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TIP #33

Turning up the heat....

We have had a break from the Phil Friday section, I hear it is time to take my feet off my desk, set my coffee cup down and start writing tips again.

This is the first day of spring although it may be warm in the day, the nights can be cool and you may want to use your furnace. Pleasure-Way uses the Atwood thermostat in a lot of the units. The Atwood thermostat has an off/on switch on the top and the temperature slide switch on the bottom. (Past units may have switches flipped)



Some owners have asked how hard do I have to push the off on switch to switch the furnace off and on. The thermostat switch is a plastic arm that must go over a plastic bump to switch off and on. You may have to push the switch quite hard to move the arm over the plastic bump. When the furnace is off the contacts in the thermostat will not be connected. When the furnace is on the contacts in the thermostat will be connected. (I have removed the thermostat cover in the top line of pictures. The cover is removed by pulling it straight out from the mounted portion of the thermostat.)

Switch off

Points separated

Switch on

Points connected



When the switch is on and the temperature slide switch is above the room temperature, the furnace fan will come on for a few seconds and then the furnace will ignite. Once the vehicle has reached the desired temperature the flame will go out but the fan will continue for a few seconds.

I hope this will explain how the thermostat functions on you Pleasure-Way motor home.