



## SUFFOLK CENTRE

### TIPS AND IDEAS



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**Stabiliser Handles fouling spare rear door mounted spare wheels on 4 X 4 vehicles** – if you are having problems and don't wish to spend £30 or so for the ALKO removable handle option you may be interested in the modification I carried out in terms of a removable handle. It's a much cheaper alternative that I put into service two years or so ahead of the ALKO version. See me on the rally field for more info or contact me via Tips & Ideas on the SCCC website.

It has been noted from comments made on caravan based websites and by personal observation that many people have possibly overcome the problem by employing spacers between the tow bar mounting plate and the tow ball itself. In one instance a 3 inch spacer had been employed. The official guideline offered by ALKO themselves is that when the extended neck tow ball is used (as required for the AKS 2004/3004 stabilisers etc) no spacers should be used whatsoever as this extends the point of loading further from the vehicle and in doing so creates a higher loading on the mounting bolts.