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10-9-90 Just had a note from John Fulton (Denver) where he states that he will most likely be relocating in the near future. He is not sure just where but has mentioned Dallas, San Antonio, Atlanta and Naples, Italy. Meanwhile, he is in a quandary because he is having long planned restoration work started on his Squire and insted of being there to supervise it he is having to write out detailed instructions and hoping they come out right.

Which leads me to the next subject. John and I started this soon-to-be-association with phone calls and letters. Editing a newsletter is what John wanted to do because as he states, that's what he's trained for. I had hoped that John would be doing that by now, along with taking care of some kind of treasury because one goes with the other. He being so involved short term, I have wound up doing it and that's fine for now. When John gets settled we can do something else but meanwhile, our association is not going anywhere and there's lots of stuff to get done, and my out-of-pocket expenses keep going on. So let me suggest the following.

Lets set dues at \$2.50 per month or \$30.00 per year. We can change that up or down later if necessary but that should do for the time being. We'll prorate 1990 at six months since I started all this letter writing and research in July. Send a check to me, Arthur R. Stahl, for \$15.00 for 1990 or \$45.00 to also cover 1991 if you wish. Your cancelled check will be your receipt. It is agreed, at least by me, that your membership is transferable if and when you sell your Squire. Dues will be due the first day of each new year and receipt of your check makes you a Charter Member of whatever we call this group. Also include a short profile of your self and what you know of your Squire. Have attached one for myself so you have a copy. You can be as wordy or brief as you wish. Last. we need to agree on a name so with your check send me a suggestion for one. The obvious one is Squire SS-100 Owners Association (Or Club). While that's a mouthfull it says who we are and what we do. Thoughts? Also include front, rear, each side and interior snapshots of your Squire if you have not done so allready.

In return, I will set up a simple bookeeping system to track expenses and pass it, and any unspent funds along to whoever take's over later. Meanwhile, I'll keep this news letter going, along with technical tips as they arise.

Point of interest: I now have drawings of the potential motor mount failure and how to fix it about ready to mail. Also have a reproduction of an old magazine article tracing the history of the Squire. I'll send copies of these on receipt of your funds. Am in touch with a fellow who may be able to interview one of the principles of the firm that built the car. I'm pretty excited about that.

John ended today's note saying "I had the idea that somehow it would be nice if all the owners that are known had a nice little album with each car and perhaps a little known history. Not a large task, but one that would require a little thought." Anyone have any ideas along those lines?

10-10-90 - Had two interesting phone calls today. Lee Craft (Baltimore) said he had located some more advertising data from an automobile yearbook and he is sending me a copy. When it gets here I'll duplicate it and send a copy to each of you. One of the many letters I've fired off seeking information got a very small result. Each year, Hemmings Motor News in Vermont publish an end-of-year Almanac that lists many things, one of them being Clubs. I had written to them and asked that the Squire SS-100 Owners Assn. be listed in the '90 edition. A very pleasant young lady called and said that due to lack of demand they would skip the Almanac this year and publish next. While I had her on the phone I asked if she had a record of anything under Squire or Intermeccanica. She pulled her card file and had nothing. So, it looks like we're first.

10-11-90 - Got a response to LETR3 from John Fulton (Denver) today and to save some typing I'm going to reproduce it for mailing with LETR4. Sure hope you don't mind me doing this John? If so, give me a yell. Regard John's comments - The two decals on your valve cover are from Ford. At least they are on mine. Did not realize that you were without arms and blades. Went out and checked mine and the blade is 9" long. The two piece wiper arm and blade retainer are both stamped -



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I suspect they were made for Lucas if they fit the Lucas wiper assembly. As long as you're going to have it apart, go to the English car wrecking yard with the wheelbox assy. in your hand and find one that fits. Short of that, you can order one from Moss.

If the right side motor mount has a re-weld bead, my guess is that some previous owner found a crack and fixed it. In MY opinion, if it was fixed without additional support (Metal added) you are worse off than you were before. Cracks are caused by metal fatigue from constant overload. If you repair that kind of fracture without (A. Reducing overload) or (B. Additional support) in a re-weld you imbrittle the area just adjacent to the bead and create an area ripe for additional and sudden re-fracture. That is exactly what happened to mine. However, don't take my word for it. Find a GOOD local welder and seek his opinion.

That's all for this week folks. Let's get this association off the ground. Send me your checks and name suggestions, and keep looking for other Squires.