



Some of the ops crew working Centennial weekend
(from L to R): George Sousa, Bil Jackson and Jeff Glass.
- Ken Finnegan photo

worked on the 805-A. At some point, two panels on the fireman's side were subjected to a die grinder or some other nasty device that left deep circular scars in the stainless panels. This blemish has been on the engine since we acquired her and the Zephyr Project team decided to see what could be done. We came up with a combination of belt sanding, scotch-brite work and polishing to remove most of the scars and regrain the panels. It is not perfect, but it is far far better than the previous damage. Just to regrain those two panels alone ultimately took three days from October 23-25.

As part of that work, we also reapplied the classic Western Pacific lettering to the engine, using the original Zephyr Gothic lettering custom made for us by Tom Carter. In addition to Tom and myself, Cody Wilson, John Morehouse, Scott Walker, Tom (sorry, Tom! I am having a brainfreeze and forgetting your last

name!) and Larry Hanlon (who has also been working on the engine and electrical systems with Dave McClain) spent days grinding and regaining the panels and applying the new letter. At the same time, the 805-A's horn was retuned by Phil "Evil Dr. Cornbinder" Schmierer and reinstalled by a team of Rod McClure, Bill Parker, and Cody "da Noodle" Wilson.

The following week, a team consisting of Steve Habeck, Cody Wilson, David Epling, Matt Stentz, Mike Mucklin, and Kevin Arendt (L to R in the photo below) washed, scrubbed, polished, waxed and even repainted some parts of the 805-A to ensure that she was ready for the big show. Thank you, everyone! You did an amazing job on short notice.



The Wash 'n Wax crew.

-E. P. photo

Hopefully, this is just a prelude to future CZ trips down the Canyon. Our eventual goal is to have the 805-A and our own CZ cars mainline capable. Perhaps in the not too distant future, the FRRS can give our members a chance to ride our own "Silver Lady" on home rails.

September 2009 Board Meeting Motions and Actions Summary - continued

Director's Reports

Monger – Jim Atkins was at RR Days. He works for UP Signal Dept. and will oversee WP Dispatcher's Office at WPRM. Said Tommy Holt has offered use of his development people to design software to run our Dispatcher's panel.

Holmes – Yard sale at RR days, 3 tubs and 4 or 5 boxes of leftovers, took in \$99.70.

Brehm – Re-designing the WPRM brochures. Spikes

asked if we can change cover from current WPRM logo to image of WPRM Billboard.

Habeck – Quincy borrowed our jacks to fix a bearing on QRR #5. We should also get our jacks back in better condition than we sent them down. They will hire Seth Adams to help with the heavy repairs.

Department Reports

Mechanical - EMD Ring Compressor missing – Habeck will check with Quincy RR to see if they have one that may even be ours.

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