News and Gen for Week Commencing 21st February 2010

Date	News
21/2/10	Today's gen is split between the West Coast and Anglia region.
	<u>ANGLIA</u>
	Engineering work on the GEML between Chelmsford and London Liverpool Street meant that class 90s were only operated an hourly service between Colchester and Norwich today. The service spec only required three 90s to be out which included 90003 and 90010.
	In addition, as a result of the engineering work, an extra service runs from Colchester at 01:35 for Norwich (1p74). It is assumed the stock comes empty from Norwich to form the service. This extra service ONLY runs when Colchester to Norwich shuttles are operating in this format.
	Other known movements includes 90008 being at Harwich, 90026 & 90015 were spare at Crown Point, and 90001 & 90012 were in London south of the engineering work blockade ready for start of service on Monday 22 nd .
	WEST COAST
	Virgin West Coast:
	WB64 spare at Wembley today with no engine attached to it.
	OTHER KNOWN NEWS:
	 90005 at Crewe (maintenance) 90016 at Ipswich 90019 at Wembley (sleepers) 90020 at Wembley (sleepers) 90021 at Wembley (spare) 90024 at Edinburgh (sleepers) 90029 at Polmodie (sleepers) 90035 at Wembley (sleepers) 90036 at Mossend / Polmodie (sleepers) 90039 at Wembley (spare)
22/2/10	Today's gen is split between the West Coast and Anglia region.
	<u>ANGLIA</u>
	The ongoing use of DRS 47s in the Norwich area for local services meant that once again we have a 90 on standby duties at Colchester - change of engine this week with 90014 doing the honours today. Also, at the start of service the following known 90s were out in traffic:
	90001 (1p02), 90002 (1p07), 90003 (1y01), 90004 (1p09), 90006 (1p01), 90007 (1p99), 90008 (1p00), 90009 (1p15), 90010 (1p03), 90011 (1p13), 90012 (1p04 - see below), 90013 (1p11)
	The 09:00 NRW-LST (1p21) has been worked by 90015 which was spare at Crown Point - 1p21 should have been worked by 90012 off 1p04. It is assumed that 90015 will continue with the remainder of the diagram.

WEST COAST

Virgin West Coast:

WB64 spare at Wembley today with no engine attached to it.

OTHER KNOWN NEWS:

- 90005 at Crewe (maintenance)
- 90026 at Crown Point (spare)
- 90019 at Wembley off 1m16
- 90029 at Wembley off 1m11
- 90036 at Mossend off 1c11 & 1b26
- 90045 performed an afternoon freight from Ipswich to Daventry
- 90042 performed an afternoon freight from Ipswich to Daventry

23/2/10

Today's gen is split between the West Coast and Anglia region.

ANGLIA

The ongoing use of DRS 47s in the Norwich area for local services meant that once again we have a 90 on standby duties at Colchester - change of engine this week with 90014 doing the honours today. Also, at the start of service the following known 90s were out in traffic:

90001 (1p15), 90002 (1p07), 90003 (1p09), 90007 (1p04), 90008 (1p99), 90009 (1p00), **90010** (1p02 - see below), 90011 (1p12), 90012 (1p03), 90013 (1y01), 90015 (1p01), 90026 (1p11).

The 18:30 NRW-LST (1p59) with 90010 was stepped down at Norwich due an issue with the DVT. This meant that 90007 (which should have done 1p61) was stepped up to do 1p59.

90013 in the meantime should have died in Norwich off 1p46 17:00 LST-NRW, but the set was deployed to working 1p61, the 19:00 NRW-LST.

WEST COAST

Virgin West Coast:

WB64 spare at Wembley today with no engine attached to it.

OTHER KNOWN NEWS:

- 90005 at Crewe (maintenance)
- 90006 spare at Crown Point

24/2/10

Today's gen is split between the West Coast and Anglia region.

ANGLIA

The ongoing use of DRS 47s in the Norwich area for local services meant that once again we have a 90 on standby duties at Colchester - change of engine this week with 90010 doing the honours today. Also, at the start of service the following known 90s were out in traffic that I knew about:

90008 (1p04), 90015 (1p02), 90001 (1p15).

In addition, the 22:00 NRW-LST (1p67) was only loco-hauled as far as lpswich with a class 321 operating the diagram forward to London Liverpool Street.

It is unclear why this happened, but one possible reason could be a lack of train crews (which does happen from time to time).

WEST COAST

Virgin West Coast:

WB64 spare at Wembley today with no engine attached to it.

OTHER KNOWN NEWS:

All Freightliner owned 90s were available today for traffic - this has not happened for a long time, but good news nonetheless.

- 90005 at Crewe (maintenance)
- 90024 works 1m16 from Edinburgh
- 90043 worked 4m87 which was diverted via the West Midlands due to issues on the Trent Valley

25/2/10

Today's gen is split between the West Coast and Anglia region.

ANGLIA

No class 90 allocated to Colchester thunderbird duties today. Known 90s to be out included:

90001 (1p09), 90002 (1p11), **90003** (1p99 - see below), 90006 (1p07), 90007 (1p15), 90008 (1y01), 90011 (1p13), 90012 (1p02), 90013 (1p03), 90014 (1p00), 90026 (1p01)?

