EMT Monthly Meet-Up

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EMT Monthly Meet-Up

Welcome & Purpose of Monthly Meet-Up

- Keep all EMTs aligned on best practices, safety, and company requirements
- Reinforce collaboration and knowledge sharing
- Second Tuesday of Each Month @ 2PM EST
- Next call will be November 11, 2025

whip around

Mandatory Use of Whip Around

Non-Optional Requirement: **All** maintenance and repair work **must** be recorded in Whip Around — no exceptions.

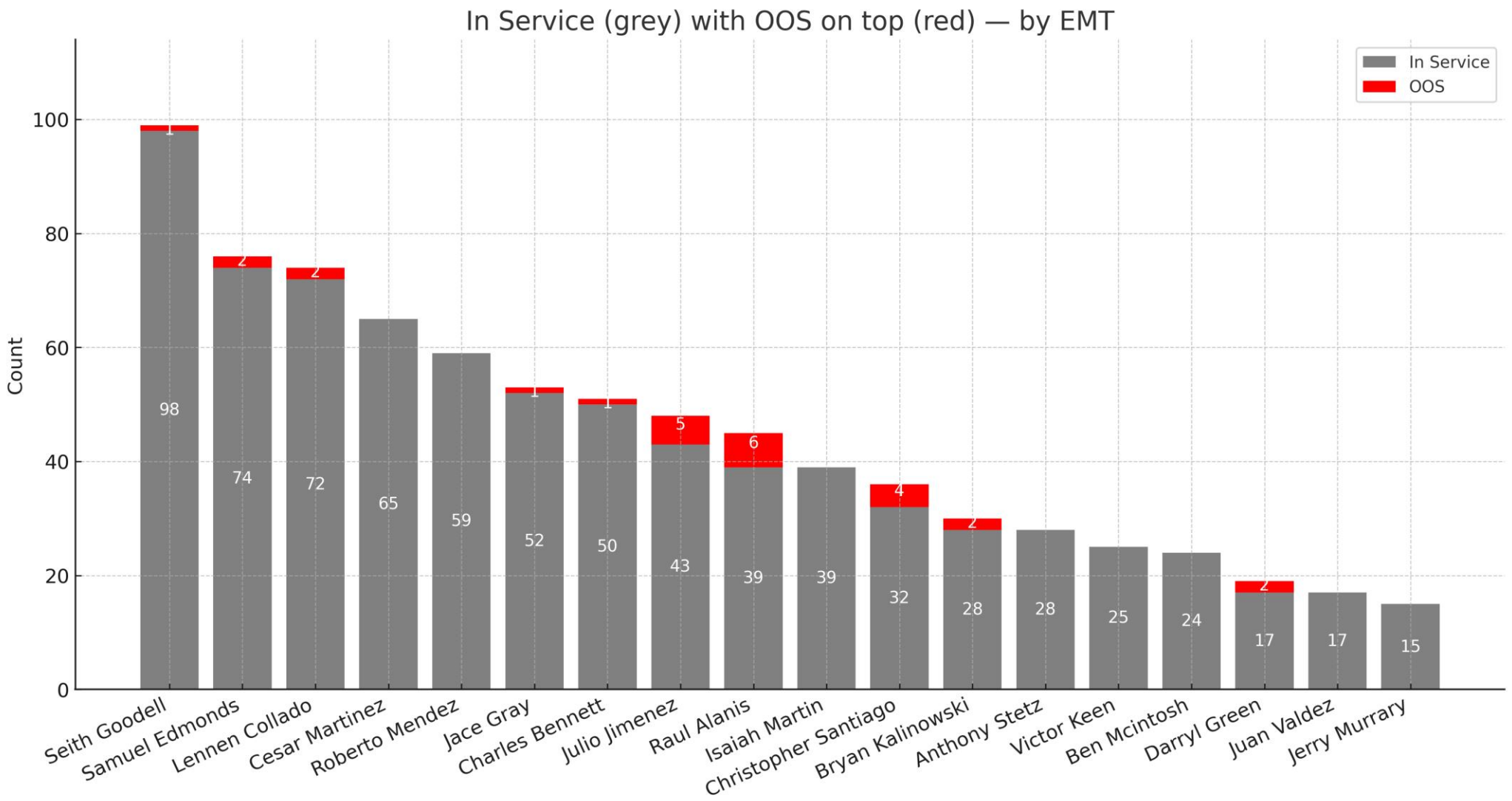
Why it Matters:

- Ensures accurate maintenance history for every unit
- Supports compliance, warranty claims, and preventative maintenance scheduling
- **Helps Support EMTs** – allows leadership to **see and recognize all the hard work being done in the field**

Support Available:

