Coachman Pastiche Setup and Packup procedures by PBC

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Setting up to tow

European caravans must not attach to a normal tow ball setup. Although the tow ball itself is the same size as normal it must be coupled with a bracket below it to stop it **undoing**. This must be fitted **before** the caravan is placed on the tow bar. Below is an example of one type of bracket which shows how the tow ball cannot come undone as it cannot rotate.



Setting up the Toilet- See video on this for extra visual cues. This is on the website: www.perfectbreakcaravans.com. Link for this is https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L0Su44E9-UQ

1. Open the side hatch on the passenger side of the caravan towards the back. Note the Toilet waste cassette hatch below.



2. Carefully pull the base locking lever up whilst pulling out the toilet waste cassette.



3. Remove the cap on the pipe like part at the end of the waste tank and then Add about 4cm or 1 inch of water to this cassette.



- 4. Now add 100ml of Green or Blue, chemical in the same way. You are now ready to use the toilet waste container. Pino- Clean type disinfectants are also fine
- 5. Slide it back into the box making sure it slips all the way past the lip the lever sits into at the front of the space.
- 6. Now notice the water fill Small Door located above this cassette at the front of the hatch. Flip this down towards you until it is at a right angle to the side of the caravan and fill with fresh water. Pink deodorizing toilet chemicals can be added if required but is not compulsory.
- 7. Undo the cap on this and fill with fresh water. Please only fill to the base of this opening as overfilling may leak water into the bathroom. If you overfill just go

immediately into the bathroom and flush the toilet about 5 times by pulling the handle up 5x at the back of the toilet.

To use the toilet

You must Open the lever at the top showing a hole down to the waste tank.

- 1. **Exit** your waste into the toilet then **flush** using the Blue button on the top left of the toilet.
- 2. Once all waste has been removed to the waste tank simply slide the lever back to original position so the hole is now closed and close the lid for the next exciting ablution!



Hot water system and connections

This caravan has a Gas and Electric hot water system.

Before starting the hot water system you **must first** either **fill up the water tank** located under the caravan on the passenger side **OR attach the hose** to the outside of the caravan at the back drivers side.



Hose connection- Found towards the back exterior of the caravans on the drivers side.



Turning on the system with electricity

- 1. Once the water is connected or tank filled, turn on the water pump and mains power near the door control panel(Note- the pump does not need to be on if mains water is connected and if the pump runs constantly should be kept off when not in use).
- 2. Next switch the Black rectangular button up to start the heater which is located to the left of the main table. You will have hot water in around 30 minutes.



Turning on the System with gas only(no mains connection for power- Offgrid use)

- 1. Make sure the water is in the tank and pump on near the door.
- 2. Turn on the Gas tank in the boot in the front of the caravan.
- 3. Next turn the outer grey dial down to the flame symbol to start the heater which is located on the side of the main bed. You will have hot water in around 30 minutes.
- 4. You should hear a small clicking sound under the main bed when this happens which is the heater lighting. It will take some time for the water to heat up.
- 5. Electrical operation- When on site this is best as won't use your GAS. Rotate Grey switch up to Gas off then Toggle bottom black button up to turn on Electrical hot water system once the outside cord has been attached.



Turning off

The heater should be turned off when packing up by turning the grey dial switch to the circle setting and turning the gas off at the front of the caravan. **NEVER** leave the gas on at the front of the caravan when in transit. Turn off the electric system by switch below.

Electrical system information

This caravan can run on a 12 volt system for power or 15 amp mains power. The switches for these are located near the front door. Turn these off when NOT in use to reduce battery drain.

The always connected deep cycle battery will automatically charge when mains power has been connected through the normal 15 amp cord located next to the battery box when the switch near the door is switched to VAN. This mains connection is located on the drivers side of the caravan along with most other connections inside the battery box etc. See picture below.



Fuses and Mains switch

The main safety switch for power in the caravan is located in the long vertical cupboard under the Microwave. Use this to switch back on the power should you short this out by running too many appliances at once eg- Microwave and Toaster.

The fuses are located here as well although there are extra ones under the single bed just past the fridge and next to some buttons like the hot water button on the back dbl bed.



Also please only run the microwave when the door is open on the cupboard.

Fridge- Please be aware that the fridge will not work if the caravan is not completely level. It will also take at least 4 hours to get cold and if the ambient temperature is quite high outside will not work as well as a normal house fridge.

Use freezer bricks in and out of the freezer compartment to help cool the fridge or improve its efficiency especially when keeping food cold whilst travelling. The less you open the fridge and the quicker you close it the better it will work. Also do not pack the fridge with too much food or food against the Metal coils inside or its efficiency will be affected. The fridge can work on 240v or Gas once the bottle has been turned on.

