

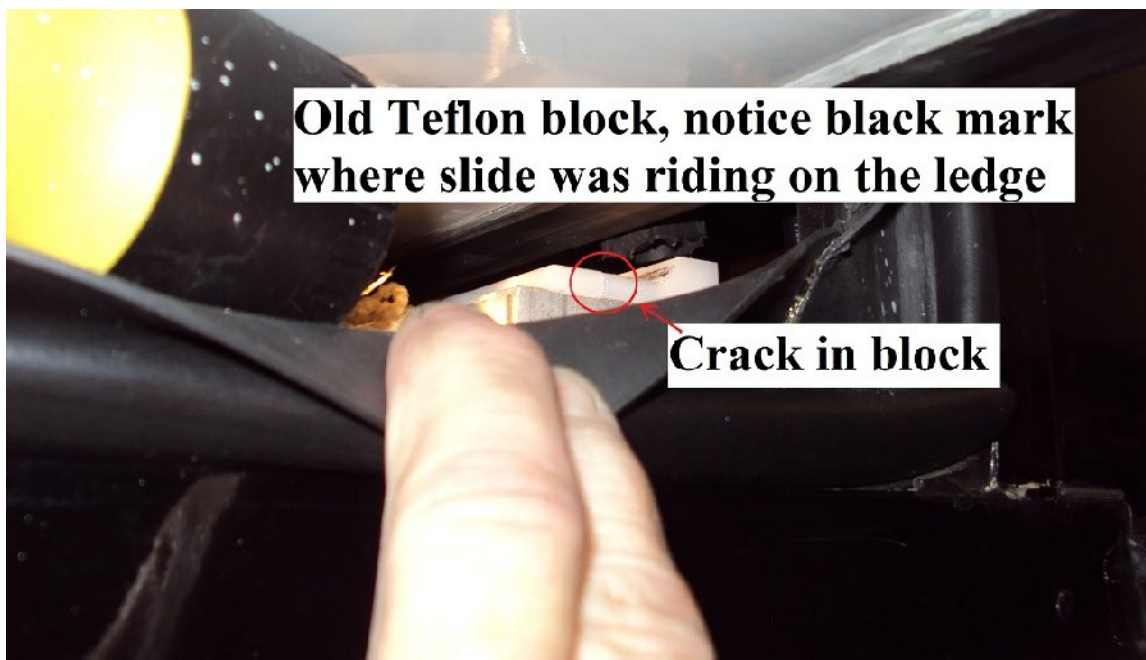


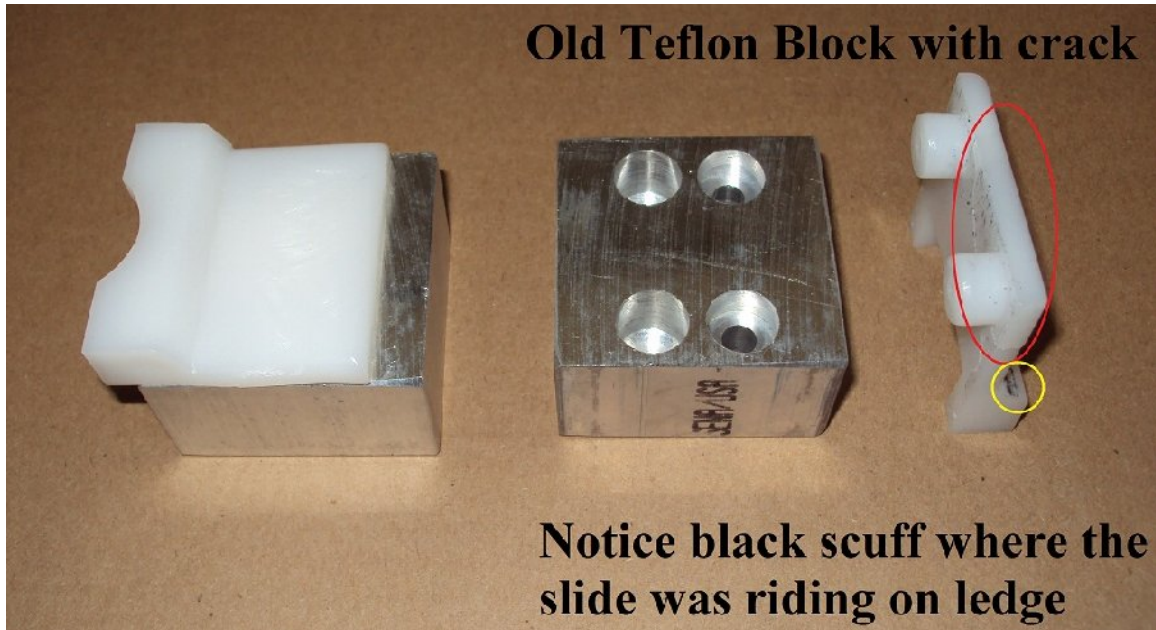
## 2010 43QGP Allegro Bus

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### 74 – FYI – REPLACING TEFLON BLOCK ON BEDROOM SLIDE.

While spending leisure time in Red Bay last year I noticed both of the Teflon blocks on the passenger side bedroom slide were cracked. The problem was brought to the attention of Terry and Tony our techs in bay 33. During construction the aluminum blocks are permanently installed for two purposes, one to keep the slide centered, two to allow the slide to slip over the blocks Teflon insert. The problem with our blocks they were installed almost a ½ inch too close together. The Teflon blocks have a flat slide portion for the slide to slip over and at the same time have a beveled edge to an outside ledge to keep the slide centered as it is extended and retracted. With the blocks installed too close together the weight of the bedroom slide was being supported on the small ledge rather than on the wider portion of the two Teflon blocks. Over time the Teflon ledge on both blocks had broken. Terry and Tony moved the rear most aluminum block a ½ inch to increase the spacing between the two blocks. A couple of days ago I found one of those Teflon blocks had cracked. As this current problem was a previous Tiffin repair Tiffin was e-mailed stating the problem and information on last year's repair. Today a package was received from Tiffin containing the new Teflon blocks which will be used to replace the broken block.





Replacing the broken block does not require many tools or a lot of effort. Two boards and a jack were used to lift the slide a couple of inches allowing the Teflon block to be removed and the new Teflon block to be inserted.



After inserting the block it's just a matter of slowly lowering the jack while making sure the slide is centered between the outside ledges on the Teflon blocks before completely lowering the slide. Based on the black scuff on the broken block there may be a need to move this aluminum block to the right another  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch, to prevent damaging another Teflon block, time will tell.