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76084 - Now looking like a locomotive

Shareholders see progress

British Railways Standard 4 mogul number 76084 is now looking more like a locomotive after having the boiler lifted into the frames and the smokebox positioned on its saddle. This is in preparation for the forthcoming winter work programme on the locomotive. And all this was revealed ceremoniously on Saturday 1st October 2011 to viewing shareholders.

Restoration work has continued at pace on 3 fronts:

1. The tender
2. The frames and motion along with
3. The boiler

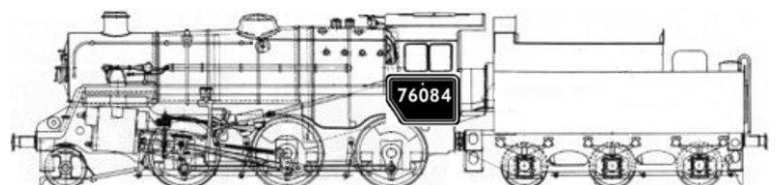
With the help of continued sponsorship from shareholders and Forrest Precision Engineering not only have quality parts been made and fitted but craftsmen have been employed to perform tasks on all three fronts to the highest standards.

The boiler was lifted into the frames successfully in unseasonably warm weather just prior to a planned Shareholder's Open Day. The yard at Hepscott was also rearranged with the BSK Support Coach also under restoration being moved alongside the Restoration Shed to provide more space.



on the newly fabricated cabsides.

The engineering team, made up of both professional and volunteer engineers, had a few surprises up their sleeve for the shareholders. The boiler and smokebox in situ was the main one but this was accompanied by some wonderfully sensitive touches which included replica Horwich Worksplates, an original 24D shedplate in ex-loco condition, 'LOWER DARWEN' on the newly painted bufferbeam and magnetic lined out number panels



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The mechanical lubricators made at Minehead have been fitted. The associated pipework has also been fitted to a very high standard and is a joy to behold. Everywhere you look around the locomotive there are items of quality engineering that are outward statements of the (forgive the pun) standard that this locomotive is being restored to.

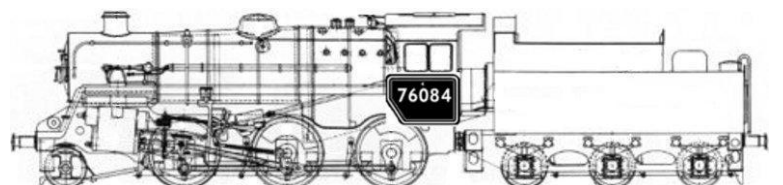


Some 60 shareholders and friends attended the Open Day and heard progress reports at first hand from the Engineering Director, Dave Husband and the Finance Director, Steve Alder. Shareholder John Oldcorn also addressed the shareholders. They all confirmed that the completion of the restoration work and 76084 first steaming in 45 years is not far away. It is close because a conscious decision was made to accelerate the

rate of restoration and to use craftsmen where appropriate. This has significantly increased the drain on funds. To maintain the current restoration rate more funds are needed with a figure of 160K being mentioned. The shareholders present raised £10k on the day and are to be applauded but more cash is urgently needed. Awareness raising beyond the shareholder base is taking place.

A Standard 4 mogul is a very versatile and economic motive power unit that will find ready work on any preserved railway. The 76084 Locomotive Company Limited are looking to bring 76084 up to mainline running standard for use on charters and the like. 76084 looks like a locomotive now - and will be a working locomotive in approximately a year's time with a little (more) help from her friends.

Further details about the restoration of 76084 can be found on the Company's web site www.Standard4.com



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Notes for Editors

1. 76084 was built at Horwich in April 1957 for British Railways working mainly in the North West of England until July 1967.
2. 76084 spent 14 years and 7 months at Dai Woodham's Barry scrapyard being bought in 1982 by Phil Rollins in January 1983 and cosmetically restored at his South Levington home.
3. On Phil's death the 76084 Locomotive Company Limited was formed and purchased the locomotive. She was moved to her present home at Ian Storey's Works near Morpeth, Northumbria
4. A Restoration Shed was built in 2010 to facilitate and speed up 76084's restoration, which was officially opened by Steve Davies, Director of the National Railway Museum, on 25 September 2010. Mr Davies subsequently accepted the position of Honorary President of the Company his grandfather having worked at the locomotive's original depot, Lower Darwen.
5. The winter work programme will see pipe runs around the boiler installed ready for a boiler lift in Spring 2012 for the completion of the work on the boiler prior to a pressure test. By Autumn 2012 it is envisaged the boiler will be returned to the frames for final fitting out.
6. The Images shown here and more of the Shareholders Open Day can be freely downloaded from the [76084 Standard 4 Flickr account](#)
7. More details about 76084 can be obtained by visiting www.Standard4.com

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