Electrical operation of the Fridge(normal use onsite)

Please remember that these fridges are completely silent running and take at least 4 hours to start to get cold or longer on hot days.

TO run on Electrical or mains power rotate the left hand dial to the Electrical symbol and plug in mains power on the side of the caravan in the battery box. Lock the battery box as 12v deep cycle batteries are expensive and can be stolen.

Gas operation of the Fridge

- 1. Turn on the Gas bottle in the front of the caravan in the boot.
- 2. Now make sure you have rotated the dial on the top left of the fridge control panel to the FLAME symbol.
- 3. Test there is gas in the bottle by lighting the stove top.
- 4. If gas is fine then light the fridge by holding in the Thermostat button on the right side of the fridge top and pressing repeatedly the igniting black button next to it. DO THIS WITH THE DOOR OPEN TO SEE THE FLAME FLICKERING LIGHTLY IN THE VIEWING PANEL ON THE MID LEFT INSIDE(ROUND Clearish plastic) Once flickering let go of the Thermostat button and see if it still flickers. If it does then it is lit. If not, repeat the process after 30 seconds. Repeat again and again until lit.
- 5. Now go outside and you should smell a small amount of gas on the outside top vent behind the fridge **or** feel a small amount of heat there. If not, repeat steps above.







Gas operation(offsite)

- 1. Turn Gas bottle on in the front box outside the caravan.
- 2. Make sure the gas burners on the top of the stove are lighting.

- 3. To light GAS, turn the numbered thermostat dial on the right to 10 and hold this knob down whilst clicking the ignition button to the right of it.
- 4. Look inside the Small Rectangular Viewer located on the grey part of the heater below to see if you can see a glow/ flame when lit. If not lit, repeat the igniting process again and again. If you have tried this for over 30 seconds STOP and wait a minute before repeating the process. It may take 5- 10 attempts or so.
- 5. Turn on the fans on the left dial to Auto or Manual and adjust level for ducting to different parts of the caravan.

Electrical operation of Truma Ducted heater

- 1. To operate this heater you need to use the controls found on the base of the bed opposite the fridge.
- 2. Dial the grey switch to one of the large numbers on the right depending on how hot you want it and then the small numbers for fine adjustment.
 - 3. You can then set the fan speed on the top of the heater to Auto or Manual Fan



Water system

This can be run from the tank under the left seat **OR** from mains pressure with the hose connected to the outside on the drivers side back. Please do not turn the exterior garden tap on full, but just a small amount after connection. Also Run the taps to remove the air from the system on initial setup.

See picture shown previously for location of connections etc.

Tank Water and pressure/ pump

- 1. Turn on the **pump button** by switching it down near the front door.
- 2. Now Run each tap for a little while **to get air out of the system** finishing with the sink near the Ensuite.
- 3. Please remember that there will be much **less pressure** when running the water on the 12v pump as it is only a small pump AND if it ran faster would use up your tank water quickly. If the pump runs constantly this would mean you would need to fill the tank at the inlet near the door on the outside.
- 4. When **filling the tank** take one end of the hose off and push the hose right into the tank inlet. Watch the tank filling on the inside by opening the hatch next to the 240v heater controls.





TV and Reception

- 1. Once you have arrived, re- tune the TV with the remote(above it) to that area. If reception is good don't bother winding the aerial up located above the Bed.
- 2. Face the TV the direction you want making sure plugs do come loose from the TV or wall.
- The TV will run off the battery so external power is not needed although like everything 12v will drain the battery if left on all of the time without mains power connected to the caravan. If power is connected the deep cycle battery will charge automatically.
- 4. When packing up please leave the remote in the cupboard and place a cushion at the front and back of the TV for Travelling before closing sliding doors.

Making up the 2nd DBL Bed from the lounge seating.

This is easily done IF you are careful initially.

1. Pull the slat base out from the drawered unit at the front centre of the caravan making sure it goes right up to the fridge end as far as possible.



- 2. Slide down the cushions to make the double bed. Note that some like to turn them upside down to decrease the disturbance made from the buttons attached to them.
- 3. Add your mattress protector and bedding.
- 4. Once finished with the caravan reverse the process to again have the lunge set up and ready for the next hirer.

Note- There is a table at the end which can be folded back towards the back of the caravan for a table for two if using as a lounge or 2x single beds only. There is also a large folding table found in the small cupboard opposite the heater for seating many at a meal.

