

# Watco WA Rail Announcement

**Date:** January 17, 2012  
**To:** Watco Team  
**From:** Jim Griffiths, Western Australia, Chief Operating Officer  
**Subject:** Russell Griffiths, Operations Zone Manager

I am pleased to announce that Russell Griffiths has joined the Watco Western Australia Rail (WWAR) Team as Operations Zone Manager Northam. Russell will be responsible for the overall management of his team members, establishing operating plans based on Customer projections and the weekly train schedule provided by the Customer Logistics Manager.

Russell moved from Perth in Scotland to Perth, Western Australia, in 2004. He is a qualified Chef and worked as Executive Chef on board The Spirit of the West – Perth's Fine Dining Heritage Restaurant Train. After two years working on their 1950's train galley (winning a Gold Plate Award) he moved into the busy rail workshops of South Spur Rail Services (SSRS) where he spent almost a year learning about the basic workings of 'English Electric' Diesel Locomotives. Russell was seconded to SSRS HQ where he became involved in Business Operations and Rollingstock Maintenance Planning.

Russell and his wife Meghan have two children, James, 5 and Angelina, 4.

Russell has a passion for playing piano, guitar and percussion. He is a soloist, player and committee member of the Hills Symphony Orchestra who perform up to ten concerts per year in and around the Perth Metro Area and also performs one WA country tour per year.

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Please join me in wishing Russell success as the Operations Zone Manager Northam to WWAR.