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Newsletter September 2018

2018 Directors

President: Ron Howard
Vice-President: Tony Herrera
Secretary: Paul Mitchell
Treasurer: Carol Misner
Sergeant-at-Arms: Patrick Smith
Past President (2017): Tony Herrera

Appointed Positions

Historian: Group Effort
Photographer: Group Effort
Sunshine: Sandee Anderson
Activities: David Allen
Event Reminder: Pat Dobson
Membership: Robert Thiel
Webmaster: Cathy York & Sharon Hook-Martino
Parade Coordinator: Dora Moore & Sheron Leigh

October Birthdays

1 st Florin Baldrige	19 th David Raskin
4 th Tom Agee	22 nd Darren Clark
4 th Wanda Babcock	26 th Ron Jones
5 th John Peterson	26 th Mathew Lounsbury
7 th Gene Walker	31 st Trudy Bignotti
8 th Elizabeth Baldrige	
8 th Julie Morgan	
11 th Roxanne Plew	
13 th Don Wilson	
15 th Jody Gerber	

October Anniversaries

3rd David & Angela Watton

SOCA Logo Apparel

Contact Tony Herrera at (541) 538-9706

Next Club Social

September 22: SOCA Social. Drive & Dinner. Detail TBA

Please RSVP to Pat Dobson at:

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Why Join SOCA?

- ☛ Promote esprit-de-corps among Corvette enthusiasts.
- ☛ Create interest in the Corvette as a true dual-purpose sports car.
- ☛ Provide a means of technical information and service to members.
- ☛ Encourage dealer and manufacturer cooperation.
- ☛ Organize and promote events of a social nature and provide social gatherings for enthusiasts with common interest.
- ☛ Sponsor or participate in activities to benefit the community through recognized charities as selected by the members of the Association.

Upcoming Meetings

General Membership Meeting, October 3, 2018, 7:00 PM
Rogue River Community Center, 132 Broadway St., Rogue River
Visitors are always welcome!



Relaxing at Diamond Lake on September 1



- September 15: SOCA "Jim Sigel Chevrolet Show & Shine"... 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM
- September 22: SOCA Social - Drive & dinner ... details TBA
- October 6: 28th Annual "Sea Cruise" Car Show in Crescent City, CA ... details TBA
- October 20: SOCA Social ... details TBA
- November 17: SOCA Social ... details TBA
- December 1: Grants Pass Christmas Parade ... details TBA
- December 8: 6:00 PM - SOCA Christmas Party ... Taprock Northwest Grill restaurant, Grants Pass, in the Evergreen room ... details TBA.

For additional events, information and links ... go to the S.O.C.A. website "Events Page:"

<https://www.sovette.com/events>



Corvettes on display at Diamond Lake



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HOW TO WASH MICROFIBER TOWELS – Chemical Guys (condensed)

Properly caring for microfiber towels is an important step to maintaining a scratch-free shine on any vehicle. Washing and drying microfiber towels properly ensures towels last longer, stay softer, and produce better results when detailing. Washing your towels incorrectly can ruin your towel collection and lead to poor results when detailing. The following is a complete guide on how to properly wash and dry your microfiber towels.

Separate Your Towels - There are many different types of microfiber towels for everything from interior detailing and drying, to wheels and engine bays. The different towels encounter unique types of dirt and contamination when working around the vehicle. Microfiber towels that are used for cleaning wheels are going to be dirtier than towels used to clean windows. Before washing your microfiber, it is good practice to separate your towels into specific groups such as interior, windows, wheels, exterior, engine bays, etc. Separating your towels reduces the chance of cross-contamination during the washing process. If you wash your waxing towels and your window cleaning towels in the same load, wax residue can become embedded in the window towels and can cause streaks when cleaning glass. Keep cotton and other materials out of the wash loads. Wash microfiber only with other microfiber.

Use Proper Microfiber Wash - A microfiber wash solution, available from Chemical Guys or professional detailing supply sources, is important to maintaining the condition of your microfiber. Generic liquid laundry detergent can be used but can make microfiber feel stiff and rough and may reduce the life and performance of microfiber towels. Microfiber specific washing solution is designed to safely remove dirt and contamination from your microfiber without harming the material is recommended to achieve the best results. Avoid “delicate” detergents like Woolite that are incorrectly recommended all over the web. Products in this category typically do not remove all the residues found in microfiber goods. **DO NOT USE FABRIC SOFTENER!** Fabric softener clogs and blocks liquids from being absorbed by the microfiber material. Always use a microfiber specific wash solution for best results.

