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This issue of 'Overseas News' contains a report from Ian Bendall on a visit to Innotrans 2024 and a range of reports from European and other countries.

Members visiting overseas locations are encouraged to submit reports for inclusion.

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Ed Copcutt's photograph shows the second oldest locomotive remaining in Japan, 3'6" gauge 2-4-0T 110 (YE 164/1871), displayed at Hotel Mets, Sakuragiko, Yokohama, Kanagawa prefecture, 2/2/2025

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## Europe

### Germany

Martin Shill was in Germany for the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Steam Festival at Meiningen Works and visited a number of other sites whilst there:

#### **DB, Meiningen Railway Works, Thüringen, 7/9/2024**

Meiningen was the last railway works in Europe to build steam on a truly commercial scale, constructing 202 fireless locomotives between 1983 and 1988 (although the steam reservoirs were supplied by VEB Dampfkesselbau Uebigau). When DB acquired the works after German reunification it retained the capability to maintain and build steam traction. Today most work is under contract for heritage railways, in Europe and as far afield as Australia, although a limited amount of repairs are made to DB diesels and rail plant. Guided tours are available on a number of Saturdays, but once a year there is a steam festival featuring a number of visiting locomotives.

In the Erecting Shop were:

01 202	4-6-2	Hen	23254 1937	(a)
38 3199	4-6-0	LHW	2276 1921	
50 0072	2-10-0	KrM	15832 1940	(a)
312 139-5	0-4-0DH	LKM	265039 1970	(b)
5	0-6-0WT	SLM	2358 1915	(c)

(a) stripped to frames and wheels

(b) Wittenberge depot shunter, repairs currently on hold

(c) from Chemin de Fer Touristique Vallorbe – Pontarlier, France, for repairs; up on blocks.

Two metre gauge 2-10-2T's, 99 7239 (LKM 134016/1956) and 99 7245 (LKM 134022/1956) were stripped to their frames. Another Harzquerbahn resident, 4wDHR 187 019 (Halberstadt /1999) was also present.

In the Diesel Engine shop were:

99 4802	2-8-0T	Hen	24368 1938	(a)
218 421-6	BBDH	Krupp	5387 1977	(b)
479 203-2	4wWER	Schöneeweide	1984	(b)

(a) stripped to frames and wheels

(b) up on blocks

Also here was metre gauge 0-6-6-0T 104 (Hano 10437/1925), from the CF Blonay-Chamby, Switzerland, stripped to the bogie frames.

Amongst boilers noted in the Boiler Shop were those from 03 204, 50 0072, 99 7245 and one of those under construction for the A1 Group in the UK. (Several other boilers were stored in the yard).

In the Works Yard were:

01 066	4-6-2	Schw	9020 1927	in steam
01 1531	4-6-2	Hen	22706 1935	
		rb. Meiningen	134 1964	
41 1144	2-8-2	Schichau	3350 1939	
44 0093	2-10-0	Floridsdorf	9449 1942	
050 622	2-10-0	Hen	25841 1940	
50 3501	2-10-0	Borsig	14970 1940	
		rb. Stendal	1956	giving footplate rides
50 4073	2-10-0	LKM	124073 1960	
94 1538	0-10-0T	Schw	8085 1922	in steam
98 886	0-8-0T	KraussM	8275 1924	in steam
120 274-6	CoCoDE	Lugansk	0676 1969	
140 423	BoBoWE	Hen	30656 1963	
218 137	BBDH	Hen	31539 1971	
ADLER	2-2-2	Kaiserslautern	1935	
		rb. Meiningen	2007	hauling period carriages

Works Shunters:

311 632	0-4-0DH	LKM	261092 1962	on turntable
ASF 1	4wBE	LEW	18136 1986	in works shed
ASF 2	4wBE	LEW	20664 1989	in wheel shop

### DB, Leipzig Hbf, Sachsen, 7/9/2024

On display in the museum platform 24 were three items from DB's Nostalgie Fleet:

52 5448	2-10-0	Schichau	3726 1943
137 225 A + B	2-Bo-2DMR	Wugman	1935
250 004-9	CoCoWE	LEW	14764 1977

### SDG, Lössnitzgrundbahn, Radebeul Ost, Sachsen, 8/9/2024

The working locomotive was 2-10-2T 99 1741-0 (Hartmann 4691/1929). On display in the station, with a variety of historic rolling stock, was 2-10-2T 99 791 (LKM 132032/1956), recently repainted light grey and lettered '50 Jahre Traditionsbetrieb 1974-2024'. Standing in its usual position in the yard was 0-6-0DM 1 (LKM 250426/1967). Stored further down the yard were

two 2-10-2Ts, assumed to be 99 1779-0 (LKM 32018/1953) and 99 1789-9 (LKM 132030/1956).

### **SDG, Weisseritztalbahn, Freital-Hainsberg, Sachsen, 8/9/2024**

The working locomotive was 2-10-2T 99 1734-5 (Hartmann 4681/1928). Stored by the station were 2-10-2T 99 1790-7 (LKM 132031/1955) and 0-4-ODM 2 (LKM 252067/1959).

