

Miscellaneous tips from seminars at Tiffin Rally- June 2022

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- In your Contacts, make a contact for your RV. Include pertinent information, i.e. Model, VIN, other details that you might need when speaking with repair people, etc.
- If your refrigerator doors tend to open while traveling, use a dog collar around the opposing handles to keep the doors closed.
- Line your cabinets and closets outside walls with Reflectix for interior temperature control.
- Instead of a tablecloth to cover a folding table or picnic table, use a fitted sheet (twin?). The elastic corners will fit around and under the table and keep the wind from tearing it off. Easy to remove and launder as needed.
- Instead of pool noodles, use gray insulation pipe for slide corners, windshield wiper covers, etc. Available at home improvement stores.
- Carry a dowel rod in the bedroom, cut to a length to use as a prop for your emergency exit window. This will hold open your window, which is very heavy, in case of fire evacuation. Use a bedspread, comforter, or blanket over the window ledge to cushion your body on the hard ledge as you exit feet first, belly down.
- In RV washing machine, keep a package of DampRid (or similar) between uses to cut down on moisture that causes mold and mildew. After use of washer, use a towel to dry all rubber gaskets and seals. Prop the door open as much as possible after use. Keep the detergent dispenser clean. Some people advise against using fabric softener.
- If you have the table and chair configuration, for traveling turn the chairs with the back against the cabinets and seat towards the center aisle. This will give you a little more room when walking from cockpit back to kitchen and bath area.
- Cooking appliances seminar: Use silicone mat material that can be purchased on a roll. You can then cut to the sizes that work best for you for microwave and convection oven needs. Make one that fits the turntable. Makes spill clean-ups easier.
- A portable induction burner is handy when you don't want to use a propane stove. Can also be used outside. Use induction cookware (must attract a magnet on bottom) OR use a "heat diffuser" that is placed between the burner and bottom of any pan. Sold on Amazon.