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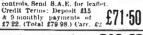
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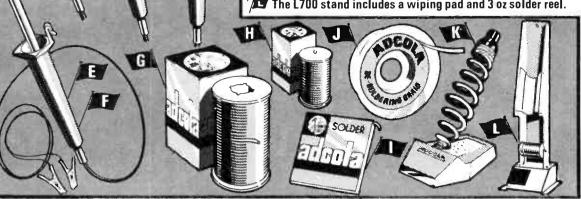
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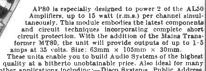
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# SUMMER SEASON

NOT so very many years ago there was much controversy over the invasion by small transistor radios on the beaches of popular British holiday resorts. There is no doubt they can, if not used with discretion, be an intrusion to the enjoyment of other people's relaxation. As a result it is now unlawful to cause a nuisance by allowing radios to be operated in public places.

Since May is generally regarded as the opening of the holiday season we thought that readers will want to look into the possibilities of taking away a small radio or perhaps a cassette player. In this issue, therefore, we have offered a design for a simple TRF receiver for the medium wave band. This is no ordinary MW receiver; it has been designed so that stations beyond the 200 metre mark stand a good chance of being heard.

In spite of certain limitations of the TRF there is no doubt that most people who start building their own radio usually choose this type because of its relative simplicity compared with superhets.

But the problem really is that the TRF is only as good as the aerial-earth system used and the locality in which you wish to listen in. On the other hand, the larger and more expensive superhet can be taken virtually anywhere.

There is a rapidly growing trend to incorporate a cassette recorder in the same case as the radio and this makes sense from a commercial as well as user aspect. So far these are all imported; the U.K. market has grown from about 30,000 in 1970 to almost 400,000 in 1972. Examples of this and other radio and hi-fi equipment recently announced are shown in our special pictorial feature on page 148.

If your holiday turns out to be a wet one, or if you want to save batteries, you can use a small mains power supply unit. It is worth having a regulated supply and in this issue we show you how to make one.

Although the summer months tend to discourage indoor activities, *Practical Wireless* continues to provide some superb designs that you cannot afford to miss. Among these in the coming months will be projects for musicians, amateur radio constructors, f.m. experimenters, audio addicts, pop radio listeners, and equipment testers. As back numbers are not available, we recommend advance orders to avoid disappointment.

Finally, don't forget to have a go in our competition this month; you could win a digital multimeter and a year's supply of new projects, designs, features and promotions in 12 free issues of *Practical Wireless*.

M. A. COLWELL-Editor

The July issue on sale 1st June, will include a tremolo generator for guitars and organs, an experimental f.m. receiver with extended tuning range, a digital i.c. process timer, an article about magnetic amplifiers and a variable frequency oscillator for the 3-band transmitter in this issue. Also watch out for first details of articles specially devised for beginners, plus the extra features and regular news and comment pages.

Further details on page 143.

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#### Mobile rally diary

May 6—The Tulip Time Rally is being held at Sunfleet on the A16 four miles north of Spalding. All information can be obtained from R. Harrison, G3VPR, 38 Park Avenue. Spalding, Lincs.

May 13—South Leicestershire Mobile Rally will be held at Westfield Activity Centre Rosemary Way, Hinckley. Talk-in stations will be manned by G3ZOP/A (Top Band) G8CGW/A on 2m a.m./f.m. and G3WPB/A on 2m s.s.b. Contact for further gen is J. Elliott G8CGW, 92 Hinckley Road, Barwell. Leicester.

May 20—The Radio Amateur Invalid Bedfast Club will be having their rally at the Fairground, Broadlands Estate, Romsey, Hampshire. This will be held in conjunction with the Southampton Group. All information from Mrs. Frances Woolley, G3LWY, Woodclose, Penselwood, Wincanton, Somerset.

May 20—Otley Radio Society are holding their Northern Mobile Rally at Moor Grange School, Ring Road, Leeds. Many stalls and refreshments etc. Contact is D. G. Mott, 17 Newall Carr Road, Otley, Yorkshire.

