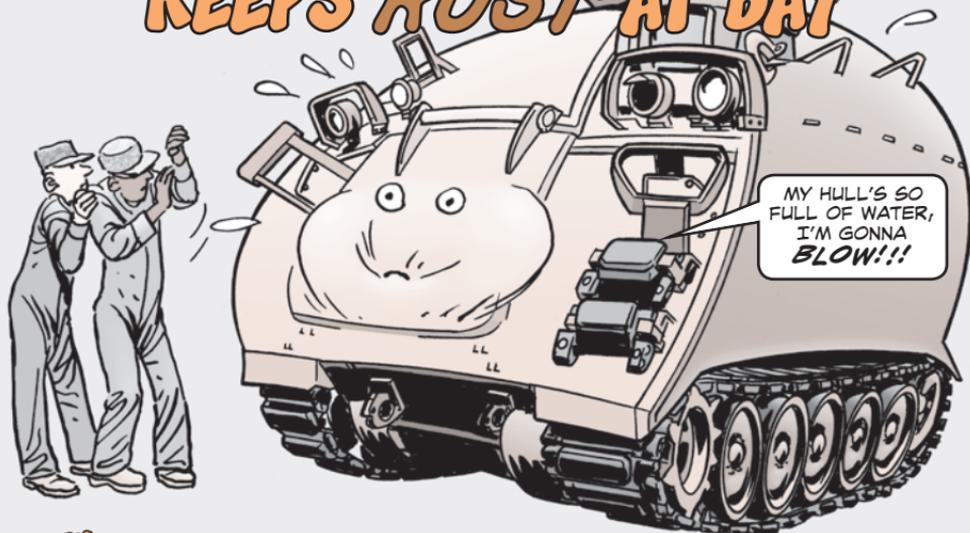


DRAINING HULL KEEPS RUST AT BAY



Whether it gets there from rainwater or from washing your vehicle, water always seems to collect in the hull of your M113-series vehicle. And it can cause a lot of damage.

That water rusts the fuel line and ramp pump fittings under the floor plates. Pretty soon, leaks develop and your vehicle is out of business!

It's a simple matter to drain that water. Just open the three hull drain plugs, NSN 2590-00-299-0739, on the bottom of your vehicle. There are two plugs located at the front and one at the back.

'Course, that water is probably going to be contaminated with fuel, oil, hydraulic fluid or other materials that are considered hazardous waste. So follow your unit's SOP on where to drain the hull. That's most likely at the wash rack, which is usually equipped to separate fuel, oil and other materials from the water.

If the water level is low, you can also use drip pans. Just make sure you dispose of the wastewater properly.

