

## 2010 43QGP Allegro Bus

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## **105 - FYI – <u>LUBRICATING THE RIDE HEIGHT CONTROL VALVE</u>**

**LINKAGE GROMMETS.** Say what, how many Powerglide chassis owners have lubricated the above grommets with the special purpose lubricant? Why have you not had this maintenance performed, it is part of the 10,000 mile maintenance of the Powerglide chassis. Click on the below link,

http://www.tiffinrvnetwork.com/crusingator/ABfyi/FYI-093-2.pdf once you have clicked on the link drop down to page TWO of the file. Look under the Suspensions and Axles heading, drop down to Ride Height Valve

**Linkages,** what you are told to do is to "Grease linkage grommets w/D.A. Stewart Aqua Lube".

I am remiss in stating I did not do much research on this lubricant until the past couple of months, I was finally able to track down the lubricant. While searching I found reference to D.A. Stewart Aqua Lube, D.A. Stuart Aqua Lube and finally found where Aqua Lube had changed its name to Aqua-Shield.

Yes, I finally located the Aqua- Shield lubricant, and purchased an 8 oz. tube for \$ 12.77 plus shipping of \$ 7.16 for a total price of \$ 19.93. I now have a lifetime supply for **ALL** Powerglide chassis currently built or may be built in the future a little bit of tis lube goes a long way.

I removed the four control valve linkages to make lubrication easier, the labeling states to use gloves when applying as the lube is hard to remove from hands and clothes, and I'll add also to anything else it touches.



I can attest to the Aqua – Shield lube being sticky, it has the consistency of bubble gum with anything it touches and adheres to. After removing the linkage from the coach the grommets were removed from the linkage to make lubrication of the grommet easier and less messy.



Above is a photo of one linkage with the BLUE bubble gum lube attached. I'll keep an eye on these grommets however preforming this 10,000 mile maintenance will probably never need to be done again or to get re-fleshed. The 8 oz. tube of Aqua-Shield was purchased from Marine Sanitation & Supply their web-site is <u>http://www.marinesan.com/</u> Aqua-Shield can be found on their web-site by clicking on the below link: <u>http://www.marinesan.com/Aqua\_Shield\_Grease\_s/239.htm</u>