May 27—The Hull and District Mobile Rally will be at Bishop Burton, near Beverley, Yorkshire. All the information can be obtained from L. D. Colley, G3AGX, 13 Ferry Road, Wawne, Nr. Hull, HU7 5XU.

May 27—The Maidstone Mobile Rally will be held at the YMCA Sports Centre, Melrose Close. Talk-in stations will be GB3YSC on 2, 4, 80 and 160m. Further information from A. S. Walter, G3WXL, 4 Oak Farm Gardens, Headcorn, Kent.

June 10—Elvaston Castle Mobile Rally. This fourth annual event will be held in the grounds of the Castle Country Park, just off the B5010 south-east of Derby. A bring-and-buy sale is one of the main attractions and talk-in stations will be operating on 2m, 4m and Top Band by G3EEO and G3ZBI. Further gen may be obtained from I. Cage, G8GBV, 25 Petersham Drive, Alvaston, Derby, DE2 OJU.

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#### Good old days at Sound '73

▼ N 1927 the Bedford public address engineer Cecil Clarabut purchased a carayan to tow behind his motor car for his public address work. The van and car travelled to many events in the Bedfordshire area for almost thirty years and according to the records this van and car were last used in June 1958. Since then they have been stored at Mr Clarabut's premises in Bedford and lain idle until Tuesday 6th March this year when the tyres were pumped up, the dust brushed off, a few squirts of oil were given in the appropriate places and it was possible to tow the caravan from Bedford to Harrow for preparation for the Sound 73 Exhibition.

The equipment inside is obviously not as old as the van itself, although the rack dates from the mid 1940's. The 78 record players are probably from the same era, and it is understood that the amplifiers were modernised in 1947 to take the new Reslo VMC microphones. The horn speakers which fitted to the roof rack were manufactured by Goodmans.

Mr Clarabut is selling his premises for re-development and plans to reduce his activities in the audio world. He has therefore kindly donated this caravan and its equipment to the Association of Public Address Engineers' collection and at present the Association's Secretariat looking for a suitable museum to house this caravan.

#### Home Radio

The latest issue of this catalogue covers more components than ever. It's a "new look" edition with larger format. If readers would like a copy it is available from Home Radio (Components) Ltd., 240 London Road, Mitcham, Surrey, CR4 3HD. The price is 75p (post paid) or 55p to callers.



#### Quadraphonic sound

EPORTS are coming in from America and Japan of increasing favour towards discrete four-channel stereo (CD-4), although currently there are in Japan more matrix Sansui OS discs available than any other. JVC-Nivico have opened a record cutting plant in Los Angeles for CD-4 records. The influence of recording companies in America, and presumably in the U.K., together with recommendations for broadcasting, will decide on the ultimate system (or systems) to be generally promoted.

Mr. C. B. Wood, Head of Engineering Information at the BBC, implied in a statement recently that the BBC were likely to take a long time before deciding on their choice of quadraphonic sound, especially when stereo broadcasting, now using p.c.m., has reached a high standard.

#### **Northern Radio Societies Convention**

HIS year, the Northern Radio Societies Association Annual Convention will be held at The Forum Halls, Wythenshawe, Manchester, on Sunday, May 6, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

This is a new venue for the convention, on the south side of Manchester, a few minutes from the M56 Motorway and with good access from the centre of Manchester.

The convention will take the same form as in previous years with member societies competing for the G3AYD trophy awarded to the stand giving the best presentation of some aspect of amateur radio.

Talk-in stations will be operating on 2, 4 and 160m and the main station will operate on all h.f. bands using call GB2NRS.

