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Summary. This year started with 60001 at Margam LIP waiting for a B-exam and repair to a traction motor. This work was started on the evening of the 2nd and completed mid-day on the 6th. It then worked mostly steel trains to, from and in Teesside until the 20th apart from breaks for pre-assigned tyre turning at Thornaby TMD on the 10th to 11th, repair for a coolant leak on the 14th and repair to high pressure fuel hoses on the 19th. Two days on the Immingham – Santon iron ore circuit were followed by loaded oil tanks from Lindsey to Didcot power station. 60001 then went light engine to Bristol East depot and worked steel empties to Newport ADJ yard, a round trip steel working to Round Oak and steel wagons to Newport Docks. It then worked empty scrap wagons from Cardiff Tidal yard to EMR Handsworth and returned the following day with loaded scrap wagons from Washwood Heath yard to Cardiff Tidal yard. While running light engine from Newport to Bescot, it failed with loss of power shortly after departure and managed to reach the Caerwent branch; when checked by fitters at East Usk yard, the reason for the failure was not ascertained although an auxiliary earth fault had been suspected. Clearly the failure was not serious as 60001 did a return steel working to and from Teesside that evening, then a weekend engineers' train in South Wales and steel workings to Corby and then to Round Oak completed a rather eventful month for 60001.

January included further new workings for the log, these being the loaded oil tanks from Lindsey to Didcot power station, steel empties from Bristol East depot to Newport ADJ yard and the scrap working from Cardiff Tidal yard to EMR Handsworth that returned the following day from Washwood Heath yard.

- Sun. 1st At Margam LIP awaiting B exam and repair to traction motor, code 420
Noted stabled on the East side of the depot in the afternoon
- Mon. 2nd 23:50 B exam and repair started
- Fri. 6th 13:15 B exam and traction motor repair completed, available for service
Noted outside depot with engine running at about 16:00
Pre-assigned tyre turning at Thornaby TMD on 10th
- Sat. 7th 6E09 08:46 Margam yard to Lackenby steel empties, noted Newport at 10:14
and Willington at about 15:00, terminated at Rotherham steel terminal when the
train was running two and a half hours late due to 'freight vehicle defect'
- Sun. 8th 6G09 14:35 Rotherham steel terminal to Lackenby steel empties,
noted Colton Junction at 15:57
ON10 17:40 light engine Lackenby to Thornaby TMD
- Note. 6G09 was the continuation of 6E09 which had been terminated the previous day. The
headcode was changed from 6E09 to 6G09 because it was no longer an 'inter regional' working.
- Mon. 9th 6N25 07:24 Tees yard to Redcar loaded four-wheel lime hoppers
6M46 10:43 Redcar to Hardendale empty four-wheel lime hoppers,
worked by 60001 as far as Tees yard
- Note. 6N25 is the forward working of the Redcar portion of the incoming train from Hardendale.
The loco working 6M46 from Redcar is normally booked to work as far as Tees yard, 6M46 is
then worked forward to Hardendale by the loco that has worked the other portion 6N32 from
Lackenby which was 60032 on this date.
- OD11 15:30 light engine Tees yard to Scunthorpe
 6N73 19:30 Scunthorpe to Lackenby loaded steel slab,
 worked by 60001 as far as Tees yard
 OI00 23:20 light engine Tees yard to Thornaby TMD
- Tues. 10th Stopped at Thornaby TMD for pre-assigned tyre turning

