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FMG former UP/GTLX 8554, 8527 locomotives at Juniata shops April 21st with original engine removed to enable fitting 710G 4300hp engines during conversion into SD70ACe by NS.

Photo Lance Meyers

Ten former Railcorp NSW NDFF ballast hoppers arrived on rear 6WP2 at Kewdale on April 19th with them being subsequently hauled to South Spur Rail at Bellevue and are now stored on the ground awaiting being loaded onto road transport then hauled to Morawa for use on constructing Karara line.

Easter is usually a very quiet time on ARTC Trans line that on April 22nd and 24th saw it under control of one controller from Port Augusta to Kalgoorlie covering the three desks Port Augusta to Tarcoola, Tarcoola to Cook, Cook to Kalgoorlie a distance of some 1780kms during afternoon and evening shifts.

Avonlink railcars ran the evening service to Toodyay and Northam on April 21st then ran back to Transwa yard at Kewdale to stable over Easter break running out early morning on 27th to resume service.

As has been the custom for a number of years very early special services ran on all lines to Perth to enable people to get to Anzac Day dawn service in Kings Park on April 25th.



LZ3103, DC2206 & LZ3101 about to make up the train in Goulburn yard April 25th. Photo Leon Oberg



P2514, P2516, AB1503 & DD2358 on 3393 empty grain at South Guildford April 12th. Photo Evan Jasper



G534 & CLP13 on 3MP1 on empty Cook fuel and water tankers at Herne Hill April 15th. Photo Evan Jasper



LZ3103, DC2206 & LZ3101 on 2359 empty grain departing Goulburn April 26th.

Photo Leon Oberg



5669 last CM40-8M on side dump cars with 5635 on rear on east main at Bing South on April 11th.



Run on photo of 5635 & 5669 on side dump cars at Bing South April 11th. Both Photos Toad Montgomery



View outside NS Juniata backshop on April 21st with three FMG locomotives on right. Photo Lance Meyers



S311 & RL309 on ballast train loading on main line at Parkeston ballast pit April 18th. Photo Peter Donaghy



Former Railcorp NSW NDFF ballast cars stored on the ground at Bellevue April 23rd. Photo Jim Bisdee



NR63 & AN1 on 6SP5 intermodal at Herne Hill on April 17th.

Photo Evan Jasper



New style index cars April 14th are used at Finucane Island on CD4 car dumper. Photo Toad Montgomery



2512 & DBZ2308 loading export barley train at CBH Broomehill on April 22nd.

Photo Daryle Phillips

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Former steam facilities still exist in the 21st Century even though regular steam hauled trains ended on the GSR line to Albany over 40 years ago. The Tambellup water tank has had its tank removed with only the stand remaining on April 21st that may be preserved for heritage reasons.

Photo Daryle Phillips