

# What Weight Of Oil To Use In A Newer Car?

BY TOM AND RAY MAGLIOZZI

**Dear Tom and Ray:**  
I recently was advised to use a much lighter weight of oil than I am used to using. I was told I should use 5-20 weight oil in my 2007 Pontiac Solstice convertible. I grew up in Minnesota, where this was considered "winter weight" oil. For summer, we all went up to 20-40 or 30-50 weight. Now I live in northern Georgia, and 5-20 weight just sounds awfully thin — especially in summer. So, is the mechanic trying to ruin my engine? Or have things changed since I was 16? Thank you! — Richard

**TOM:** Things have changed since you were 16, Richard. I mean, start by taking a look at your hairline.  
**RAY:** Oils have changed, too. They've gotten significantly better in the past 30 years. The improvements in their ability to lubricate and resist high-temperature breakdown have allowed manufacturers to make engines that run on these lighter-weight oils. And lighter oils mean less internal engine friction, which means better gas mileage.

**TOM:** That's why Pontiac itself suggests you use 5W-20 in your Solstice. You can use a heavier oil if you want to, but you won't get



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the intended fuel economy, and in cold weather, you won't get the engine protection that your manufacturer is counting on.

**RAY:** So I'd use 5W-20, Richard. Since it's the manufacturer's recommended oil, it certainly won't do any harm to your engine.

**TOM:** If you're feeling adventurous, you can try some 5W-20 on your hairline, too. It probably won't grow hair, but from a distance, that black smear might be mistaken for a patch of new growth.

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# Admissions Of A Childhood Assassin

BY TOBIN BARNES

I was a killer in my youth. Yup, cold-blooded, cold-hearted. I killed flies. Man, I must have killed thousands. I can't say I feel any remorse, however. Both the flies and I were pawns in a bigger game. They played their part, I played mine. The flies swarming around the pop bottles in the wooden crates at our motel were a nuisance that drove my old man nuts...flies, and other things. So, anyway, the flies had to go. Though there were other fairly obvious solutions, I and my swatter were the closest to his mind.

That's why my old man would see me sitting around, doing nothing, maybe watching TV — just like him — and he'd send me out to do something productive instead, like summarily executing insects. He'd tell me to kill fifty. I suppose my old man could have told me to go out and kill flies until lunch or until supper or till the cows came home or until he told me to come back in, but such an amorphous sentence would have sounded like punishment, and he wasn't trying to punish me. He was giving me a job. Fifty flies.

It was a crappy job, but it was a job, nonetheless. There was a beginning to the job, at fly number one, and there was an end to the job, at fly number fifty. It was a job with defined purpose and symmetry, maybe more than many can say about their jobs.



Barnes

I only wonder what the guests must have thought of that little kid out there. Probably wondered when I was going to move up to torturing cats.

And after completing my job, I'd come in, get something to drink, possibly something to eat, sit down on the couch there and watch a TV program. Then, oftentimes, my old man would tell me to go out and kill fifty more. Yeah, this job had a rewind button.

In my contemplative interludes while waiting for the next fly to land, it sometimes occurred to me that the 50 + 50 + 50 fly carcasses were piling up. And that perhaps new cannibalistic flies were now attracted to our motel beverage area by the dead flies already there. It seemed that no matter how many flies I killed, it never put the merest dent in the problem.

I've since theorized that flies, like other scavengers such as vultures and sharks, keep an eye out not only for nourishment but also keep an eye out for their fellow scavengers. When they see other flies (vultures, sharks) circling in on a prize, they nudge on over to that area, too.

Therefore, it's my belief that though I was killing flies at a steady clip, the worldwide fly population was merely shifting its multitudes incrementally in the direction of our motel where there seemed to be boundless opportunity, thereby almost infinitely refreshing our supply.

Yes, my job was a bottomless pit in so many ways.

But, for this and some other more normal chores, my old man compensated me with the proceeds of the pop machine, making me a young entrepreneur in the refreshment business. It was my job to keep the machine filled with pop and change, collect the coins from the tin box, and pay Cappy Ferguson, the route man who delivered fresh bottles. And I kept the profit...yeah...well, to save up for college.

Cappy loved to BS with my old man, just like Rocky, the car dealer, so he'd take his break at our place when he delivered to us and spring for cokes for the three of us.

Also in the interest of fairness, I have to admit that my old man took his turns killing flies, too, but I don't think he was ever under the constraints of a quota like me. While having a smoke outside, he'd lean his weight on the hood of our car — or sometimes a tourist's car — parked in the lot by the pop machine, and reclining like that on his elbows, he'd nail flies with the swatter whenever they landed. He was all wrists as opposed to my stalker style.