### **Railway Museum, BW Dresden Altstadt, Sachsen, 8/9/2024**

A museum housed in part of the former Dresden Altstadt motive power depot:

01 137	4-6-2	Hen	22579	1935
19 017	2-8-2	Hart	4523	1922
50 3636-3	2-10-0	MBA	13535	1941
		rb. Stendal		1960
62 015	4-6-4T	Hen	20858	1929
89 6009	0-6-2WTT	Humboldt	135	1902
102 188-0 RUTH9	0-4-0DH	LKM	265088	1970
201 865-3	BBDH	LEW	15383	1976
346 738-8	0-8-0DH	LEW	12999	1971
E77 10	2-4-4-2WE	KraussM	8134	1925
ASF 1	4wBE	LEW	18132	1986
	4wDM	Windhoff	241	1934
		rb. Schöma	1883	1956
Werklok 8	4wDM	LKM	251056	1955

### **SOEG, Zittauer Schmalspurbahn, Zittau, Sachsen, 9/9/2024**

Working the 13:09 Zittau-Kurt Oybin service was 2-10-2T 99 1749-3 (Schw 9538/1929). 99 787 (LKM 132028/1956; rb. Meiningen 14/1992) was in charge of the connecting Bertsdorf-Kurort Jonsdorf shuttle. The shed was shut but outside were no less than four boilers.

### **Mibrag, Profen, Sachsen, 10/9/2024**

Three locomotives were noted from a train here: 0-4-0DH 430 (LKM 262520/1974 and BoBoWE 1255 (LEW 18976/1987) at Profen Depot and 0-4-0DH 464 (LKM 262654/1976) in the exchange sidings opposite Profen station.

### **LEAG, Spremberg, Brandenburg, 10/9/2024**

LEAG operate an extensive railway network of about 200 km serving lignite mines and power stations in the Lausitz area. Operations are centred on the Schwarze Pumpe Power Station and Industrial Park near Spremberg, but lines extend as far north as Jänschwalde Power Station and as far south as Boxberg Power Station. There are exchange sidings with DB at Spreewitz, just south of Schwarze Pumpe. Lines are electrified at 2400V DC, with lignite traffic handled by a fleet of fifty-seven type EL2/24 Bo-BoWE dating from DDR days, but since refurbished. There are also fourteen diesel shunters for permanent way duties and for shunting the Industrial Park. The maximum line speed is 50 km/h. Rolling stock includes some 450 lignite wagons of type FAL84, plus side-tipping wagons for removing overburden and a number of specialised vehicles for permanent way and other support duties. Unfortunately, prolonged heavy rain greatly restricted the intended scope of this visit, confined to just a brief viewing from a vantage point on Heinrichsfelder Weg where tracks from Welzow Süd opencast mine and Jänschwalde converge. BBDH 110-08 (LEW 12460/1969) was on a permanent way train from the Jänschwalde direction; BoBoWEs 4-1229 (LEW 18597/1986) and 4-1241 (LEW 18609/1986) both hauled loaded lignite trains from Welzow, with 4-1241 later returning with empties on the high level line.

## ESL GmbH, Finsterwalde Station, Brandenburg, 11/9/2024

A rail contractor operating in Sachsen, Thüringen and southern Brandenburg. Two locomotives were noted at Finsterwalde:

293 881-9	BBDH	LEW Rb. Regental	16375 1977 1994	
V68 345 206-7	0-8-0DH			(a)

(a) ex-Opel Werke, Eisenach (Hörseltalbahn)

Also at Finsterwalde was railcar 971 669-7 (Bautzen 39-1964/1964), presumed to still be used for training by BGC Officeconsult.

## Grünau S-Bahn Depot, Berlin, 11/9/2024

Noted from a passing train was 4wBE ASF (LEW 14268/1974).

## AHG Industry GmbH, Cottbus, 10/9/2024

A rail freight operator specialising in the transport of coal, lignite and biomass. BBDH 01 2098-0 (LEW 11936/1968) was stabled beside Cottbus signal box W24.

## BUG GmbH

A hire company which owns several V100 BBDHs. 203-BUG-05 (LEW 15076/1985) was noted passing through Berlin Ostkreuz on 11/9/2024, with a permanent way train.

## Locon Logistik & Consulting AG

A freight and construction logistics operator with a fleet of second-hand locomotives that can turn up all over Germany. Noted were:

LOCON 214	BBDH	MaK rb. Alstom	1000359 1966 2008 Berlin Ostkreuz, 11/9/2024	
LOCON 218	BBDH	LEW rb. Alstom	14420 1974 2003 Cottbus, 10/9/2024	

Ian Bendall and Phil Gough visited a number of sites in southern and eastern Germany on a trip based on attending the 2024 Innotrans Exhibition in Berlin. Report held over from previous Bulletin:

## Bahnpark Augsburg, Bayern, 20/9/2024

Within the museum site there are several commercial firms using other buildings and areas. Locomotives from the collection were found in a number of places:

### Museum Roundhouse:

415	2-4-0	Flor	1108 1897	
03 295	4-6-2	Borsig	14692 1937	
1135	4-6-0	Motala	477 1912	ex-SJ, class B
231K22	4-6-2	Loire	1916	
06 013	2-8-2	Borsig	12202 1930	ex-JŽ/SŽ
E18 08	1-Do-1WE	AEG	4901 1936	
120 003-9	BoBoWE	(Krupp (BBC	5447 1979) 1979)	
E44 1170	BoBoWE	Hen	25575 1944	
184 112-1	BoBoWE	Krupp	4838 1967	formerly E410 012
V60 860	0-6-0DH	KrM	18622 1960	

1211	CoCoWE	WS	1951	ex-NS
3602	BoBoWE	MTE	1958	ex-CFL
6503	CoCoWE	Alsthom	1969	ex-SNCF
10949	2-Do-1WE	(SLM (BBC	3449 1930)	ex-SBB
E636 147	BoBoBoWE	Breda	1955	ex-FS
491 001-4	BoBoWER	(AEG (Fuchs	1935)	
SCHLEPPZEUG Nr.125	4wBE			
12-4343	2w-2DMR			

There is also one 600mm gauge locomotive, 0-4-0WT 6236 EMMA, thought to be a new build or a replica.

