

## Now What? Tire Changing Tips

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Have the right tools. A long "Cheater Bar" adds leverage.

JACK (ACCESSIBLE)
CHEATER BAR
SOCKET WRENCH WITH
SOCKET THAT FITS YOUR
LUG NUTS.
TORQUE WRENCH



#### So you have a flat, what now?

Single Axel – get as far off the road as possible

Double Axel – drive slowly, flashers on, on 3 tires to a level place, or a nearby town where the tire can be changed.

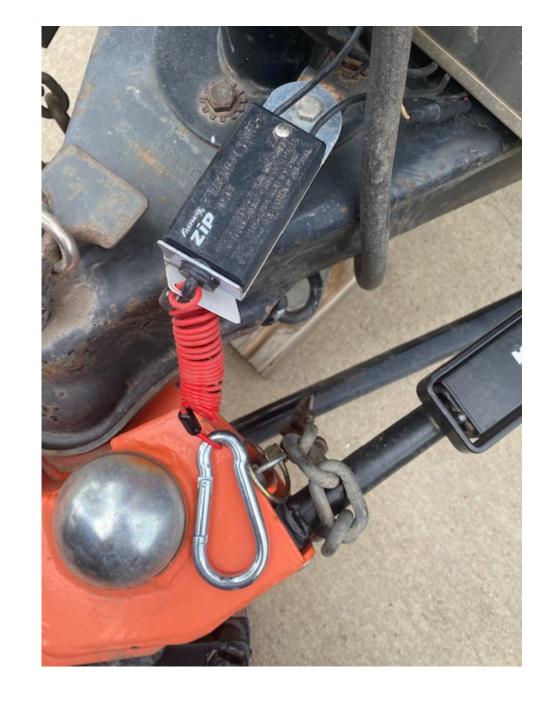
AFTER LOOSENING LUG NUTS Build a ramp with levelers to lift the flat off the road.



### Loosening lug nuts

Do this while there is weight on the tire, before you jack it up, or it will spin.

Or, to stop spin pull brake-away switch / pin.



### Breakaway Switch





A long "Cheater Bar" adds leverage when loosening lug nuts.





#### Where's your jack?

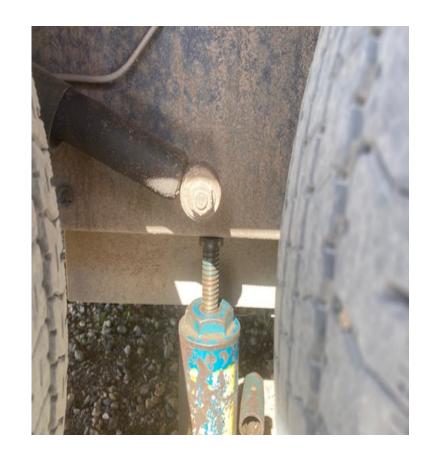
Know where your jack is BEFORE you need it.

Be sure you have a jack that's strong enough to lift your trailer. Bottle Jacks are available in several weights. 30' Airstream – 4 ton jack.

