
Subject: Kustom "Frankenstein" versions
Posted by [GaryLC](#) on Fri, 10 Jun 2016 13:21:45 GMT
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Hi folks,

Just got my J595 back from the shop, sounds fantastic! SteveM helped so much with what should be done to it. A quick question, someone had told me the timeline of those early heads, based on the logo under the "Kustom" logo. The first ones said "Ross and some other name Inc." Ross had a partner at that time. Then the split, and they simply covered the silkscreen of the other name, so it was "Ross (and a large space" Inc.". And finally simply "Ross Inc." Mine is the middle version.

Could someone reiterate that history for me? Thanks so much!!

Subject: Re: Kustom "Frankenstein" versions
Posted by [pleat](#) on Fri, 10 Jun 2016 18:51:33 GMT
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I've also seen By Ross MFG as well. The By Ross and long space is where "Meyers name was" not sure if I spelled it correctly. followed by the Inc. Those amps don't have any marking for the input jacks.

pleat

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Also the amps By Ross MFG have Guitar for the left channel and Bass for the right channel inputs. There is not the long gap between Ross and INC.
The Frankie guitar and bass heads that say By Ross Inc. short space, the channel inputs are labled Low and High for each channels.
pleat

Subject: Re: Kustom "Frankenstein" versions
Posted by [GaryLC](#) on Fri, 10 Jun 2016 20:25:53 GMT
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Pleat, that's what mine is.....Ross followed by long space, then Inc. No markings for either channel. No "Lo" or "Hi" either.

Subject: Re: Kustom "Frankenstein" versions

Posted by [chicagobill](#) on Fri, 10 Jun 2016 20:46:48 GMT

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Based upon what I've seen in photos, I think that the Ross mfg. heads are the oldest of the bunch. Next came the Ross and Myers, followed by the Ross w/space and finally the Ross no space.

I may be wrong, but that seems to be the order of things.

Subject: Re: Kustom "Frankenstein" versions

Posted by [carlc](#) on Sat, 11 Jun 2016 01:41:43 GMT

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Pretty sure the By Ross and Myers are the oldest.

Subject: Re: Kustom "Frankenstein" versions

Posted by [Yooperdan](#) on Sat, 11 Jun 2016 01:50:59 GMT

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My Silver 495 says Ross-space-Inc # 2912

Subject: Re: Kustom "Frankenstein" versions

Posted by [thedqmanfla](#) on Sat, 11 Jun 2016 03:12:55 GMT

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August 1964 to March 1965 (Overland Park)
Ross MFG

March 6 th 1965 to August 1965 (Chanute)
Ross and Myers inc (only 50 heads)

August 1965 to Jan 1966
Ross Space. Inc

Jan 1966- June 1967
Ross Inc

Thanks to Bud for the previous info

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Posted by [GaryLC](#) on Sat, 11 Jun 2016 13:43:26 GMT

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Thanks All!!