Plinthed in the Café and Entrance area was 0-6-0WE E63 05 (KrM 15496; BBC 5133/1936); formerly preserved at Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Bayern:

At the Model Railway Bay was plinthed 2-6-2 23 105 (Jung 13113/1959)

A number of locomotives were at the Museum Workshop:

64 446	2-6-2T	KrM	15625	1938	
323 872-2	4wDH	Gmd	5214	1960	(a)
	4wD(H)				Kof, no identity
711 114-9	BoBoDHR	Windhoff	1996		(b)
ASF	4wBE	LEW			ICE livery (white with red stripe)

(a) ex-Süddeutsches Eisenbahnmuseum, Heilbronn, Baden-Württemberg; originally Kof 6580  
(b) overhead line maintenance unit

The Wagon Works is occupied by a commercial enterprise, the details of which are not currently known. The following locomotives were found here:

TAG 332 15	4wDH	Gmd	5350	1965	(a)
V100 1019	BBDH	MaK	1000037	1961	outside; previously 211 019
V1700 02 277 003-0	BBDH	Vossloh	1001207	2002	SETG livery
	0-4-0D	(Dtz)			outside at side of building
	4wDH	Dtz	47123	1950	(b)

(a) previously 332 210D\_TGB; this locomotive was noted on arrival at Augsburg Hauptbahnhof tripping a short rake of wagons into the yard opposite the station. It had returned to these wagon works by the time Ian and Phil got there. It is lettered 'TEGERNSEE BAHN' on the engine bonnet sides.

(b) no identity carried; 323 998-5 is visible under the paint on the cab side; previously listed at Buderus, Wetzlar, Hutte Breidenbach; originally Kof 6141.

Three locomotives were stabled in the outdoor area between the turntable and the roundhouse doors, mixed in with a batch of twelve new Siemens Vectron electric locomotives for SBB Cargo International, all bearing the Rev. date 12/9/2024.

The track around the turntable has been renewed with new wooden sleepers and new ballast:

E94 088	CoCoWE	KrM	16679	1943	
4185 109-0D-NXRL	BBDH	Vossloh	5502575	2024	(a)
(ASF 165)	4wBE	LEW	20255	1989	ex-DB Munchen depot

(a) lettered for Rail Bavaria with mountain graphics on the cab side; Rev. date 23/2/2024

On two open air tracks leading off the turntable were:

Kof 6311	323 626-2	4wDH	Gmd	5011	1958	
P.S.O. 2		4wDH	Krupp	3593	1956	(a)
1110 529-3		CoCoWE	SGP(P)	58850	1960	(b)

(a) ex-GES, Neuffen; originally Papierfabrik Scheufelen, Lenningen-Oberlenningen, Baden-Württemberg, 2 [See GE4/30]

(b) previously OGEG, Ampflwang, Oberösterreich, Austria; originally ÖBB.

### **Cement Works, Ebermergen, Bayern, 20/9/2024**

This works is located between Donauworth and Nordlingen. One locomotive was stabled at the buffer stops and visible when passing by train; 0-6-0DH 362 407 (MaK 600165/1959). This locomotive is on hire from Bayernbahn and was originally DB.

### **Bayerische Eisenbahn Museum e.V. [BEM], Nordlingen, Bayern, 20/9/2024**

Ref GE4/122-125

Stock was displayed in the roundhouse, workshop and depot yard. Some stock was stored on the opposite side of the main line in what was probably the station's former goods yard. BEM has an operating licence under BayernBahn and locomotives used commercially were mixed amongst the museum stock around the museum site and station sidings. 52 8168-8 was in steam and during the afternoon moved between the coaling stage/ash pit and the turntable to pose for the photographers. A second locomotive was in light steam being prepared for a charter the following day.

Museum Stock:

VIRGILIO	0-6-0T	Maffei	2311	1902	(a)
	0-4-0F	(Hohen	3869	1918?)	in shed yard
4	0-4-0F	Maffei	3884	1914	inside cylinders
	0-4-0F	KraussS	6601	1912	(b)
TAG 8	2-6-4T	KrM	16317	1943	
FUSSEN	0-6-0WT	KraussM	2051	1889	
	0-6-0T	KrM	15585	1936	
	0-4-0D	Demag			
	0-4-0GM	Dtz	2692	1916	gas fuelled
ISAR AMPEREWERK LOK 1	4wDM	DWK	639	1939	
105	0-4-0DH	Ardelt	28	1938	
	4wDH	KrM	19271	1965	(f)
350 001-1	0-6-0DH	Hen	26750	1960	
	0-4-0PM				
GUTERBAHN 4	4wWE	(Jung	1382	1965)	
		(SSW	6228	1965)	
01 066	4-6-2	Schw	9020	1928	
01 180-9	4-6-2	Hen	22923	1936	(c)
3673 (18 478)	4-6-2	Maffei	4536	1918	four cylinders
22 064	2-8-2	Hen	20216	1924	three cylinders
38 3180	4-6-0	LHB	2257	1921	
41 364	2-8-2	Jung	9322	1941	
41 1150	2-8-2	Schichau	3356	1938	
42 2768	2-10-0	Flor	17654	1949	three cylinders
44 381	2-10-0	Essl	4445	1941	three cylinders
44 546	2-10-0	KrM	16151	1941	three cylinders

