A TRADITION OF GREAT SERVICE



1980-2005

25th Anniversary

Sincere thanks and appreciation is extended to our customers, friends and family for joining us

Saturday, October 22nd

as we celebrated our 25th year in business.

We look forward to providing you with continued dependable, quality service.

– The Van Noppen Family –



Winchester Automotive Services

From headlight to tailpipe, we are your automotive and Drive Clean facility

NAPA AUTOPRO

Hwy. 43 just off Hwy. 31
Winchester 774-3189

ONTARIO'S DRIVE CLEAN

A Special Supplement to the Winchester Press

Fall CAR CARE



November 2, 2005

Battery-buying basics:

How to shop for your car's start-me-up

We've all heard it: that telltale reh-reh-reh-reh-reh sound of a cold engine struggling to start on an equally cold winter's morning. That ominous sound may mean that your battery doesn't have enough power.

As the temperature drops, so does your battery's output. Consequently, a battery that merrily got you on your way in the summer could well leave you stranded when the mercury slips below freezing.

"If a weak battery is making your car hard to start, replace the battery before it lets you down," says Car Care Canada. You can pick up a new battery from a variety of retailers or from your local automotive parts wholesaler.

You'll have several batteries to choose from, so which one is best for you and your car? In addition to price, you should consider three factors: cold-cranking amps, reserve capacity, and warranty.

Cold-cranking amps (CCA) refer to the engine starting (or cranking) output at -17 degrees Celsius for 30 seconds. A starter may draw 400 amps, so at -17 degrees Celsius, you could quickly drain a battery rated at 300 cold-cranking amps. The higher the CCA rating, the easier your car will start when winter comes around — assuming all else in your engine works well. Consult your owner's manual for the minimum CCA required for your car and select an appropriate battery for you needs. Buying one with an excessive CCA rating is a waste of money.

Reserve capacity (RC) indicates how long your car's accessories can run without robbing your battery of sufficient power to start the engine. The more reserve capacity, the better, and this capacity is usually expressed in amperes of output per so many minutes. When evaluating different batteries, you should compare output and reserve on the same amperage-per-time basis. Typically, reserve capacity ratings will refer to the length of time a battery can produce 26 amps at 27 degrees Celsius. (Headlights may draw about 15 amps and a tail light 1.5 amps.)

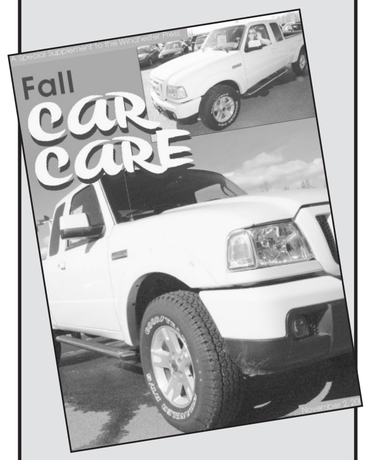
Warranties vary by length and type, so look for one that suits your situation and budget. What distinguishes, say, a three-year warranty from a five-year warranty? The size and number of plates in a battery determine how many amps it can deliver. Batteries with larger plates or more plates last longer than those less well endowed. These characteristics determine the difference in battery life and hence warranty period as well.

Car Care Canada encourages you to dispose of your battery properly. The average car battery contains 7.7 to 10.4 kilograms of lead. A half a kilogram of lead from a battery or other source can contaminate more than 31 million litres of water, making it unfit for drinking. Canadian automotive battery manufacturers take part in environmentally safe battery recycling programs across the country.

And finally, you might want to buy an AC-powered battery charger and keep it at home. You can use this device to jumpstart your car if you leave a car door open or your trunk lid up all night, both of which can cause lights to whittle down your battery's reserve. Powered by a household electrical outlet, these battery chargers usually provide enough juice to start most batteries that have been drained overnight.

— Car Care Canada

FEATURED ON OUR COVER



Test drive

The Ford Ranger XLT is the smallest Ford truck, perfect for our reporter Meghan Duncan — at five-foot two she had no problem handling the Ranger in her first time behind the wheel of a pickup truck.



LMS **MOTOR SALES**
Williamsburg, Ontario
K0C 2H0
WE SERVICE ALL MAKES AND MODELS
FULL SERVICE SHOP • NEW AND USED VEHICLES
613-535-2024 • 613-535-2298 • Fax 613-535-2125

D&D PERFORMANCE
229 Main Street North, Chesterville
613-448-3502
• Tune-ups • Engine repairs - rebuilding
MACHINE SHOP
COMPUTERIZED 4-WHEEL ALIGNMENT

BERENDS AUTOMOTIVE
Winter is coming!
Come and see us for all your vehicle's winter needs.
• Winter Tune-ups • Snow Tires & Rims
• All Season Tires • Automotive Repairs
• Emission Testing
• Used Car Sales
ANTI-RUST TREATMENT FOR A LIMITED TIME!
***$60** /CAR **$65** /TRUCK*
Call for an appointment - 826-2304
ONTARIO'S DRIVE CLEAN
BERENDS AUTOMOTIVE
MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION STATION
COMPLETE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIRS
DRIVE CLEAN INSPECTION & REPAIR FACILITY
JASON BERENDS
ROBIN WHITE
613-826-2304
Stagecoach at Belmeade Rd.
4 km North of Hallville
RR#4, Osgoode, ON, K0A 2W0
"If you're satisfied, tell others; if you're not, tell us."

Don't pay for idle time:

Preserve your precious petrol

With the price of gas continuing to soar, motorists can save money by driving smarter. And part of driving smarter means idling your car only as long as necessary.