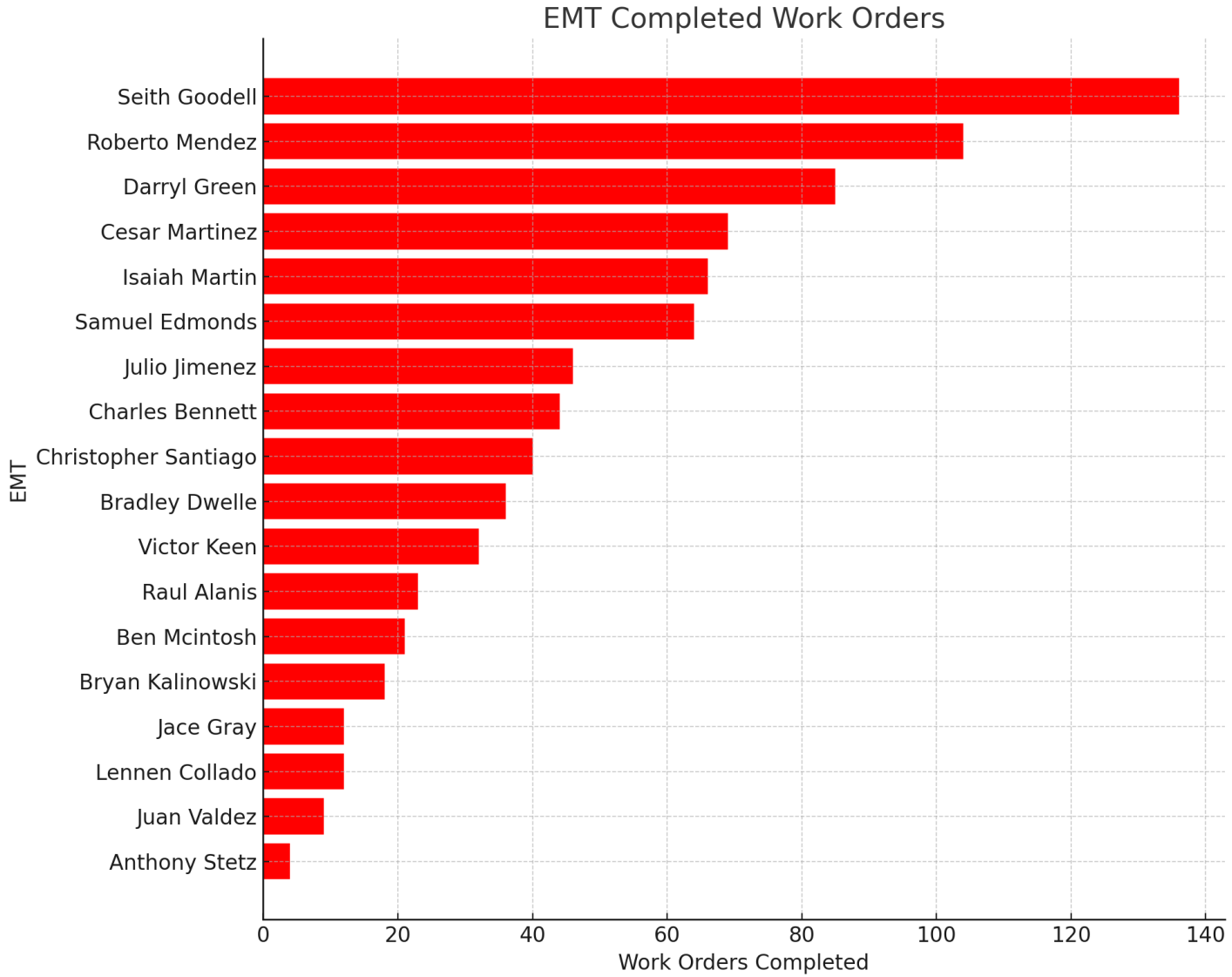
- I am available to help each of you individually if you need guidance on using Whip Around or have any issues creating and closing work orders.

