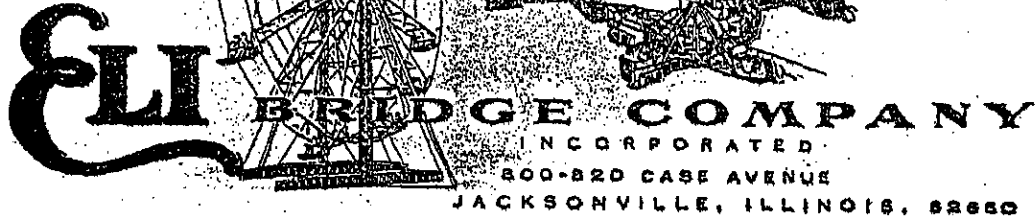


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THE LITTLE SCRAMBLER BULLETIN

NUMBER 1

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DATE: MAY 24, 1982

SUBJECT: CRACKS IN REAR CYLINDER TUBES

It has come to our attention that on two Little Scramblers the rear cylinder tubes have each developed a crack in the corner weld at the location indicated in the picture. These are the outer tubes which contain the cylinders for lowering the rear end of the ride to the ground. Each crack began at the bottom of the tube and progressed upward along the corner of the tube where it is welded.

We have had no other reports of cracks developing here but we believe it is very important for you to check both tubes on your Little Scrambler to make sure that no cracks have started. If you find that there are cracks in this location, call us immediately so that we can work out with you a procedure for repairing the cracks.

Even though cracks develop here, the inner tube is still pinned to the outer one with the pin shown at the top, so we believe there is no immediate risk involved. However, if the crack is not stopped, eventually the loading of this structure could possibly produce failure of the inner tube through bending. This could then cause the rear end of the trailer to break away from the center deck structure.

We consider it mandatory that these tubes be inspected now and regularly hereafter, and that any cracks found be reported to us immediately.

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