Subject: Kustom K200D Bass Guitar tuners?

Posted by happyheinz on Sat, 29 Aug 2015 02:45:50 GMT

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This is my first post on the forum. I own a Kustom K200A guitar in birdseye and flame maple that I love, and I'm thinking of restoring a vintage K200D bass guitar as well. Does anyone know what kind of tuners originally were on the K200D bass, i.e. which manufacturer made them? Or has anyone possibly a an old set he could sell me? Any kind of input would be much appreciated. Thanks!

Subject: Re: Kustom K200D Bass Guitar tuners?

Posted by stevem on Sat, 29 Aug 2015 11:00:29 GMT

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I may be wrong, but I think they used tuners supply by Hagstrom.

If they are closed back with the cover being rectangular but with one end triangular, then they are of Hagstrom manufacture and I belive they still have new replacements that can be had. If not a good Luther may be able to rebuild them with other parts!

Subject: Re: Kustom K200D Bass Guitar tuners?

Posted by happyheinz on Sat, 29 Aug 2015 21:48:18 GMT

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The K200D basses came with open tuners. I have a photo of what they looked like but I somehow can't post it here, or at least I don't know how.

Subject: Re: Kustom K200D Bass Guitar tuners?

Posted by stevem on Sun, 30 Aug 2015 11:10:22 GMT

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Subject: Re: Kustom K200D Bass Guitar tuners?

Posted by pleat on Sun, 30 Aug 2015 12:05:00 GMT

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They also may be Kluson tuners. Slotted post since Kustom was using Kluson tuners on their 6 string electric guitars. Kustom basses, the tuners were mounted backwards, so as you would normally tune the string up to pitch, you had to turn the key backwards. pleat

Subject: Re: Kustom K200D Bass Guitar tuners? Posted by chicagobill on Sun, 30 Aug 2015 18:02:17 GMT

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I think Pleat is right, as usual. They look like Kluson open back tuners, really common back at that time. And the reverse turn feature was also common back then.