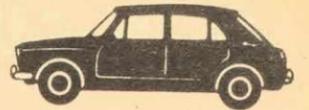


Wheelin' around



by Charlie Moore

Unfortunately, winter will be upon us soon, so it seems like time for some preparation for the cold months ahead. Winter is the season when your car takes the worst beating, but you can minimize the bad effects of the cold weather by taking some preventative steps now.

Body rust is the biggest enemy of your car and the large amount of road salt used in these climes is one of the major causes of vehicle corrosion. If you plan on keeping your car for a long period of time, I would strongly suggest getting it steam-cleaned and undercoated NOW before the salt trucks make their appearance.

Another good idea is to

remove the floor mats and dry them thoroughly. While the floor mats are out of the car, why not paint the floor panels with a good-quality rustproof paint. This will stop rust from the inside in the same manner as the undercoat does from the outside. Now wash the bodywork and give the car a good wax job, not forgetting to wax the chrome.

Moving under the hood, you should also have the anti-freeze checked. If it is below par, maybe this would be a good time to flush the cooling system before the new anti-freeze is put in. Also, it might be a good time to replace the thermostat with a winter one.

Motor-oil takes a real

drubbing during the cold months, especially during short-trip driving where the engine never really has a chance to warm up. Have the oil drained and replace it with a good quality multi-grade oil of 5W30, 5W40, 10W30, or 10W40 viscosity.

It is very important to have the oil changed regularly in cold weather. If you are confused about the right oil to buy, you are safe if the oil exceeds "SD," "M2C101B," or "6041M" specifications. This information will be marked on top of the can.

Now is the time to have the engine tuned up and the battery checked. It is necessary to have the engine running at top efficiency and the battery in good condition to ensure quick starts on cold mornings. A block heater is worth its weight in gold when the weather gets really cold.

Have a good look at the wiper blade and if they are getting shoddy after a summer in the hot sun, replace them with rubber covered winter blades or Tridon "Storm Chasers." Good windshield washers are also a must for winter driving, so make sure that yours are filled with windshield washer anti-freeze.

Your choice of the right snow tires is very important. As with summer tires, there are three basic types on the market:

1. Bias-ply in two and four ply with nylon or polyester cord.
2. Bias-belted (Polyglas and polysteel) with four or six ply.

3. Radial ply with either textile or steel belts.

NEVER MIX DIFFERENT TYPES OF TIRES ON THE SAME CAR. Very wierd and dangerous handling can result. Bias-ply are the cheapest and give the softest ride. Nylon is the toughest but gives a slightly worse ride than polyester. Bias-belted are more expensive than bias-plys, but last longer and offer slightly better handling with a somewhat harsher ride.

Radials are the most expensive, longest lasting, and give the best handling. Steel belted radials (Michilin, Allstate) are better than textile belted. Ya pays yer money and ya takes yer choice.

Finally, make sure that all your lights, horn, etc. are working and that your suspension and brakes are up to par, and remember to drive carefully. Keep wheelin'.



Acadia Axemen chop Dal Tigers 36-7

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Ski News

Dalhousie — Mount Saint Vincent University Ski Club
First meeting
Social Nite in the Grawood Lounge

S.U.B. Wed. Nov. 1st
8:30-19:30
Open to Club members
New Members Most Welcome
Bar 50¢ at door to cover costs.

Tiger Beat

by Phil Bingley

Hi sports fans! Looks like your ol' buddy Phil will be taking in Otto's Octo Beer Fest this weekend. Sports events will be taking place in all the traditional events and areas, both on the playing fields and

off. The Lobster Pot will be up for grabs in what should prove to be a most spirited game on Saturday. I confidently expect the Saint Mary's Huskies to go down to ignomious defeat at the hands of our valiant Tigers, Go get 'em, Tigers!

Rugby Tournament

Last weekend's rugby tournament saw the University of New Brunswick emerge victorious. They defeated the Dalhousie team 4-0 on Sunday and triumphed over St. Francis Xavier with a score of 19-4.

This is not to imply that Dalhousie performed without distinction of any kind. The Tigers defeated the team from St. Thomas 13-7. Eight of our

points were scored by Alexander while the remaining five went to Pizio with one convert and one penalty kick. Dal hopes to meet with the team from UNB again in contention for the Caledonia Cup. This is the award for the Maritime Champion rugby team.

In the consolation match, the St. Thomas team lost to St. F.X.

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