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France

Gen from TEO forum is that celebrity Grandmother 9201 which was stopped in late July is not now to be repaired. Similarly 9263 is also not to be repaired. 9256, which was in service less than a week ago, was due to be switched off on the night of the 17th September presumably having reached its km limit. A similar fate awaits 9275.

Germany

There is now a weekend steam turn from Gera to Vojtanov, it runs as RE16156 each weekend from 15th Sep to 7th Oct 2007, and also on the 3rd October. Timings via this link (enter train number) <http://reiseauskunft.bahn.de/bin/ts/trainsearch.exe/dn>

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Germany

On the 4th September 120501 (ex 120153) worked into Dresden heading EC179, gen ex Quentin Hedderly. The previous day it worked IC2374 Karlsruhe - Hamburg Altona, and then IC2173 to Hannover so maybe it was out a few days. On the 4th 110373 was seen on RE10426 the 16:09 Dortmund to Aachen, 110423 did RE10428 the 17:09 Dortmund to Aachen, 110388 powered RB11285 the 17:11 Dortmund to Köln Hbf and 110474 worked RE11227 the 17:40 Dortmund to Bonn Mehlam. The following day 110417 headed RB20531 the 09:12 Emmerich to Duisburg while round at Köln 218137 handled RE12088 the 15:59 Treir to Köln Deutz and 218206 powered RE12090 the 17:59 Treir to Köln Deutz.

Belgium

A session at Brussels on the 6th found plenty of action including 2011 bringing home EC296 the 06:48 Basel (SNCF) to Brussels Midi which it probable picked up at Luxembourg, 2214 heading P8511 the 16:02 Schaarbeek to Tournai, 2213 used on P8757 the 16:09 Brussels Midi to Charleroi Sud, 2006 leading P8602 the 16:15 Brussels Midi to Jemelle, 2221 working P8067 the 16:23 Brussels Zuid to Aalst, 1352 turned out on IC2116 the 16:36 Brussels Zuid to Luxembourg, 2514 powering P8741 the 17:02 Schaarbeek to Binche, 2372 topping P8906 the 17:05 Schaarbeek to Oudenaarde, 2322 handling P8010 the 17:21 Schaarbeek to Sint Niklaas and CFL3005 which found employment on IC2117 the 17:36 Brussels Midi to Luxembourg.

Austria

From the 1st of September ALL trains in Austria became NON SMOKING. Smoking is only now allowed now for steam and diesel locomotives!

Switzerland

It would appear that from the 10th September the BLS hire locos have changed from 11236/237/258/259 to 11177/250/256/309, all of which have been seen working out of Bern on various BLS services on Monday the 10th and Tuesday the 11th.