Unlike me, my old man looked upon this pastime not so much as a job but as a sport with a life purpose.

Anyway, things proceeded much like this at the motel until yet another crime spree broke into our summer quietude. I might tell you about it next time.

**Tobin Barnes, a high school English teacher, gets his skewed viewpoints of life from staring too much at Crow Peak, which looms above his home a few miles outside Spearfish.**

## YANKTON COUNTY 4-H

At last weekend's Yankton County 4-H Achievement Days, the Youth In Action ribbon winners were also recognized. Many of these events took place before Achievement Days. Here is a recap of those results:

### DOGS

**STEPHANIE ANDERSON, Dogs R Us:** SR (Age 11-19), Rally Advanced B, Purple, Overall Reserve Champion; Rally Excellent, Purple, Reserve Champion; Novice Obedience, Purple, Grand Champion; Pre-Open Class Obedience, Purple, Reserve Champion; Open Showmanship, Purple, Grand Champion; Open Showmanship, Purple, Reserve Champion; Off Leash Agility, Purple, Grand Champion; Advance Agility, Purple, Reserve Champion.

**ALEXA BRYAN, Dogs R Us:** JR (Age 11-19), Basic Obedience B (member has shown in dog project), Blue, Reserve Champion; Rally Novice B, Purple, Open Showmanship, Purple; On Leash Agility, Red.

**ELIZABETH FIEDLER, Yankton Clovers:** SR (Age 11-19), Rally Novice B, Purple; Basic Obedience B (member has shown in dog project), Red.

**KATHERINE FIEDLER, Yankton Clovers:** SR (Age 11-19), Open Showmanship, Blue; On Leash Agility, Purple.

**DANIELLE GILLIS, Dogs R Us:** JR (Age 11-19), Rally Advanced B, Purple, Grand Champion; Overall Grand Champion; Pre Novice Obedience, Purple, Grand Champion; Novice Showmanship, Purple, Reserve Champion; Off Leash Agility, Purple, Grand Champion.

**BAILEY GULLIKSON, Gayville Achievers:** SR (Age 11-19), Pre Novice Obedience, Blue; Open Showmanship, Blue; Rally Advanced B, Purple, Grand Champion; Advance Agility, Red.

**KATE KATTERHAGEN, Dogs R Us:** JR (Age 11-19), On Leash Agility, Blue; Open Showmanship, Purple, Grand Champion; Basic Obedience A (1st year in dog project only), Red.

**KYLE KATTERHAGEN, Dogs R Us:** R (Age 11-19), Open Showmanship, Blue; Rally Novice B, Purple; On Leash Agility, Purple, Reserve Champion; Basic Obedience B (member has shown in dog project), Red.

**GRANT KRAMER, Dogs R Us:** SR (Age 11-19), Rally Advanced A, Blue, Grand Champion; Open Showmanship, Blue; Open Showmanship, Blue; Advanced Agility, Blue; Rally Novice A, Purple.

**TIFFANY LEMON, Dogs R Us:** SR (Age 11-19), Basic Obedience B (member has shown in dog project), Blue; Rally Novice B, Purple; Off Leash Agility, Purple.

**JACQUELYN PAUL, Dogs R Us:** JR (Age 11-19), Open Showmanship, Blue; Rally Novice B, Purple, Reserve Champion; On Leash Agility, Purple; Basic Obedience B (member has shown in dog project), Red.

### FASHION REVUE

**LEAH WAID, Yankton Clovers:** Selected Outfit, purple, top Purple

**HOLLY BOUZA, Yankton Clovers:** Selected Outfit, purple

**KATHERINE FIEDLER, Yankton Clovers:** Construct Outfit - General, purple, top Purple

**ELIZABETH FIEDLER, Yankton Clovers:** Construct Outfit - Outerwear, purple

**KATHERINE FIEDLER, Yankton Clovers:** Construct Outfit - Costume, purple

**GRACE GUSTAD, Clever Clovers:** Sew and Buy, blue; Selected Outfit, blue

### HORSES

**JADE GAUKEL, Boots & Saddles:** Performance, SR Trail, Blue; Showmanship, SR Western Showmanship, Purple; Showmanship, SR English Showmanship, Purple, Grand Champion Senior Showmanship; Equitation, SR Stock Seat, Purple; Equitation, SR Hunt Seat, Purple

**COLE HECKENLAIBLE, Boots & Saddles:** Equitation, JR Stock Seat, Red

Blue; Showmanship, JR Western Showmanship, Red; Performance JR Western Riding, Red

