

My Vacation trip to Hell and back:

Our plan: Take a one month trip in our Forester Class C RV up to and including Jackson (Hole), Wyoming and back.

Here's what happened:

1. Prepared but did not check air in RV tires before leaving.
2. A few month before leaving, I had paid a local RV repair shop, \$400, to take the dually wheels off and put proper valve stem extensions on because the ones Forest River (coach manufacturer) installed when they added dually wheels to the Mercedes Sprinter chassis frame were installed correctly and could not read or add air pressure thru the fancy Dan hubcaps they put on to make the unit pretty.
3. So, the first let of our trip, So Cal to St George, UT, just above NV. We camped there and I just happened to notice that the passenger outer dully tire was FLAT and not only flat but tearing apart on the sides with big chunks missing. It looked like I had ridden many many miles on a flat tire!
4. There is a long story that backs up me spending \$800 trying buying a new tire and having it installed at the campsite and during installation failures in valve stem extensions finding out that auto parts extensions don't work on truck tire valve stems. I ended up using two tire companies because the installing tire company was closed on Memorial Day and the valve stems they put in failed and I had to pay another mobile tire guy to come out on Memorial Day to correct the problem because we had prepaid reservations at the next stop and had to go. It hurts to even think about the stress of this circle jerk. Alcohol didn't even help.
5. On top of all that, the RV we bought when we downsized was a cheaper model and it has all kinds of problems. The "paper" wood lamination on