Podzilla In Service-OOS



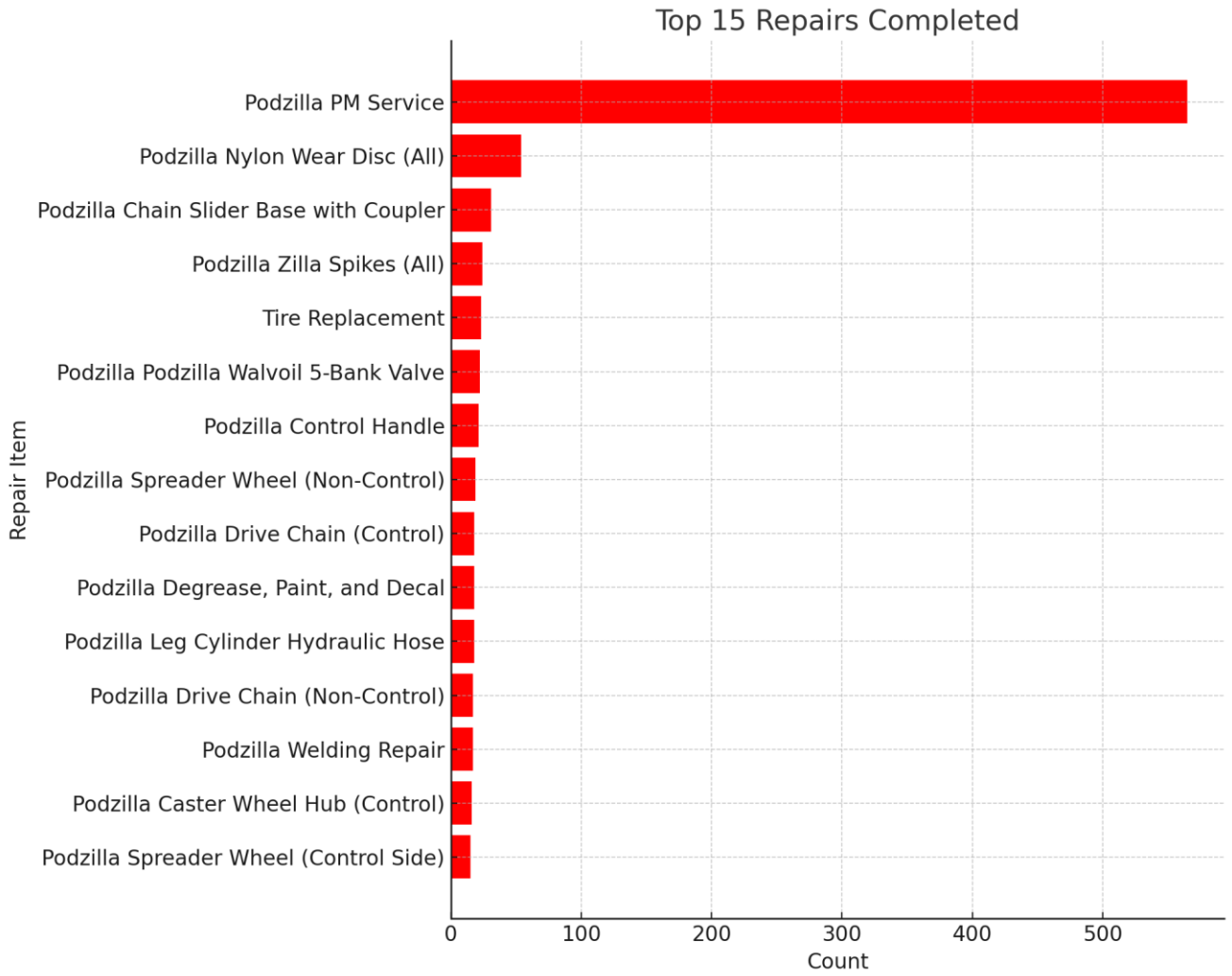
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EMT Workorders



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Podzilla Repairs



Whip Around Training

PODS University has some quick videos showing how to perform some of the basic tasks in Whip Around.

Use the QR code to access those trainings and watch the short form videos as a quick job aid.

A recorded training session is also available on the Corp Ops Intranet Website which is referenced in the next slide.

Lectures

1. DVIR Compliance Video (video:03:01)
2. DVIR Compliance Standard Work (document)
3. Resolving Defects (video:03:10)
4. Resolving Defects Standard Work (document)
5. Defect and Work Order Management (video:09:09)
6. Aging Defects and Work Orders (video:04:17)
7. Prioritizing Vehicles with No Inspection History (video:00:30)