Follow these fuel-wise driving tips to stretch your gas tank:

1. Start driving after no more than 30 seconds of idling, assuming your vehicle's windows are clear. (According to a recent car-safety survey conducted by Leger Marketing on behalf of Car Care Canada, 12 per cent of Canadians think that they should run their engines for 15 minutes or more before driving in winter.)

2. Stopping for more than 10 seconds? Turn off your engine (except in traffic). Idling your vehicle for more than 10 seconds uses more fuel than it would take to restart your engine.

3. Put away your remote car starter. These devices waste gas because they encourage you to start your engine before you're ready to drive. The result: unnecessary idling and lower gas mileage.

4. When the temperature drops below 0°C, consider using a block heater to warm your engine before starting it. This practice will reduce engine wear, improve fuel efficiency, and cut vehicle emissions. You can hook up an automatic timer to turn on the block heater two hours or so before you start the vehicle.

If you follow these four tips, you'll not only save money but also help do your part to meet the Canadian government's One-Tonne Challenge. This challenge asks Canadians to each reduce their annual greenhouse gas emissions by one tonne.

The harmful effects of idling

• It wastes fuel: An idling gas engine burns about 3.5 litres an hour. And every litre of gas used produces 2.4 kilograms of CO2. Idling for 10 minutes a day can produce about a quarter tonne of CO2 emissions a year.

• It wastes money: Idling for 10 minutes a day can cost you a lot more in fuel each year.

• It contributes to bad air quality: An idling engine generates twice as much exhaust emission as an engine in motion, significantly contributing to air pollution.

• It harms your engine: an idling engine operates below peak temperature, which impairs fuel combustion. Soot can therefore accumulate on cylinder walls, and these deposits can contaminate your oil and damage engine components.

For more tips on safe winter driving visit Car Care Canada's website at www.carcarecanada.ca.

For more information on how you can meet your One-Tonne Challenge, visit www.Climatechange.gc.ca.

— Car Care Canada



Upper Canada overhaul

Construction is almost complete at Upper Canada Motors in Morrisburg. A new showroom is done and the final touches are being added to the revamped service area. Construction is expected to be all finished in the coming weeks, and the company is planning to hold an open house in the spring.

Press Photo — Duncan

Discount®
CAR AND TRUCK RENTALS
Now brought to you by
D's Collision Center and Fix Auto
Call now to reserve a vehicle
Tel. 613-774-5087
Fax 613-774-0407
For reservations: **1-866-310-CARS**
CANADIAN OWNED AND OPERATED
discountcar.com
12029 Dawley Drive
Winchester

R/T Auto Center
SALES AND SERVICE
665 St. Lawrence Street, Winchester
General Automotive Maintenance
Gas Tanks • Radiators • Tires • Suspension
Custom Exhaust • Brakes
Quality Used Vehicles
T. KIRKWOOD **613-774-2000**

FOR ALL YOUR REPAIRS
It's time to winterize your car, truck, boat, RV and watercraft
CALL NOW TO BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT
Let us get your snowmobile ready for the winter season
ski-doo™
BOMBARDIER ATV Follow No One.
JIM'S Performance Plus Ltd.
Jim Primrose, Proprietor
Flagg Rd., RR 1, Iroquois, Ont.
Phone 613-652-2245
Fax 613-652-2561

RUST ALERT!
Are you looking to protect your automobile from winter wear?
Our unique rust protection offers you a better looking, longer lasting vehicle with a higher re-sale value.
• ***CANADIAN*** offers protection for both new and used cars, vans and trucks.
• ***CANADIAN*** stops rust in its tracks and penetrates existing rust to protect metal, preventing new rust from forming.
• ***CANADIAN*** contains "no solvents" and is "non toxic". This is environmentally Friendly. ***CANADIAN*** can be applied in all weather conditions.
CANADIAN RUST CONTROL
2 FORMULAS AVAILABLE
"RED" Older vehicles, penetrates all parts, comparable to Krown Rustproofing. **$80***
"GOLD" For newer vehicles, dripfree coating that does not harden, crack or peel. **$100***
* $20 extra for trucks and vans.
D&J MOTORS LTD.
ONTARIO'S DRIVE CLEAN
Wincrest Business Park, Winchester 774-2703

Winter driving tips to help you see and be seen

As you move your summer Bermuda shorts and flip flops to the back of the closet and bring your favorite wooly winter sweaters to the front, remember, it's not just your closet that needs winterizing – your car does too! Don't procrastinate; prepare your car for winter before it's too late.

Here are some important tips to keep in mind as the temperature drops:

1. Avoid the winter slip 'n' slide

Would you wear sandals in winter? So why not outfit your vehicle with the proper treadwear? Although all-season tires can carry your vehicle through a variety of conditions, they do not deliver the same control on ice and snow as winter tires. In fact, winter tires deliver as much as 25 to 50 per cent more traction than all-season tires, which can very well be the margin you need to stop in time or to turn and avoid trouble.

And when it comes to installing winter tires, full coverage is always best. While some consumers try to cut costs by purchasing two winter tires instead of four, this practice can lead to unsafe results on the road. According to the Rubber Association of Canada and Transport Canada, motorists should always install four winter tires rather than just two for optimum control and stability.

2. Clear the way to see and be seen

This year, it's time to turn over a new snowflake by clearing off all the snow on your vehicle before heading on your way. And by all we mean all! It's not only your windshield and rear window that matter. Be sure to clear off all windows, mirrors, lights and don't forget about your hood and roof. After a heavy snowfall, a mountain of snow can pile up on your car causing potentially dangerous situations if it blows backwards when you drive and blocks the view through your rear window, not to mention obstructing windshields of cars behind you. Be sure to clear off all the snow on your car this winter to make sure you can see and be seen on the road.