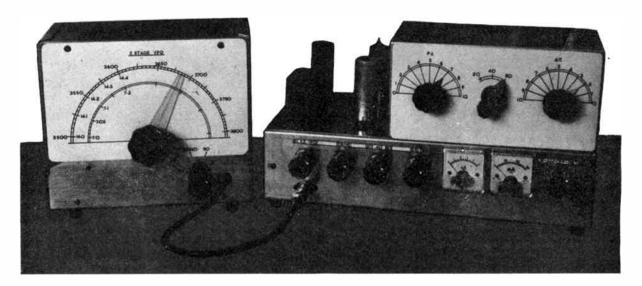
The usual raffle will be organised with tickets on sale during the day.

Further information is obtainable from Peter Taylor G8BCG, 2 Columbia Avenue, Gorton, Manchester M18 7LG.

#### Screwdriver standard

10 provide an authoritative specification for the adequate design of insulated screwdrivers-and for the benefit of purchasers—the British Standards Institution has published BS 2559 Srewdrivers: Part 3: 1972 Insulated screwdrivers.

Standard covers materials and thickness of the insulation suitable for the tools specified in other parts of BS 2559, and gives a test which utilises a potential of 5kV.



# **3-BAND TRANSMITTER**

PART 1

F. G. RAYER G30GR

THE transmitter described here is of particularly simple construction, being fully enclosed and screened without the use of a cabinet. It covers three bands, 20, 40 and 80 metres and runs about 25 watts input for AM, screen-grid modulated, and about 50 watts CW. Crystal control is used and a single crystal may permit working on two or three bands. There are two crystal holders, with a switch to select them, so a few crystals can give a useful number of working frequencies. Since a variable frequency oscillator is often wanted in addition to crystal control a suitable plug-in VFO is also described. This does not require any changes to be made to the transmitter.

#### **CIRCUIT DESIGN**

Fig. 1 is the circuit, a 5763 being used as a crystal oscillator or buffer-multiplier. Switch S1 selects either crystal, or VFO input, and the valve anode circuit L1 can be tuned to the crystal frequency, or to a harmonic.

This type of oscillator works well and gives a good output on harmonic frequencies. For example, 1750-1900kHz crystals may be used for 3·5·3·8MHz, as well as 3·5·3·8MHz crystals. Similarly, those 80m band crystals which fall in the 40m band on their second harmonic, may be used for both 80m and 40m, while 3·5MHz band and 7MHz band crystals may be employed for 14MHz working, as well as on their fundamental frequencies.

L1 is tapped and switched for the required band and tuned by VC1. VR1 allows output of this stage to be adjusted. C3 is in parallel with the RF choke when V1 is used with the VF0.

The power amplifier, a 6146, runs at an input of 50 watts which is easily within the ratings of this valve. Since grid current provides bias and is very important, a 5mA meter is permanently connected in the grid circuit. The second meter indicates PA

anode current. This method is easier in practice than having a single meter, with switch.

The PA tank circuit L3 is designed to match into a 750hm load, so dipoles and other conventional aerials may be used.

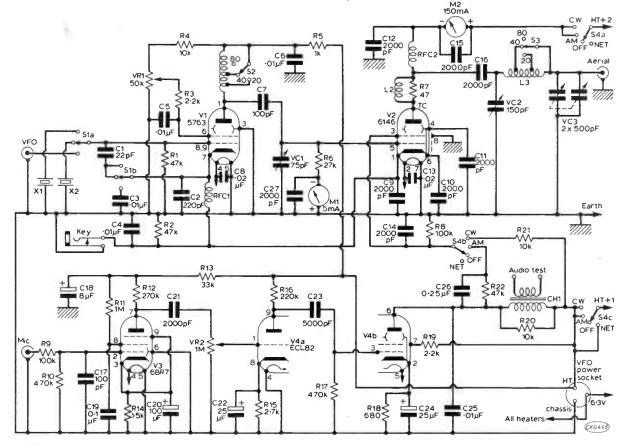
In the modulator V3, a 6BR7, is a high-gain audio amplifier for a crystal microphone and VR2 is a pre-set audio gain control. Using an ECL82, V4a is a further audio stage and V4b the screen-grid modulator. With screen-grid modulation the input to the PA is reduced to about 25 watts, when the transmitter is capable of giving a good signal, well modulated.

