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The Road Not Taken by Robert Frost

Two roads diverged in a yellow wood,
And sorry I could not travel both
And be one traveler, long I stood
And looked down one as far as I could
To where it bent in the undergrowth;

Then took the other, as just as fair,
And having perhaps the better claim,
Because it was grassy and wanted wear;
Though as for that the passing there
Had worn them really about the same,

And both that morning equally lay
In leaves no step had trodden black.
Oh, I kept the first for another day!
Yet knowing how way leads to way,
I doubted if I should ever come back.

I shall be telling this with a sigh
Somewhere ages and ages hence:
Two roads diverged in a wood, and I —
I took the one less traveled by,
And that has made all the difference.



Free offer! Free offer!





CURRENT 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS WELCOMING PCC PARTICIPATION

September 8 - September 12

5th Annual Pacific Early 6 Cylinder Tour – Jackson, CA

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Jackson, CALIFORNIA

Come join in with us on a four-day tour of the beautiful Sierras and the gold country of California. We will be touring several historic areas, including the mining towns of Columbia and Sutter Creek and the town of Lone. The tour will be limited to 35 Chevys only from 1929-41. The host hotel will be the Jackson Rancheria Casino resort with the RV park near the casino. For more info, contact Rod McCarthy at 805-588-1539 or r.l.mccarthy@ hotmail.com or Bruce DeFord at 360-904-7935 or decevy32@gmail.com.

September 11

St. Albans, NEW YORK Car Show hosted by the Queens County Region

Open to all makes, models, antiques, classics, trucks and hot rods. New York State Veterans Home, 178-50 Linden Blvd., St. Albans, NY 11434. Gates open at 8:00 a.m. \$15.00 per car day of show. Free breakfast and lunch will be provided. Three trophy winners will be selected by the Veterans Home residents and employees. No rain date. No Pre-registration required. All vehicles must have a fire extinguisher and insurance. For more info, please contact Sebastian at srdagostino@aol.com or 917 837-5383 or Howie at hfishman52@aol.com or 516 662-9379.

September 16 - September 21

18th Annual Southwest Fall Tour – Colorado Springs, CO

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Colorado Springs, COLORADO

Come join us for a fun filled tour of Colorado Springs and the Pikes Peak Region located in the heart of the Rocky Mountains! Visiting the Garden of the Gods Park, riding the Broadmoor Manitou and Pikes Peak Cog Railway, touring the Glen Eyrie Castle and experiencing a chuck wagon dinner at the Flying W Ranch are just some of the fun activities planned. And of course, we will be enjoying the beauty of the region from the front seat of our vintage vehicles. Limited to 1912-1954 Chevrolets and GMCs. Registration deadline is August 15, 2024. For more info, contact Dean Echols at deanechols38@gmail.com or 928-710-4325.

Rip a fender

October 13

20th Annual All Chevrolet Car Show – Costa Mesa CA

Costa Mesa, CALIFORNIA 20th Annual All Chevrolet Car Show hosted by the Orange County Region. VCCA National and PCC Judging. Connell Chevrolet, 2626 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa, CA. 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

For more info: Registration Chair Susan Hergenreter at 714-814-7938 or registration@ocrvcca.org Meet Chair Denis Hergenreter at 714-746-4200 or carshow@ocrvcca.org Chief Judge Jim Karras at 714-336-0212 or judging@ocrvcca.org. Visit ocrvcca.org for more details.

October 14 - October 18

20th Annual Southern Fall Tour – Wichita KS

October 14-18, 2024 | Wichita, KANSAS 20th Annual Southern Fall Tour. Visit, touch and learn about one of only two airworthy B-29 Flying Fortresses. Ride a 1949 vintage carousel, walk and dine among the dinosaurs, visit a Wild West cow town re-creation that has been used in several movies, hand feed exotic animals and more. Spend a week touring and experiencing the greater Wichita, KS area in your pre-1955 Chevy or GMC. Tour is limited to 40 vehicles, so register early.

For more info: Chip Sweet at 979-233-1600, chevychip@yahoo.com or PO Box 201, Lake Jackson, TX or Tiny Thomas at vccatiny@outlook.com

November 1 - November 2

2024 Eastern National Meet – Virginia Beach, VA

NOVEMBER 1-2, 2024 Virginia Beach, VIRGINIA
2024 Eastern National Meet

Join us for some casual southern hospitality at the America's Auto Auction facility after the summer heat and crowds have left!

Friday Nov. 1 afternoon and evening:

Show field & trailer parking open, field check and Meet check-in available followed by dinner & VCCA Judging Seminar.

Saturday, Nov. 2:

Show field & trailer parking open, field check and Meet check-in, food available, show with National VCCA and Personalized Chevrolet Chapter judging (or display only) for all 1999 and older Chevrolets and GMCs, followed by the awards presentation. For full information including registration, judging guidelines and lodging, contact Meet Chair: Robert Parrish
1221 Smokey Mountain Trail, Chesapeake, VA 23320-8151.

bowtiebobp@aol.com (preferred) 757-739-1608 (Eastern)

Pre-registration required by October 11, 2024. For missed deadline, contact Meet Chair to check for availability. Early registration appreciated.

Off your car



The Petersen Museum Tour

August 24, 2024 Written by Gary Howard

Five member of the Orange County Vintage Chevrolet Region left Enderle Center in Tustin for the drive to the museum. Jim Long and Jean Burns in their beautiful 53 Bel Air, Wayne Mc Kennin, Tom Clark, and I driving my 2006 Chevy Truck. Traffic was light and it took only about an hour to reach the museum. We were joined there by other VCCA Region members.