44 606	2-10-0	Krupp	2271 1941	three cylinders; (d)
50 778	2-10-0	Hen	25862 1941	
50 955	2-10-0	Krupp	2320 1941	
50 3600-9	2-10-0	Hen	25859 1941	
52 2195-7	2-10-0	Hen	27046 1943	
52 3548	2-10-0	KrM	16685 1943	
52 8168-8	2-10-0	KrM	16711 1943	
57 3525	2-10-0	Rheinm	913 1926	ex-CFR 50.227
64 094	2-6-2T	Humbolt	1821 1928	(e)
64 305	2-6-2T	Krupp	1308 1934	
89 837	0-6-0T	KraussM	7917 1921	
94 1697	0-10-0T	Schw	8401 1924	
E03 002	CoCoWE	(Hen	30716 1965)	
		(SSW	1965)	
103 136	CoCoWE	(Krupp	5093 1971)	
		(AEG	8708 1971)	
110 262	BoBoWE	KrM	18921 1962	
113 267-9	BoBoWE	KrM	18926 1962	
E63 02	0-6-0WE	AEG	4847 1935	ex-Kriegenbrunn
194 192-1	CoCoWE	(KrM	18185 1956)	
		(AEG	7389 1956)	
1020 012-9 (E94 123)	CoCoWE	KrM	16008 1943	ex- ÖBB; orig DR
1020.17 (E94 135)	CoCoWE	KrM	16308 1945	ex- ÖBB; orig DR
V100 1365	BBDH	Essl	5301 1963	
Ko 0116	4wDM	Windhoff	276 1934	
322 157-9 (Kof 4880)	4wDH	Jung	6715 1937	
323 680-9 (Kof 6498)	4wDH	Gmd	5132 1959	
(323 683) Kof 6501	4wDH	Gmd	5135 1959	
323 703-3 (Kof 6705)	4wDH	Jung	13143 1959	
Kof 002	4wDH			ex-Werklok NN2
Ko 4015 (381 101)	4wBE	AEG	4561 1930	
Ko	4wBE			
V36 211	0-6-0DH	Schw	11400 1942	
V36 244	0-6-0DH			
515 011-5	BoBoBER	OK	77101 1955	
701 028-3	A-ADMR			
798 522-9	A-ADMR	Uerdingen	60262 1955	
998 724-8	4w trailer			
998 836-1	4w trailer			
99 80 9520 016-3	4w trailer			

(a) ex-private owner, Solignano Nuova, Italy, by 2015; originally Ferrovía Suzzara-Ferrara 21 VIRGILIO; unrestored and derelict.

(b) ex-GE4/117

(c) ex-Bowil, Bern, Switzerland, CH/88 BE098

(d) previously preserved at Wilhelmshaven, Schleswig-Holstein

(e) ex-Gesellschaft zu Erhaltung von Schienenfahrzeugen e.V., Stuttgart, Baden-Württemberg

(f) ex-Krauss-Maffei, Werk Allach, Munich, Bayern

There were also four derelict hulks, two 2-10-0's, one of which had smoke deflectors and the other three cylinders; and two unidentifiable.

700mm gauge:

0-4-0WT KraussS 8478 1929 plinthed just inside entrance  
0-4-0WT Maffei 4273 1924 plinthed outside DB station; (a)

(a) new to Erst Bayerische Basaltstein AG, Steinmuhl, Bayern; then to Deutsche Dampflokmuseum, Neuenmarkt-Wirsburg, Bayern, /1976; later to Dubel & Speilvarenfabrik Fischer, Tummlingen, Baden-Württemberg, for display.

### **Bayerbahn Stock:**

111 036	BoBoWE	KrM	19773 1976	
139 309	BoBoWE	KrM	18838 1963	
140 432-6	BoBoWE	Hen	30665 1963	
140 637-0	BoBoWE	Hen	31009 1965	
140 850-9	BoBoWE	Hen	31696 1972	
141 083-6	BoBoWE	Hen	30367 1961	
142 130-4	BoBoWE	LEW	11646 1967	previously DP 68
151 015-5	CoCoWE	Krupp	5257 1973	
151 016-3	CoCoWE	Krupp	5258 1973	
151 038-7	CoCoWE	KrM	19657 1974	
151 119-5	CoCoWE	Krupp	5358 1976	
212 284-4	BBDH	MaK	1000331 1965	
295 087	BBDH	MaK	1000760 1977	
332 092	4wDH	OK	26330 1963	
332 157-7	4wDH	OK	26394 1965	
335 011-3	4wDH	Jung	14051 1968	
362 400	0-6-0DH	MaK	600118 1958	
362 888-0	0-6-0DH	KrM	18650 1960	
364 569-4	0-6-0DH	Krupp	3992 1960	
365 214-6	0-6-0DH	Krupp	4626 1960	
365-89?	0-6-0DH			

Some of the above were stored in the goods yard on the opposite side of the main line from the museum as were former AKN multiple units:

VT35	133 235 + 133 735
VT37	133 237 + 133 737
VT38	133 238 + 133 738
VT39	133 239 + 133 739
VT42	133 242 + 133742

There was also a new 8-car electric multiple unit train for NS, 3352; this was stabled in the museum sidings near the southern main line connection to the museum.