A single control switch S4 has four positions, "Net" puts HT on the oscillator (and VFO, if in use) so that the transmitter can be tuned for correct PA grid current and the working frequency located with a receiver. The "Off" position takes HT off all stages. The "AM" position places HT on the PA, and the screen-grid voltage from the modulator. In the "CW" position, the PA SG voltage is raised and taken from the modulated line. The keying is carried out in the cathodes of the 5763 and 6146.

Though a screen-grid modulator does not have the power of a high level anode and screen modulator, the method avoids the need for a large modulation transformer and can work out very satisfactorily.

Power units are separate, which may allow existing supplies to be used. The oscillator and modulator require about 60mA to 80mA at about 250V so a receiver type power pack is satisfactory.

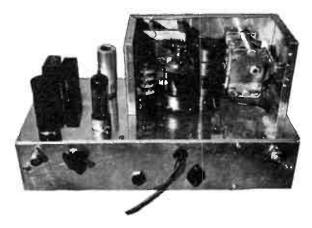
The 500V high voltage supply is used for the PA only. With an AM input of 50mA and CW input of 100mA this will provide inputs of 25 watts and 50 watts. The PA has been run successfully with 400V and even lower voltages but a fairly high voltage here is useful with SG modulation. The PA maximum listed input ratings are 110mA anode current at 750V, but these have not been used in the present transmitter.



#### **CHASSIS CONSTRUCTION**

The transmitter is built on an enclosed chassis with the PA stage is a closed screening box. This both screens and protects against possible contact with HT circuits the equipment being intended for use in this form, with no other cabinet.

The flanged PA box can be obtained ready-formed. It is 4in. high,  $4^1_2$ in. deep, and 8in. wide, and has flanges at top, back and bottom. It is bolted to the 13 x 6in. chassis as in Fig. 2, which also shows positions of the valveholders. Six holes are punched round V2 for ventilation.



Rear chassis view with part of power amplifier screening removed.

Fig. 1: Complete circuit of the transmitter and modulator.

Capacitors VC2 and VC3 are bolted to the front of the box. Their rotor contacts are connected together with stout wire and to a tag held with one of the bolts securing V2 holder.

A tag strip holds C12 and RFC2. A well-insulated lead from C12 runs against the chassis and passes through a hole directly over the 150mA meter negative terminal.

A co-axial lead runs from VC3 through the chassis to the aerial socket.

Fig. 3 shows all wiring, etc., under the chassis. Heater, power and audio circuit leads run against the chassis with adequately insulated wire used for the high voltage circuits.

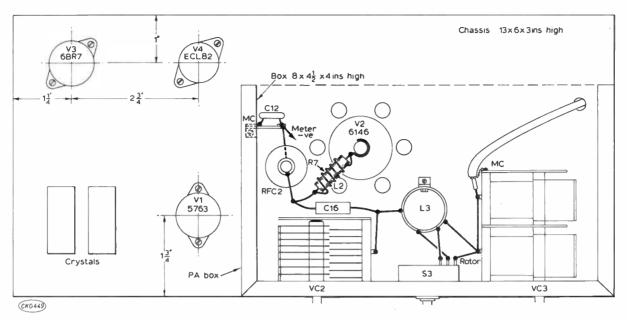
When wiring S1, use one pole to select each crystal holder, and the adjacent VFO input socket. The other pole places C1 from grid to cathode, when the stage is used as a crystal oscillator.

By-pass capacitors in the RF circuits must be connected with very short leads, especially around V2. These are all disc ceramics and since they may be obtained cheaply it may be noted that the actual values used are not too important.

When wiring V3 in particular, keep R9, R10, C17 and grid leads short and against the chassis, and clear of the heater circuit, or hum may be caused.