3. Surviving if you're stranded

As a Canadian, you're probably accustomed to bracing yourself for whatever weather conditions Old Man Winter has in store; however, there's always a chance that you might get stuck. In the event you find yourself stranded on the highway, a secondary road or in a snow bank, here are some useful hints:

- Move your vehicle as far off the road as possible to avoid being hit.
- Turn on your hazard lights to remain visible and attract help.
- Keep the following items on-hand in your trunk: additional clothing to keep warm, ice scraper, extra windshield wiper, antifreeze, a lightweight shovel, bag of sand or cat litter for traction, a blanket, first aid kit, flashlight and reflective warning signs.
- Use a cellular phone to call for help.
- Stay with the car and run the engine periodically, but not continuously.
- Move your arms and legs to improve your circulation and to keep warm.
- Consider the outside temperature and wind chill before leaving your vehicle.
- Most importantly, do not run your engine continuously, especially if snow is accumulating rapidly or if you're stuck in a snow bank. If snow accumulates and blocks your exhaust pipe, you are at risk of carbon monoxide poisoning.

- News Canada



Rob's Automotive Services Inc.

We offer a complete line of
Automotive Service Repairs
• Safety Checks • Tune-ups • Brakes • Alignments

'Specializing in Ford products'



8624 Bank St., Vernon 613-821-5050

FRANCIS FUELS

WINCHESTER SERVICE CENTRE

Mon.-Fri. 6-7; Sat. 7-7; Sun. 8-6

Winter Tires in stock and we can install them!

Your One-Stop Shop:

Full Service Gas Bar, Tire Sales & Service & Car Wash, Convenience Store, Ice Cream, Empty Bottle Dealer and Chip Wagon

U-HAUL RENTALS NOW AVAILABLE

12273 St. Lawrence, Winchester • 774-0902

Ron & Gaetane Blanchard, Proprietors

EMBRUN CO-OP GARAGE

CO-OP

920 NOTRE-DAME, EMBRUN 443-3215 Ext. 5

Open Monday-Friday 8 am-5:30 pm; Saturday 8 am-12 noon

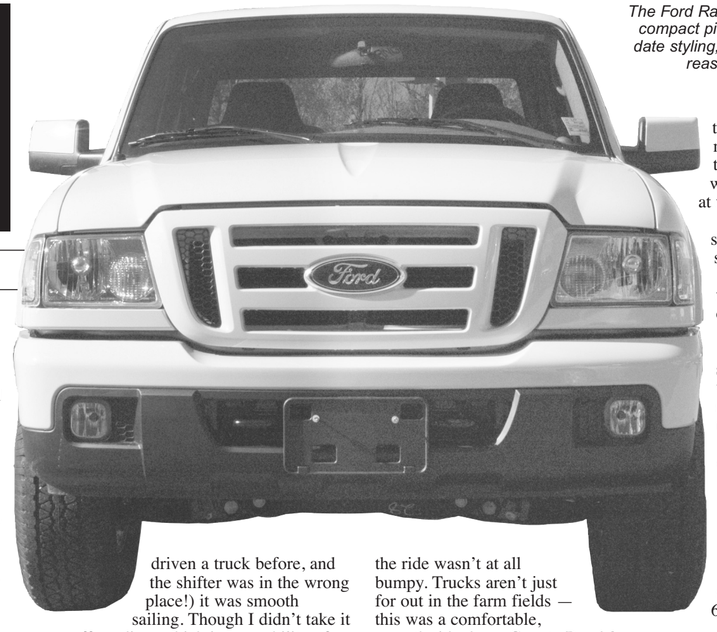
Preventive Maintenance
General Repairs



Cars, Trucks & Heavy Trucks
Hydraulic Hoses
Safety Inspection Station
Fuel Injection and Electronic Repairs

The *Press* tries out the newest Ford Ranger

Press reporter Meghan Duncan headed to Embrun for her first experience behind the wheel of a pickup truck.



The Ford Ranger is the company's best-selling compact pickup. It's standard features, up-to-date styling, and affordable lease rates are all reasons the Ranger is a popular truck.
Press Photo — Duncan

by Meghan Duncan
Press staff

EMBRUN — While I've been in the passenger seat of a few pickup trucks in my time, I've never actually driven one. That was until Fri., Oct. 21, when the staff at Embrun Ford handed over the keys to a 2006 Ford Ranger four-by-four XLT sport.

The color? Yellow. On the bright side, everyone saw me coming! They didn't look too frightened, either.

The Ranger is the smallest of the Ford pickup trucks. Yet, to someone who drives a compact car on a daily basis, it felt really big.

Once I figured out the gear shift (I know, I know, it's an automatic — but I'd never driven a truck before, and the shifter was in the wrong place!) it was smooth sailing. Though I didn't take it off-roading, which is a capability of the four-by-four model I was driving, the ride wasn't at all bumpy. Trucks aren't just for out in the farm fields — this was a comfortable, smooth ride down County Road 3.

It cornered well, and when it was time to head back to the lot, I managed a smooth three-point turn with no hassle at all. (Don't worry, I was on a quiet side road at this point.)

I loved driving it. I felt safe sitting up higher — I could see several cars ahead.

The V-6 engine seemed to have twice the power of my little four-cylinder car, and though it didn't accelerate as fast as what I'm used to, the throttle response was still quick and the acceleration was really smooth — the closely spaced gear ratios are to thank for that.

