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Austria

For those interested in trying to photo/video the locos in the national livery of competing nations in the European football championships this summer in Austria, there is a link on the OBB website giving current positions of all their locos painted for the event and where they are going to with times etc.

France

CC6570 is to work a special Avignon to Cerbere to Avignon on May 17- 18. It will stop at Rivesaltes to connect with the TPCF tourist operation which runs from Rivesaltes on the freight only Axat branch. The connecting train will be an X4500 Caravelle for a winery visit.

TPCF is also organising a phototrain on April 5 with X4573 which looks as though it will run the whole line (one for the track bashers and photographers). Price Euro 20, reservation with Guillaume Pourageaux. This will be the last trip with X4573 in SNCF livery. After this trip it will be repainted in TPCF's own choice of colours.

NOTE that this train seems to be scheduled to go beyond the normal terminus of the tourist train at Axat as far as the actual limit of track at St Martin Lys.

On March 4th the newly outshopped **67580** went to Mézidon to pick up 60047 and its freight which broke down the previous Friday. There is still no sign of the new livery but she does look stunning, follow the links for pictures.

<<http://perso.orange.fr/lengletst/orival%20mod%20net.jpg>>

<<http://nsa01.casimages.com/img/2008/03/04/0803040746292525068.jpg>>

<<http://perso.orange.fr/lengletst/serquigny%20mod%20net.jpg>>

Belgium

There will be a rare appearance of type 12 on Paris to Hamburg/Berlin overnight service. Locos will work between Tournai and Lille Flandres due to engineering diversions on the 15th & 16th March as follows:

Train 242 (16/03) Tournai departing approx. 07:40 for Lille Flandres arriving 08:00 with a 08:20 departure for Paris Nord and Train 243 (15/03 + 16/03) arriving at Lille Flandres at 21:45 (ex Paris) departing at 22:00 for Tournai with a 22:30 arrival.

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France

Sightings from Thursday 21st Feb included Les Joncherolles **Y8202**, Vaires Yard **Y7669**, Pagny sur Moselle **Y8483**, Friday 22nd Strasbourg Depot (view) **15010 16740/748 22282 26144/148//165/167 61003/005/012/023 63919 64062 67433/510/519/572 Y7580/7796 Y8083/8184/8533 Strasbourg CS **Y8011** Hausbergen Yard **Y8014**, Strasbourg – Selestat **Y7858**, Selestat **Y8175**, Colmar **Y8176**, Mulhouse **Y7564/7578 Y8116** Saturday 23rd Woippy Yard SP **27023/032/042/062/070/125/134/154/168/180 37003/004/008/016/021/037/038 63872 64021/714/721/807/814 66406/435 69454/472 Y8004/8110 DB185033 Thionville Depot **15013 16615/636/699/703/762 25123/125 27001/018/024/025/029/038/079/131/159/169 37009/013/015/018/026/042/044/053/054 63617/840/917 66460** SNCB 1311/1318 with****

37021/049/055 passing Thionville Engineers Yard **Y7132** Nancy SP **15020/059 26166 63812**
64002 66474/502 Y7133/7633/7770 Y8410

Germany

Sightings from Sunday 24th February, Saarbrucken Depot **120101 140186/292 155018/194**
185021/027/079/188/193/222/280 225802/809 290533 294854/957 Saarbrucken Rbf **294952/954**
363686 364447/531/930 704001 Saarbrucken Hbf **363153** Dillingen SP **139283 140300**
151089/105/113/121 294876 OBB 1042520 SNCF 61020/022 (HWB)VL15.