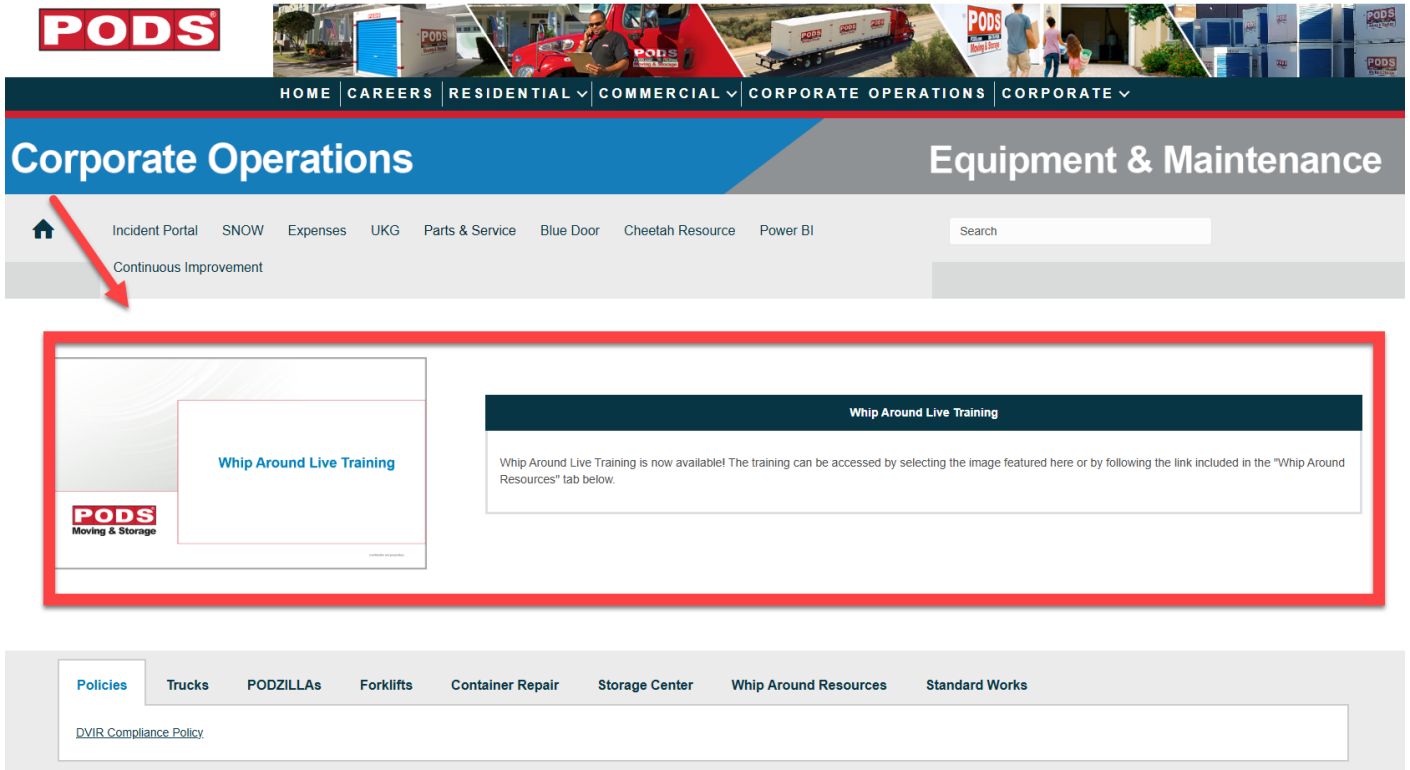
Equipment & Maintenance Website

Please refer to the **Corporate Operations Intranet Site** for a wide range of technical manuals and troubleshooting guides related to Fleet Operations.

Link: https://wearepodsintranet.pods.com/corporate-operations-equipment-maintenance/

The Video at the top of the page is one of our recorded Whip Around training sessions.

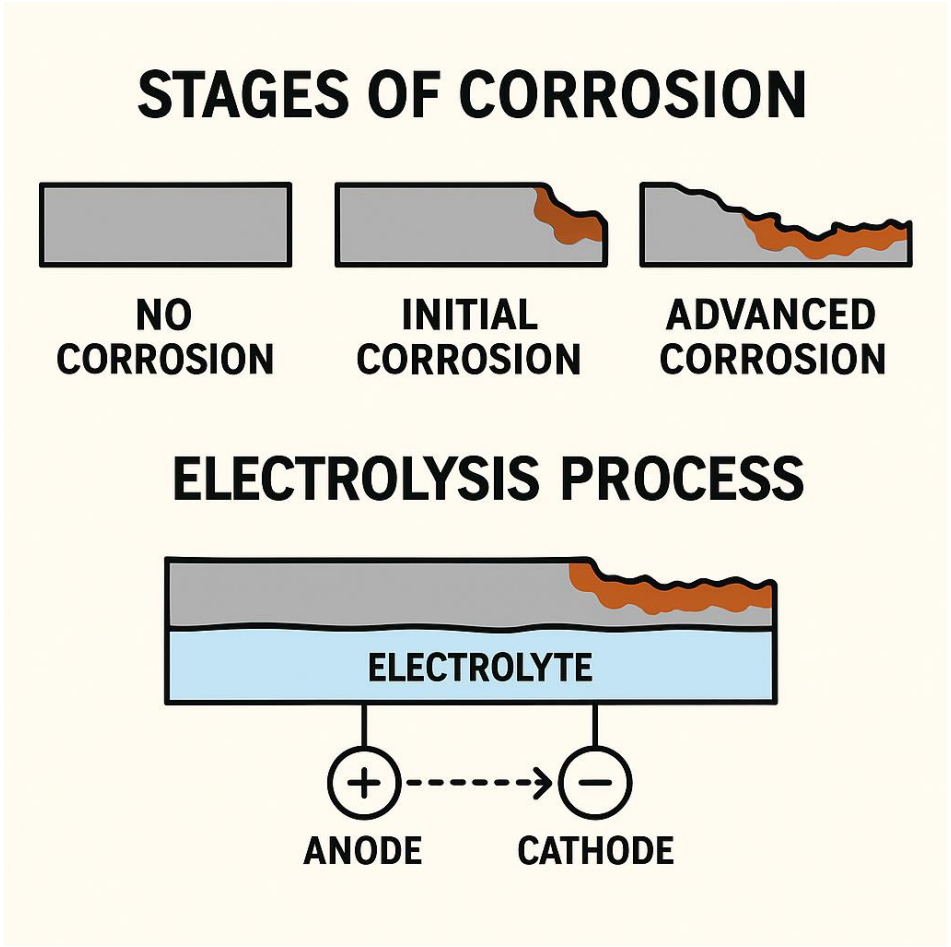
Watch it for detailed training around the tasks that Users will be required to complete.



