

Appendix 7: New Features in Version 3.4B

Here is a brief listing of some of the features new in Version 3.4B:

Accuracy:

Several refinements to the performance calculations have been made. We have also added a Preference "Use v3.4B Performance Calculations" where you can choose to use these new calculations, or revert back to the calculations very similar to used in v3.4A.

The program has added Direct Injection option for Combustion Chamber design

The program now more realistically simulates cam profiles for OHC valve trains.

The program has about 100 more example Complete Engine files.

The program has hundreds more example components, like Heads and Camshafts. GM LS Cams and Heads are now a separate category.

The program now shows "Peak Int. Sec. Tune RPM" in the Special Calculations section so you can see if the program is simulating Secondary Intake Tuning Effects.

New Roots type superchargers have been added similar to those in Engine Analyzer Pro: Modern Screw Type and Modern 2000+ Screw Type.

When reading Engine Analyzer Pro files, the program now better determines the individual port flow efficiencies when the file has a full flow curve.

The program has updated the Piston Speed recommendations in the Analyze Performance reports. AnalysisReport.txt is now done in Notepad for easier reading, printing, editing, copying, etc for the user. The Analysis Report also has an improved header for printouts.

Operation:

The program will now more reliably open your default internet browser to accessing the internet.

Fixed bug where canceling from printing to a PDF printer could cause program to stop.

The Preview when opening a Saved File now includes more info about the engine.

The method for displaying a PDF file (like the User Manual) has been updated to be more compatible with more operating systems.

The method for opening a file or page on the internet has been updated to be more compatible with more operating systems.

The program has eliminated repeating error messages, or repetitive questions about printing in landscape vs portrait orientation.

The program now keeps the Case (upper and lower) of the Graph Titles from History Log. This way what you enter will be displayed correctly on graphs.

The Graph menu items of Background Color, Grid Style, and labels for valve lift graphs to include TDC, BDC, are now properly marked with check marks for the current setting.

There is a new Preference "Use Larger Fonts on Output Grid" that lets you increase font size for calculations output data table. The Special Calculations section font has been changed to Courier New to allow for changing font size.

Many Help screens are now shown in Notepad so you can save or print them. Prior to this, they would be displayed on 1 or more separate screens without any options like printing.

Files and folders you delete are now actually sent to the Recycle Bin so they can be recovered later if you want.

Features have been added so input screens can be resized and the size and location is remembered for next time the screen is open.

You can now stop displaying the Opening Warning screen when you start the program with a check box for "Don't show this again".

Several screens have been increased in size to allow for longer file names, and to accommodate higher screen resolutions.

The program can now open newer versions of Engine Analyzer Pro files.

The program will now display all columns in History Log. Prior to this the columns of "Graph?" and "Graph Title" were sometimes hidden.

The program now allows Graph File Names up to 30 characters long.

A bug was fixed where the software would check for reasonable lash settings even if the cam was Hydraulic prior to calculations.

Now the list of Example components is not updated if the criteria box for searching is blank. For example, if you have requested to look for Duration less than some amount, but the text box for the amount is blank, the example list is not updated. This can make the process of searching for examples more efficient and quicker.

The program now explains why you can not open very old files from Engine Analyzer Pro, rather than just not opening them.

The Program now checks the configuration file after it is written and makes a backup copy. If a problem is sensed in the configuration file the next time the program starts, the backup configuration file is used.

The program has a bug fixed which avoids problems opening History Log on VERY high resolution screens.

Changed Preference "Main Screen Enlarged to Fill Screen" to "Main Screen Fonts Increase w Screen Size". Now you can also resize and reposition the main screen and it is remembered the next time you start the program. If you set this Preference to No, then the fonts will stay the original size, but the picture area will be large. If you set this Preference to Yes, then the fonts will grow in size, but the picture area will stay relatively small.

The program has a new Preference "Allow Input Screens to be Resized" to let you resize and reposition the component screens, like Short Block, Heads, etc. The size and position is remembered each time you open a screen, and the next time you start the program. Set this to No (the default) and the screens stay relatively small, stay in their default positions, and can be faster loading.

The default Font Size on the main screen is now larger to show up better on higher resolution screens, even without changing any Preferences.

The program has removed 2 Preferences: "Beginner User" setting and the option to not "Show Open/Close Events in Cam Specs". Most users wanted Experienced User features and the program to show the Cam Events.

There is now a "Make Microsoft Excel File" option for creating ASCII files from the calculated results.

Optimize Feature, Plus Version Only:

Several changes to the Optimize feature have been made, so that more accurate answers can be found for more possible combinations. For example, the program now assumes the optimum cam durations are larger if the RPM range for the calculations is high.

An Optimize option of "Only Check Cam Specs close to the original Specs" has been added. If the program's standard "Optimize" feature can not find optimum Cam Specs, turn on this option and the program may better find them.

When Optimizing, a display of “Valve Toss” or “Lifter Pump Up” for the combinations found has been added. This can help explain why an Optimum combination could not be found.

When Optimizing both Cam Duration and Lift, the lifts have been reduced some to be more realistic for typical cams.

If Optimize can not find better performance than the engine's original settings, the info message gives suggestions for changes to be made for it to work better at optimizing.

