



Highlights of the week!



Class 91
Restoration



Goods Wagon
Servicing



O wagon
Restorations



3'6" Dining
Saloon



3'6" Sleeper
Coaches



Locomotive
Maintenance



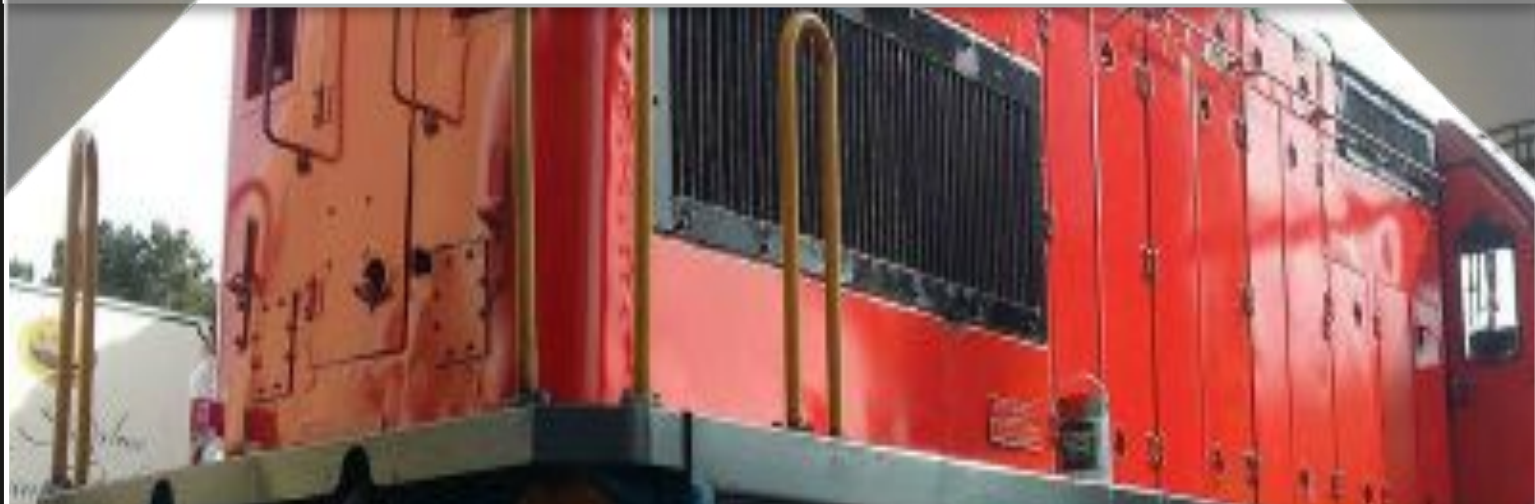
Line Weed
Spraying



Track
Maintenance



Blast From
The Past



Cosmetic Restoration

The cosmetic restoration of the Sandstone Estates Class 91 Diesel locomotive is still in progress and this past week Wouter went on with the body work needed to complete this restoration.



The headlights were repaired and fitted back and Wouter then repaired the rusted holes in the nose compartment Of the locomotive while Brian attended to the final touches of paint that were needed.



Class 91-010

Wouter is currently fixing the vacuum exhaustor and compressor room doors and he fitted back The panel at the Cooler compartment.

Below left: Fixing the nose compartment.



Below left: Brian cleaning the aluminum window frames

Below right: Wouter busy fixing the rear perforated panel from the Cooling Compartment.



Brian painted back the Transnet logo and we await the delivery of the Spoornet lettering and the new numbers that Will be fitted. The Locomotive however will receive a final coat of paint at certain areas where Wouter worked.



NG Goods Wagons



Wagon Maintenance

This week we have finished the under frame restorations of the 3 x C wagons and lifted them from the bogeys To grease the centers and side friction wear plates. Handbrakes were removed, cleaned and greased before Petrus Fitted them back.



We also had to replace one C wagon bogey with a good secondhand one. The wagons then were shunted to the Pit for final brake testing.



New release valves and piston rods, new neck rings were fitted with chamber pipes.

NG Wagon Maintenance

Below left: Removing the defective bogey of a C wagon.
Below right; The normal condition of all the goods wagons shows dry centers and side Friction wearer plates.



The last B wagons were shunted to Hoekfontein Station and 6 DZ wagons were shunted down for maintenance. This includes the lifting from the bogeys, greasing of centers and side friction wearer plates. The wagons then will Be shunted to the inspection pit for brake adjustment, leak off test and brake efficiency testing. Vacuum hoses Are also replaced if needed.



In the last week Petrus lifted 4 x DZ wagons from the bogeys. Only old DZ's will Be serviced this way as the newly restored ones were done at that time when we restored them.



NG Wagon Restorations



O wagons

Johannes finished the painting of 2 newly restored O wagons that are standing in the Wagon Shed. He then started Painting the last 2 O wagons that we recently restored which are standing in the 150M Wagon Shed.



Above: The 2 x O wagons in the 150M shed being painted.

Below: The 2 x O wagons which are now completed and standing in the Wagon shed near the Steam Shed.



3'6" Coaches and Saloons



Dining Saloon

Brian and Johannes finished the painting of the 3'6" Dining saloon at the Waenhuis. The Saloon was painted in PWD Brown and the roof was painted silver again.



3'6" Coaches and Saloons



3'6" Sleeper Coaches

This past week Ernest our Carpenter attended to the cosmetic restoration of the 3'6" Sleeper coaches. He painted the ceilings white and is currently varnishing the interior of the sleeper coaches.



Ernest completed the painting of 3 sleeper coaches inside.



In next week Brian will assist Ernest to fast track the restoration of the last available Guards Van we have left to restore.