Podzilla Corrosion Risk

Introduction: Why We're Talking About This?

- Recent inspections have revealed **severe internal corrosion** in some Podzillas
- Corrosion is often **completely hidden** and only discovered after cutting into the main rail or spreader tube.
- Objective: Understand how to identify warning signs before failure.



Podzilla Corrosion Risk

What's Happening Inside

- Corrosion can affect **any Podzilla**, regardless of age.
- **Environmental exposure** is the primary factor:
- **High Risk:** Northern markets with **road salt and de-icing chemicals**.
- **Moderate Risk:** Coastal regions with salt air exposure.
- **Low Risk:** Southern, dry, or lo-salt markets.
- Podzillas were **designed for a 10-year service life**.
- Even newer units can show corrosion if operating in **high-salt or high-moisture environments**.



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Podzilla Corrosion Risk

The Danger of Patching

- Some markets have attempted to **weld metal patches** over corrosion holes
- Patching **does not restore strength**, it only **hides internal decay**
- The Podzilla's daily load cycles amplify any weak spots







Podzilla Corrosion Risk

Field Detection: The Ball-Peen Hammer Test

- Simple, effective **screening tool** for hidden corrosion.
- **Procedure:**
  - Tap suspect areas with a ball-peen or chipping hammer using medium to hard force.
  - Listen for tone:
    - **Sharp ring** = Solid Metal
    - **Dull Thud** = Internal Corrosion
  - If hammer **breaks through**, tag the Podzilla **OOS Immediately**
- Document results in **Whip Around** and Contact **Podzilla Fleet Manager** for next steps. (Scrapping)



Click here for Ball-Peen Hammer test

Podzilla Corrosion Risk

Action Plan & Follow-Up

- If corrosion suspected:
  - Record in Whip Around with Photos.
  - Tag Podzilla **OOS** and notify Fleet Services.
  - Do **not weld patches or return to service**.
  - Await engineering evaluation (replacement or disposal review.



