wales. It was estimated that some 300 trains per

#### Time-tables for Coal Trains East Greta Exchange Sidings to Port Waratah

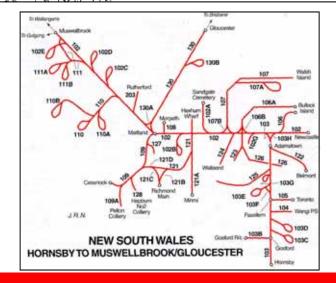
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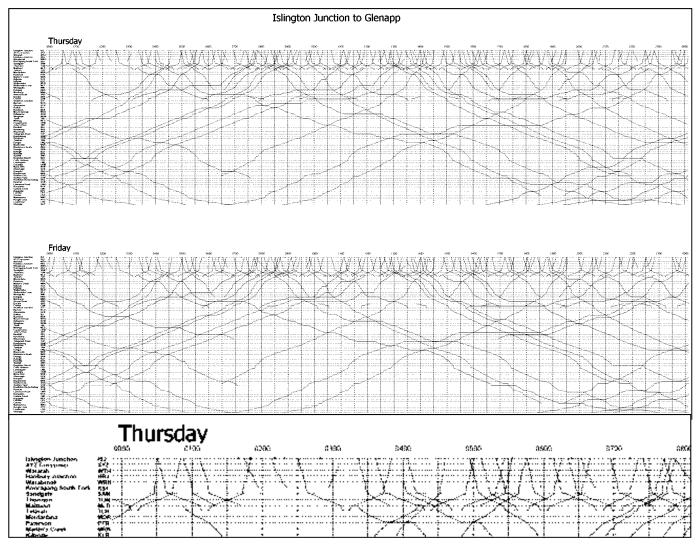
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For times north of Maitland, see page 106.



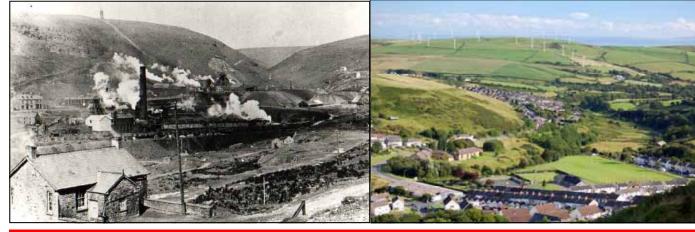


day passed through the bottleneck at the Pontypridd junctions near Cardiff.

Now the coal is gone; the trains are gone; the railway is gone. But Gilfach Goch is still there. The coal railways and power stations which so blighted the landscape have been replaced by wind turbines strung out in serried ranks above the valley (below right).

How green is my valley now.

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### A Bradshaw for Bradshaw

## By Victor Isaacs mounts his own defence for an indefensible oversight in the timetable world.

Prosecutor: Victor Mark Isaacs, you are charged that on or about the years 1983 to 2008 you were grossly derelict of duty, to wit, as a contributor of articles about railway timetables to the *Times*, the highly esteemed journal of an Association of Timetable Collectors, you overlooked an obvious subject, to wit, an item about timetables to the station of Bradshaw.

The Defendant: In my defence, m'lud, I plead that Bradshaw was a nothing place – no town, no siding, no Electric Staff instruments, no signals; just a tiny platform on the windswept plains, inhabited mainly by rabbits and kamikaze magpies. Further, Your Honour, I will provide evidence that no trains ever started or terminated at Bradshaw. Such an article therefore would, in fact, mainly be a history of local trains on the line.

The evidence: Bradshaw was located between Ballan and Gordon, on Victorian Railways' main Western line. Originally named Bradshaw's Creek, it was one of many places to have its name cut in its prime during the great VR nameshortening mania of the 1900s. It is 52 miles (84 km) from Melbourne. The creek was named after an early resident (so says ex-Police Commissioner O'Callaghan in *Names of Victorian Railway Stations* published by the VR in 1918 and reprinted in 2003).

The line from Ballarat to Gordon was extended past Bradshaw to Ballan on summer solstice day, 22 December 1886. However, this did not become a mainline until 4 December 1889 when the line between Bacchus March and Ballan opened.

