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Squire SS-100 Registry

CHASSIS #3 CHANGES HANDS

We don't talk much in this simple little newsletter about members and/or their cars unless it's some interesting little tidbit about tech-tips we're passing on or what have you. I've always resisted passing on gossip items that really have little or no bearing on what the intent of the Squire SS-100 Registry is all about, i.e. finding the missing owners and then tracking ownership of the located cars, technical articles that will help in repair, restoration and maintenance and the good of the Marque and its' owners in general. I don't worry about individual owners and their cars. It's something beyond my control. However, there's one car that has been a thorn in my side for years.

When I first started trying to locate owners many years ago I ran an ad in Deals On Wheels and the owner of #3 called me from the Detroit area and said he owned a Squire and wanted to sell it. Since then I've passed his name and number along to prospective owners. A good portion of our present membership that have gone on to buy other Squires had contacted him to their complete frustration. He refused to answer mail and would not return calls. Then by accident we found out that #3 had spent two Winters in a Detroit police impoundment yard, not a great place for a Squire to be parked. Talking with other members, we decided to just keep tabs on it and maybe someday we could buy it for a parts car.

I have recently been contacted by another man in Michigan with the great news that he has purchased #3 in a complicated swap deal. The car is in surprisingly good condition and he intends a complete restoration. So, please meet Tim & Jill Wiegand, 35180 Dumbarton St. Harrison Twp, MI 48045-3119. Area 810+790-1036. This Squire is red with a manual transmission and has approximately 12,000 original miles on the odometer.

CHASSIS #4 CHANGES HANDS

Last owner Mark Hurwitz contacted me to report that he has sold his Squire locally for a number of reasons but will retain his Registry membership because he will purchase another one eventually. So, please welcome John & Nancy Sullivan, 50 Powers Mill Road Phillipston, MA 01331-9700. Area 978+249-6630. Contact him by email at jsull@massed.net #4 is one of two "McGregor Conversions" still known to exist. There was a third one, #16 now Owned by Ben Cunnungham that he has converted back to a straight Squire. I'll have more to say about that one in an upcoming issue. John and Nancy have already piled on a few miles with a trip up the coast of Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine and back and they loved it.

CHASSIS #33 CHANGES HANDS

This Squire was a fairly recent find that I had located in Texas after years of searching, contacting former owners and lots of false leads. Last owner Dave Bayer had had the car in dead storage for the past seven years and after realizing what he had, decided to sell it for funds to pursue a country & western song writing career and/or buy an antique store. An interesting item about this Squire is that I had talked to a former owner that had raced it on the sports car circuit and it has the Clifford Engineering intake manifold conversion to three single-barrel carburetors and it's possible it has a racing cam installed. Time will tell on that.

So please welcome George & Erika Breckel, 9097 O'Neill Road, Hereford, AZ 85615-9577. Area 520+366-5435. You can email him at: breck@theriver.com We first met George when Bill Lieske and I attended a car show at Sierra Vista, AZ two years ago. This year, George, his brother Carl and their wives joined us for the Spring get together at Laughlin, Nevada to get a better look at assembled Squires. Deciding he really wanted one he asked for the ones for sale and is now a proud owner. He plans full restoration soon.

BY THE WAY, IS YOUR SQUIRE FOR SALE ??

The above articles remind me that over the years I've kinda lost track of just who was actively or casually trying to sell their Squires. With more and more national exposure through the internet, magazine articles and car shows, we're getting more interest from prospective buyers and I need to know who to put them in touch with. If your Squire is for sale please call or drop me a post card with mileage, general condition and what have you and I'll pass that information along to anyone that contacts me. It's a good idea to have a set of photos available to send to prospective buyers. They always ask for them.

THE YEAR 2000 WESTERN SPRING MEETING IN LAUGHLIN, NEVADA

is already in the planning stages to give everyone plenty of time to plan their Spring vacations and it will be held the weekend of March 24th - 26th. General planning is to arrive in Laughlin on Friday the 24th, a Desert Run to the Jensen's Eagle Ranch and barbecue on Saturday the 25th and a farewell breakfast and departure on Sunday the 26th. As always, you can arrive before and depart after those dates. We'll announce hotels later. If you're beyond driving distance here's a great opportunity to fly to Las Vegas and see the almost unbelievable things they've built there in the past few years, then rent a car and drive to Laughlin for the weekend.