**LEVI HECKENLAIBLE, Boots & Saddles:** Showmanship, BEG Western Showmanship, Purple; Equitation, BG Stock Seat, Purple

**ASHLEY HEINE, Happy Go Lucky:** Equitation, JR Stock Seat, Blue; Blue; Open Showmanship, Blue; Performance, JR Trail, Blue; Showmanship, JR Western Showmanship, Purple, Grand Champion Junior Showmanship; Showmanship, JR English Showmanship, Red

**LAUREN HEINE, Boots & Saddles:** Equitation, JR Stock Seat, Blue; Performance, JR Reining, Blue; Timed Performance, JR Barrel Racing, Blue; Timed Performance, JR Pole Bending, Blue; Showmanship, JR Western Showmanship, Purple, Reserve Champion Junior High Point; Performance, JR Trail, Purple; Timed Performance, JR Break-away, White

**DANIELLE HERRLEIN, Boots & Saddles:** Showmanship, BEG Western Showmanship, Purple, Grand Champion Senior Showmanship; Showmanship, JR English Showmanship, Purple, Reserve Champion Beginner High Point; Equitation, BG Stock Seat, Purple

**JORDAN MOGGK, Boots & Saddles:** Showmanship, SR Western Showmanship, Purple, Reserve Champion Senior Showmanship; Performance, SR Trail, Red

**BRANDY ODENBACH, Boots & Saddles:** Timed Performance, JR Pole Bending, Blue; Showmanship, JR Western Showmanship, Purple; Timed Performance, JR Barrel Racing, Purple; Performance, JR Trail, Red

**CALLIE POSPISHL, Rough Riders:** Equitation, JR Stock Seat, Blue; Showmanship, JR Western Showmanship, Purple; Performance, JR Trail, Red; Equitation, SR Stock Seat, Blue; Showmanship, SR Western Showmanship, Purple; Performance, SR Trail, Red

**CATALINA RENTERIA, Rough Riders:** Timed Performance, SR Pole Bending, Blue; Showmanship, SR Western Showmanship, Purple; Equitation, SR Stock Seat, Purple; Performance, SR Western Riding, Purple

Purple; Performance, SR Reining, Purple, Reserve Champion Senior High Point; Timed Performance, SR Barrel Racing, Purple; Performance, SR Trail, Red; Timed Performance, SR Break-away, White

**TANNER SCHIFFERL, Boots & Saddles:** Equitation, BG Hunt Seat, Blue; Showmanship, BEG Western Showmanship, Purple, Grand Champion Beginner High Point; Showmanship, JR English Showmanship, Purple, Reserve Champion Beginner showmanship; Equitation, BG Stock Seat, Purple

**COLE SCHMIDT, Boots & Saddles:** Equitation, JR Stock Seat, Blue; Performance, JR Reining, Blue; Timed Performance, JR Barrel Racing, Blue; Timed Performance, JR Pole Bending, Blue; Showmanship, JR Western Showmanship, Purple, Reserve Champion Junior High Point; Performance, JR Trail, Purple; Timed Performance, JR Break-away, White

**MADISON TESSIER, Rough Riders:** Showmanship, JR English Showmanship, Purple, Reserve Champion, Junior Showmanship; Equitation, JR Stock Seat, Purple, Grand, Champion Junior High Point; Equitation, JR Hunt Seat, Purple; Equitation, JR Hunter - Over Fences, Purple; Performance, JR Western Riding, Purple; Performance, JR

Reining, Purple; Performance, JR Trail, Purple; Timed Performance, JR Barrel Racing, Purple; Showmanship, JR Western Showmanship, Red; Timed Performance, JR Pole Bending, Red

**MORGAN TESSIER, Rough Riders:** Equitation, SR Stock Seat, Blue; Performance, SR Western Riding, Blue; Showmanship, SR Western Showmanship, Purple, Grand Champion Senior High Point; Showmanship, JR English Showmanship, Purple; Equitation, SR Hunt Seat, Purple; Equitation, SR Hunter - Over Fences, Purple; Performance, SR Reining, Purple, top Purple