Figure B.01 Four (4) New Preferences in v3.4B

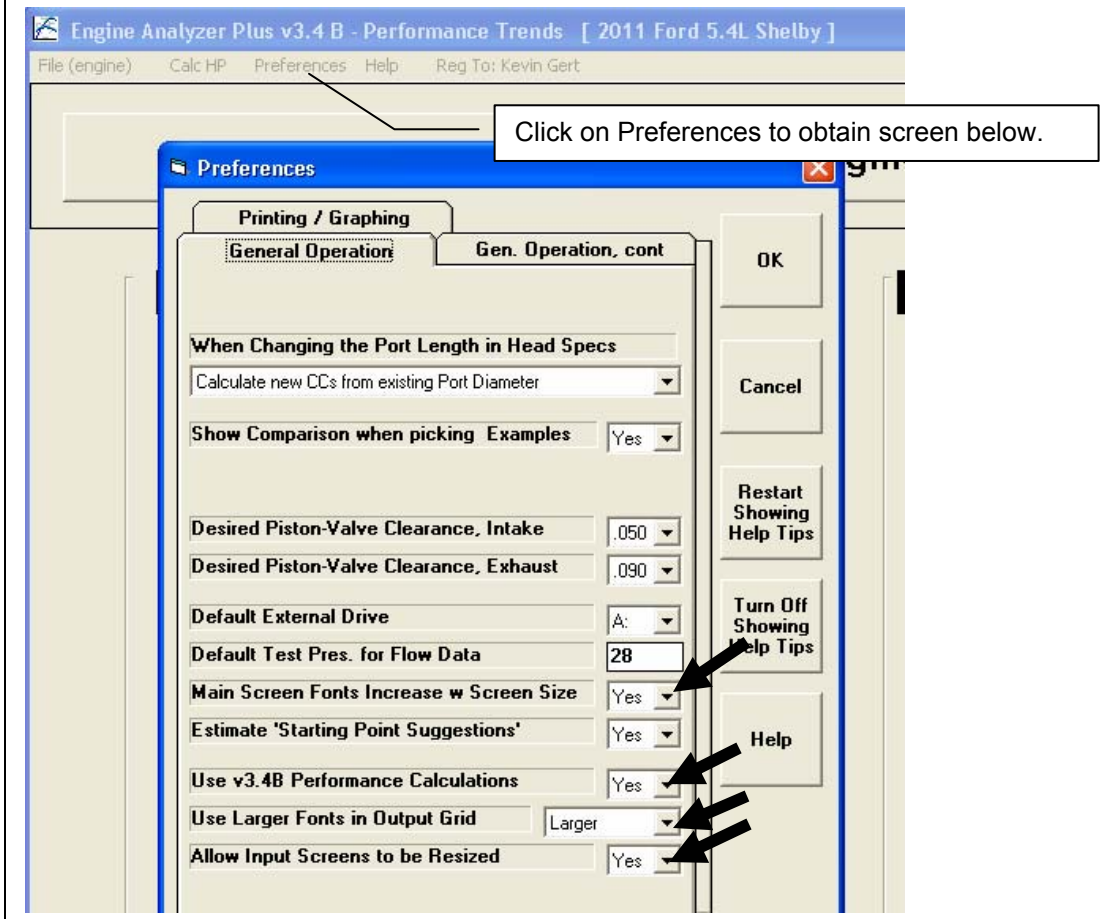
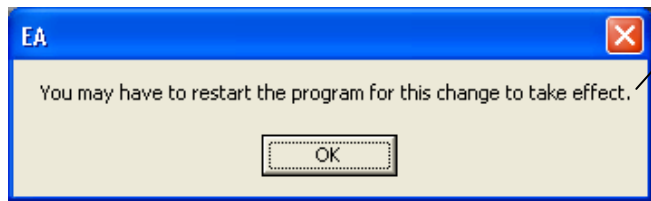
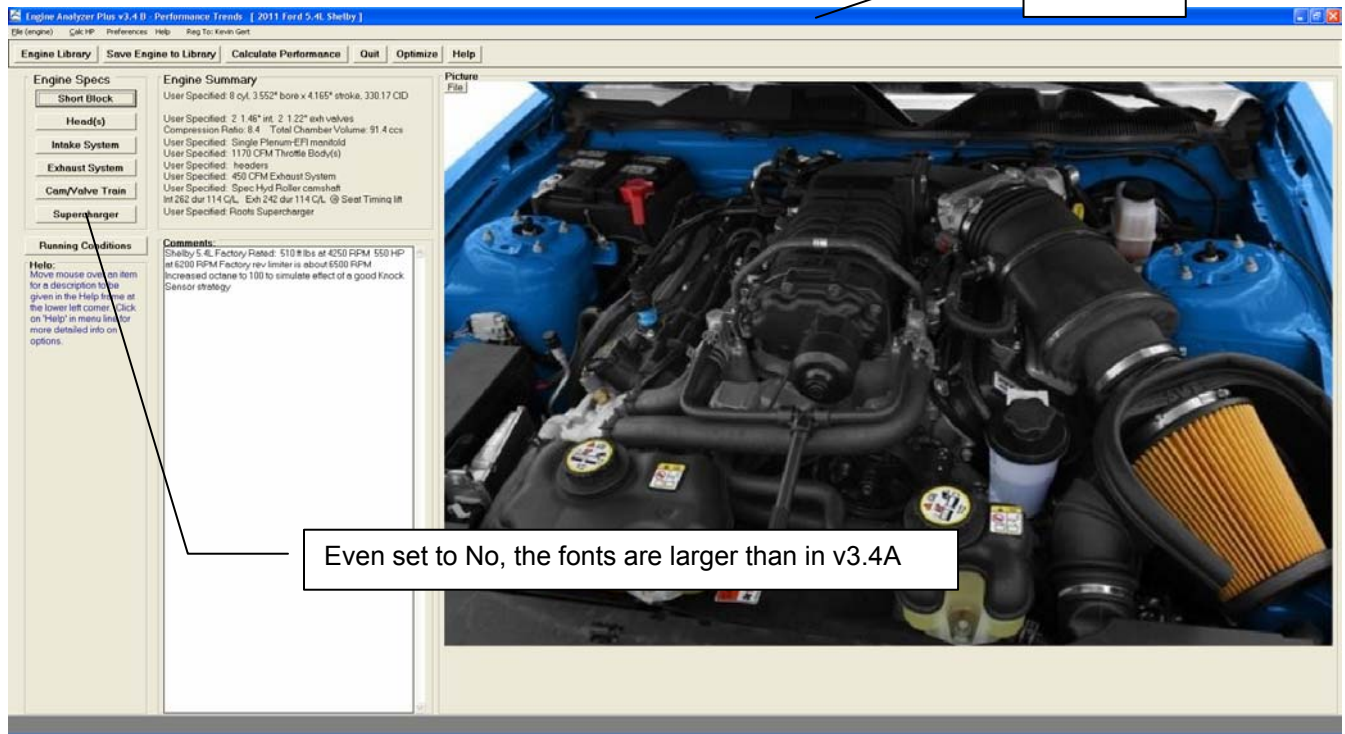


Figure B.02 Main Screen Fonts Increase w Screen Size



When you change this Preference, you will get this message. Restart the program to see the true effect.

Set to Yes.