I was somewhat nervous driving this "thing" — so nervous, in fact, I forgot to check out the stereo. But the Ranger does come with the option of a factory installed 290-watt system with a subwoofer and in-dash six-disc CD/MP3 changer. The standard option is still a decent 60-watt one-disc system.

• continued on next page

FIREBALL PERFORMANCE AUTOMATICS INC.

AUTOMATIC & STANDARD TRANSMISSION REPAIRS

Specializing in computerized transmissions with overdrive and front-wheel drive

RR 3, WILLIAMSBURG
ONTARIO, K0C 2H0
535-2112

BRISTER Group INSURANCE

BRISTER INSURANCE BROKERS LTD.
BRISTER LIFE INSURANCE LTD.
BUSH-ARMSTRONG INSURANCE BROKERS LTD.

WINCHESTER
473 Main Street
774-2832

PRESCOTT
270 Edward Street
925-5901

MORRISBURG
Village Plaza, 543-3731

CRYSLER
12 Queen Street, 987-2117

WINCHESTER TIRE SALES

(Div. Akcent Motor Sales Inc.)

12032 DAWLEY DRIVE, WINCHESTER 774-0718

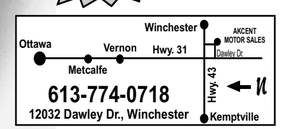
Open Mon.-Thurs. 8 am-7 pm, Fri. & Sat. 9 am-5 pm

PASSENGER AND LIGHT TRUCK TIRES INSTALLED AND BALANCED

COMPARE OUR PRICES!

USED CAR AND TRUCK CENTRE
• Auto Sales • Express Lube • Tire Sales • Car Care • General Mechanical Repairs
• All Makes of Tires Available

NEW! ELECTRONIC RUST CONTROL MODULES
'THE LATEST IN TECHNOLOGY IN PROTECTING YOUR VEHICLE'



COME IN AND SEE OUR VARIETY OF WINTER TIRES AT GREAT PRICES!

National Tire MICHELIN GOODYEAR KUMHO TIRES

12032 DAWLEY DRIVE, WINCHESTER 774-0718

The newest Ford Ranger

• continued from previous page

The four door SuperCab can accommodate two extra passengers with centre-facing rear jumps seats that fold against the rear wall of the cab, providing a secure place for cargo. If the cargo you're carrying is human in nature, the manual passenger side air bag comes equipped with a deactivation switch that allows a child to ride safely in the passenger seat, or a child safety to be used.



If you prefer to pull things behind the truck, the Ranger's rear bumper can handle trailer loads of up to 2,000 pounds. When properly equipped, the Ranger has a towing capacity of 5,980 pounds.

The Ranger is the best selling compact pickup truck in the world — maybe because it's affordable.

"This is the best vehicle to lease right now," explained Embrun Ford sales manager Francois Larocque. "The Ranger and the Escape are our best sellers this year so far. It's the best value for your money."

General sales manager Joel Paquette said that it's hard to know the demographics of the people who tend to like the Ranger.

"Everybody loves them," he said. "It's more a truck for someone who doesn't need a full size. I'd say most of our Ranger customers are between 25 and 35 years old."

Larocque said that Embrun Ford sells a lot of pickup trucks in all sizes.

"We're the truck people," he said.

The Ranger is the smallest Ford truck, followed by the quarter-ton F-150, the half-ton F-250, and the three-quarter-ton F-350.

Though I never had anything against pickups, my little spin around Embrun made it clear to me: trucks are pretty cool. And apparently I'm not the only woman who thinks so. Times have changed. No vehicle manufacturer today designs trucks with only men in mind.

Every major brand now has women contributing to the design and engineering of pickups. As a result, female-friendly features are being incorporated, such as adjustable brake and gas pedals, easier step-in and step-out, more storage compartments, bigger passenger cabins, and more car-like rides. These are the types of features that don't detract from the toughness or solidity of the trucks; in fact, they improve truck driving for both genders.

In my experience with the Ranger, the ride was very comfortable. At five-foot two-inches, I had to slide the seat forward, but was able to see the dashboard clearly and the front of the vehicle without a stretch. The seat wasn't too big — it didn't hit the back of my calves and the adjustable headrest wasn't too high. The seat belts were also adjustable, which, for short drivers is always an asset. The Ranger is also equipped with a tilt steering column, making it easier for any driver to feel comfortable behind the wheel.

According to Ford, women buy between 15 and 20 per cent of its trucks, with more women buying compact pickups like the Ranger. Ford's average female pickup buyer is in her early 40s.

Trucks are no longer just for macho off-roaders and construction crews. In North Dundas Township and surrounding areas, there are lots of pickup trucks — do your own survey and see just how many are being driven by women.

So while truck advertisements still don't target us, know for certain that there are plenty of women behind the design — and behind the wheel — of many makes and models of pickup trucks.

My suggestion is the Ranger. But then again, that's the only one I've experienced so far.

Special thanks to the staff at Embrun Ford, especially Francois Larocque for manning the camera while I was behind the wheel.

