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INTERM REPORT

Happy Spring! Survivors of another harsh Canadian winter.

(well...ok it didn't seem that harsh this time round but we won't let on to the rest of the world – we need to keep up our Canadian image eh!).

Time to try and get the salt out of the floor mats and carpet, time to get the winter tires off and roll down the windows and enjoy some warm sunny fresh air.

We found this little magazine, Canadian Car Owner and thought you might be interested in it. Amazingly, it is totally Canadian. Written by Canadians who drive our Canadian roads in all the same kinds of weather we do (Actually they are all from Ontario – so they know exactly what we're faced with). They've got some informative, timely topics that we hope will be of some use to you. More great tips and useful car and tire stuff can be found at www.betiresmart.ca and www.carcarecanada.ca

We also found some information on tire rebates from the manufacturers. Just about every tire manufacturer has a Spring 2010 mail-in rebate promotion available. These rebates are available anywhere from March 20 to June 26 ranging in value from \$25 to \$180. So if you are in the market for a set of new tires this spring be sure to ask your dealer (or us) for details.

||||||| Salt Removal Tip

We've tried various ways and they're all pretty much the same... involve a fair bit of elbow grease and vinegar, or warm water, or rug shampoo, or baking soda, or wet/dry vac or bribe the kids/spouse or bite the bullet and pay a detailer to do it for you. Or all of the above.

||||||| Winter Tire Changeover Tip

We recommend those winter tires come off when the average day time temperatures get up around 7°C (which is....oh now!), and when the roads become clear and you don't think it will snow again....although sometimes those spring storms can fool us all.

||||||| Winter Tire Storage Tip

When tires are not in use, we recommend that they are stored indoors, out of direct sunlight or strong artificial light, away from heat and electrical motors(ozone).

We also recommend, if the tires are stored on their rims, that the tire pressures are reduced about 15psi to avoid distortions and cracking.

**So Happy Spring and Happy Motoring,
Canadian Winter Survivor.**



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