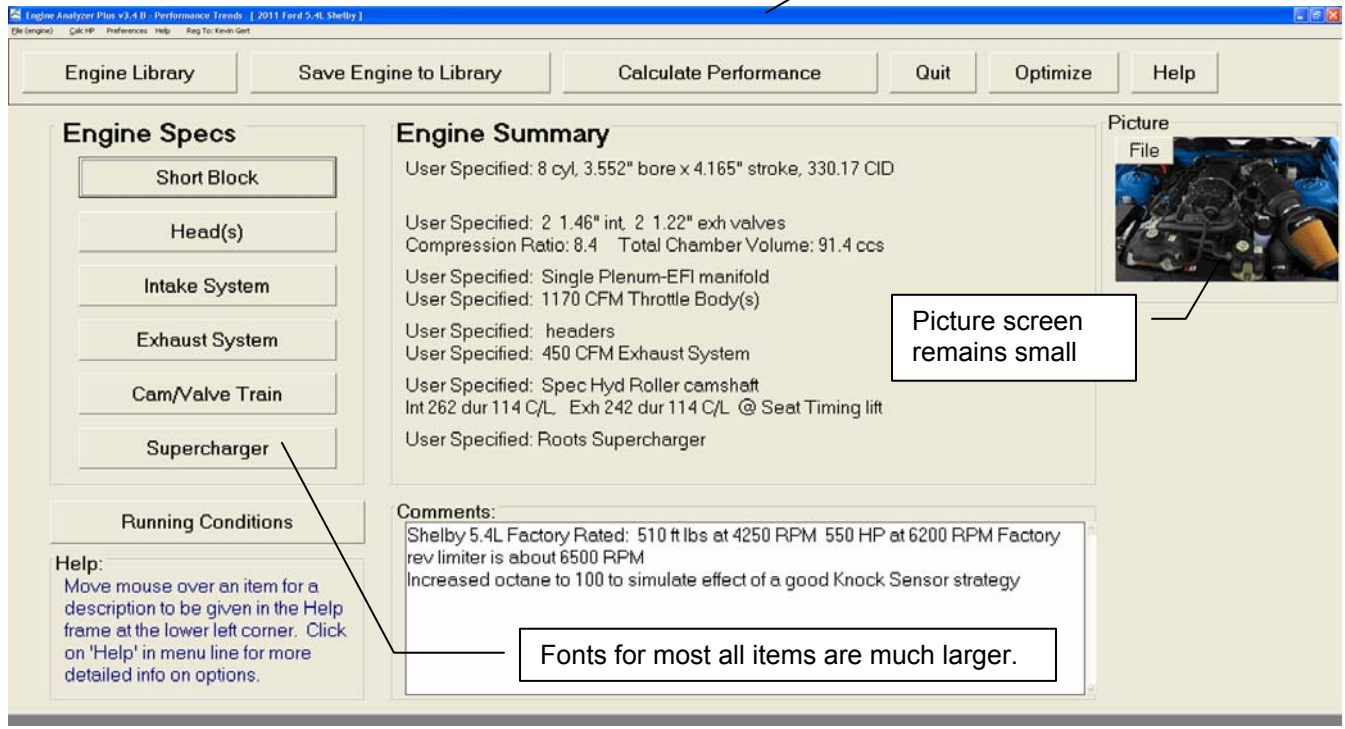
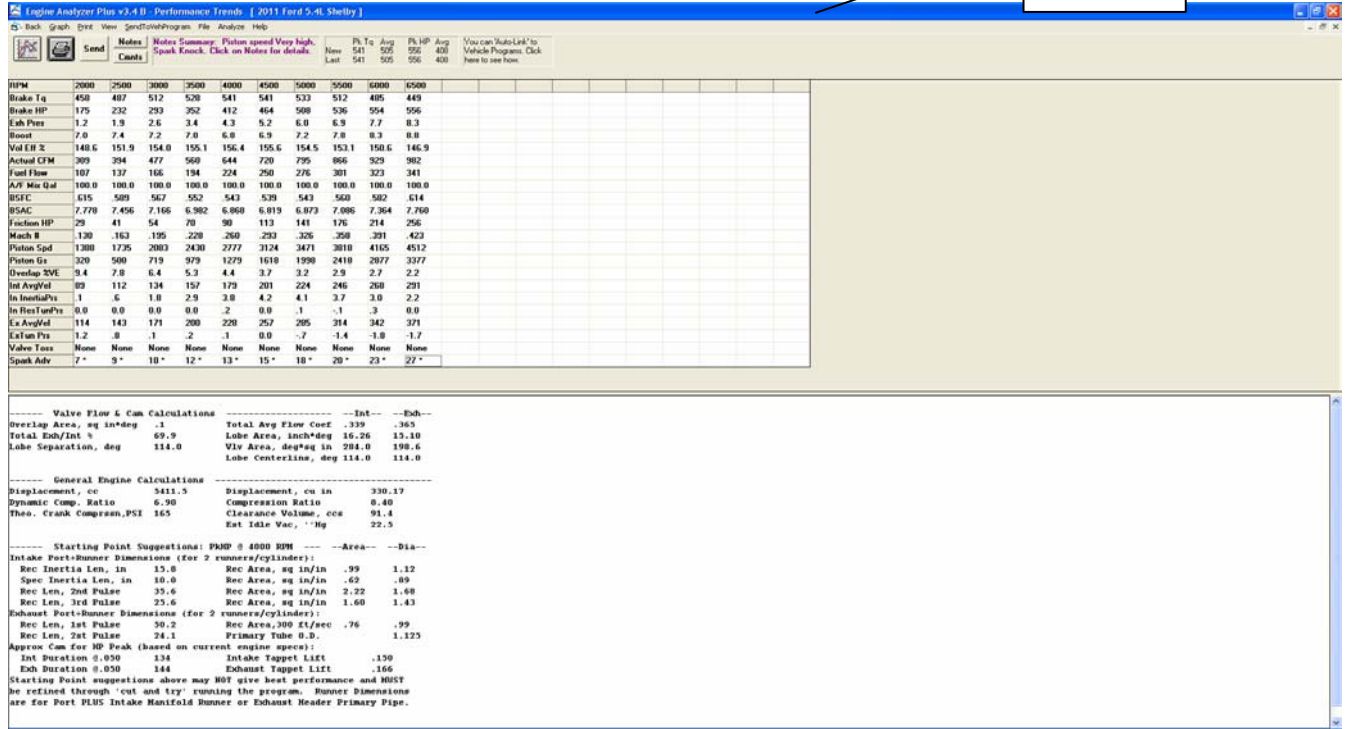