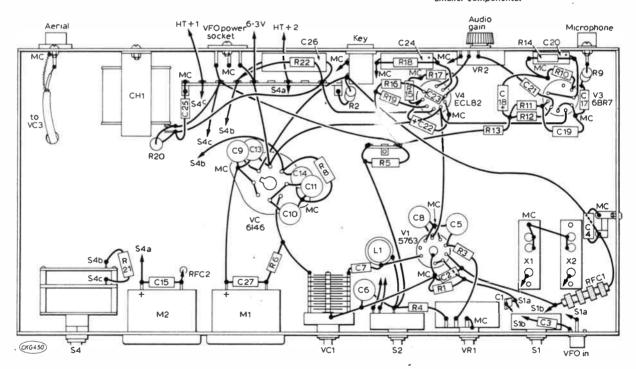
The chassis listed has flanges at the bottom which allow a flat plate  $13 \times 6$  in. or perforated metal of the same size to be attached with self-tapping screws, for screening and protection. A plate should have a number of ventilation holes punched in it.

To allow circulation of air, the transmitter is



▲ Fig. 2: Component layout on top of the chassis with drilling details.

**▼**Fig. 3: Under-chassis wiring information and placement of the smaller components.



raised on four rubber feet, attached with bolts to the plate or bottom.

Tag strips are used to support various small components and to anchor the power supply leads, which pass out through a grommet at the back. A 3-way socket is required for the VFO power supply with a 3-pin plug wired to match.

The key jack has closing contacts which complete the cathode circuit to chassis when no plug is inserted. With the key plugged in, it has to be held closed or locked down while tuning up. Fig. 4 shows connections to the function switch S4. S4a applies HT in the AM and CW positions while S4b switches the screen-grid from R21 to R22. S4c completes the low voltage HT circuit.

#### **INDUCTORS**

The parasitic choke L2 is five turns of 18swg wire, spaced to occupy about  $^34$ in. length and about  $^38$ in. inside diameter. All connections here should be stout and short.

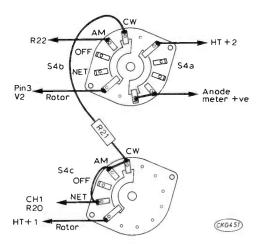


Fig. 4. Wiring of the two wafer switches constituting the function switch S4.

L3 is wound on a lin. diameter paxolin tube  $3^1_4$ in. long, as in Fig. 5. The  $11^1_2$  turn and 13 turn sections are of 20swg wire, wound slightly spaced (20 turns per inch). The 21 turn section is close-wound with 22swg wire, a space of  $^1_8$ in. being left between sections.

The switch, coil and taps are so placed that short, direct leads are possible. The spaced windings were made by smearing the tube with adhesive and winding simultaneously with 20swg and 26swg wire, closewound. The 26swg wire was afterwards unwound. This coil was found to give the same RF output from the transmitter on 14MHz and 7MHz as on 3.5MHz. If other coils are used, there must be sufficient clearance between the winding and metal parts, including the chassis.

After wiring is completed the PA box can be closed with a piece of perforated metal, held with self-tapping screws to the box and chassis.

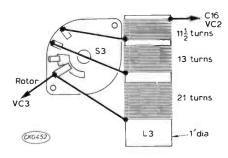
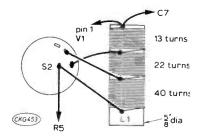


Fig 5: Winding details for the power amplifier coil L3.



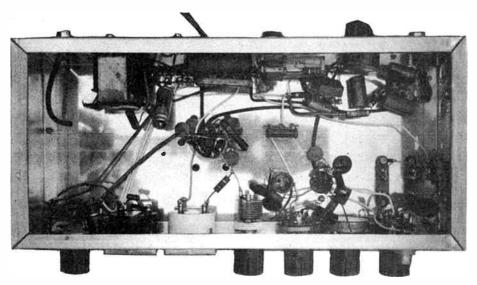
Flg. 6: The driver output coil L1 is wound as shown above.

