

What's up:

Gearhead Trivia

What auto industrialist was the only American mentioned in Mein Kampf? (Hitler kept a life size portrait of him next to his desk.) Who was it? The answer is inside this newsletter.

Another Squire found in Europe

Read all about it inside this newsletter.

Squires for Sale!!!!

There are several Squires for sale now. And a few more have changed hands over the last 3 months.

On the home front

Those of you who were here for the 2009 Marshall Squire Rally had a chance to see our "before' of our log home. Since then we have added a wood-burning cook stove and a ceiling pot rack in the kitchen. We built a potting shed by our raised bed garden. We also built a cover for our crush pad by the garage. We have also enclosed the entry to our home (it was just a roof supported by two corner posts.) We have also knocked out the wall between the quest bedroom and Jeannie's office area, moved the closet to the far end of the now one large suite, added two pocket doors, beams on the ceiling, and covered all the walls with wood that looks like the outside log walls. This weekend we started redoing the guest bathroom. January will be the total kitchen makeover - all new cabinets and appliances... Three-inch thick hemlock slabs for countertops.

As usual, I am looking for materials for our newsletter.

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The Origin of the Prancing Bull Intermeccanica Logo



Jeannie and I were selected this summer to be Delegates to Terra Madre by Slow Food USA in New York. We were chosen because of our work with cold-hardy mountain muscadines here in Madison County. Slow Food USA paid our airfare, our local transportation, our hotel, and meals for the five days of the conference in Torino, Italy. I was excited because we had an opportunity to go to one of the most interesting places in Italy and learn from the Italians how they grew grapes on steep slopes at high altitudes with weather similar to what we have here in the mountains of North Carolina. My gear-head interest also kicked in, knowing that Torino was headquarters for Fiat, and it was the birthplace of Intermeccanica Italiano and the origin of our Squire SS-100's.

We were pleasantly surprised to see what turned out to be the answer to a question that had arisen in many conversations about our Squires – "Where did the prancing bull logo come from?" The following five photos show it's origin.











The first photo is the Coat of Arms for the city of Torino (Turin), Italy. That was the origin of the prancing bull used by Intermeccanica for their logo. The second photo was the original logo used on their earlier autos. The red bull came later as they upgraded their image. The fourth photo is the official flag of Vancouver. The waves from the Vancouver flag were combined with the Union Jack from the Royal Union Flag of Canada for the background in the fifth photo, thus showing their Canadian side for relocating to Vancouver in 1981.

Just goes to show that travel is enlightening – on many fronts!



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Welcome New Squire SS100 Owners

I was contacted recently by Jeroen Triel from the Netherlands (Holland.) He now owns Squire #3, Tim Wiegand's Squire from a few years back. No word yet as to exactly how it got to Holland but it is there. So welcome Jeroen Triel to the Squire Registry! Please do stay in touch. His email address is J.Triel@RAC.nl

Also welcome John & Deirdre Nolan, the new owners of Squire #49 since November. They live in Lake Havasu City NV. Their email address is johnnolan@frontiernet.net

Squire SS100s for Sale

Gibbs Conners wants to sell the Squire SS100 Prototype to someone who will give it the TLC it deserves... he is asking \$20,000. e-mail: gibbs_connors@verizon.net

John Theroux wants to sell his Squire #1 – he is asking about \$16,000... 517-646-6911; e-mail: citroenjohn@gmail.com

Bob Simpson has Squire #20 for sale in Florida. No indication of asking price... Contact Bobs Classics, Inc.,13111 93rd St., North Largo, Florida 33773; 727-581-9406; e-mail: Kitcarbob@aol.com

Sorita Jensen wants to sell her Squire #18. She is asking \$24,000. Has 7400 actual miles. Excellent condition too. 520-768-1306; e-mail: Eagii@citlink.net

Trivia answer: Henry Ford

Happy Holidays from the Mountains of North Carolina!

Jeannie and I wish all of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year... and Happy holidays for those who celebrate other festivals. We sure had a good time this summer driving our Squire through the curvy, mountainous roads of Madison County! Come visit us soon...