Choose The Correct Wash Settings - After placing your microfiber load in the washing machine, select the “Hot” water temperature and the “regular” speed setting. Washing microfiber with hot water opens the fibers to release dirt and contamination. Add 1 oz. to 4 oz. (depending on load size) of Microfiber Wash to the machine. Use the extra rinse cycle (if available) to remove as much contamination and remaining soap as possible. Press “start” and allow the machine to do the work.

Drying The Microfiber - Machine drying is recommended to ensure the towels are clean, fluffy, and ready to detail. Set the drying temperature to “low” heat for best results. Do not dry microfiber goods on high heat. High heat on microfiber can fry the polyester in the microfiber, causing the towel to feel stiff and hard. Towels that are dried on high heat can lead to scratches and swirls when used on paintwork.

Fold & Storing Microfiber Goods - Properly fold and store the dry microfiber goods in a clean cabinet or container. Microfiber goods can easily hold dirt and dust. Storing the towels properly can ensure that no dirt, dust, or debris lands on your towels and you can achieve better results when detailing any vehicle.

Regular Cleaning - Your microfiber should be cleaned after every use. While it might be tempting to let that drying towel sit and use it again next weekend you run the risk of contamination causing swirls or letting something set into the towels that will be more difficult to remove later. Cleaning microfiber is usually the least enjoyable part of a detail, but in the end staying on top of your laundry just ensures that your towels will be at their best and ready when you are.



MICROFIBER PADS & APPLICATORS

Just like with towels, separate any extremely dirty or contaminated pads and wash separately to avoid cross contamination. Wash pads and applicators separate from towels. The foam backing and Velcro can become snagged and damaged during agitation by a towel in the same load. Use a brush to break up heavy, caked in, polish residues on pads before washing. A Microfiber Wash is preferred, but if using regular laundry soap be certain it is dye/perfume free. Set washer to a “warm” setting, not “hot.” Pads have a glue membrane that is sensitive to high heat so stick to “warm” wash water settings. Air dry all pads and applicators on a wire rack to maximize airflow and expedite drying.

HEAVY STAINS AND CONTAMINATION:

No matter what happens there are going to be occasions where a towel becomes extremely contaminated or stained from either something you removed from a vehicle (grease, oil, tar, etc.) or it becomes saturated with a product to the point there is some discoloration. In these situations pre-treating or, at the very minimum, pre-soaking the microfiber to keep these stains from setting in is key. Obviously, you can't stop mid-detail and clean your microfiber accessories, so here are some quick tips to help with heavier contamination on the fly.

- Pre-treat any towel that becomes heavily soiled with grease, oil, brake dust, etc. - spray liberally with “All Purpose Cleaner” or “Microfiber Revitalizer”. Soak the heaviest contamination and rub the towel against itself to agitate, and then set aside for cleaning later.
- Pre-soak towels to help start the cleaning process long before you get around to doing your detail laundry. Prep a separate bucket with clean water and add 2 to 3 ounces of “Microfiber Revitalizer”. As towels become too dirty to continue using, toss them into the pre-soak bucket. Place a grit guard, upside down on top of the towels to hold them in the solution as they try to float to the top.
- For microfiber polishing pads or applicators, use a pad conditioning brush or stiff brush to break up residues before they harden and set in. Pads can also be added to your pre-soak bucket if desired.
- If a towel becomes so contaminated it doesn't wash clean, it may be time to retire it to a new job. Rotate towels that have been heavily stained to less delicate tasks.



RED LINE WATER WETTER® COOLANT ADDITIVE

This product includes a unique agent that lowers coolant temperatures by up to 20°. It improves heat transfer and reduces cylinder head temperature by reducing or eliminating bubbles or vapor barrier that form on hot metal surfaces. The product is compatible with all ethylene- and propylene-glycol-based antifreeze, including Dex-Cool and long-life versions.

Advantages:

- Reduces or eliminates bubbles or vapor barrier that form on hot metal surfaces to reduce coolant temperatures by up to 20°
- Superior heat transfer properties compared to glycol-based antifreeze
- Compatible with new or used antifreeze (including DEX-COOL and long-life versions) to improve the heat transfer of ethylene- and propylene-glycol systems
- Improves heat transfer and reduces cylinder head temperature



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