#### ★ components list

Resistors
R1 $47k\Omega \frac{1}{2}W$ R9 $100k\Omega \frac{1}{2}W$ R17 $470k\Omega \frac{1}{2}W$
R2 47kΩ 1W R10 470kΩ $\frac{1}{4}$ W R18 680Ω 1W
R3 $2 \cdot 2k\Omega \frac{1}{2}W$ R11 $1M\Omega \frac{1}{2}W$ R19 $2 \cdot 2k\Omega \frac{1}{2}W$
R3 $2 \cdot 2k\Omega \frac{1}{2}W$ R11 1MΩ $\frac{1}{2}W$ R19 $2 \cdot 2k\Omega \frac{1}{2}W$ R4 10kΩ 1W R12 270kΩ $\frac{1}{2}W$ R20 10kΩ $\frac{1}{2}W$
R4 $10k\Omega$ 1W R12 $270k\Omega$ W R20 $10k\Omega$ 1W
R5 1k $\Omega$ 1W R13 33k $\Omega$ $\frac{1}{2}$ W R21 10k $\Omega$ 2W
R6 $27k\Omega$ 1W R14 $1.5k\Omega$ $\frac{1}{2}$ W R22 $47k\Omega$ 1W
R7 47 $\Omega$ 1W R15 2.7k $\Omega$ 4W -
R8 100kΩ 1W R16 220kΩ ½W All 10%
VR1 50k $\Omega$ 1W linear potentiometer VR2 1M $\Omega$ log. potentiometer
Capacitors
C1 22pF SM C15 2000pF 350V D. Cer C2 220pF SM C16 2000pF 1kV Mica
C2 220pF SM C16 2000pF 1kV Mica
C3 0.01 µF 350 V D. Cer C17 100 pF SM
C4 0.01 µF 350V D. Cer C18 8 µF 350V
C5 0.01 / E 350 V D Cor C10 0.1 / E 350 V
C5 0·01μF 350V D. Cer C19 0·1μF 350V C6 0·01μF 350V D. Cer C20 100μF 6V
C6 0·01µF 350V D. Cer C20 100µF 6V C7 100pF SM C21 2000pF 350V
C7 100pF SM C21 2000pF 350V
C8 0.02µF 350V D. Cer C22 25µF 6V
CO 0000-F050VD. Cor C22 2001 04
C9 2000pF 350V D. Cer C23 5000pF 350V
C10 2000pF 350V D. Cer C24 25µF 50V
C11 2000pF 350V D. Cer C25 0.01µF 1kV Tubular
C12 2000pF 1kV D. Cer C26 0.25µF 350V Tub.
C12 2000pF 1kV D. Cer C26 0·25µF 350V Tub. C13 0·02µF 350V D. Cer C27 2000pF 350V D. Cer
C13 0·02μF 350V D. Cer C27 2000pF 350V D. Cer
C14 2000pF 1kV D. Cer
SM=Silver Mica D. Cer=Disc Ceramic
Di Col-Bioc Columbia
VC1 75pF variable VC2 150pF variable 600 V
VC3 500+500pF variable
VC0 300-300pr variable
Valves
V1 5763 V3 6BR7
V2 6146 V4 ECL82
Chassis
Universal chassis sides 13 x 3 in. (2) (Home
Universal chassis sides 6 x 3 in. (2) Radio)
Flat plates 13 x 6 in. (2) (Radio)
PA Box. 8 x 4½ x 4 in. (Type P chassis, H. L. Smith)
TA BUX. 0 x 4% x 4 III. (1 ype P chassis, H. L. Smith)
Perforated metal 9 x 8 in.
Switches
Switches .
S1 2 pole 3 way S2 1 pole 3 way
S1 2 pole 3 way S3 1 pole 3 way S4 3 pole 4 way (2 wafers)
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Miscellaneous
RFC1, 2.5mH 60mA. RFC2, Denco RFC9A 250mA.
M4 Em A ministure motor MO 450m A ministure
M1, 5mA miniature meter. M2, 150mA miniature
meter. Key socket. Co-axial sockets for microphone,
aerial and VFO. CH1, pentode speaker transformer.
Valueholdere POA (2) with two corresponditions
Valveholders, B9A (3) with two screens. Valve-
holder, octal (1). Crystal holders (2). Crystals as
required (Senator Crystals, 36 Valleyfield Rd.,
London, SW16). Knobs, rubber feet. VFO power
socket, 3 way).

