



SEPTEMBER 2008 WEBSITE REPORT

WINDSOR ALUMINUM

State of the Plant

At present we have 250 members, 169 production, 77 skilled trades and 14 TPTs North Line 3.0 litre running 5 Days a week 3 shifts. G.M. Expansion 3.6 litre also running 3 shifts 5 Days a week. It looks like this is going to be the pattern until the end of the year. Rumours in the plant say there are some down weeks coming in the future but at this time the Company has not said anything about down weeks. The North Line is down on Fridays # 3 shift for clean up to try and avoid down weeks and to use up the stock we have at the warehouse.

T.S.R. Dept

In November the company informed me that they would be installing the automatic de-flash up on the break-off floor. At that time they would have to also run the South shot blast to run 3.0 litre blocks along with the East and West when they do this project. They will need more manpower in order to do this short term. When this job is done they informed me that (B) group chippers 6 people will be reduced at that time which is not good news.

Finish Dept

In the Ford Facts I mentioned that the Company was not sure how long they would be running 1½ shifts in this Dept. When they go to start up the south blast in T.S.R. in November the 1/2 shift pro-tems will be moving to that Dept. to help out with that project until completion.

Work Place Training

Work place training / union awareness is complete for the 2008 year. The company reduced 4 employees out of the plant 2 weeks ago that were here for this training. The week of Oct 20/08 we hope to start up ECPL update for the next couple of weeks.

United Way

The United Way campaign is well on there way and from what I seen so far its Great News. We have surpassed last years numbers with less people. Great job by everyone involved. It just goes to show that we do care about our community.

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LAST MINUTE UPDATE

Things change **FAST** at W.A.P. we are now having down weeks Oct 27/08, Nov 10/08, Dec 15/08, January 5/08 as down week. The week of December 22,23/08 as short work week. These are tentative Dates could change. The G.M Expansion are not scheduled for any of the down weeks as of yet.

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