### **IVG Logistik, Unterhausen Wagon Works, Bayern, 20/9/2024**

This works, on the line between Donauworth and Ingolstadt, appears to service and clean rail tank wagons that are used by the oil refineries in the Ingolstadt area. The works shunter is 4wDH 332xxx, an ex-DB Kof

### **DB Regensburg, Sidings at Former Depot, Bayern, 23/9/2024**

A number of locomotives were stored here. Amongst a number of privately owned mainline electric locomotives were:

272 004-9	BoBoDE	MaK	1000795 1983	ex-BE D24
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4185 104-1	BBDH	Vossloh	5502570 2023	Rev. date 22/12/2023
364 524	0-6-0DH			ex-DB, privately owned
364 535	0-6-0DH			ex-DB, privately owned
365 822	0-6-0DH			ex-DB, privately owned

### Kiefersfelden Cement Works, Bayern, 22/9/2024

Noted whilst passing by train; all four locomotives were stabled together in one row at the north end of the sidings:

	4wDH		small; orange livery
	4wDH		Kof
	4wDH		Kof
360 xxx	0-6-0DH		ex-DB V60

### Opel Werke, Eisenach West, Thuringen, 21/9/2024

Three locomotives were found here:

202 241	BBDH	LEW	12523 1970	HTB
202 xxx	BBDH	LEW		
772 xxx				(a)

(a) stored at buffer stops at the east end of the works sidings.

### DB Leipzig Hauptbahnhof Holding Sidings, Sachsen, 21/9/2024

Several privately owned and DB locomotives and items of rolling stock were seen here, along with 6wDE/BE 1002 025 (Alsthom).

### DB Leipzig Hauptbahnhof, Sachsen, 21/9/2024

As well as the permanent display of nostalgic ex-DB (former DDR) locomotives in platform 24, a display of modern traction and their operators were featured in a Locomotive Exhibition covering platforms 16 and 17. Some are mainline, but all are shown for information and to show the scale of the event:

2159 238-5	CoCoWE/DE	Stadler	417 2021	Rev. 24/11/2021
2159 253-4	CoCoWE/DE	Stadler	4310 2023	Rev. 21/7/2023
2159 261-7	CoCoWE/DE	Stadler	4413 2024	Rev. 30/8/2024
248 022-6D-NRAIL	BoBoWE/DE	Siemens	2022	Rev. 15/9/2022
248 028-3D-SLK	BoBoWE/DE	Siemens	2023	Rev. 2/3/2023
4185 110-8	BoBoDE	Vossloh	5502576 2024	Rev. 13/3/2024
101 133-7	BoBoWE	Adtranz	1999	
143 020-6	BoBoWE	LEW	18243 1985	SLRS
250 004-9 (155 004)	CoCoWE	LEW	14764 1977	
155 219	CoCoWE	LEW	18204 1983	MAED; (a)
155 236-3	CoCoWE	LEW	17192 1983	LDK
112 364-5	BBDH	LEW	12873 1971	
221 147-2	BBDH	KrM	19267 1965	FLEX; (b)

(a) arrived at 13h30

(b) previously OSE A-416

There were also two multiple units: 1440 331 + 1441 831 + 1440 831 and 642 312 + 642 812D-DLB

The DB Nostalgie Fleet displayed in Platform 24 were:

52 5448-7	2-10-0	Schichau	3726 1943
E04 01	1-Co-1WE	AEG	4681 1932

E44 046	BoBoWE	KrM	15549	1936
E94 056	CoCoWE	AEG	5335	1942
SVT 137 225A & B	2-Bo-2DMR	Wugman		1935

Note that some changes had been made since Martin Shill's visit only two weeks earlier.

### Leipziger Dampf Kultur [LDK], Middi Depot, Sachsen, 21/9/2024

An open day was being staged with 0-8-0DH 345 385 (LEW 17639/1982) ex-ČD 716 530 giving cab rides but unfortunately the workshop building was locked and not available to the public.

0 278 003-8	BBDH	Vossloh	1001318	2002	North Rail
151 034-6	CoCoWE	KrM	19653	1974	
151 039-5	CoCoWE	KrM	19658	1974	SRI
155 060	CoCoWE	LEW	15757	1978	LDK
155 072-2	CoCoWE	LEW	16332	1978	LEG
155 089-6	CoCoWE	LEW	16435	1979	LEG
155 138-1	CoCoWE	LEW	16729	1981	
155 184 MEG705	CoCoWE	LEW	17874	1982	MEG
189 201	BoBoWE	Siemens	20980	2004	
202 535-1	BBDH	LEW	17732	1983	ex-industry
203 007-0	BBDH	LEW	14419	1974	formerly 202 718
V100 1357-9	BBDH	Essl	5293	1962	formerly 211 357
218 011-5	BBDH	Krupp	4974	1969	KPB
225 004-1	BBDH	Krupp	4983	1969	
07.450	CoCoDE	LTS			BZ style livery
861 002 (251 008)	CoCoDE	MaK	30012	1996	Hector Rail; (a)
295 024	BoBoDH	MaK	1000706	1975	
295 060	BBDH	MaK	1000733	1976	
V22.01	0-4-0DH	LKM	(262018)	(1967)	LEG; ex-industry
V60 583	0-6-0DH	Krupp	4006	1960	
363 691-7	0-6-0DH	MaK	600280	1960	
363 821	0-6-0DH	Hen	30110	1960	
701 073-9	A-ADMR				

(a) NSB Di6 668

### Gleis Gluck UG, Leipziger Stadtrundfahrten und Volldampf, Sachsen, 21/9/2024

A charter train, hauled out via Engelsdorf to Borsdorf by BBDH V100 003 201 003-1D-LDK (LEW); then by 2-10-0 52 8079-7 (Schichau 3937/1943) via Thelka and Plagwitz to Knautheirn before V100 003 returned the train to Leipzig Hauptbahnhof.