Figure B.03 Use Larger Fonts on Output Grid

Set to No



Set to Largest

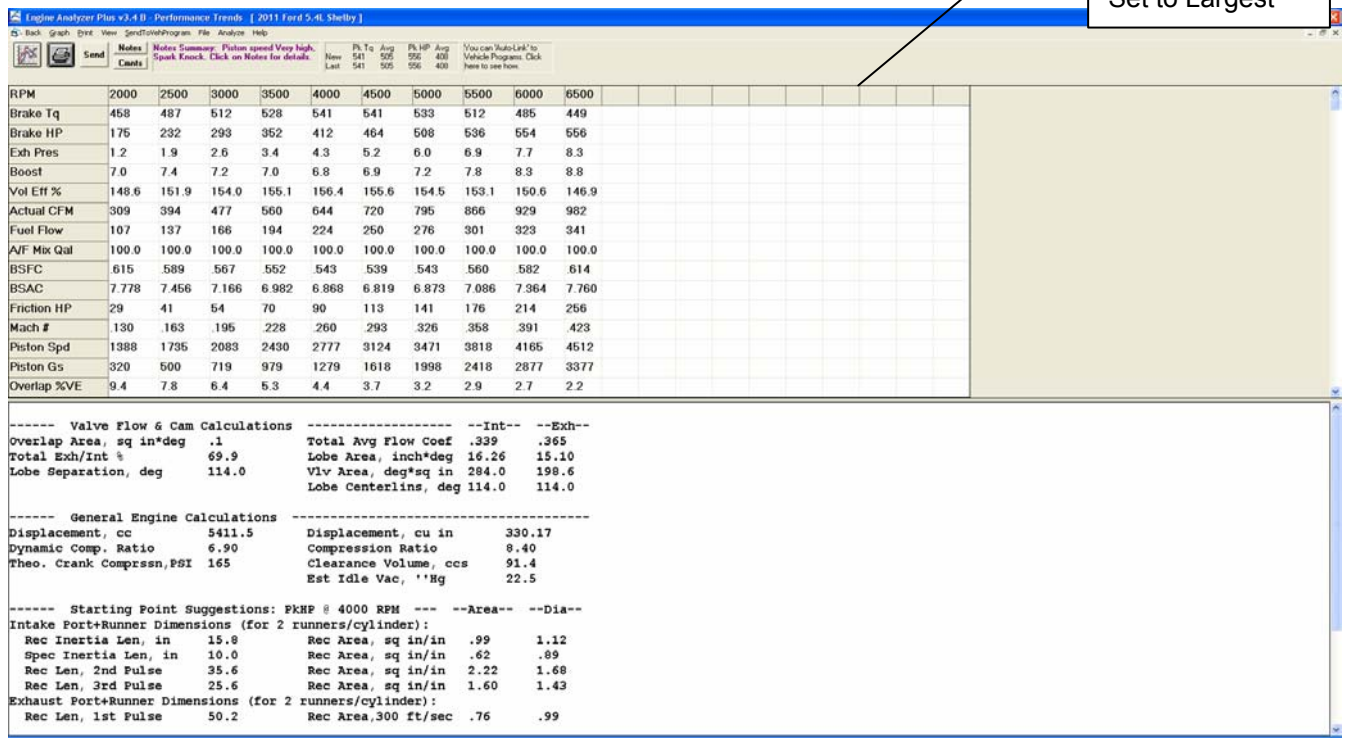


Figure B.04 Allow Input Screens to be Resized

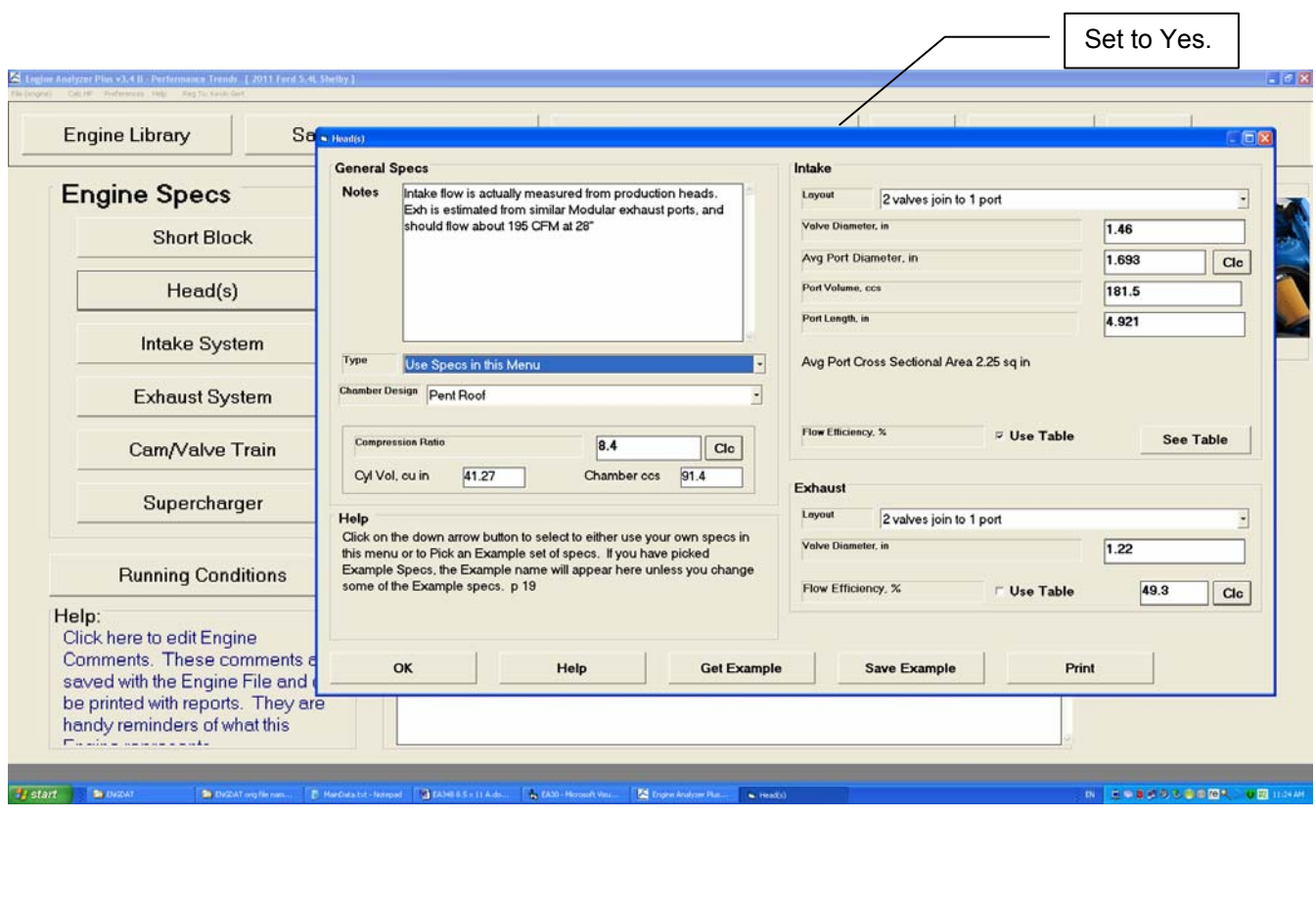
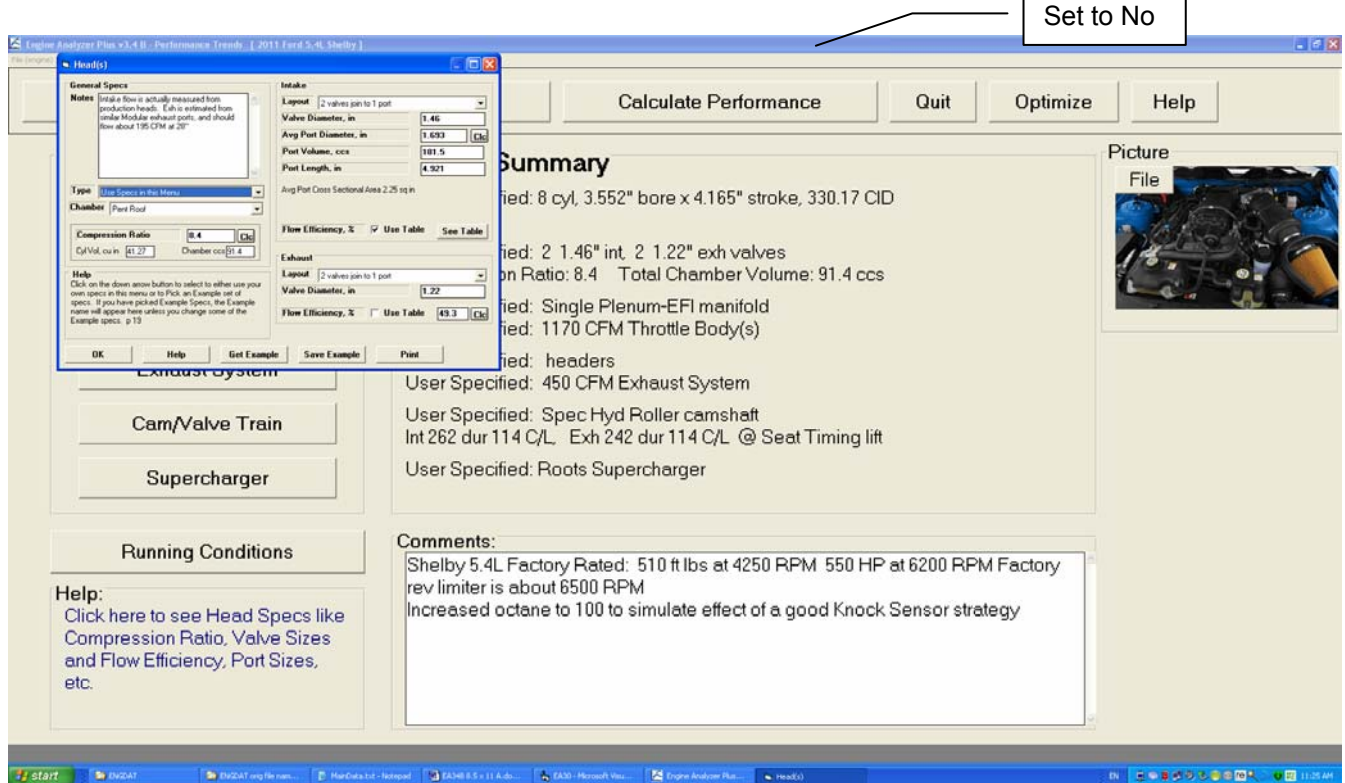