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- Wed. 11th 14:30 Tyre turning completed, available for service
0N31 15:02 light engine Thornaby TMD to A.V. Dawson, Middlesbrough
6N31 15:55 A.V. Dawson, Middlesbrough to Tees yard steel empties
6V02 19:19 Tees yard to Margam yard empty steel and loaded lime containers,
noted Colton Junction about 20:30, arrived 05:54 on 12th
- Thur. 12th 6E30 17:43 Margam yard to Hartlepool loaded steel coil, arrived 05:20 on 13th
- Fri. 13th 6N27 12:58 Hartlepool to Tees yard steel empties, noted Stockton 13:16
0N55 15:33 light engine Thornaby TMD to Tees Dock
6N55 19:10 Tees Dock to Tees yard intermodal
0I00 21:00 light engine Tees yard to Thornaby TMD
- Sat. 14th 00:00 Stopped with coolant leak, code CLK
01:00 Repair completed, code 185, coolant hoses, flexible pipes and clips
6N05 06:40 Tees yard to Hartlepool loaded steel coil
6N15 12:16 Hartlepool to Tees yard steel empties,
noted arriving Tees yard at 12:52
0N10 13:00 light engine Tees yard to Thornaby TMD
- Sun. 15th 6D11 15:22 Tees yard to Scunthorpe steel empties
6N73 20:36 Scunthorpe to Lackenby loaded steel, arrived 00:20 on 16th
- Note. 6D11 was routed via Tyne yard due to engineering possessions; 6N73 may have also used the same route.
- Mon. 16th 0N10 01:05 light engine Lackenby to Thornaby TMD
6N61 05:35 Tees yard to Lynemouth empty bogie flats
6N49 16:25 Lynemouth to Tees yard loaded aluminium ingots
6V49 22:12 Tees yard to Newport Docks loaded aluminium ingots and steel
girders, noted Newport at 06:50 on 17th, arrived 07:29 on 17th
- Tues. 17th 6E47 09:25 Newport Docks to Lackenby steel empties,
worked by 60001 as far as Newport ADJ yard
- Note. 6E47 is normally an evening train. On this occasion it appears to have been worked as far as Newport ADJ yard in the morning for onward movement in the evening.
Noted Newport Godfrey Road at 10:00, hastily departed eastbound at 12:00,
then noted Newport station at 12:46 piloting 66141 with a westbound steel
working, possibly 6H24 Llanwern to Margam yard steel empties
Pre-assigned maintenance for window wipers and washers, code 656, at Margam
LIP completed 16:45
6E30 18:04 Margam yard to Hartlepool loaded steel coil and empty lime
containers, noted Newport at 19:30 stopping for crew change and Gloucester at
20:25, arrived 05:17 on 18th
- Note. The empty lime containers would have been detached at Tees yard for onward movement to Thrislington quarry
- Wed. 18th 6N27 12:56 Hartlepool to Tees yard steel empties,
noted arriving Tees yard at 13:25
0I00 14:00 light engine Tees yard to Thornaby TMD
0N31 15:02 light engine Thornaby TMD to A.V. Dawson, Middlesbrough
6N31 15:50 A.V. Dawson, Middlesbrough to Tees yard steel empties
6V02 18:40 Tees yard to Margam yard empty steel and loaded lime containers,
noted Doncaster at 21:18 where it was reported as empty steel,
arrived 06:10 on 19th

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- Thur. 19th 0V02 08:00 light engine Margam yard to Margam LIP
09:30 out of service for repair to high pressure fuel pipes, code 152,
completed 11:30
6B48 14:06 Margam yard to Trostre loaded steel coil
6E20 16:30 Trostre to Doncaster Belmont yard steel empties,
arrived 06:20 on 20th
- Fri. 20th 6D67 07:22 Doncaster Belmont yard to Rotherham steel terminal loaded steel
0D53 13:00 light engine Rotherham steel terminal to Doncaster Belmont yard
6D17 14:27 Doncaster Belmont yard to Immingham yard Enterprise
0D17 17:00 light engine Immingham yard to Immingham TMD
0T30 20:25 light engine Immingham TMD to Immingham ore terminal
6T30 21:20 Immingham to Santon loaded iron ore tippers
6K30 23:20 Santon to Immingham return empties, arrived 00:11 on 21st
- Sat. 21st 6T18 01:05 Immingham to Santon loaded iron ore tippers
6K18 02:15 Santon to Immingham return empties
6T20 03:40 Immingham to Santon loaded iron ore tippers
6K20 05:00 Santon to Immingham return empties
6T22 07:55 Immingham to Santon loaded iron ore tippers
6K22 09:22 Santon to Immingham return empties, noted Barnetby at 09:47
6T24 11:05 Immingham to Santon loaded iron ore tippers
6K24 12:18 Santon to Immingham return empties,
noted passing Humber oil refinery at 12:50
6T27 16:40 Immingham to Santon loaded iron ore tippers
6K27 17:47 Santon to Immingham return empties
0K26 18:48 light engine Immingham ore terminal to Immingham TMD
- Note. The final round trip had originally been allocated as 6T26 and 6K26 which would explain why the light engine movement to Immingham TMD was 0K26 rather than 0K27.
- Sun. 22nd 6V96 22:19 Lindsey to Didcot power station loaded bogie oil tanks,
arrived 06:30 on 23rd
- Mon. 23rd 0V98 08:00 light engine Didcot power station to Didcot yard
0C01 12:07 light engine Didcot yard to Bristol East depot,
noted Swindon at 13:00
6C02 14:55 Bristol East depot to Newport ADJ yard steel empties,
noted Pilning at 15:08 and Newport station at 16:37
0M42 light engine Newport Godfrey Road to Llanwern
6M42 19:25 (WTT time) Llanwern to Round Oak loaded steel coil
- Tues. 24th 6V54 05:30 (WTT time) Round Oak to Llanwern steel empties,
noted Severn Tunnel Junction at 08:47
Allocated 0V54 light engine to Newport Godfrey Road or East Usk yard
6E05 15:30 Llanwern to Newport Docks, noted Newport station at about 16:10,
thought to be loaded steel wagons but view blocked by another train
- Note. 6E05 is understood to be 05:48 MO Llanwern to Lackenby steel empties, apparently running on a different day, diverted via Newport Docks on this occasion and only worked to there by 60001. 6E05 may have been loaded steel from Llanwern to Newport Docks.
- Wed. 25th 6M98 03:00 Cardiff Tidal yard to EMR Handsworth empty scrap wagons
0Z98 19:20 light engine EMR Handsworth to Bescot TMD