Whilst passing Engelsdorf Rbf it was possible to identify some of the more than 100 DB locomotives stored as surplus under the management of DB's aptly named 'Stillstand Management'.

### DB Kötzschau BF, Sachsen, 24/9/2024

Ian and Phil's train from Grosskorbetha to Leipzig called here and a blue liveried LKM type V22 0-4-0DH (LKM 262493/1974, formerly "3" at Waschmittelwerk Genthin) was seen under an open-sided canopy on the station drive on the north side of the line (Eisenbahnmuseum Kötzschau).

### DB Halle Guterbahnhof, Sachsen-Anhalt, 24/9/2024

Muldental Eisenbahnverkehrs Gesellschaft MbH [MTEG] BBDH 293 023-6 (LEW 17849/1982) was seen on an infrastructure train. It went new to Stahlwerke Thuringen GmbH, Unterwellenborn steelwork, Thuringen as 23 and has been in service with MTEG since, at least, 2004.

### Leuna Werk. Leuna, Sachsen-Anhalt, 24/9/2024

This is a very large chemical works located south of Halle, so large it is served by two stations for staff; Leuna Werke Nord and Leuna Werke Sud. In DDR days it had a very large fleet of steam locomotives.

275 010 207	BBDH Vossloh	5001745 2008	(a)
275 014-9 211	BBDH Vossloh	5001884 2009	(a)
0650 094 601	6wDH Vossloh	5102165 2014	

(a) these locomotives were shuttling trains of loaded tank wagons from the works to Grosskorbetha Rbf, returning with rakes of empties.

### DB Grosskorbetha RBF, Sachsen-Anhalt, 24/9/2024

MEG BBDH 275 216 216 (Vossloh 5001471/2003) worked a coal train between the Profen Opencast site to the south and the BunaWerks at Schopol to the north. Captrain liveried 275 820 1120 worked a train of chemicals into the yard from the north.

There were also DB and other private mainline locomotives, some stabled and some shunting and working traffic in and out.

### Innotrans, Berlin Messe, Berlin, 25/9/2024

This bi-annual trade fair showcases the latest developments in rail technology, products, locomotives and rolling stock. The entire exhibition centre is used with the rolling stock exhibited in the outdoor rail connected sidings. Only industrial locomotives are listed below:

92 82 4185 202-1L-VL	BoBoDE	Vossloh	5502489 2023	NXRail; DE18
92 82 4185 206-2L-NXRL	BoBoDE	Vossloh	5502493 2024	NXRail; DE18
90 80 1120 001-9D-VL	BoBoWE/BE	Vossloh	(4302629 2024)	
000 000-0	6wBE	(NXRL (IPE		NXRail; (f)
	BoBoBE/HE	Vossloh		(a)
RF-1	4wDH	Schöma		(b)
ES3000	6wBE	Express	ES3019 2024	(c)
SL50E	4w r/r	Colmar		
ZRW175AC	4w r/r	Windhoff		
E-Maxi	4w r/r	Zagro		blue; (g)
4274	4wDM r/r	Unimog		(d)
Nr 331	4wDM r/r	Unimog	2024	(e)
Rotrac E4	4wBE r/r	Zweihoff	24104 2024	
Rotrac E2	4wBE r/r	Zweihoff	24158 2024	
Rotrac E1	4wBE r/r	Zweihoff	23157 2024	
SF50 99 80 9420 141-0D-DB	BoBoD	Windhoff	2005	VGf
99 80 9427 027-4	BoBo+BoBo+BoBo	Schweerbau		
	BoBo+BoBo	Vulcan	LGT001 2023	SALCEF
	BoBo+BoBo	Loram		Loram UK

(a) for Duisport Rail; hydrogen fuel cell / battery electric hybrid; see Btn 1136/5

(b) locomotive style power unit for a rail grinder

(c) for Anglia Rail, Clacton

(d) for VBZ, Zurich; U530 model

(e) for Thyssen-Krupp; U423 model

(f) concept locomotive

(g) box shaped

There were also a number of permanent way vehicles on show:

LOCOBUS	SVI	2304299-1	2024	(a)
APV 324	SVI	2305633-1	2024	SIFEL
RSM 12	SVI	2208454-6	2024	SIFEL
760 012 99 80 9122 010-8D-DBMP	Matisa			
782 001 99 80 9110 079-7	Robel			(b)
99 81 9173 011-3 X112 005-2				
99 80 9162 010-9	P&T	161	2006	
	P&T	7433	2024	
	P&T	7793	2024	
8936 SW/	Robel			
S7 21-070-066-001			2024	ballast tamper
98 85 9236 522-4CH-SBB	Harsco			

(a) for Construction Lini Ferro Bologna

(b) three unit factory train

### **DB, Seelze Depot, Hannover, Niedersachsen, 25/9/2024**

Some of the locomotives listed are currently on hire to DB but, over their lifetimes, they have been (or might yet be) hired to industrial firms;

275 803 803	BBDH	Vossloh	1000902	1997	ex-RAG / RBH
1 276 026-2 5001664	BBDH	Vossloh	5001664	2006	
4125 010-3	BoBoDE	Vossloh	5402435	2020	
4125 013-7	BoBoDE	Vossloh	5402446	2020	
4180 0001-4	BoBoDE	Vossloh	5001927	2011	
4185 0002-7	BoBoDE	Vossloh	5001929	2011	
4185 0041-5	BoBoDE	Vossloh	5502439	2020	
4185 0044-9	BoBoDE	Vossloh	5502442	2020	

### **Brake, Nordrhein-Westfalen, 26/9/2024**

Brake is near Herford. Displayed in the valley at 90 degrees to the railway and to road 61 is 2-10-0 52 8116 (KrM 16480/1943), this locomotive is easily visible from the train.