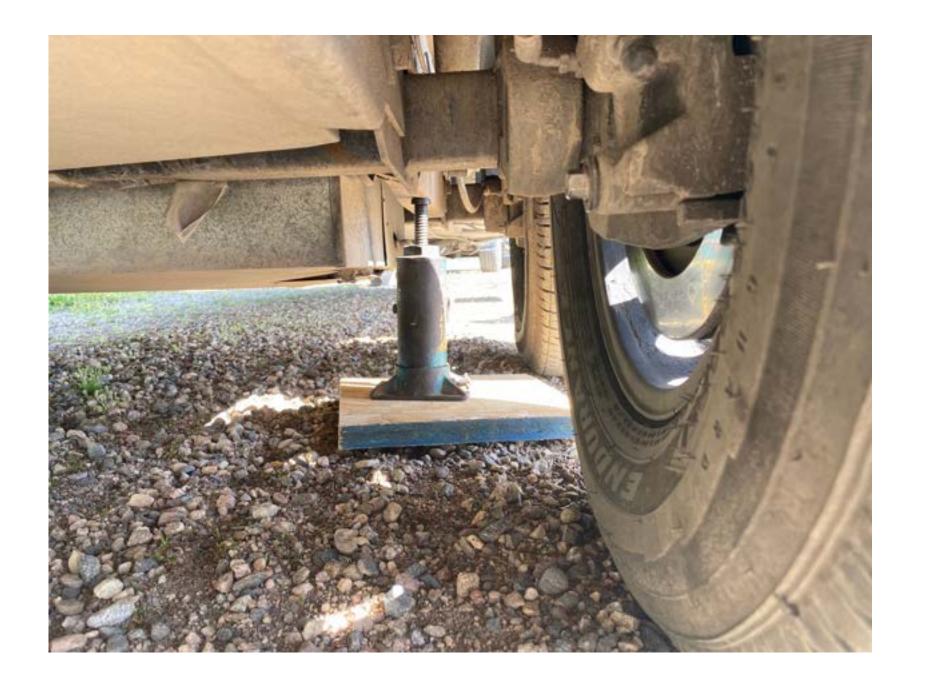


# Where to put the jack? Duel Axel

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Where to put the jack? Single Axel

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#### Single Axel Jack Placement - ON THE FRAME, NOT ON THE AXEL



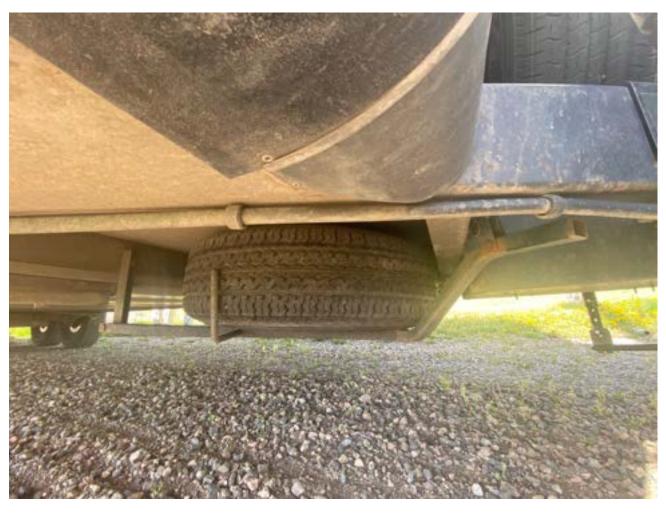


Where NOT to put the jack?

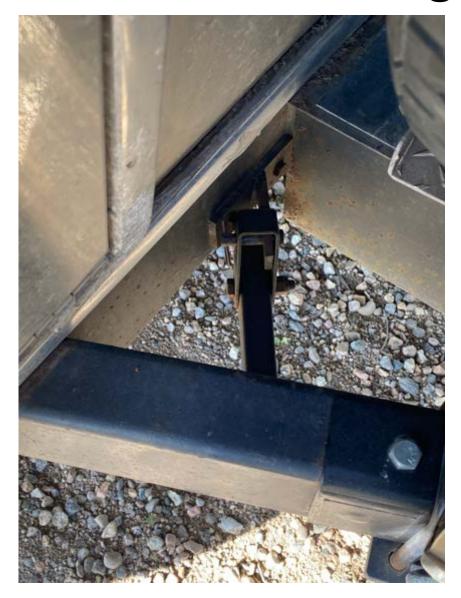


### Where is the spare? Under the front of your trailer.





### Lowering the spare tire.





### How a small person can lift a heavy tire.





TIGHTEN lug nuts on opposing sides of the pattern

12 o'clock,

6 o'clock,

3 o'clock,

9 o'clock.



Torque your lug nuts to 110 foot pounds with the torque wrench. Retorque after 50-100 miles.

