

**Queensland Railways
Signalling & Safeworking
1908 Annual Review**

1908 - The Year in Brief

The first Weekly Notice was issued in Queensland on 16th June 1908 and has been issued every week thereafter, with some minor exceptions due to Public Holidays and natural disasters. The Weekly Notice was a good source of information regarding changes to signalling and safeworking throughout Queensland, and a reasonably good record exists from 1908 onwards. There were however periods when signalling and safeworking alterations were not listed in the Weekly Notice so while it is a good source of information it is not comprehensive. Other references used are newspapers and various documents held at Queensland State Archives, as well as Circular Memo's and Train Notices issued in various areas of Queensland.

By 1908 a number of signal cabins existed in Queensland, and safeworking was by Ordinary Staff and Electric Staff, there were also sections of double track existing. Listed below are the changes that occurred during 1908.

Line Sections - Opened

- Inglewood to Goondiwindi

Ordinary Staff & Ticket - New Sections

- Inglewood - Goondiwindi OS red diamond

Ordinary Staff & Ticket - Altered

- Dingo - Bluff OS red diamond (was Dingo - Walton)
- Bluff - Blackwater OS white square (was Walton-Blackwater)

Ordinary Staff & Ticket - Opening Temporary Sections

- North Bundaberg - Meadowvale OS white square
- Meadowvale - Avondale OS green round
- Childers - Huxley OS red diamond
- Huxley - Cordalba OS blue round
- North Bundaberg - Bingera OS blue round
- Bingera - Gin Gin OS red diamond
- Gin Gin - Tirroan OS white square
- Tirroan - Mt Perry OS blue round

Ordinary Staff & Ticket - Closing Temporary Sections

- Gin Gin - Mt Perry OS white square resumed
- North Bundaberg - Gin Gin OS blue round resumed
- Childers - Cordalba OS red diamond resumed
- North Bundaberg - Avondale OS white square resumed

Ordinary Staff & Ticket - Divided Sections (permanent)

- Gladstone - Mt Larcom OS white square
- Mt Larcom - Raglan OS red round
- Gowrie Junction - Kingsthorpe OS blue round
- Kingsthorpe - Oakey OS white square
- Mungar Junction - Biggenden OS blue round
- Biggenden - Degilbo OS red diamond
- Nankin Junction - Yeppoon Junction OS yellow diamond
- Yeppoon Junction - Emu Park OS blue round
- Yeppoon Junction - Mt Chalmers OS white square

Ordinary Staff & Ticket - Minor Alterations

- Oxenford (provision of lock-up staff box)
 - Ernest Junction (provision of lock-up staff box)
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Electric Staff - New Sections

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| • Maryborough - Croydon Junction | ES | |
| • Eagle Junction - Ascot | ES | letter "A" (two-column 30 staffs) |
| • Ascot - Pinkenba | ES | letter "B" (two-column 30 staffs) |

Electric Staff - Alterations

- Maryborough
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Signalling - New Cabins Commissioned

- Mt Larcom

Signalling - Existing Cabins Altered

- Central, Gladstone, Central, Bundamba, Brunswick St, North Bundaberg,

Signalling - Alterations

- Wulkuraka, Windsor, Wilston, Goomeri, Caboolture, Hendon, Yarwun, Fernvale, Walton
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Telegraph Instruments - Additional

- New Zealand Gully, Mt Larcom, Pentland, Kingsthorpe, Goondiwindi, Bluff, Yeppoon Junction

Telegraph Instruments - Temporary

- Meadowvale, Huxley, Bingera

Telegraph Instruments - Closure of temporary telegraph stations

- Bingera, Huxley, Meadowvale

Telegraph Instruments - Removed

- New Zealand Gully
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Telephones - Additional

- Allora, Monkland, Roma Street, Normanby, Sandgate Central, South Brisbane, Vulture Street, Park Road, Logan Road, Coorparoo, Morningside
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Stations/Sidings - New

- 71m10ch Siding (Gayndah branch), Walligan (9m42ch Pinalba branch), King and Son's Siding (115m2ch Western Line), 239m18ch (NCL), Memerambi (Kingaroy branch)

Stations/Sidings - Named or Named Changed

- Webb's Siding (20m28ch NCL) renamed Richardson's Siding, Bodumba (Goondiwindi branch) renamed Dunblane, Schneider's Road (Fassifern branch) renamed Kulgun, 111½ Miles (Great Northern Railway) renamed Owini, 101 Miles (Goondiwindi branch), named Gibinbell, Bracker (Goondiwindi branch) renamed Durikai, 145 Miles (Western Line) named Kommamurra

Stations/Sidings - Status Changed

- Bluff (Central Line), Schneider's Road (Fassifern branch), Cheapside Street (Maryborough Branch), Angellala (Western Line), Mt Larcom (NCL), 7 Miles 66 Chains (Emu Park line), 213 Miles (Western Line), 217 Miles (Western Line), 10½ Miles (Bell branch), New Zealand Gully (Yeppoon Branch)
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Safeworking - General

- Shunting on Ticket forms provided for Mt Perry branch
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Signal Cabins in Use (* indicates additional)

- Ayr Junction, Central, Charters Towers, Gloucester Street, Hughenden, Ipswich, Maryborough, Mt Larcom*, Ravenswood Junction, Rockhampton, Roma Street, Toowoomba, Townsville, Warwick
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