It also looks like we'll have a good chance of breaking the all-time Squire attendance record of nine cars set last year. Some of these cars have been completely restored and with many cosmetic and mechanical improvements. Here's a really good chance to observe and chart these items before you start your own improvement program.

SPEAKING OF MEETINGS

It is my very sad duty to report that due to situations completely beyond his control, Mark Offenbergs's annual Squire Sunday will not be held at the Sand Castle on Long Island this Fall. I had attended the first five Squire Sundays and will miss seeing the many Eastern members I've met over the years.

WESTCO BATTERY SYSTEMS

One of the constant gripes we hear from Squire SS-100 owners is that on the beautiful day they decide to take a spin in their neat little roadster - the battery is dead. This is especially true amongst the Eastern and Midwestern owners who park their Squires over the long Winter months.

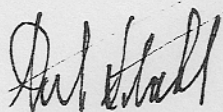
In a prior issue I have touted the Interstate Optima Gel battery which has served me well. I had one over eight years and would have it yet but for a really dumb trick I pulled. However, many members found the over \$100 cost a little pricey and are still looking for a solution. I've just received the attached flyers from Westco who have an interesting looking maintenance charger with a price that does not take your breath away and an 800 number for ordering. If one of you purchase one I'd like to hear the results for a later report in this newsletter. The only way to test one is to use it.

It is my very sad duty to report that Squire SS-100 owner Bill Simms passed away on August 18th. Bev Simms, Bill's wife of over fifty years had died just four months ago and Bill's grief was devastating.

Bill was born in England and flew with the RAF during World War 2. He was recruited by Rolls-Royce Aircraft Engine Div. right after the war and later transferred to Canada where he met Bev. After retirement from Rolls he worked for a natural gas company in Michigan and finally retired to Tennessee before moving to Bullhead City, AZ just before the first of this year. He was just short of 80 years old.

Bill had maintained his flying license and loved both flying and driving Squires and has owned three of them, #7 (now Miltenberger), #42 (now Weaver) and now #20.

I usually sign off the newsletter with some silly quote but I can't do that this time. I'll just say goodbye to an old friend that we'll all miss very much.



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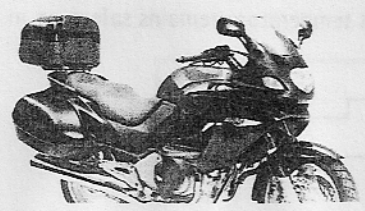
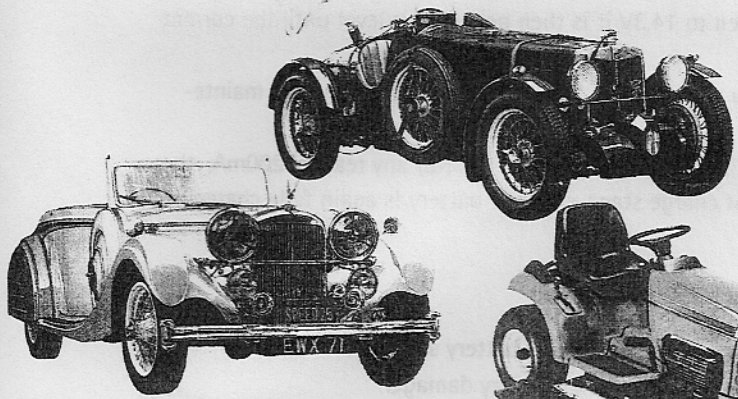
To help us announce the ACCUMATE to car collectors and car clubs around the country, we are offering it for only \$39.95 ea, a special introductory price for classic car club members. Also, as a bonus, for every order of 10 ACCUMATES, we will ship one at absolutely no cost, a \$49.95 value!

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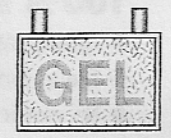
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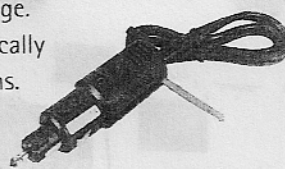
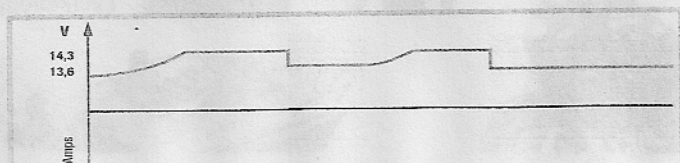


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