We drove into the parking structure next to custom 50 Era Chevys, the chrome and the paint of these cars was amazing! What a way to start the tour.

The museum has 3 floors, with every kind of vehicle you can imagine, cars, trucks, race cars and even the Batmobile. All and all a great day. If you have never been to the Petersen, I would highly recommend it. My understanding is that they trade out the vehicles so that each visit is a different experience.

Only negative comment, there is only one place to have lunch near there on Wilshire Blvd. and the line was over a block long. We ended up driving back to Enderle Center for lunch.

My navigator Tom, helped me back to the freeway to Orange County. It took over 3 hours to get back. Yes, I would do it again but next time pack a lunch.



(Photo's provided by Jim Long and Jean Burns.)

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DRY ICE CLEANING

By Jeff Pettis

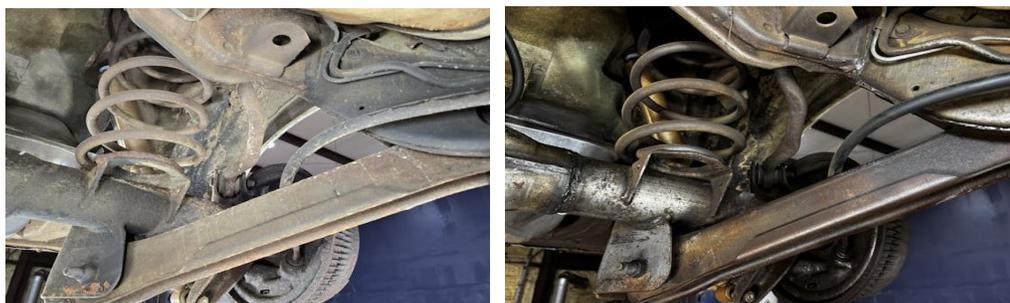
Have you ever wondered, “How can I strip the underbody of my vehicle without all of the mess and precautions of sand or plasti-blasting?” Well you can, BUT you probably won’t be doing it on your own. In comes the process of using DRY ICE to clean up and strip the undesirables of your car.

DRY ICE you say. Is that a new option? The answer is - It is not new and it is a viable option that requires much less protection of parts and property (garage space for instance) than sand blasting or plasti-blasting. Similar to plasti-blasting DRY ICE will not hurt your chrome unless it is already peeling and splitting. Dry-ice blasting is nonabrasive, non-conductive, nonflammable, and non-toxic. There is no dust and the only clean up required is the dirt left on the floor after the blasting. Eye protection, hand protection, and good ventilation are required. DRY ICE produces carbon dioxide

DRY ICE cleaning/stripping has been around since 1945 when the Navy used a form of DRY ICE for degreasing projects. At least five patents have been applied for with the most recent being 1988 for single hose blasting (Cold Jet) and in 2014 for a machine to make ice particles from blocks to fit in the applicator gun. (ICS, Ice Cleaning Systems)

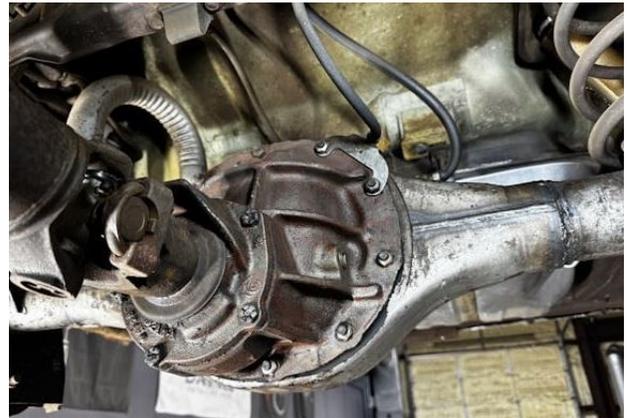
At this point in time, the units are very expensive and not suitable for do-it-yourselfers. But there are a number of mobile units out there, you just have to shop around. Single hose units do a better job of cleaning because the ice particles are accelerated to a faster speed and less likely to plug up like the two hose units. (For more information check out Cold Jet, LLC who developed the single hose system.)

The following pictures show the results that can be achieved using DRY ICE. The photo’s come from an article in Hagerty News from August 15th, 2024 called [Dry Ice Cleaning Is a Restorer’s Dream Come True](#) by Sajeev Mehta. You might want to check that article out for more details.



Rear Suspension

A half-pound jar



Rear Differential



Notice how DRY ICE is being applied to the fan shroud and how it is cleaning it back to new.

This may be an option to investigate if you are considering a less abrasive way of cleaning up your vehicle.



IDEAS FOR THE SHOP—Tips and Tricks

Have you ever jacked up your car and heard that terrible thunk when pumping the handle? What I have done is put a few pieces of pipe wrap (swimming noodles work also) around the jack handle.

Using sections of pipe wrap makes it easier to adjust the wrap on the handle as the vehicle goes up. Now you won't hear the thunk on the car but more importantly you are less likely to knick your vehicle or bumper.



As long as we are talking about jacks, the other little tip I have is placing a small piece of cardboard or carpet remnant on the top of the jack stand to set the axle on. You are less likely to leave scratches where you don't want them.

Please send me your tips and tricks so we can post them and we all can pick up some tricks.

(Jeff Pettis)



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