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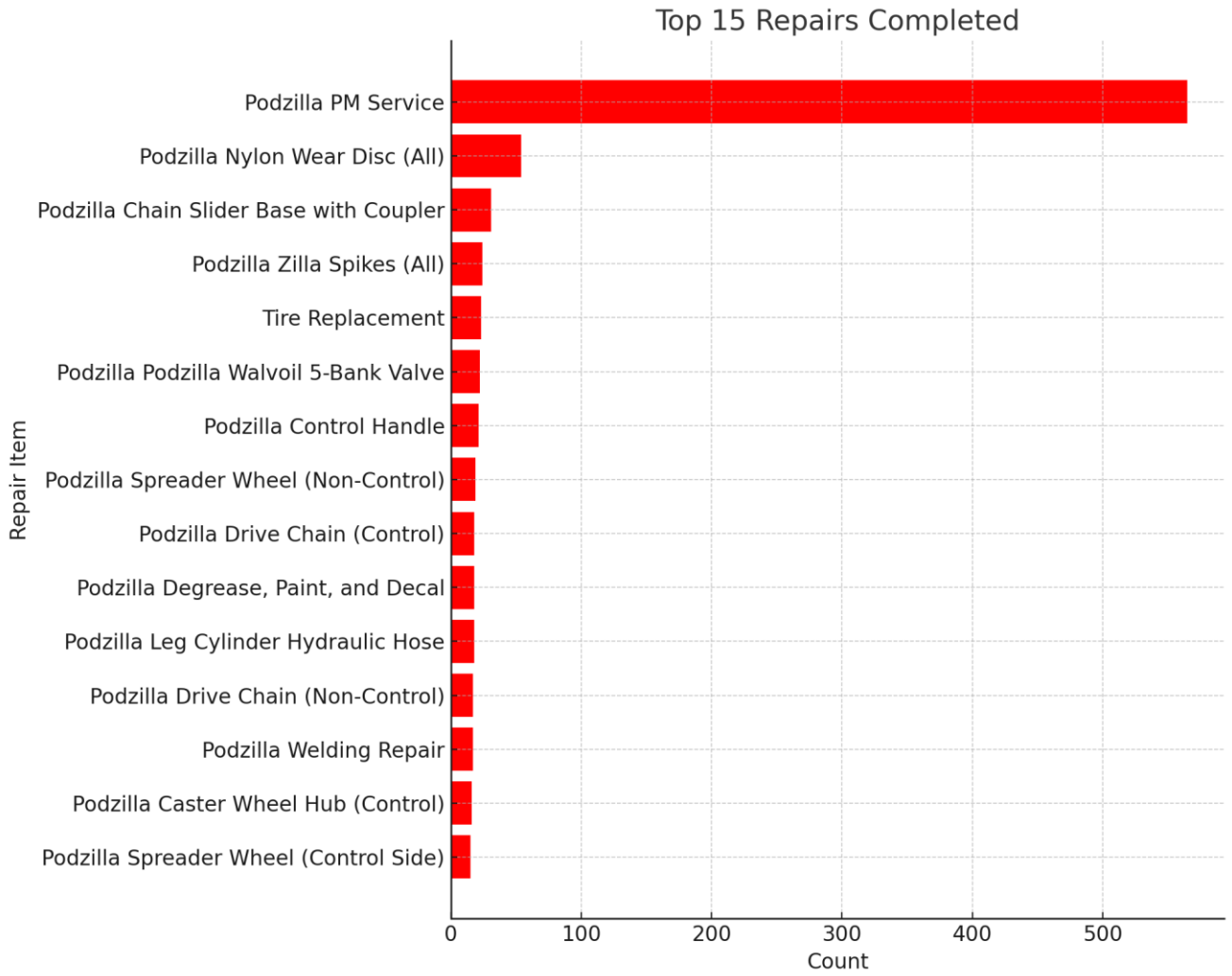
Podzilla Corrosion Risk

Key Takeaways

- Internal corrosion starts from **inside out** due to unsealed rails and tubes.
- Severity depends on **location and exposure**, not just age.
- Podzillas were designed for **~10-year lifespan.**
- **Patching is not a repair**, only replacements ensures safety.
- Use the **Ball-Peen hammer test** and **report early.**



Podzilla Repairs



Podzilla Extreme Cold Weather Operations

To operate a Honda GX630/IGX700 in extreme cold conditions, use a lighter weight engine oil **(5W-30 synthetic),** ensure the fuel is fresh and treated with a **Fuel Antifreeze (HEET),** properly prime the engine by pulling the choke, and allow the engine to warm up gradually before putting under a load.





It may be necessary to keep the engine running throughout the day. Ensure the engine throttle is set to no more than half throttle. Additionally, it may be required to secure a bungee cord around the (2) drive valve handles to cycle the hydraulic fluid through the pump. This will help prevent the fluid from thickening and becoming more viscous.

Podzilla Paint Specification: Rust-Oleum Satin Black



(3) quarts of Satin Black per Podzilla



(3) Spray Cans of Satin Black per Podzilla to get hard to reach areas



(3) Spray Cans of Sunshine Red per Podzilla for Drive Frames and Casters

Annual Preventive Maintenance (PM) - Podzilla

LSI401:-Decal, Lift Kit



Price: $10.92 - 1 +

Add to cart

LSI108:-Lift PODS Decal for Spreader Tube (46x5)



Price: $8.25 - 1 +

Add to cart



Gloss Black Paint for areas receiving decals

LPL304:-WEAR DISK



Price: $1.34 - 1 +

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LPL305:-WEAR DISK (OVERSIZED) .850



Price: $2.00 - 1 +

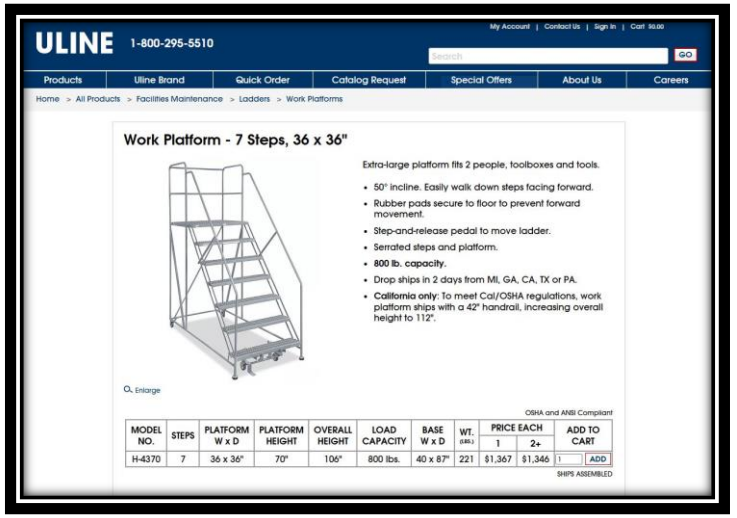
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Safety, Winterization & Common Issues



