

LOOSENING STUCK ENGINES, MORE

From the SAM 26 Newsletter, Bob Angel, Editor

Besides injecting solvents, and/or an overnight in a heated crock pot, one of the quickest ways to free a stuck engine is by using heat. One respected columnist recently suggested that a high temperature heat gun, such as used for stripping paint was needed for this chore. That's not normally the case. I happen to have such a gun, but have freed up many stuck engines using just a lower temperature film iron gun. I've never resorted to the hi-temperature gun and think such temperatures might just fry the old castor oil even harder. For those silk and dope purists who wouldn't be seen with a film gun, Mama's oven will work, provided she doesn't throw you out along with the engine.