Figure B.05 New “Modern” Supercharger Designs

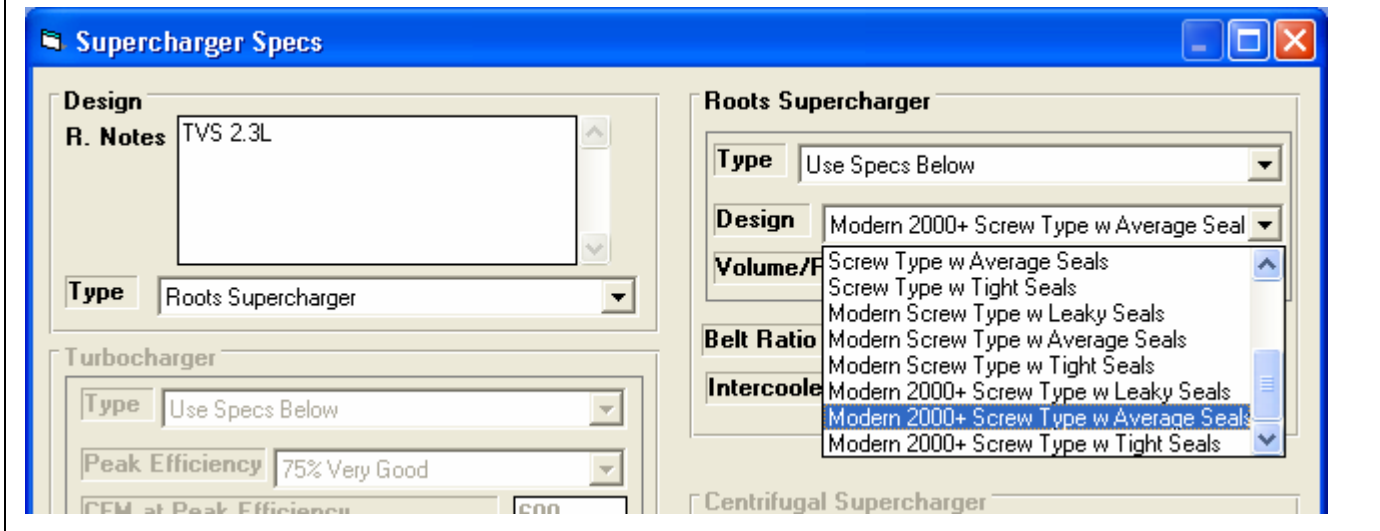


Figure B.06 New Chevy LS Categories for Example Components

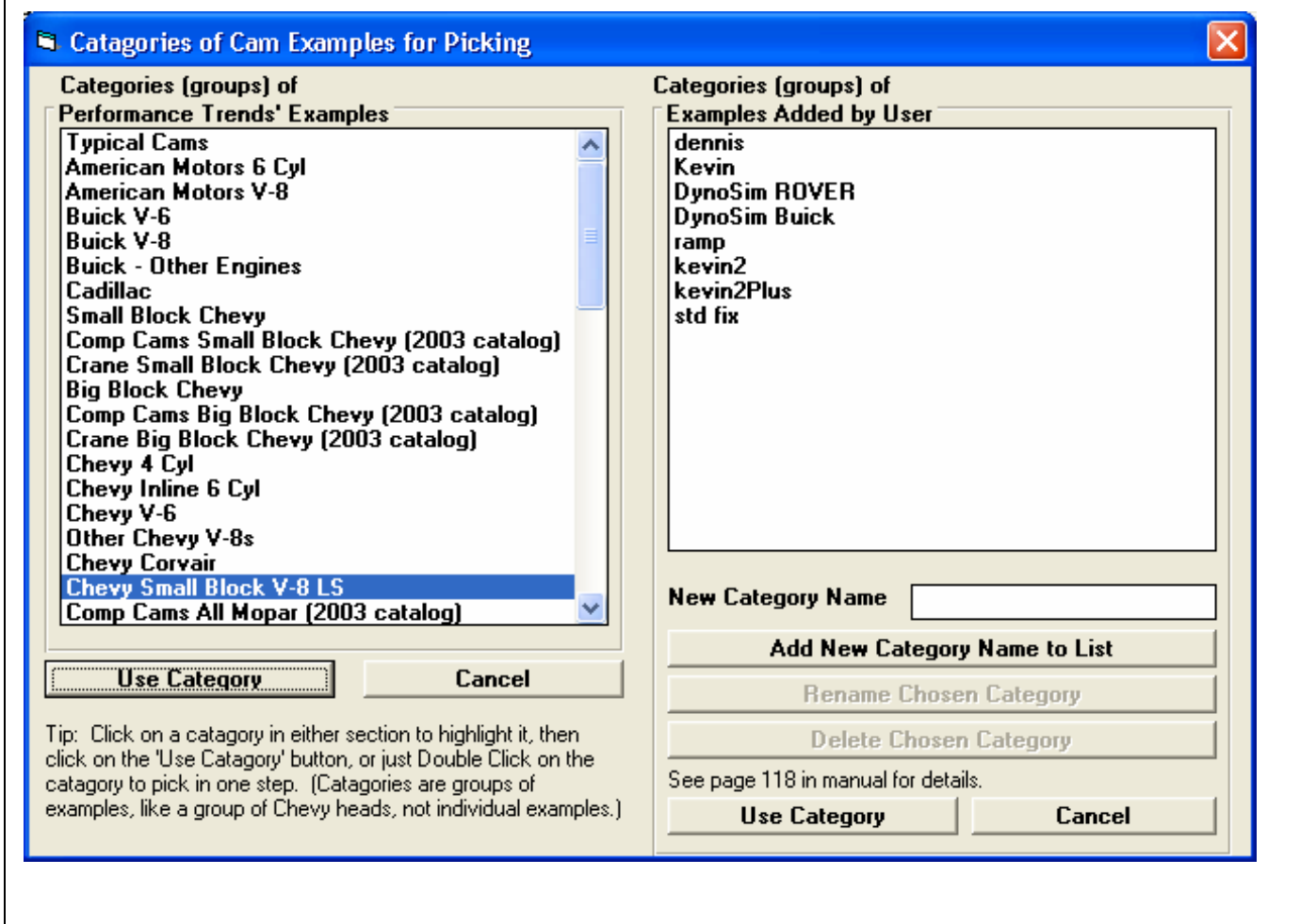


Figure B.07 Chevy LS Example Heads

New label showing how many examples fit the search criteria

Examples: 75 of 75 parts meet your requirements.

Small Block Chevy LS Heads	Chamber	CR	Layout	Valve Dia	Port Dia	Port CCs	Port Len
AFR 210cc LS1 Enforcer Cylinder Head (exh)	Pent Roof		1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2.02 1.6	1.72	209.4	5.5
AFR 245cc LS1 Cylinder Head (exh)	Pent Roof		1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2.165 1.6	1.95	244.7	5
AFR 260cc LS3 Cylinder Head (exh)	Pent Roof		1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2.165 1.6	2.01	260.0	5
AFR CHEVY LS3 260 CC (exh)	Typ Wedge	11.42	1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2.165 1.6	1.89	260.1	5.6585
AFR CHEVY LS3 Rectangle Port Mongoose 260 CC, 69 CC combustion chamber (exh)	Typ Wedge	11.42	1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2.165 1.6	1.89	260.1	5.6585
AFR CHEVY LSX 1680 245CC LARGE BORE CNC PORTED (exh)	Typ Wedge		1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2.165 1.6	1.83	243.9	5.6585
AFR CHEVY LSx Cathedral Port Mongoose 210 CC (exh)	Typ Wedge	11.42	1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2.165 1.6	1.70	210.5	5.6585
AFR CHEVY LSx Cathedral Port Mongoose 215 CC (exh)	Typ Wedge	11.42	1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2.165 1.6	1.72	215.5	5.6585
AFR CHEVY LSx Cathedral Port Mongoose 230 CC Large Bore 62 cc combustion (exh)	Typ Wedge	11.42	1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2.165 1.6	1.78	230.7	5.6585

Note: If your head is not listed here, click on the Back button and select a 'Typical' head from the Performance Trends' Examples.

Tips: Click on Example to highlight it, then click on 'Pick' or 'Delete' button. Double click to pick Example in 1 step. Right click to show Valve Lift.

Pick Delete Print Cancel

Show Only Examples Fitting These Limits

Show... No And Or