WEEGAR AUTO REPAIRS
401 X N HWY. 31
General repairs • Brakes • Exhaust systems
Front end inspections • Safety checks
Undercoat & oil spray
CLASS "A" MECHANIC
Hwy. 31, RR1, Morrisburg Tel. 613-543-4582
Owned and operated by Brent Weegar

FRED HILL INSURANCE LTD.
Corner Hwys. 2 & 31
Morrisburg
Your Insurance Broker Understands
543-3069 • 1-800-698-7481

Ted
Moe
Jeff
Lorena
Gas, Oil, Tires, etc.
Box 1, Vernon, Ontario
821-1946
A&T Service
General Automotive Repairs

Signature DRIVING SCHOOL ÉCOLE DE CONDUITE
Morrisburg/Winchester/Kemptville
3 LOCATIONS TO SERVE YOU BETTER
MTO Approved Driver Training Course Provider
One-on-one in-car instruction
Pick-up and drop-off at your door
25 hours of theory, 10 hours of practical
Completion of this course reduces your G2 waiting period from 12 months to 8 months
1-800-206-9920
www.signaturedriving.ca
We specialize in refresher courses for G1 and G2 Exit Road Tests, as well as retraining for adult and senior drivers

FRAME STRAIGHTENING
COLOR MATCHING
INSURANCE CLAIMS
CERTIFIED BODYSHOP
• Collision and Restoration Work • Truck Caps & Liners
• Auto, Truck and Van Accessories • Hitches
• Windshield Repair and Replacement
Gaetan's AUTO CENTRE
671-B Notre-Dame
Embrun
(Across from Giant Tiger)
613-443-5799

Tips to lower the cost of winter driving

by Dan Bagyan
of Signature Driving School

WINCHESTER – With the ever increasing cost of fuel prices for our vehicles, Canadians are starting to ask questions like "What can I do to save fuel?" and "How can I keep from wasting gas in winter?" Here are some important tips that can help keep your money in your pocket where it belongs!



Mistake #1: Idling

One of the most common mistakes we make in winter is idling our car. Almost all of us are guilty of letting our car "warm up" in the morning for 10 or 20 minutes, so we don't have to enter into a cold car in the morning.

Did you know that this is actually harder on your vehicle? The car may feel warmer inside, but the engine isn't warming up quickly. All of the cooler oil is still sitting down low in the oil pan, and the engine is running with less lubrication, making it work harder, and therefore use more fuel. Your car warms up faster if you drive it; but remember, if the engine is still cool, don't accelerate hard or you can damage it (and waste even more fuel).

Use a block heater on a timer when the temperature drops below 0 C (32 F). A block heater warms the oil and engine coolant, making it easier to start your vehicle and improving winter fuel economy by as much as 10 per cent. Set your block heater on a timer to switch on two hours before you plan to drive.

Idling for 10 minutes a day can produce about a quarter tonne of CO_2 emissions each year and cost you about $70 in wasted fuel. If you stop for more than 10 seconds, except in traffic, turn off your engine and save.

Mistake #2: Speeding

We know that speeding in snowy, blustery weather is a dangerous choice. But how does it affect your fuel consumption? With most vehicles, increasing your cruising speed from 100 kilometres per hour to 120 kilometres per hour will increase fuel consumption by about 20 per cent. Speeding also reduces the life of your tires. On the highway, use cruise control to maintain a steady speed and reduce fuel consumption.

Another change you can make is to switch to a better fuel choice. Ethanol-blended fuels have been around for years, but a lot of us are afraid to put it in our cars. Consumers are wary of using an ethanol blend in their vehicle because it is new and different. Ten per cent ethanol-blended gasoline is now available at more than 1,000 service stations across Canada. It may be used in any vehicle manufactured in 1980 or later, and you fill up your vehicle the same way you would with gasoline. Ethanol fuels are able to absorb more water than a small bottle of gasoline antifreeze, therefore eliminating the need and expense of adding a bottle with every tank (saving you more money).

The other fluid that is just as vital to your vehicle's health is oil.

Switching to synthetic oil for your engine has many benefits. Synthetic oil lasts two to five times longer than conventional oil, requiring fewer oil changes (with some of today's cars, every 15-20,000 km, compared to 5,000 km with conventional oil). Synthetic oils have high resistance to changes in viscosity due to temperature changes. As a result, synthetic oil permits better cold weather performance and longer endurance — your car or truck starts easier in cold weather and lasts longer.

Save yourself the hassle next time the gas prices go up. Don't run your car unnecessarily. Don't speed! Speeding costs you gas. Leave 10 minutes early, and then you won't feel like you have to speed to get to work on time. Change to a fuel and oil more suited to Canadian weather. Finally, clean all the ice and snow off your car. Snow and ice are extra weight, and extra weight is extra cargo, which burns extra fuel. Plus it creates more drag, making your car less aerodynamic. If your car works harder, it burns more fuel. Help it get you there safely, and with a few more dollars in your pocket.

STAGRA AUTOMOTIVE LTD
NASCAR SALE
Saturday, December 3
9:00 am-9:00 pm
1375 Greely Lane, Greely
613-821-0238
E-mail: stagra@magma.ca
PRE WINTER SPECIAL FOR ONLY $44.95
You receive:
• Lube, Oil & Filter • Tire Inspection • Tire Rotation
• Brake Inspection • Coolant Check • Battery & Charging System Check • Cooling System Check
• Windshield Wiper Check
• Checking All Major Belts & Hoses • Ignition System Check
For only $44.95 for most makes & models
ONTARIO'S DRIVE CLEAN
Accredited Test & Repair Facility