**NICOLE WESTERMAN, Boots & Saddles:** Equitation, SR Stock Seat, Blue; Showmanship, SR Western Showmanship, Purple

**PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

**TRISTAN GUSTAD, Clever Clovers:** General Demonstration Ind., Purple

**ABBY LARSON, Clever Clovers:** General Demonstration Ind., Purple, top Purple

**MICHAEL HEINE, Happy Go Lucky:** General Illustrated Talk Ind., Purple

**LEAH WAID, Yankton Clovers:** General Illustrated Talk Ind., Purple, top Purple

**ROBBIE HEINE, Happy Go Lucky:** General Public Speaking, Purple, top Purple

**DAVID FRIEDENBACH, Yankton Clovers:** General - BG, purple

**ACCALIA NELSON, Yankton Clovers:** General - BG, purple

**AARON FRIEDENBACH, Yankton Clovers:** General - BG, purple

**EMILY NOVAK, Yankton Clovers:** General - BG, purple

**LEAH WAID, Yankton Clovers:** General - BG, purple, Top Purple

**CAMILLE FRIEDENBACH, Yankton Clovers:** General - JR, purple

**LAUREL FRIEDENBACH, Yankton Clovers:** General - JR, purple, Top Purple

**ELIZABETH FIEDLER, Yankton Clovers:** General - SR, purple, Top Purple

**HOLLY BOUZA, Yankton Clovers:** Beef - SR, purple

**KATHERINE FIEDLER, Yankton Clovers:** Beef - SR, purple

**LAUREN HEINE, Boots & Saddles:** General - BG, blue

**Ashley Heine, Happy Go Lucky:** General - JR, blue

## REUNIONS

### YHS CLASS OF 1960

The Yankton High School Class of 1960 will be celebrating their 50th class reunion on Sept. 17-18, 2010, at the Hillcrest Country Club. Please plan attending both nights' festivities.

### YHS CLASS OF 1950

The Yankton High School Class of 1950 will be celebrating its 60th class reunion Sept. 8-9. All classmates and alumni are invited for dinner and fellowship both nights at Jo Dean's restaurant. There will be time to enjoy the many sites of interest in the Yankton area, also. The students have been unable to be contacted are: Darlene

Herkens-Creek, Helen Ushry-Hicks, Anna Mae Reutter, Marlene Eide-Umbreit and Gwen Uhl-Hampton. Any information would be appreciated. Contact June Snow-Lee, 717 Walnut Street, Yankton, SD 57078 or 605-260-1431.

### ST. JOHN'S ALUMNI ASSOC.

The St. John's Alumni Association of Huron is hosting an All School Reunion at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 18, with the evening meal at 6:30 p.m. at the Crossroads Event Center in Huron. All St. John's Alumni and guests and instructors are welcome. Reservations can be made by calling Kay Zwanziger at (605) 352-8008.

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## Thank You

Words cannot express my gratitude for the many cards, telephone calls, visits and gifts for my 100th birthday. I especially want to thank my family for preparing a wonderful brunch and for hosting an open house for friends and relatives. Most of all I thank God for my wonderful life.

God Bless you all,  
Clara Jilg

**2010 RIVERBOAT DAYS KIDDIE PARADE**  
**Friday, August 20, 2010**  
Parade Begins at 5:30pm  
Begin lining up at 5:00pm

**PARTICIPANT WAIVER FORM**  
I, \_\_\_\_\_, state that I am the parent or legal guardian of \_\_\_\_\_, a minor child, I hereby give my consent for \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the Kiddie Parade sponsored by Yankton Riverboat Days, Inc. In considerations for my child or ward's participation, I agree to waive any liabilities, claims, actions, damages, costs, or expenses which I or my child or ward or our assignees, successors, or heirs may have against Yankton Riverboat Days, Inc., as a group or as individual committee members, directors, volunteers or employees, which may arise out of my child or ward's participation in the Kiddie Parade.

BY SIGNING BELOW, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THIS FORM, AND I REALIZE THAT BY SIGNING I AM RELEASING YANKTON RIVERBOAT DAYS, INC., FROM ANY LIABILITY.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_

LOCATION: Behind Farm Credit Services, 124 Walnut Street in Yankton.  
Bring registration to parade. For more information call 605-665-1657. E-mail to: office@riverboatdays.com

**Men's Health Screening**

Men between the ages of 40 and 65 are more likely to die of prostate cancer if not detected early. The American Cancer Society suggests an annual screening for men beginning at age 50, or age 45 with a positive family history.

**Be Smart!!** This is your chance to get a Prostate Cancer and Colon Cancer screen at the same time.

For the second year in a row, we will donate all proceeds to our local VFW to help support "Honor Flight South Dakota" and help a WWII veteran see their national memorial in Washington DC. Lewis & Clark Specialty Hospital will match the proceeds from the screening to go towards this worthy cause. Please do yourself a favor and not only help our veterans, but you may also save a life — YOUR OWN!

**Wednesday, August 25, 2010**  
from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m.  
at **Lewis & Clark Family Medicine**  
1101 Broadway Ave., Suite 103A, Morgen Square  
Call 605-260-2100 to schedule your personal exam.

Prostate exam, PSA test and Hemocult test for \$20.00.  
Not intended for known prostate cancer patients.

Dr. Joseph Boudreau, Dr. Christopher Hathaway, Dr. Kynan Trail, Dr. Jeff Johnson, Dr. Michael Peterson & Dr. Lisa Miller will be conducting the screenings.

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