Clearly in this case, the greatest weight will be placed on evidence from *Bradshaw's Guide to Victoria*. *Bradshaw* for October 1890 (below) showed that Bradshaw received a service never again to be equalled. It was graced by five trains daily (Monday to Saturday). Of course, no train ran to profane the Sabbath. Four trains

were ex Melbourne to Ballarat (6.50 am, 11.40 am, 2.45 pm, and 6.50 pm), as well as a local train departing Ballan at 7.30 am for Ballarat. In the opposite direction, there were also five trains daily, with the Ballarat-Ballan local departing the Golden City at 5.20 am! There was also a Saturday only local to Ballan to take the drunks home, departing at 9.10 pm. Only the Intercolonial Express to/from Adelaide swept majestically past Bradshaw. Strangely *Bradshaw* used different symbols in the up and down tables to show that trains stopped at Bradshaw only if required. This was typical of the messiness of *Bradshaw*.

His Honour: I will not allow any disrespect to Bradshaw in this Court! We all know that it was a typographical nightmare, but it gave good service to the travellers of Victoria from 1854 until it fell off its perch in 1942.

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Evidence (continued): This good service of 1890 is confirmed in Railway Guide Book and Time Tables for Melbourne, Ballarat, Adelaide and all Intermediate Stations also Gazette for Bacchus Marsh, Ballan, Melton, &c., and Almanac for 1891 published by Crisp & Lane of the "Express" office in Bacchus Marsh. This also shows a return working of the Saturday night train departing Ballan for Ballarat at 10.55 pm. Perhaps only the elves were around to travel on that. This worthy publication perhaps never raised its head again after 1890.

The good times soon disappeared as the great depression of the 1890s took hold. *Bradshaw* for April 1897 showed a mere two trains daily on the direct line from Melbourne to Ballarat. Among the drastic cutbacks, even the Intercolonial Express had returned to travelling via Geelong. The two survivors departed Spencer St station at 7.12 am and 6.50 pm. In addition the Ballan-Ballarat local also ran, now 7.5 am ex Ballan and 7.30 pm ex Ballarat.

In 1905 Bradshaw's Guide, however, there was no longer Ballan-Ballarat and v.v. trains – only the two Melbourne-Ballarat trains. These would stop at Bradshaw if required. They departed Melbourne Spencer St at 7.40 am and 6.10 pm (7.15 pm on Saturdays). No times were provided for the request stop for down trains, but were given for up trains. The Adelaide Express was back via the direct line, but of course ignored Bradshaw.

Bradshaw for April 1921 showed things were getting better for Bradshaw. There were now three Melbourne-Ballarat trains, 7.40 am, 5.6 pm and 7.0 pm, plus 8.0 am on Mondays only. Of these, the 7.40 am, 8.0 am MO and 7.0 pm would stop at Bradshaw if required. And, all praise to the Highest (the VR Commissioners), the Ballan-Ballarat local train had been reinstated. The VR Official Timetable for this period said this train was a "Steam Car" [This was the unique Kerr-Stuart car, illustrated on our page 16. It did not last long- it "oscillated" too much- Ed]. It departed at 6.55 am from Ballan and 4.45 pm from Ballarat. This suggests it was fulfilling the function it retained for the rest of its life, mainly conveying schoolchildren. And, it even stopped definitely, rather than on request, at Bradshaw!

The Mondays only extra disappeared. Otherwise times changed slightly, but services basically remained the same through the 20s and 30s. The Ballan local became a Rail Motor, but, not surprisingly, the stop at Bradshaw reverted to being conditional.

A new station, Llandeilo, opened between Bradshaw and Gordon. This was an even lowlier place than Bradshaw! The only train that recognised Llandeilo's existence and would stop there, if required, were the Ballan locals.

By 1 April 1937, there were even trains, morning and evening each way on Sundays! They would even stop (only if required, of course) at Bradshaw! (Additional sentence for the perfectionists:

They departed Spencer St at 9.25 am and 7.25 pm, Ballarat at 10 am and 7 pm).

After the last, final and ultimate *Bradshaw* timetable of August 1942, we simultaneously enter the long, long drought from 1941 to 1954 of VR Official Public Timetables brought on by the War.