The right people. The right equipment. The right parts.
And the right service specials.
When you visit your neighborhood Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep retailer for regular maintenance, you put your vehicle in the hands of specially trained technicians who understand your Chrysler, Dodge or Jeep vehicle better than anyone else.
W.J.L. BOYD & Sons Ltd. CHRYSLER –Since 1936– Jeep DODGE FIVE STAR
Same Family, Same Location, Serving You for Over 65 Years
Oil, Lube and Filter
Includes: Up to 5 litres of Mopar Oil; Mopar Oil Filter; Lube (where applicable); 15-point visual inspection
From $32.95 Plus tax
Environmental handling charges may apply
Buy 3 Tires* Get the 4th Tire FREE!
Available on our full line of tires including: BFGoodrich Momentum GOODYEAR
*See dealer for details
Peace-of-Mind Service Package
Multi-point Peace-of-Mind Inspection including:
☑Check Brakes
☑Check Exhaust System
☑Check Electrical System
☑Check Cooling System
☑Check Suspension
☑Top-up of Washer Fluid and Check Other Fluid Conditions
☑Written Report on Findings and much more
PLUS ☑Tire Rotation
PLUS ☑Lube, Oil and Filter Change
On now for only $45.95
Environmental handling charge will apply
Only at your neighborhood Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge Retailer. Convenient and affordable.
567 St. Lawrence Street
Winchester 774-2520
SERVICE HOURS: Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri. 8 am-5 pm; Tues. 8 am-7 pm
SALES HOURS: Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am-7 pm; Fri. 8:30 am-5pm; Sat. 9 am-3 pm
BODY SHOP FACTORY QUALITY WORKMANSHIP WE HANDLE INSURANCE CLAIMS

The latest in anti-rust technology

WINCHESTER — There's a new way to protect your vehicle from rust and the product is available at Akcent Motor Sales/Winchester Tire Sales in Winchester. In lab tests the Electric Corrosion Control Module has been shown to reduce corrosion by up to 99.7 per cent on automotive sheet metal panels.

"The concept behind the new technology is simple," said Derek Taylor of Akcent Motor Sales, pointing out that a similar process has been used for years to protect ocean vessels and underground pipes.

The small black box, which fits in the palm of a hand, is installed under the hood of a vehicle and sends out a pulse current to the grounded body panels. It draws a small amount of DC power from the vehicle's battery, and directs it through a microprocessor converting it into AC current. Though it draws a small amount of power from the vehicle battery, the unit is built to shut off when battery power is low.

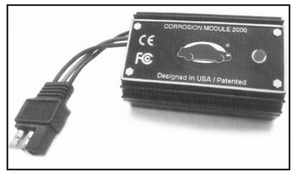
Taylor explained that rust corrosion is basically an electro-chemical reaction between two chemically opposite elements (oxygen and metal). The Electric Corrosion Control Module delivers a protective negative ion charge throughout the vehicle to cause a chemical reaction that counteracts the rusting process.

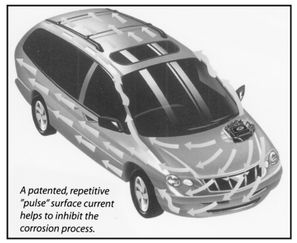
"People have to break with traditional thinking," said Taylor, pointing out that technological advancements are continuous in all areas of life from medicine to the automotive industry.

There are many advantages to this new rust-proofing technology. The Electric Corrosion Control Module can protect areas of a vehicle that traditional sprays can't get to. There's no need for messy applications year after year, and no need to drill holes in your car.

"It's simple, cost-effective, environmentally friendly, and it works," said Taylor.

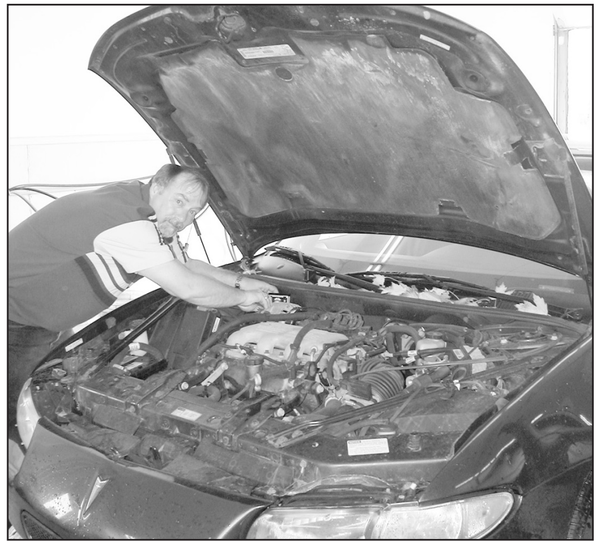
This unit's appeal is enhanced by its one time cost and the fact that it can be transferred from vehicle to vehicle. Akcent Motor Sales/Winchester Tire Sales, is offering the Electric Corrosion Control Module for a limited time introductory price of $399, including installation. The regular price is $599.





"We're getting a lot of interest," said Taylor, indicating that he's already sold some units.

The product does come with a warranty against rust perforation. For a vehicle up to two years old, the warranty covers the life of the vehicle. For a three- to five-year-old vehicle, the warranty is 10 years. A six-year-old vehicle is covered for six years, and a seven-year-old vehicle is covered for five years. The warranty requires an annual inspection of the Electric Corrosion Control Module, for which there is no cost.



Derek Taylor of Akcent Motor Sales/Winchester Tire Sales demonstrates the ease of installation of the Electric Corrosion Control Module — the latest technology in vehicle rust-proofing. The Winchester business has just begun offering the innovative product.

Press Photo — James

CLARMO AUTO REPAIR
Jamie Clarmo
821-2286
FULL SERVICE GARAGE
Specializing in Customer Service
CAR WASH OPEN 24 HOURS
7893 VICTORIA ST., METCALFE

The benefits of alternative fuels

Ethanol is a liquid alcohol made from corn and wheat that is blended with gasoline to produce a fuel that is friendlier to the environment than gasoline and can be used in virtually any gasoline-powered vehicle made after 1980. It is a renewable fuel because it is produced from plants. A number of studies show that on a full life cycle, it can produce lower levels of carbon monoxide emissions. Ethanol reduces greenhouse gas emissions because the grains used to make it absorb carbon dioxide as it grows.

