

Hot Tip: Speedy Clamps

by Bob Lyons

One of the greatest things about large swap meets is finding new automotive gadgets before they hit the general market. While wandering around the swap meet at Englishtown, NJ, I met Bill George and Ken Papp of B & K Distributors (609-392-8596 or 609-758-2511). They have a very interesting product on the market called a "Speedy Clamp". This item is a plastic hose clamp which comes in every necessary automotive size. No tools are needed for installation, the two ends of the clamp just push together to hold even high pressure hoses tight. To remove the clamp, just push the ends sideways in the opposite direction. While this can be done by hand, a pair of pliers make it a snap. These clamps

are strictly NG for a concours car of course; but for a street driven or custom car, they leave all other clamps behind. Also, they are available in two colors (blue & black) and have a lifetime replacement guarantee against breakage. The swap meet price for an assortment of these clamps (enough to outfit one car) was \$5.00; expect normal prices to be slightly higher. **MT**

Hot Tip: Using Ouator

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At the recent Englishtown, NJ swap meet, I came across a vendor by the name of Ray Branden (Branden Enterprises, 215-322-1098) selling the product Ouator. For those of you who don't keep up with the various car

magazines, Ouator is the newest and hottest metal polish around. Every article I read sang its praises, which I took with a grain of salt. But here was an opportunity to see a live demonstration. I found the crudest and rustiest gas line around and gave it to Ray to polish, expecting a result far from its advertised performance. I couldn't have been more wrong! Within ten seconds and with very little effort, a two inch section of the line regained an appearance even better than what could be expected from a grinding wheel. Impressed at this and other parts Ray demonstrated on, I bought a can, which contains a seven foot roll of cotton impregnated with Ouator, for \$5.00. I have since used it on all sorts of metal in my car and around the house with excellent results. For cleaning and polishing metal, I can't recommend it enough. Ouator works. **MT**

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