Turning therefore to Working Timetables, we see that for the "Restricted Train Service" of 2 October 1944, the 7.55 am ex Melbourne only ran on Mon, Wed, Fri and Sat and would, if required, stop at Bradshaw. The 5.30 pm ex Melbourne ran only on Mon, Tue, Thur and Sat and would also take us – if required – to Bradshaw. Our old friend, the Ballan-Ballarat AEC Rail Motor (on Monday to Saturday) would also do likewise.

In the timetable of 2 December 1945 both the morning and evening Melbourne-Ballarat trains are restored to Daily. "Daily", of course, being a word which meant "Mondays to Saturdays". Never on Sundays.

In the timetable of 13 April 1953 the only trains which would now deign to stop at Bradshaw were the Ballan–Ballarat Rail Motors at 7.52 am ex Ballan (7.55 am on Sat) and 4.30 pm Mon-Fri, 12.20 pm Sat ex Ballarat. These trains were notorious for their unreliable timekeeping, the morning down being affected by the frequently laterunning "Overland" express from Adelaide which was crossed at Ballan immediately before the local's departure and the afternoon return by other trains on this single

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With Bradshaw now served only by the local Rail Motors, a better name had to be found. Therefore, between the timetables of 16 August 1954 and 13 August 1956, some railway genius renamed it with the far more beautiful and melodious name of Rail Motor Stopping Place No. 77. The Ballan-Ballarat Rail Motor, while mainly

for schoolchildren, also ran on Saturdays (7.55 am ex Ballan, 12.20 pm ex Ballarat) – but not however stopping at RMSP 77.

Sometime between the timetables of 6 November 1967 and 4 May 1970 – the relevant timetable not being available to the Crown Prosecuting Service - the burghers of towns to the east of Ballarat finally had their darling offspring transported to school by new-fangled buses instead of being transported. The local Ballan-

Ballarat Rail Motor disappeared down the gurgle hole of history, and took with it Rail Motor Stopping Place No. 77.

His Honour: Manifestly, the defendant should be found guilty! But the case is dismissed merely because not even 12 residents of Bradshaw can be found to constitute a jury.

Bring on the next case about the measuring of distances from Miles, Queensland.

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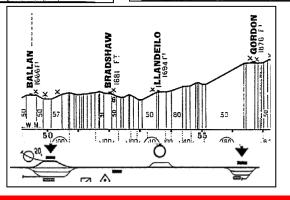
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No. 86 may depart Rockbank at 6.1 p.m., Door Park 6.11 p.m.
 No. 34 may depart Ingliston 7. 4 p.m., Rowsley 7.26 p.m., Bacchus Marsh 7.39 p.m., Molton 8.11 p.m.
 A.—Passengers are not permitted to join "The Overland" at Ballarat.
 B.—Arrives Ballarat 8.22 a.m. Sunday.
 Stope Rockbank for Departmental purposes only and may depart at 8.23 a.m.
 E—Stops for Departmental purposes only.

BALLARAT-MELBOURNE.

	22 W.T. WESTERN AND SOUTH WESTERN DISTRICTS. MELSOURNE-BALLARAT, (Continued on Page 23).								
DOWN.					23A Empty Cars Mon.	23 Diesel Rail Car (153 H.P.) and Trailer Sat. Exc.	25 PASS. DAILY	49 PASS. DAILY	53 Rall Moto (Diesel Elec.) SatExc.
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				dep.	6 20 - 2		9 35*P	2 22*B	5 29
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Wallace	***				8 27 🎃	8 29	*P	•	
Bungarce		***			8 31 • '	8 33 •	10 49	3 24*	***
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Millbrook						*		8 95	*	12 56	5 13	*	*	*
Gordon						•		8 15	*	1 0	5 17	6 39	1 *	*
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(Spencer-st.)					arr.	7 5	8 24	9 55	1 58			8 20	11 0	8 23

- \* Does not stop to pick up or set down passengers.

  ¶ Stops only if required to pick up passengers.

  § Stops only if required to pick up or set down passengers.
- †† Stops only if required to set down passengers.

  B Steam train Mondays, Rail Motor Tuesdays to Saturdays.
- F Steam train, when substituted for Rail Motor, does not stop at this location.
- g Stops definitely to set down only.

  M Rail motor.
- R Refreshment room.
- T Restaurant Car attached.

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