Safety & Compliance Updates

- Review any recent incidents or near misses- **R&R Cylinders require min of (2) People.**
- PPE reminders-If you need it…Get it!
- DOT/OSHA updates- **Used Oil**
- Work Platforms- **Order sent to Procurement**



Preventative Maintenance & Common Issues

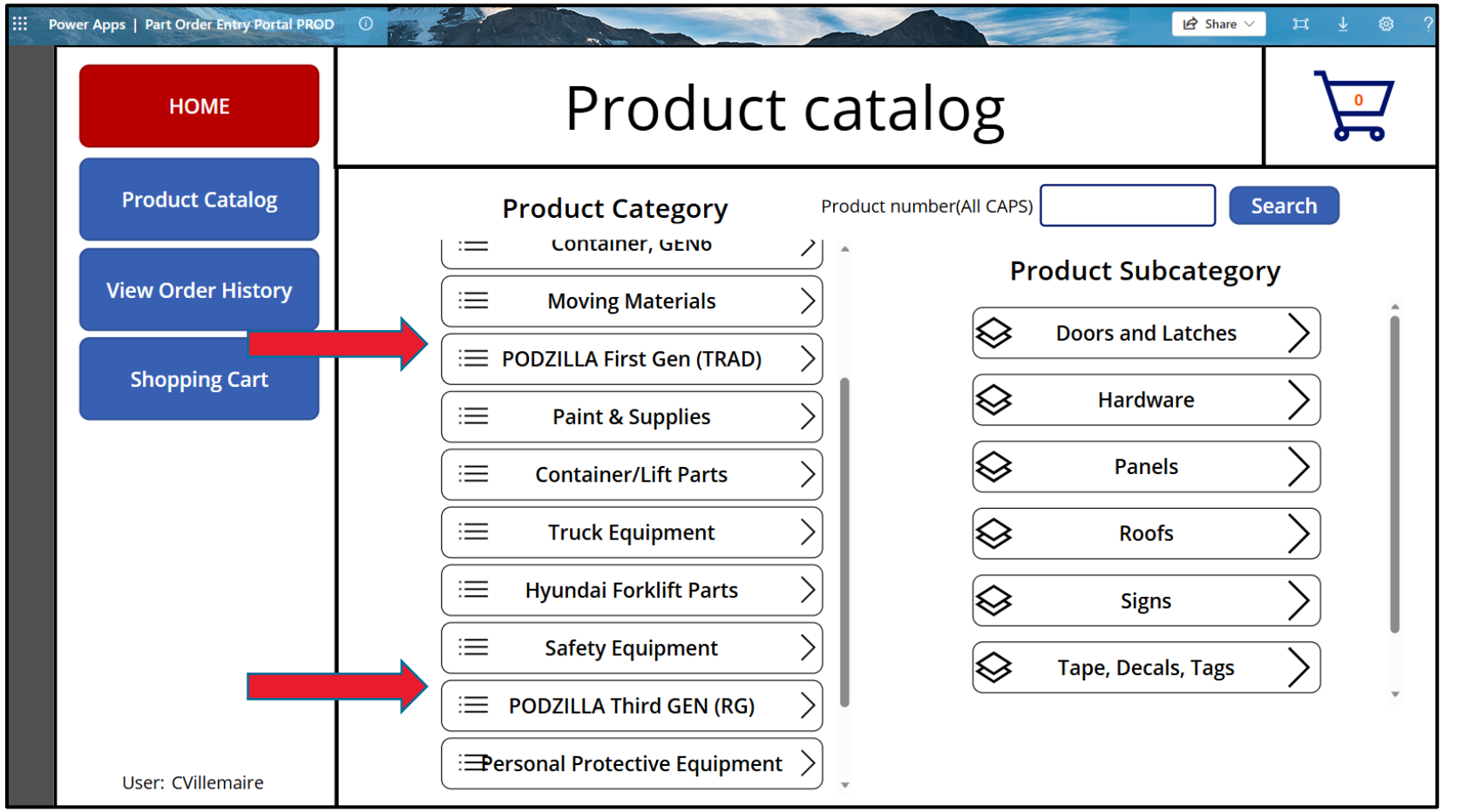
- Seasonal PM tips- **Winterization of Control Valves and Fuel Additive**
- Top issues from last month's inspections
- How to spot early signs of hydraulic, electrical, or engine problems