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Thur. 26th 6T96 00:38 Bescot engineers' sidings to Toton Up yard departmental
0T96 03:00 light engine Toton Up yard to Bescot engineers' sidings
6Z06 08:55 Washwood Heath yard to Cardiff Tidal yard loaded scrap, noted
Newport at 12:05

Note. 60001 had been allocated to work 6V06 18:14 Handsworth to Cardiff Tidal yard loaded scrap on the 24th but that was cancelled; perhaps the load wasn't ready in time. Instead it went light engine to Bescot for an A-exam and then worked a departmental to Toton before returning to collect the loaded scrap train from Washwood Heath yard, now running as 6Z06 since there isn't a booked 6V06 path on a Thursday.

0T00 15:20 light engine Cardiff Tidal yard to Newport Godfrey Road
0M12 light engine Newport Godfrey Road to Bescot engineers' sidings, running in the path of 6M12 18:27 Newport ADJ yard to Bescot engineers' sidings departmental, failed with loss of power but was able to reach the Caerwent branch

Fri. 27th 0T00 00:01 hauled light engine DIT from Caerwent branch to East Usk yard
08:45 available for service, repair code 599
(loss of power, reason not ascertained; it had been thought that the failure was due to an auxiliary earth fault)
6E35 13:10 Llanwern to Lackenby steel empties
0E35 22:00 light engine Lackenby to Thornaby TMD

Sat. 28th 0V35 light engine Thornaby TMD to Lackenby
6V35 00:30 Lackenby to Llanwern loaded steel slab, noted Magor at 09:10
0T00 11:02 light engine Llanwern to Newport Godfrey Road
0W26 15:18 light engine Newport Godfrey Road to Newport ADJ yard
6W26 16:35 Newport ADJ yard to Swansea Burrows sidings engineers' train

Sun. 29th 6W26 03:27 Swansea Burrows sidings to Briton Ferry yard engineers' train
6W26 12:52 Bridgend to Newport ADJ yard engineers' train, noted Aberthaw at 13:20, Newport station at 14:20, ran round in East Usk yard where it arrived at 14:55 and departed at 15:55 and returned through Newport to access the part of Newport ADJ yard on the curve by the Newport Docks branch
Noted stabled Newport Godfrey Road at 18:20

Mon. 30th 6M94 00:01 Llanwern to Corby loaded steel coil
6V92 15:31 Corby to Llanwern return empties, noted Nuneaton at 17:59
0Z00 22:50 light engine Llanwern to Newport Godfrey Road

Tues. 31st 6M81 04:50 Llanwern to Round Oak loaded steel coil
6V07 13:20 Round Oak to Margam yard return empties, noted Newport at 16:48

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