

## A WWII Jeep's First Drive in Snow in many Years



A World War II jeep's first drive in the snow after restoration. This jeep started restoration in January 2008. 113 days later it was driving. Now in February 2010 and 4000 miles of driving later, the first snow! Being in Arlington, TX that is not surprising. There are not that many snows and some don't last long enough to drive in. The photo to the left shows "Toby" at the foot of the driveway ... here are the first tracks in the snow!

To the right is "Toby" at the end of a cul-de-sac with lots of tracks, most of them made by the jeep. Note the water now on the hood, etc. and also that some of the mud has been "snow blasted" away.



This 1943 Ford GPW jeep is at home in the snow. I had a hard time getting the tires to spin! Bummer! Laughing out loud! I tried and could not get stuck.

There was almost no ice under that snow and the snow was wet and packed well ... the NDT (non directional tread) tires held on tight. As NDT indicates the tires performed equally well in forward and reverse and I got to run in reverse a bunch. Especially since I slide into the curbs some on the cul-de-sacs ... hum ... how did that happen?



Here are the first tracks in snow made by this jeep in perhaps 30 years, maybe more. The mud came from several trips out and about. Somehow "Toby" always finds his way into the mud. Even on this wintry snow day the snow gave way to mud ... what a mess ... pun intended. Most of the mud was splashed off by miles of slush. The snow started on Thursday when these photos were taken. That was the best day for sliding along. It was also interesting to see the inside of the windshield getting snow covered as we had the top down!!!! There is certainly a "Red Neck Joke" in that ... at the least a sign of ODD – Olive Drab Disorder!

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Here is Tom Essary and “Toby” on the first large snow covered hill. Later in the day there were some pickups that could not negotiate the snow here. “Toby” had absolutely no trouble in two wheel drive no less.

The *swooshy* path shown below are the first tracks on this snow and they were made by an World War II jeep ... yee haw! More info at [ad5zo.com](http://ad5zo.com)