Refresh List

To refine the list, choose 'Only These' for 'Show...' and make your settings to find Examples you want. Then click 'Refresh List'.

CR (compression ratio) may be blank or inaccurate because it also depend on piston parameters.

Show All Examples

Examples: 3 of 75 parts meet your requirements.

Small Block Chevy LS Heads	Chamber	CR	Layout	Valve Dia	Port Dia	Port CCs	Port Len
Chevrolet 317 6.0L Truck Castings (exh)	Typ Wedge		1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	2 1.55	1.71	199.5	5.3
Chevrolet 706 5.3L Truck Castings (exh)	Typ Wedge		1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	1.89 1.55	1.60	197.7	6.
GM 706 5.3L Truck Castings (exh)	Typ Wedge		1vlv/1prt 1vlv/1prt	1.89 1.59	1.60	197.7	6.

Note: If your head is not listed here, click on the Back button and select a 'Typical' head from the Performance Trends' Examples.

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CR (compression ratio) may be blank or inaccurate because it also depend on piston parameters.

Show only Examples which contain the word Truck in the first column

Figure B.08 More Example Complete Engines and Deleting Files

Now 213 Example Engines provided with program (was 112)

Open an Engine File

213 Ex. Engines in Library

- 2002+ Chevy LU3 Vortec 4.3L V6 - 200hp
- 2003 Dodge Viper SRT V10 8.3L
- 2003 Ford DOHC 4.6L Cobra Stock
- 2003 Ford Focus Stock
- 2004 Chevy Gen III LQ4 6.0L
- 2004 Gen III 6.0L LQ9 Vortec GM HO Truck V8
- 2004 Gen III GM Truck LR4 4.8L Vortec
- 2004-2009 L67 GM 3800 Series 3 Supercharged - 260hp
- 2005 Aston Martin Vanquish 6.0L V12 - 520hp
- 2005 BMW 5.0L Grand Am Prototype
- 2005 Ecotec Cobalt SS 2.0L Supercharged 4 cyl
- 2005 Ford DOHC SVT 5.0L Crate Engine 420hp
- 2005 Jeep 4.0L Inline 6
- 2006 Chevy Gen IV LS2 6.0L - 400hp**
- 2006 Gen I NASCAR Chevy Nextel Cup
- 2006 Gen IV LS7 7.0L 505hp (Vette Z06)
- 2007 BMW 5.0L V10 from M5
- 2007 GM Ecotec Inline 4 2.0L Turbo - 260hp
- 2007-2014 Chevy Gen IV LS L92 6.2L Truck
- 2008 Chevy Gen IV LS3 6.2L - 436hp (Camaro)
- 2008 Ford Aussie 4.0L 6 cyl Turbo 416hp