It features in the German magazine LOK Report's series on plinthed locomotives as entry No.244.

### **Lokshuppen Bielefeld, Nordrhein-Westfalen, 26/9/2024**

The former DB roundhouse and depot buildings, now in commercial use. Sidings in the grounds contained rolling stock and a small industrial 0-6-0T locomotive was also present.

### **Max Bögl, Sengenthal, Bayern, 1/2025**

This concrete products factory has taken delivery of a new Vossloh DE18 BoBoDE locomotive for shunting and short distance freight operations. The locomotive's engine is suitable for fueling with hydrogenated vegetable oil [HVO] – [a return to the original principles of the Diesel engine – Editor]

It will replace two older six wheeled diesel shunters, hauling up to three trains a day on the rail link from the factory to the main line at Neumarkt carrying concrete products including sleepers, segments for the Brenner Base Tunnel and components for wind turbines and car parks.

The 120 km/h locomotive is approved for operation on the main line and it is intended long term to use it to haul trains beyond Neumarkt to the Nürnberg area and Regensburg to avoid capacity constraints at Neumarkt.

Extracted from the electronic edition of Railway Gazette International, 27/1/2025

## Hungary

Tim Gilbert reports on visits made on a day trip by car from Budapest:

### **Bányászati és Ipari Skanzen, Vágóhíd utca, Tatabánya, 13/10/2024**

The local mining museum. Tours are usually given around the whole site, taking some considerable time. However, Tim and his group were allowed to view just the locomotives with one of the guides:

XVI	0-6-0T	Tatabanya	3 1946	
VIII	0-6-0T	OK	8013 1914	
	4wD	OK		MD2
	4wWE	(Ganz)		

[Tatabanya: Magyar Általános Kőszénbánya Rt, Tatabanya, Hungary]

All locomotives are narrow, assumed 600mm, gauge

### **Oroszlányi Bányászati Múzeum, off Takács Imre utca, Oroszlány, 13/10/2024**

This mining museum is situated in the Eastern outskirts of the town. Quite extensive 600mm gauge railway facilities remain at the site.

Again, tours are usually given around the whole site, but the group were accompanied to see the locomotives.

A Škoda type DH30 4wD, 13 FERENC ALIAS KLUMPAS was operable and available to haul wagons fitted out as a passenger train.

Other locomotives seen were:

	4wD	Csepel		
2	4wWE	Ganz	1959	
	4wD	Griben	1379 1980	type LDM45A

### **Balás Jenő Bauxitbányászati Múzeum, Bányatelep, near Gánt, 13/10/2024**

Plinthed just inside the main entrance area are 760mm gauge 0-8-0T IMRE (Budapest 5276/1942) and 4wWE (Ganz /1959), which latter is possibly 600mm gauge.

### **Bányász Emlékpark, Ifjúság utca, Bakonycserye, 13/10/2024**

Plinthed under some trees here is 760mm gauge 0-8-0T GYOZO (Budapest 5855/1949). A little way down the road is a 4wD, assumed to be a Škoda type of 600mm gauge.

### **Nitrokemia, Balatonfüzfő**

It was hoped to see 375 001 at this chemical plant, but enquiry beforehand suggested that it was away for restoration.

### **Balatonalmádi, 13/10/2024**

Plinthed on a bridge over Budai Nagy Antal utca, just before Töltés utca, is 2-6-2T 375 680 (Budapest 6174/1950)

### **Csopak station, 13/10/2024**

Another 2-6-2T, 375 008, formerly 375 635 (Budapest 3085/1912) was plinthed here.

### **Zánkfürdő station, 13/10/2024**

An attempt was made to see 381mm gauge 4-4-2 Vp224-01 (BL 19/1912), said to be in the booking hall at this closed station. Access to the station by road was found not to be possible, being on private land. Subsequent enquiry has established that the locomotive is now in the possession of the **Budapest Transport Museum**, but is stored and not available for viewing.

## Poland

### Janikowo Soda Plant, Wapienno

Stephen Turk forwards a photograph for Flickr, posted by Piotrek/Toprus and accompanied by a brief description of the operation; précised below:

A standard gauge railway runs some 2.5km to Bielawy quarry and cement works to a station known as K1, where material is transhipped to a cableway which connects to the soda plant via a junction allowing it to serve Inowroclaw.

Worked today by two U23A built class SM42 BoBoDH locomotives, SM42-2083 and an earlier example, the line was previously worked by class EL2 overhead wire locomotives. Some of the catenary poles remain in situ, although devoid of any cables.

SM42-2083 can be identified as it has an extra headlight, mounted centrally on the bonnet top. The line uses type 41W wagons, believed not to be used elsewhere in Poland. Approximately 100 are in use, built by Ostrwiec Świątokrzyski between 1952 and 1959 and by Wroclaw from 1960 to 1964.

## Russian Federation

John Cowburn forwards a link to the Facebook site of **Narrow Gauge Railways Russian** <https://www.facebook.com/NGR.ru/>

Recent reports are:

### Pischchalskoye Peatery, Kirov Oblast, 24/12/2024

Photographs posted show BBDH's Tu4-2170 and Tu4-3076 at work in the snow.