The driver coil L1 is wound on a 58in. diameter paxolin tube 2in. long, as in Fig. 6. The 13 turn and 22 turn sections are of 28swg enamelled wire and the 40 turn section of 32swg enamelled wire. A space of 116in. is left between sections, as shown.

With a coil wound in this way it was found impossible to tune to incorrect harmonics with VC1, when doubling. However, when putting any transmitter into use for the first time it is wise to check with an absorption meter, when multiplying from a lower frequency, to be sure the wanted harmonic is obtained.



This view underneath the chassis will help when wiring up from Fig. 3.

#### **AUDIO TEST**

As the choke CH1 is the primary of a speaker type transformer, it is worth while testing the audio section with V3 and V4 only in place. Connect a speaker temporarily to the secondary. VR2 is turned up from zero until normal speech in the crystal microphone gives good loudspeaker volume. Feedback of sound from the loudspeaker to the microphone will cause howling.

Audio may also be checked by listening to the signal with a receiver, having the RF and IF gain near zero and the aerial disconnected. Another method is to connect headphones to a crystal diode and few turns of insulated wire, and bring this loop towards L3 when the transmitter is working into an artificial load or the aerial.

#### PA OPERATION

With V1 and V2 in place, the function switch should never be turned to AM or CW unless some 2mA or so of grid current has been found on "NET." The equipment should not be operated with HT on the screen of V2 and not on the anode (i.e., by having HT2 disconnected).

With a crystal in circuit tune VCl for maximum grid current. VCl will be nearly closed for 80m, half closed for 40m and well open for 20m, S2 being in the appropriate position in each case.

Adjust VR1 so that grid current is about 2mA. It will be found that VR1 needs to be nearly at zero when working on the same frequency as that of the crystal, but has to be advanced considerably when L1 is tuned to a multiple of the crystal frequency.

L1 and L3 are always switched to the same band, so that V2 operates straight through at the same frequency since doubling in this stage is not recommended.

For an initial test, plug a 40 watt household lamp into the aerial socket, or clip it across VC3. Close VC2 and VC3 (to avoid doubling). Switch to "NET" and tune for 2mA grid current, as described. Switch to AM and open VC2 so that the anode current dip is found. Open VC3 a little, meanwhile re-tuning

with VC2 for the dip. This increases input and output and the operation is continued until the wanted input is obtained. The lamp should light with increasing brilliance as this is done.

With the switch at CW, input rises considerably and the PA must not be left off tune. The PA can be tuned initially in the AM position, even when CW is required, because the lower screen voltage helps to keep the anode current down.

When using a transmitter with screen-grid modulation the PA must be loaded so that the anode current dip, shown by the anode meter, is quite flat. If not, speech quality, as reported by a station in the usual way, will deteriorate considerably. With an average crystal microphone, VR2 can first be tried about one-third from the zero position. Excess audio will cause over modulation and distortion.

#### **CRYSTALS**

Surplus crystals may be used, and it is worth noting that the choice of frequency may determine whether a given crystal can be used in only one band, or two bands. For example, a 3520kHz crystal can be used on 80m, and also on 40m, because it doubles to 7040kHz. But a 3560kHz crystal doubles to 7120kHz which is outside the 40m band.

It will be noticed that all 40m band crystals can be used for both 40m and 20m. On the other hand, crystals of higher frequency than 7·1MHz cannot be used for 40m, but may still be used for 20m where they fall in this band.

The choice of crystals may also depend on the requirement to work CW or AM.