2006 Chevy Gen IV LS2 6.0L - 400hp

Preview (inches):

Bore: 4	Int Valve: 2
Stroke: 3.622	Exh Valve: 1.55
CID: 364.1	T/B CFM Rating: 1811
C.R.: 10.9	Nat. Asperated
Int Dur: 200.	Exh Dur: 202.
Int Lobe Lift: .294	Exh Lobe Lift: .294

File courtesy: Matt Boyd, Danbury CT
 2006-07 LS2 6.0L V-8 from Corvette/GTO/CTS-V and GMPP Crate LS2
 Rated at 400bhp @ 6000; 400 lb-ft @ 4400
 Has 200/203 deg @ .500/.500" lift cam from LT1

List Alphabetically
 List by Date Last Changed (most recent first)

Show Only Files which contain this phrase:

Open Cancel Help

Screen is wider to allow for much longer file names

Open an Engine File

112 Engines in Library

- 2005 Jeep 4.0L Inline 6
- 2011 Ford Mustang 5.0L GT VVT
- Alfa Romeo 2.5L V6 Mech Inj Marine Race
- AMC 401 Street
- Blown Top Alcohol Dragster Race
- Briggs & Stratton Stock Class
- Briggs 5 HP Race
- Buick 264 V6 Drag Race
- Chev LQ9 6.0L
- Chev LS3 Stock
- Chev LT-1 Corvette Stock
- Chev LT-4 Corvette Stock
- Chevrolet 2.2L Ecotec
- Chevrolet ZZ4 Crate Motor
- Chevy 2002 ZL1 454 Crate Engine Stock
- Chevy 350 w Roots SC Street
- Chevy 355 Crate Motor Stock
- Chevy 355 Circle Track Race**
- Chevy 355 Circle Track Restricted Race
- Chevy 355 Comp Cam Dyno Street
- Chevy 355 Street

Chevy 355 Circle Track Race

Preview (inches):

Bore: 4.03	Int Valve:
Stroke: 3.48	Exh Valve:
CID: 355.1	Carb CFM:
C.R.: 10	Nat. Aspe:
Int Dur: 254.	Exh Dur:
Int Lobe Lift: .349	Exh Lobe:

355 Small Block Chev for short Circle Track Race
 Runs either 750 4BBL or 500 2BBL (which flo
 750 4V: 405 @ 5000/425 @ 6250 600 RPM
 run
 500 2V: 377 @ 3750/372 @ 6250 gives low

List Alphabetically
 List by Date Last Changed (most recent first)

Show Only Files which contain this phrase:

Open **Delete** Cancel

Delete a File

Delete File

Chevy 355 Circle Track Race

If you are not sure, choose No.

Note: File is actually sent to the Recycle Bin, so it can be restored later if needed.

Yes No

If you choose to Open one of your Saved Engine Files, highlight it by clicking on it, then select to Delete it, the file now goes to your computer's Recycle bin. This way you can restore it if you make a mistake. The Delete button is not shown if you choose to open an Example file provided with the program. You can not delete these files.

