

2010 43QGP Allegro Bus

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SIXTY-EIGHT-C – coach modification – <u>RV SPARE TIRE CARRIER</u>. This tire carrier modification has pretty much been covered by previous

files, just desired to add a few photos to demonstrate the operation of the RV spare tire carrier.

The below photo demonstrates how the tire carrier opens about 50% of the way enough to allow opening the rear engine access cover, permitting access to the coach engine, its various fluids for both checking and testing. As seen in the photo the toad does not need to be disconnected and/or moved out of the way to allow this amount of engine access.



Cathey (my wife) did herself proud first designing then making the spare tire cover. The cover uses multiple methods to keep the cover tight, Velcro, straps and backpack buckles the same time allowing quick access to the tire. To remove the spare RV tire and rim from its carrier the toad does require disconnecting and moving back out of the way. Then the padlock can be unlocked the hitch pin pulled and the tire lowered to the ground. An unscientific method is used to lower the carrier. A 4 foot piece of 2×6 is carried in case one or more jacks needs a manual assist to retract that last inch. I use that board and a shorter board to assist in lowering the carrier.



"On the Road Again" ONLY now with a spare tire back-up.