Parts and Inventory



- Parts Portal Usage (Snow Ticket for access) Make sure your Manager is aware of the parts being ordered.
- Critical parts status and lead times
- New/revised part numbers (RG Parts) Dennis Schultz **dschultz@pods.com**
- Strategies to avoid downtime (Part Rebuilding…Casters ready to be installed)

Parts and Inventory

RG Group
We Keep Business in Motion

Parker Store







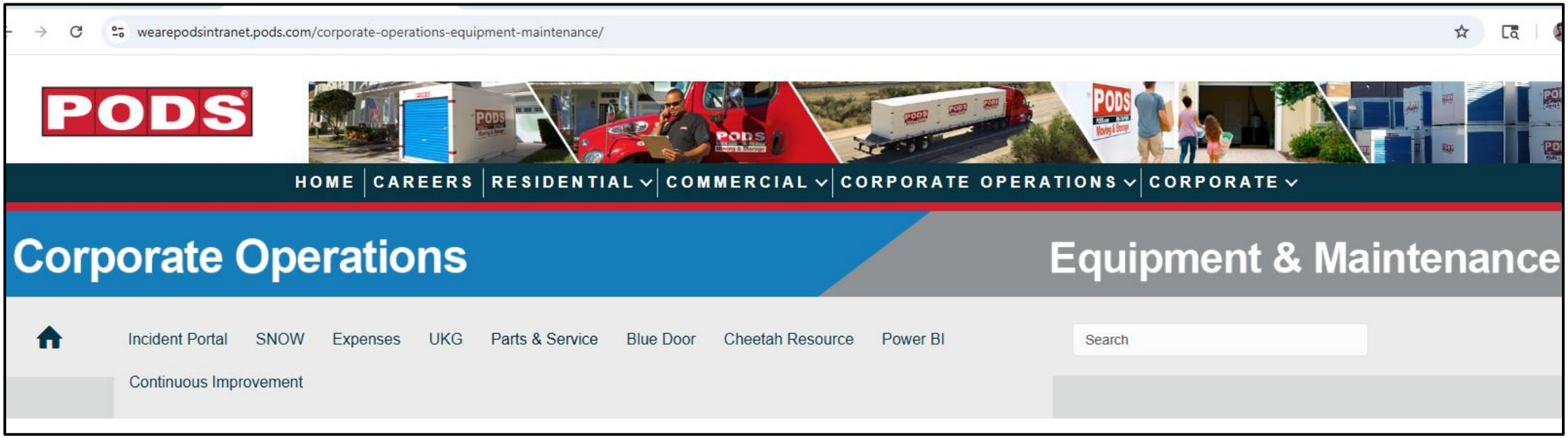
All RG Podzillas have Parker Hose Bar Codes attached to each hose assembly. Take a picture of the bar code to any Parker Store Nationwide and they will build the exact hose to OEM Specifications.

Parker Store Locator :https://www.parkerstore.com/us/en/locator.html

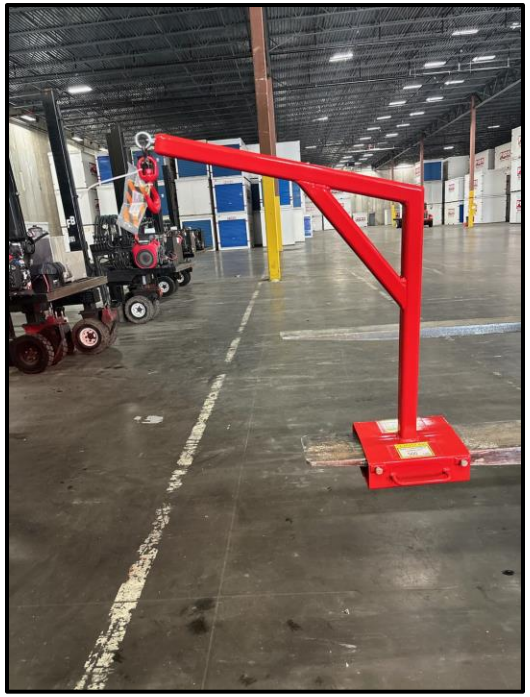


Training & Skills Refreshers

- **Corporate Operations Equipment and Maintenance Intranet Site**
- Quick skill demo Videos (e.g., Honda Engine How-to-videos)
- New technical bulletins or updated procedures (RG Podzilla Troubleshooting Guides)



Recognition & Field Highlights







- Shout-outs for outstanding repairs or innovative problem-solving. ***Cesar Martinez and Seith Goodell***
- Photos of “fixes done right”
- Be on the look-out for new Cylinder Tools.

Ford E-SERIES

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9 New EMT Vehicles have been approved and should be completed in the next few weeks.

2026 Ford E-450 with Rockport Workport Bodies









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EMT Vehicle Wrap









Q&A Open Forum

- Group troubleshooting for ongoing issues
- Feedback on process improvements

Q & A

