

BEATABLE NATION

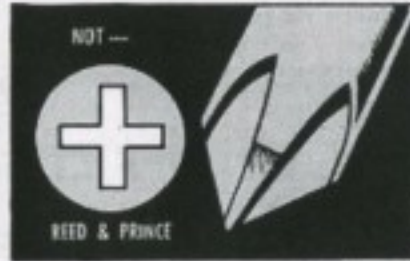


TOOL FIT?

Any mech worth his salt knows that he should use the right tool on hardware. Sometimes, tho, it's hard to tell one tool from another.

Focus-in on Phillips (cross tip) and Reed & Prince (cross point) screwdrivers, for example. You have both types in your general mechanic's tool kit. Your HueyCobra has only Phillips screws.

If a Reed & Prince is used in a Phillips screw, it'll strip out the recess . . . takes time to change those babies.



Using the wrong size screwdriver, or one that's worn, can also louse up the works. Use the right size and replace worn ones.

If you eye both types and can't tell the difference, look for the name stamped into the metal shank.

No name? Then, press the point into putty or a piece of soap. The imprint will clue ya.