The 06:25 LST-NRW (1p04) was formed by a 12-Car 321. The units remained on the diagram up to and including the 16:30 LST-NRW (1p44). However, the units were stepped down at Norwich instead of working the 19:00 NRW-LST (1p61).

The class 321 combinations were replaced by a set of stock with 90008 at the helm. In theory 90008 should have been stepped down by diagram at Norwich off the 17:00 LST-NRW (1p46), but replaced the unit instead.

The Class 321 units (stepped down earlier at Norwich) were kicked into action on the 22:00 NRW-LST (1p67). This meant that 90003 (which was booked to do 1p67) was stepped down at Norwich instead off the 18:30 LST-NRW (1p58).

It is unclear why this happened, but I guess is to get the units back to London. However, this does mean that for the 2nd night on the trot, one loco-hauled set is short in London for tomorrow, unless a set goes ecs during the night to balance the sets.

WEST COAST

Virgin West Coast:

WB64 spare at Wembley today with no engine attached to it.

OTHER KNOWN NEWS:

All Freightliner owned 90s were available today for traffic - this has not happened for a long time, but good news.

- 90005 at Crewe (maintenance)
- 90024 at Wembley
- 90045 is derailed at Trafford PK following a SPAD it is not thought to be serious (one bogie off the rd).
- 90035 on 1c11 & 1b26

26/2/10

Today's gen is split between the West Coast and Anglia region.

ANGLIA

- 90015 reverted back to being the Colchester Standby today vice-47. Other known 90s to be out included:

90002 (1p03), 90003 (1p01), 90006 (1p13), **90007** (1p00 & 1p19 - see below), **90008** (1p99 - see below), 90010 (1p06), 90011 (1p07), 90012 (1p09), 90013 (1p11), **90014** (1p15 - see below), **90026** (1p02 & 1p17 - see below), **90001** (1p58 see below)

The 06:25 LST-NRW (1p04) was formed by a class 321. It is expected that the units will be out all day! It was NOT a very good day in Anglia today with many swaps happening in the morning. For example, 90026 stepped down at Norwich to work 1p17 instead of 1p19, and 90007 stepped up to form 1p19 instead of 1p21.

I understand NXEA are suffering from a lack of DVTs at the moment in light of the local loco-hauled operations taking place in the Norwich area with 47s as well as 2 DVTs at Wolverton Works.

Also, 90014 failed on 1p18 with a DVT issue. This resulted in the stock going back to Liverpool Street to form 1p38. This resulted in 90008 (which was at Orient Way) being detached from the set that it was on, and sent light engine to Liverpool Street to top 1p38 with 90014 DOR.

On arrival at Norwich off 1p38, 90014 & 90008 performed 1p55 for 1p64 - it is unclear at the time of writing if the set off 1p64 was sent to Harwich ecs.

As a result of 1p18 failing earlier, the backward working from Norwich (12:30 NRW-LST) was cancelled from origin. It is thought that 1p38 was formed of a unit between Ipswich and London.

As a result of 90008 being deployed to working with 90014 in top and tail mode, 90001 ran light engine from Crown Point to Orient Way to join the set that 90008 had previously been on - 90001 then performed 1p58.

Finally, the 12-Car 321s stayed out all day until it arrived at Norwich off the 16:30 LST-NRW where it was stepped down. However, in a surprise move, the 321s worked back to London on the 22:00 NRW-LST (1p67). This resulted in the 1st train out of London (1p04) the following morning being a unit.

WEST COAST

Virgin West Coast:

90024 has gone onto WB64 for today's driver training run to Northampton. 90024 + WB64 performed the 18:46 EUS-PRE (1p05) as previously announced.

OTHER KNOWN NEWS:

All Freightliner owned 90s were available today for traffic - this has not happened for a long time, but good news.

- 90005 at Crewe (maintenance)
- 90036 Garston freight (am)
- 90018 at Wembley off 1m16
- 90035 at Wembley off 1m11
- 90029 at Polmodie off 1s26
- 90019 at Edinburgh off 1s25

27/2/10

Today's gen is split between the West Coast and Anglia region.

ANGLIA

Known 90s to be out included:

90001 (1p22), 90002 (1p27), 90003 (1p23), 90006 (1p29), 90010 (1p20), 90011 (1p25), 90012 (1p16), 90014 (1p21), 90015 (1p14).

Also at the start of service, 321s were out on the 06:25 LST-NRW. These were stepped down at Norwich and replaced by 90014 with the units being sent back ecs. Over at Harwich, 90013 could be found for the weekend, staying there until start of service Monday morning as booked.

In other news, 90026 came off-lease today from NXEA owing to the engine requiring an exam at Crewe - it moved to Ilford firstly to await onward movement via the NLL to Wembley where electric trains are NOT able to operate at present.

WEST COAST

Virgin West Coast:

The Virgin MK3 set is NOT out and stabled at Wembley today.

OTHER KNOWN NEWS:

- 90005 at Crewe (maintenance)
- 90024 at Wembley