### Alapayevsh Narrow Gauge Railway, Sverdlovsk Oblast, 1/2025

On snowplough duty during 1/2025 was BBDH Tu7-2083. There is also a video of BBDH Tu7-3034 with a tourist train on the line in somewhat less wintery conditions.

## Africa

### Guinea

#### Winning Consortium Simandou [Baowu / Winning JV], 28/1/2025

John Cowburn forwards a press release from Wabtec announcing the receipt of an order for an undisclosed number of Evolution Series type ES43ACmi CoCoDE locomotives and services from Winning Consortium, for use on the 600km long TransGuinée Railway which, although nominally a common carrier railway, will principally carry minerals for its main shareholders, Winning Consortium and Rio Tinto subsidiary SimFer from the Simandou iron ore mines to port at Morebaya.

Delivery of the 4500HP locomotives will commence later in 2025 and they will work alongside similar locomotives ordered during 2024 from Wabtec by SimFer. [Btn 1132/10]

The Simandou mountain range, located in the southeast of the Republic of Guinea, contains the world's largest untapped reserve of high-grade iron ore. Winning Consortium Simandou is developing blocks #1 and #2 of the Simandou iron ore deposit, which currently account for more than 1.8 billion tonnes of estimated reserves.

# North America

## United States of America

### **New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority, New York Subway, New York**

John Cowburn forwards an item from Railway Gazette's Metro Report International, 8/1/2025 reporting that the Authority has approved the operation of new BoBoDE/BE hybrid locomotives ordered from Wabtec to haul maintenance trains on the Subway network. The type R255 locomotives will be able to use power from the 500kWhr battery in the tunnels and at worksites.

## Asia

### **Japan**

Ed Copcutt was in the Tokyo area during February 2025:

Tokyo area at the beginning of February:

#### **Hotel Mets, Sakuragiko, Yokohama, Kanagawa prefecture, 2/2/2025**

The second oldest locomotive remaining in Japan, 3'6" gauge 2-4-0T 110 (YE 164/1871) is preserved in a small museum on the site of the former terminus station of the original Tokyo to Yokohama railway. One of ten locomotives of various designs supplied to the Imperial Government Railway for its opening in 1872, it was withdrawn in 1924 and retained as a technical exhibit, with the right hand side sectioned for display.

It was placed on display at the Ome Railway Park in 1962, remaining there until 2019, when it was removed for restoration, with the external sections removed when it was sectioned being replaced.

It is displayed with a replica four wheeled carriage.

A light and sound show illuminates the locomotive on the hour.

#### **Feldbahnhaus Shin-Egota, Nerima City, Tokyo, 4/2/2025**

Displayed outside the offices of a railway publishing house is nominal 2'0" gauge 0-10-0T E18 (OK 9538/1921). A Luttermöller design and one of a batch of 25 supplied to the Imperial Japanese Army for use in Manchuria during the Sino-Japanese War.

They were built to a design used by the Heeresfeldbahn.

E18 was found at an ordnance depot in Chiba city in 1945 and acquired by the Seibu Railway, which used it on a gravel extraction line in Anina, Kawagoe. This line closed in 1950 and this and two other Luttermöller locomotives were left abandoned until 1971, when they were placed on display at Tokorozawa, Saitama prefecture.

The Tokorozawa site closed in 2007 and OK 9538 was moved to this location in the north west of the Tokyo metropolis.

#### **National Museum of Nature & Science, Ueno Park, Tokyo, 12/2/2025**

Plinthed outside the museum and visible from the public park around it is 3'6" gauge 2-8-2 D51-231 (JNR(Nagano) 1067/1939), an example of the D51 class of modern steam locomotive with which JNR ended steam operations in 4/1976.

# Australasia

## **Australia**

### **Mackay Sugar, Queensland**

A Clayton Equipment press release announces the order of five Clayton CBD40 4wBE/DE locomotives and bogie brake tenders for this, Australia's second largest sugar producer and a member of the Nordzucker Group.

The brake tenders are designed to operate by radio link on trains of up to 1.7km in length.

## **Foreign Handbooks**

The Society has stocks of the following Foreign Handbooks, available from the Publications Officer, Mr. S. Geeson, 24 Dulverton Road, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, LE13 0SF; or via the Society's E-Shop:

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Industrial Locomotives of South Western France SWF

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Industrial Locomotives of Picardy, France

Industrial and Preserved Locomotives of Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands

Industrial Railways and Locomotives of Switzerland

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Industrial Locomotives of the People's Republic of China (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition)

Industrial Railways and Locomotives of India and South Asia

Industrial Railways and Locomotives of South Africa, Volume 1

Industrial Railways and Locomotives of South Africa, Volume 2 (includes comprehensive Index to Volumes 1 and 2) (NEW)



Above: one of the new New York Metro BoBoDE/BE delivered from Wabtec in January 2025. Extracted from Railway Gazette's Metro Report International, Wabtec publicity photograph. Below: NXRL / IPE's 6wBE concept locomotive on show at Innotrans 2024 at Berlin Messe, photograph by Ian Bendall, 25/9/2024.





Two photographs from Martin Shill's German trip;  
Above: LEAG BoBoWE 4-1229 (LEW 18597/1986) bringing another load of lignite from Welzow mine to the Schwarze Pumpe power station, 10/9/2024.  
Below: LOCON 214, rebuilt by Alstom from DB 212 312, poses amongst the graffiti of Berlin Ostkreuz, 11/9/2024.

