Subject: Lafayette SK 215 wx 15 inch speakers HELP HELP!!!
Posted by gonzo944s2 on Sat, 04 Dec 2004 08:53:11 GMT
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I bought two Altec horn loaded corner horns that i though contained Altec woofers. I couldn't see the woofers until i opened up the enclosure to find two beautiful 15 inch Lafayette SK 215 wx woofers inside. I cannot find ANY info on these speakers! Someone must know something. I can email pictures if that would help. The lable on the back says SK 215 WX 50 watts, three way speaker, Made in England. It has a Tannoy type x-over looking thing attached to the input terminals and also has two wires comming out of the rear pole piece area. the cast alum. frame is a hammertone BROWN and the badge over the magnet is a pretty blue with shiney gold lettering. The cone is a pleated surround and it looks to have a whizzer cone type thing in the center. HELP!!! Thank you! Steve

Subject: Re: Lafayette SK 215 wx 15 inch speakers HELP HELP!!!
Posted by Wayne Parham on Sat, 04 Dec 2004 19:57:50 GMT
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That's cool! Everything is working?

Subject: Re: Lafayette SK 215 wx 15 inch speakers HELP HELP!!!
Posted by Manualblock on Fri, 10 Dec 2004 01:31:39 GMT
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Lafayette used to source many of their loudspeakers from a company called Goodmans. It is a British company that also made drivers up to about 1982. Try that name; there is much info on them on the net.

Subject: Re: Lafayette SK 215 wx 15 inch speakers HELP HELP!!!
Posted by Chef Henry on Mon, 20 Dec 2004 19:43:45 GMT
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Lafayette put its label on a Goodman's 15" coaxial. It was a true coaxial-which is to say, an electrically and physically separate tweeter was mounted in the middle of the woofer. The Trebex tweeter, a compression driver with a heavy cast horn, was round in cross section, with an oval mouth. Goodmans sold these as a separate component virtually from the infancy of high fidelity. Marketed by Lafayette as a poor man's Tannoy or Altec 604, the Lafayette whatchamacallit was

deluxe in every respect, with a massive Alnico magnet and a cast frame. And while it was not the equal of the Altec or Tannoy, it was not far off the mark. I don't know what you have. But from your description of the whizzer, it sounds like one of Goodmans' many excellent extended-range drivers, a catagory that includes what many connoisseurs consider to the finest speaker of all time, the Axiom 80. One of the first serious stereo systems I ever heard consisted of 4 Axiom 80s per channel flush-mounted in a wall, with an 18" Goodmans woofer mounted under a stair case. In today's market, those 8 Axiom 80s would probably be worth more than the house!