Biodiesel is an alternative to diesel fuel that is made from vegetable oils, waste cooking oil, animal fats or tall oil (a waste product from pulp and paper processing). Compared with conventional diesel, biodiesel combusts better and produces fewer greenhouse gas emissions.

To learn more about alternative fuels go to www.vehicles.gc.ca.

Shamouscustomz©
613 821 3640
www.shamouscustomz.com
REMOTE STARTERS
THE MOST RECOGNIZED NAME IN VEHICLE SECURITY
VIPER© 160xv
$249.00 installed!
- Two remotes
- Turbo-timer built-in
- XHF receiver for maximum range
*791 VIPER transmitter
From $169.95 installed!
AUTOSTART©
FULL PRODUCT LINE
New vehicle warranty safe!
- 1,000 ft. range
- Cold weather start timer
- Canadian made
Lifetime warranty on parts and installation
6785 Bank Street, Metcalfe 613-821-3640

Fuel-efficient driving pointers from the pros

Learning how to drive with fuel efficiency in mind is actually safer, cheaper and better for the environment.

No wonder, then, that tens of thousands of student drivers across Canada are being instructed about fuel efficiency in the classroom and on the road, thanks to an innovative driver education program by Natural Resources Canada called "Auto$mart – A New Point of View". The course teaches the ins and outs of buying, driving and maintaining a fuel-efficient vehicle and why that's better for the environment.



Here are some tips for driving smarter, safer and greener:

• Reduce your speed. Increasing your speed from 100 km/h to 120 km/h consumes 20% more fuel, so slow down and drive more safely. It's better for the environment, too.

• Don't drive aggressively. Quick acceleration, hard braking and aggressive driving increase fuel consumption by up to 39% – which has an environmental impact and shortens trips between fill-ups.

• Drive smooth and steady. Anticipate traffic disruptions, and leave plenty of space between you and the vehicle ahead of you. It's not just better for your fuel economy; it's easier on your brake pads and is a lot safer.

• Drive only when you need to. Leave your vehicle at home whenever possible by walking, biking, roller-blading, carpooling or taking the bus to nearby locations. If you have to drive, combine your errands and plan the most fuel-efficient route in advance.

• Use cruise control. Use cruise control on dry, flat, wide-open highways to help improve fuel efficiency by maintaining an even speed.

• Limit air conditioning. Air conditioning causes vehicles to burn more fuel, so use it only when absolutely necessary – such as highway driving on hot days. In the city, roll down your windows or open the vents to keep cool.

These and other driving tips on conserving fuel are available on the Natural Resources website vehicles.gc.ca.

With the price of gas these days, drivers are looking for any way they can to limit their fuel consumption. It's also good for the environment as it sends fewer greenhouse gases into the air.

- News Canada

Summers Insurance Brokers Inc.
An Independent Insurance Broker Covers You Best
John Adams, President
In Business Over 60 Years
• HOME • AUTO
• COMMERCIAL • FARM
532 Main Street West
Winchester • 774-2515

TERRY'S AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES
Car Sales • Towing • MTO Inspections
TERRY TURCOTTE
613-258-5800
• General Repairs (Tune-ups, Brakes, Exhaust, etc.)
• Domestic & Imports
• Computer Diagnostics
• Fuel Injection Service
• Alignments
RR#5, 2525 Hwy. 43 at Sommerville Rd.
Kemptville

Check your tires

Proper tire inflation critical for safe driving

Nothing can be more frustrating, or potentially dangerous, than running on a flat tire. Yet many Canadian drivers fail to adequately inflate their tires, or check them regularly. The consequences can be expensive, harmful to the environment, and in some cases, deadly.

Seven simple tips

Here are seven simple tips for maintaining your tires and ensuring your safety:

• Measure your tire pressure once a month, every month of the year, including the spare

• Use a good quality tire gauge, even if you have a tire pressure monitoring system. A visual check is not effective enough. Monitor tread wear for signs of uneven wear

• Inspect tires for damage and embedded objects that could cause a leak

• Measure your tire pressure when tires are "cold", meaning they have been stationary for three hours or have not been driven more than two kilometers.

• The correct tire pressure is listed on the vehicle placard and NOT on the sidewall of the tire. Check the owner's manual for the location of the placard. Remember, over-inflation can be dangerous, too.

• Have your tires maintained regularly, including tire rotation, balancing and alignment.

You can save two weeks worth of gas a year and help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change just by keeping your tires properly inflated. To make sure you have all the right information on tire inflation, go to the Natural Resources Canada website www.vehicles.gc.ca

- News Canada

WOODY'S KROWN RUST CONTROL
KROWN PROTECT. MAINTAIN. SAVE.
Formerly Johansen Truck & Auto Centre
Gary Klein-Swormink, Proprietor
2677 County Rd. #31, Winchester
613-774-2806
E-mail: woodys@storm.ca
How do you protect your vehicle?
KROWN Protect. Maintain. Save.
Krown is Canada's #1 rust control company.
Call (613) 774-2806
RR #4 Hwy 31 South, Winchester, ON

A family affair: Van Noppens celebrate 25 years in the automotive industry

by Matthew Barbour

WINCHESTER — In 1980, Bob Van Noppen came to a crossroad in his life. He found himself in the position of having to choose between his career and his family. At the time, he was employed as a service manager with a car dealership in Ottawa and found that his work was consuming more of his attention he desired, and the time it took to travel between Winchester and Ottawa was a consideration as well.

Van Noppen was a certified mechanic and had training and education in business management. So, with the goal of being closer to his family, he opened Winchester Automotive Services in October of 1980.