Figure B.10 New Help Options

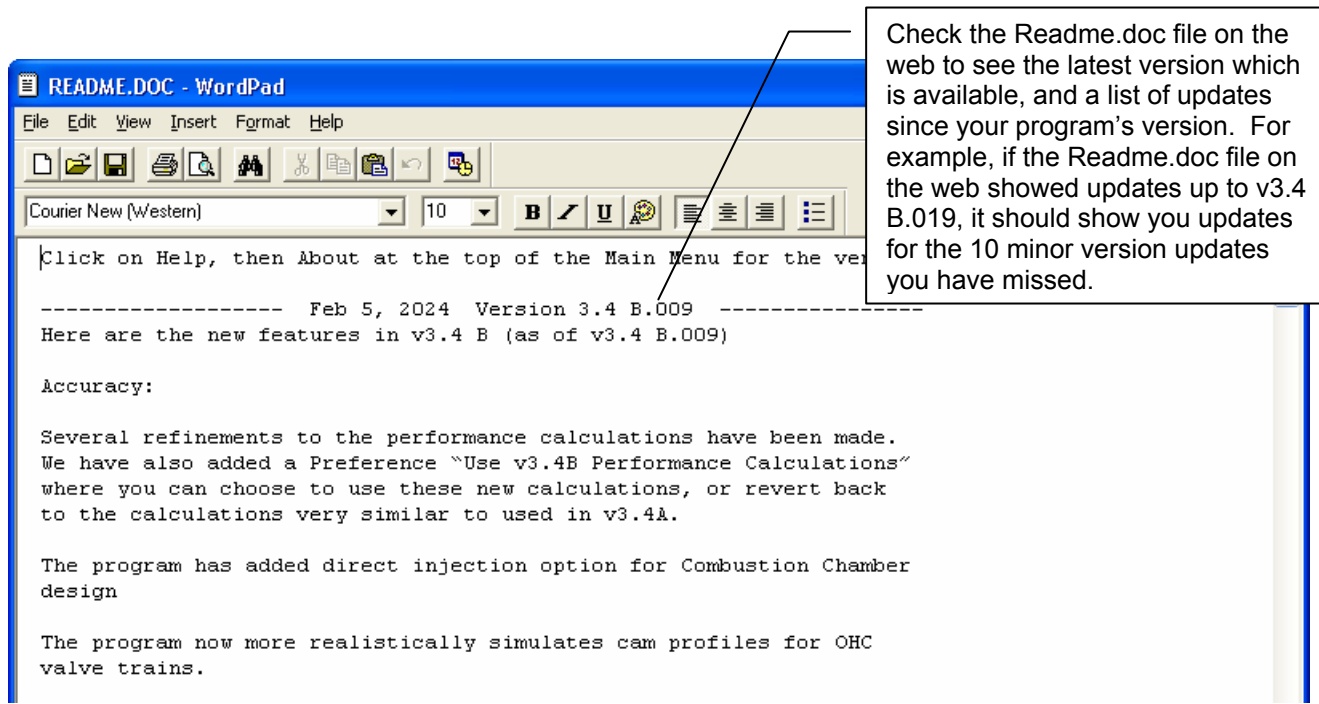
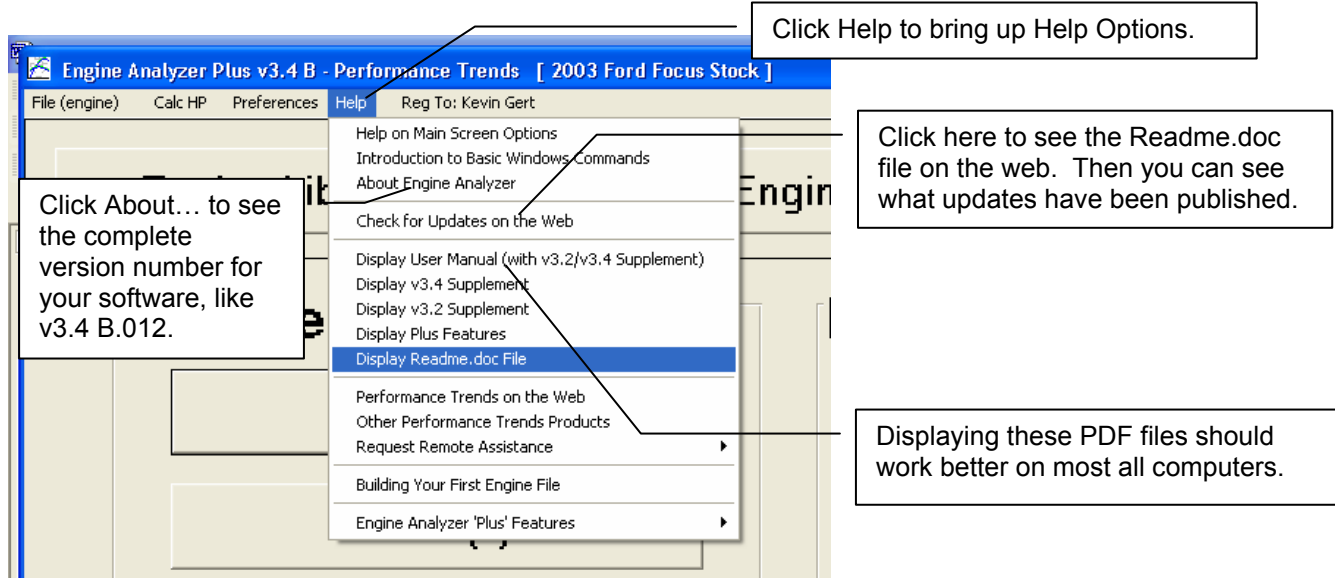
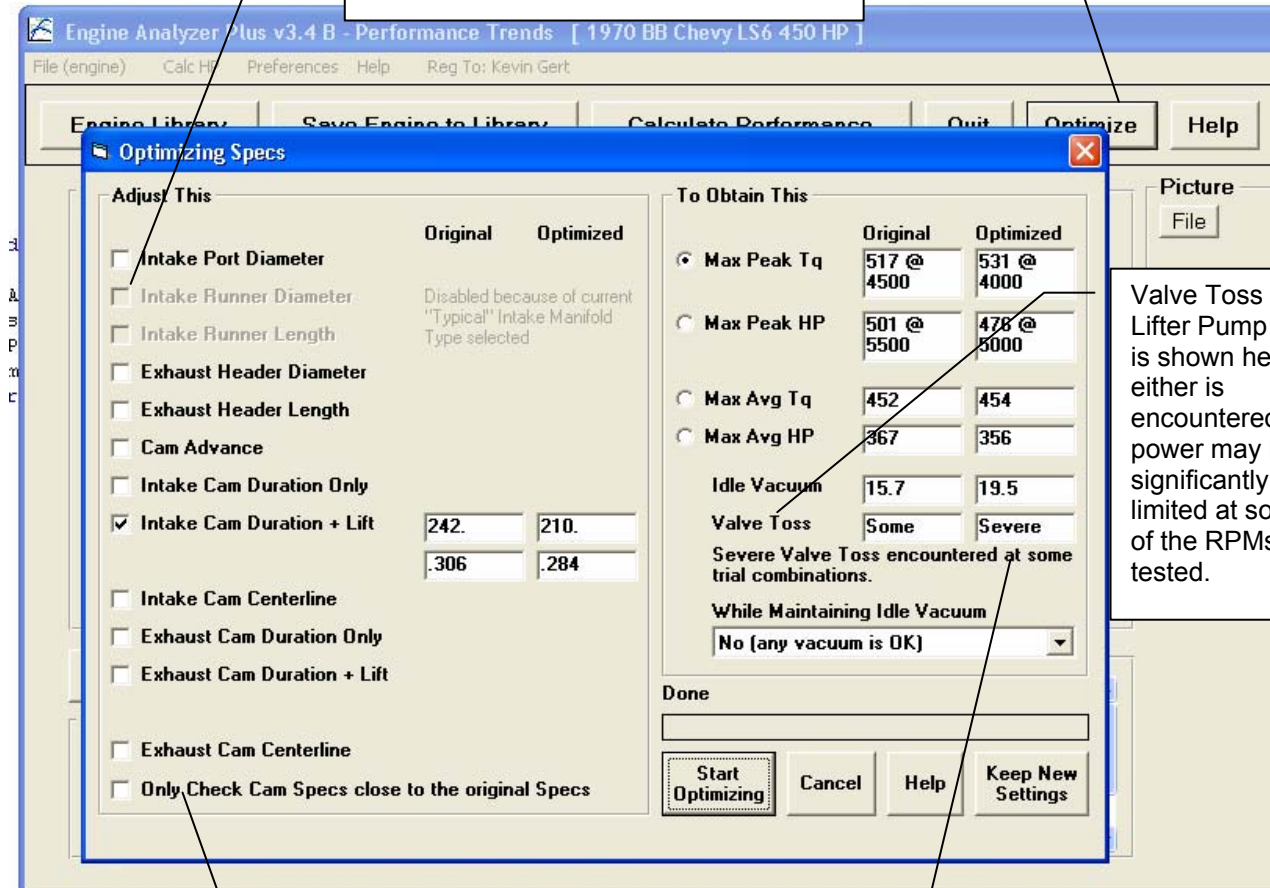


Figure B.11 New Optimize Features, Plus Version Only

Click the Optimize button to bring up this screen.

Some Intake or Exhaust specs may be disabled (grayed out) if the "Type" in their screens is set to a Generic Type, like "Typical Street Dual Plane".



Valve Toss or Lifter Pump Up is shown here. If either is encountered, power may be significantly limited at some of the RPMs tested.

This message can give info on how to interpret the results. For example, if Severe Valve Toss is encountered, you should maybe improve the valve train design and try again. Or you should realize that power may be limited by Valve Toss in the RPM range tested.

If you think the current cam specs are near optimum, check this box. Then the program will concentrate only on cam specs fairly similar to what your current cam specs are. Otherwise the program could try durations from, say, 160 to 340 degrees, and could miss a combination close to what you have now.