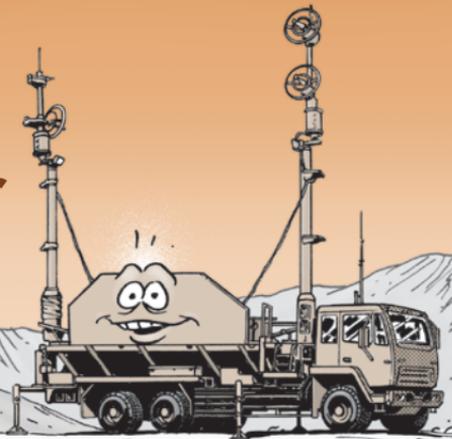


AMG Advice to Remember

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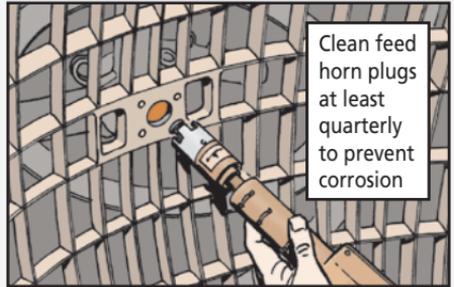


Dear Editor,

We have a couple of tips for Patriot units that can help keep their antenna mast groups (AMG) standing tall.

Clean feed horn plugs at least quarterly.

Corrosion can form on the metal parts of the plugs, especially when the antennas are left erected for long periods. If the corrosion becomes too bad, the feed horns can end up stuck to the antennas. Then you must take off the whole antenna to remove the feed horn. That big job can be avoided if you just clean the plugs quarterly with alcohol and a rag—or a wire brush if the corrosion is stubborn.



Take off both pneumatic pump covers before you power up the AMG.

It's easy to forget them. But if you do, the covers trap the heat. The heat can become so intense that the plastic guards over the fans melt. Then the whole motor can overheat, which means it has to be replaced. Just remember to put the covers back on after you shut down the AMG and it has had a chance to cool. They keep out sand and rain.



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Editor's note: That's good advice indeed! Thanks.