The ideal location for his new venture turned out to be a gas station with two service bays on County Road 43, just west of Winchester. The property had been unoccupied for the previous two years.

As an exploratory move, the premises were leased, rather than purchased outright. However, the gas pumps remained idle for two years.

"Repair and service were the main focus of the business from day one," said Van Noppen. Confident of his future at that location, he purchased the property in 1982 and gasoline started flowing from the pumps. Seven years later, it was necessary to expand the service area with an additional six bays and to hire more automotive technicians.

"They are no longer called mechanics and rightfully so," Van Noppen said, indicating that so much more knowledge is required these days to deal with the complex electronic systems in automobiles.

Over the years, every member of the family became involved in the business in one way or another. Van Noppen's wife, Jannie, had been taking care of the bookkeeping during evenings and weekends, but by 1990, she found the task could not be handled on a part-time basis so she joined the company to work full time.

Each of the five Van Noppen children gained experience in the service station business as well. "By the time they reached Grade 7 or 8, they wanted part-time jobs to earn some money," said their father. They started out by pumping gasoline.

Later, daughter Marieke was looking for a job while she continued her studies in university and became the very first person to work in the newly-opened detailing bay at the service centre.

By the early 1990s, it became apparent that two sons, Dave and Phil, were serious about continuing in the automotive business. In 1995, Van Noppen opened a second garage in Morrisburg.

"I wanted the boys to have a choice of running separate businesses or working together," he said. "In the end, they decided to work together." As a result, the Morrisburg location was sold in 2002.

Dave and Phil run the business on County Road 43 entirely on their own now. Their mother still comes in two or three days each week for the bookkeeping, but their dad is pursuing other interests and shows up only when one of the sons needs some time off.

The elder Van Noppen is very proud that his sons are continuing in his footsteps, providing quality service and value to the community.

The business offers a full line of automotive services including electronic and computer diagnosis and repair, front-end alignment, exhausts, brakes, tires, wheel balancing, tune-ups, oil changes, and more. The Van Noppens service all makes and models of cars and trucks and also have a car wash and detailing service. Winchester Automotive Services is certified to offer emissions testing and safety inspections.

The business places a strong emphasis on customer satisfaction. Details like workmanship guarantees, loaner cars and complimentary coffee help make vehicle repairs or servicing easier to cope with.

Winchester Automotive Services celebrated its 25th anniversary on Oct. 22 with an open house.



Dave Van Noppen, with mother Jannie, father Bob and brother Phil greeted friends, customers and well wishers during the 25th Anniversary celebrations at Winchester Automotive Services on Oct. 22.

Photos — Barbour



Arthur Powell (left) and his mother, Betty, were among the many friends who came by to congratulate Bob Van Noppen and his family during the 25th Anniversary celebrations at Winchester Automotive Services on Sat., Oct. 22.



At the 25th anniversary celebrations of Winchester Automotive Services, four-year-old Caleb Smith and his 10-year-old brother Eric were among the youngsters who played with radio controlled cars.

B & L METALS



MOBILE CAR CRUSHER
SCRAP IRON AND METAL
EXCAVATOR RENTAL (WITH OPERATOR)

DAVE BISSONNETTE
Owner/Operator
Cell. 613-551-6486

ANDY LUBBERS
Owner/Operator
Cell. 613-551-8046

Glengarry Office, Evenings: 613-527-5670 or 613-525-4946
E-mail: bisswar@aol.com

NAPA AUTO PARTS

PARCOLL PRODUCTS LTD.

WINCHESTER	MORRISBURG	KEMPTVILLE	PRESCOTT
580 Main St. W	Hwy. 2	RR3	920 Edward St.
774-2366	543-2929	258-2525	925-4223

NAPA Get the Good Stuff

R&S Glass Shop

Your Auto, Commercial and Home Glass Specialists
Your Truck & Car Accessory Centre
Your Hitch Headquarters

Running Boards • Aluminum or Fiberglass
Ventshades • Buggers • Tinting

We can help you create your own space with a cap, lid and roll top covers, hitches and trailers



216 Van Buren St.
KEMPTVILLE
258-5222

R&S Glass Shop

12054 Main St. W.
WINCHESTER
774-6854

1-888-891-2886 www.rsglass.ca

In a perfect world, you wouldn't need Fix Auto.



In a perfect world, you could bounce off opposing cars and high five your friends on the freeway. In our world, you need Fix Auto.

- Fast and direct settlement with your insurance company.
- Lifetime warranty on all repairs.
- Free collision assistance 24 hours a day – 7 days a week.

In case of an accident, simply call **1-800-INFO-FIX.**

Fix Auto Ottawa South, operated by **D's Collision Center**

"The Region's Premiere Collision Center"
Dawley Drive, Winchester
613-774-2733
1-800-663-9264 • Fax: 613-774-0407
FREE PICK-UP AND DELIVERY

D's COLLISION CENTER

Dennis Carkner Manager
CUSTOMER SATISFACTION APPROVED

fix AUTO COLLISION
The New Generation of Body Shop
www.fixauto.com

Osgoode Tire Sales wants to remind you to

Leave the sliding to your kids...
NOT your car!



Uniroyal Tiger Paw® Ice & Snow™
Keep your vehicle on the prowl this winter with the Uniroyal Tiger Paw® Ice & Snow™



Michelin X-Ice
Conquer the roads this winter with the new Michelin X-Ice

Kendall. *Why not give your vehicle the gift of Kendall Motor Oil this year?*

Osgoode Tire Sales
2605 Stagecoach Road, Osgoode 613-821-2953