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"It was 3 a.m. there and we got up to watch the game on TV. We were heckling each other back and forth." Such was the uproar that there was concern among the locals. "The civilians thought that they were under attack. They wondered what was going on."

When asked about the chances of the NATO forces achieving success in Afghanistan, Chad said it will not be easy. "That's a tricky one. It's definitely the new Bosnia. We're going to have to be there for a while."

However, the Canadian initiative is helping make life better in Afghanistan, especially for women. "We're doing a good job. But whether it holds or not I can't say." He said Afghanistan's history of instability and frequent invasions by various countries makes it hard to win over the citizens.

"I've heard it said you can rent Afghan loyalty but you can't buy it. It's always been like that." While the average Afghani just wants to live in peace, the Taliban isn't going to give up easily, he said. "The insurgents have nothing but time. They can wait."

Chad is looking forward to life as a regular family man. The family will continue to live in Edmonton, where he is confident his experience with machinery in the military

will help him land a job. "Alberta is booming, there are lots of opportunities. I'll probably work with heavy equipment with one of the big companies that support the oil sands."

As for his stint with the Canadian military, it is something he will always treasure. "I'd do it over again, absolutely."



Chad Dufton with Prince Edward in the mess hall in Edmonton.

THINK YOUR VEHICLE IS READY FOR THAT 1st BLAST OF WINTER?



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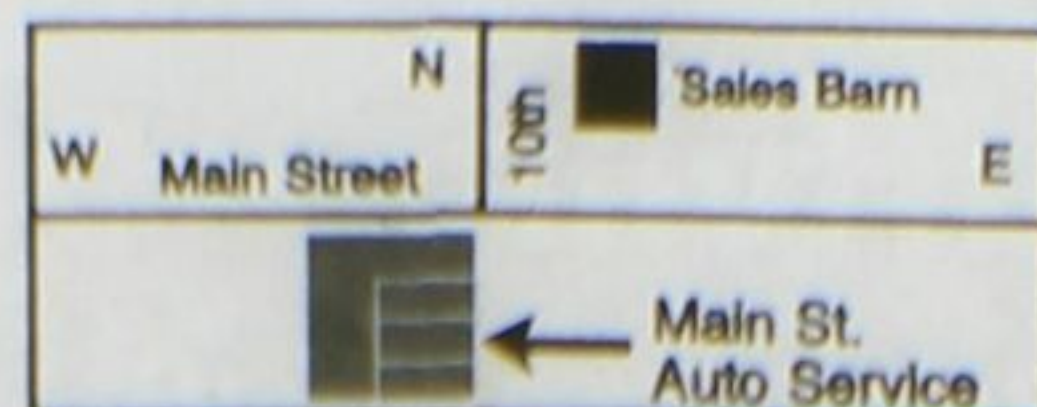
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WINTER BASICS START WITH!!!

- 1. SNOW TIRES OR GOOD ALL SEASON TIRES.** If your vehicle is a year 2000 or newer, it probably has performance all season tires. I refer to them as three season tires as long as it's not below freezing. Unlike winter tires, the rubber compound in all season tires is not designed to flex well below seven degrees Celsius, resulting in loss of traction and poor grip.
- 2. STRONG, FRESH BATTERY.** If your battery is getting up there in age, then it's time for a new one. Today's cars have a lot more electrical demand than before and after four to five years you are buying time on that battery. Have it load tested, terminals cleaned or replace the battery if necessary or in doubt!
- 3. TUNE-UP & OIL CHANGE.** Fresh oil change - spark plugs & ignition wires - fuel filter and PCV valve. Don't think like you used to - that there will be big writing on the wall when your car is due for a tune-up. The only message you will see is the sign on the back of the tow truck that's picking you up!
- 4. WIPER BLADES THAT WORK WELL.** Clean that grunge off your windshield and put on some decent blades. Today's windshields are big, so they require bigger and more expensive wiper blades. Gone are the days of the \$8.95 wiper blades. Most windshields are curved at the sides, making the old style winter blades useless. Bosch Icons are what some of the police cars use. And don't forget the winter washer fluid!!
- 5. ANTI-FREEZE - BELTS & HOSES.** Have your anti-freeze checked for freezing point and quality. Cracked or glazed fan belts and coolant hoses will stand out more as the temperature drops.
- 6. LIGHTS, HEATER FANS & REAR DEFROSTER.** Make sure all lights are in working order. It's important to see, but more important to be seen. Icy driving conditions are the wrong time to have a brake light or signal bulb out. Make sure the defrost and fan modes work well too!



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