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## German-Austrian Secret

The “marriage” of a Steyr Type 50 or 55 car body with a Volkswagen Kubelwagen chassis remains a mystery of automotive history.

It might well be that this conversion came privately into being in the years beyond 1940. But it is also quite possible that clever technicians set about realizing the car not until 1945. The fusion was feasible as both the Kubelwagen (Type 82) and the Steyr Type 50 or 55; also known colloquially as the “Steyr-Baby”; had almost the same wheelbase. The adjustment of additional air inlets at the rear together with an afterwards installed hood for the air-cooled boxer rear engine, imply a high technical understanding of the constructor.

According to present knowledge, the obvious assumption that the conversion was built under the direction of Ferdinand Porsche, within the scope of his occupation for Volkswagen in the late 1930s, can be ruled out.

Maybe this scale model car can bring some forgotten memories back to life? Besides the technical analysis and the historical background, we would only be too pleased to present some more information on the origins of this unique car in our book “Edition 2017”.

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