Attempting to use too high a crystal harmonic results in insufficient PA grid current. It was found that 160m crystals were satisfactory for 80m and 40m. Various 80m crystals gave over 5mA on 80 and 40M, and 2mA on 20m, while 40m crystals give nearly 5mA on 40m and 20m. As expected, 160m crystals do not furnish enough drive on 20m.

PART 2, next month, will deal with the design and construction of a matching variable frequency oscillator.



#### VAT

I was rather puzzled by the letter from Alan Secker A.C.A. on Value Added Tax.

Of particular interest was his "nutshell" in paragraph (a) in which he stated that orders received after 31st March 1973 would have to be accompanied by 10% for the VAT over and above list prices. Surely this is not so, as I understood that VAT was to replace purchase tax, and as purchase tax was already on the listed items (until they had been reassessed for VAT) one would, in effect, be paying tax on tax!—

J. I. McCartney (Littleover, Derby).

[The term "list price" is usually expressed as the retail value of goods excluding tax. For further information on VAT, see the Leader article in April's issue of Practical Wireless]—Editor.

#### A "go" at the locals

I read with interest the letter in the March issue from Mr. Redhouse (BBC Radio London) replying to correspondence from myself and Mr. J. Manners. There was no reference to either advice to my customers or to the volume of sales . . . As to the rest of the letter, I would like to raise the following points.

Perhaps no-one did quarrel openly with the idea of making the network services available on v.h.f., though why this should be due to "limited resources" baffles me. As the sole authorised broadcasting service in the UK for so many years, the BBC demeans itself and its audience by this excuse. The BBC has also ensured the continuing use of a.m. by making its most popular radio channel available only on m.w., except for a couple of hours at

night and when—perish the thought—it is being relayed by local radio.

Has the BBC really "demolished" its regional structure to make room for commercial broadcasting? According to an IBA leaflet, their stations will have sole use of only 1151kHz. They will share 1546kHz with the BBC. The greatest benefit from the recent wavelength changes would appear to be felt by continental listeners to the BBC's external services

Radio Stoke, my local radio station, will have been on the air for some 146 hours in the current week (February 3rd-9th). Of this time, it will have relayed 83 hours of Radios 2 and 4. The remaining 63 hours of truly local origin will have contained 1012 hours of repeats. There are no local programmes after 8.30 p.m. at the latest; it has been known for Radio 2 to be relayed from 5.00 p.m. on Sundays. When is a carbon copy not a carbon copy? For the answer to this, tune in tomorrow at 2.00 p.m., go slowly up and down the m.w. band and in between sighing for the erstwhile Radios 390, 270, Caroline, London, etc. et al count how many stations broadcasting "Woman's Hour".—C. E. Miller (Uttoxeter).

#### **Knob Twiddlers Unite!**



As the new season of mobile rallies approaches, may I suggest to Top Band talk-in station operators that instead of random tuning a specific frequency be announced in advance. Three advantages are apparent.

The first, and by far the most important, is improved road safety. Knob twiddling is very dangerous while driving. The second would be that mobiles not requiring talk-in facilities could arrange nets with friends in advance without fear of causing interference to the talk-in station. Finally, there would be a far better chance of the talk-in station hearing "distress" calls from distant, and not so distant mobiles. D. Matthews, G3ZZP/M (London EC2Y 8BR).

# **SCOPE COMPETITION RESULT**

### THE PRACTICAL WIRELESS 'SCOPE COMPETITION WAS A FANTASTIC SUCCESS

Ten prizewinners have each received the portable oscilloscope kit.

These kits, offered as prizes in the "'Scope Competition", published in our December 1972 and January 1973 issues, are obviously even more desirable than we had anticipated—we were inundated with entries!

Having considered them all, the judges decided that the best attempt received was that submitted by J. Boraston, of Filton, Bristol, who had listed the features of the prize 'scopes in the following order:

1st-A; 2nd-J; 3rd-L; 4th-K; 5th-E; 6th-C; 7th-B; 8th-D.

#### OTHER WINNERS

The nine next best entries according to the judges were sent by:

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M. Brookland, Cuckfield;

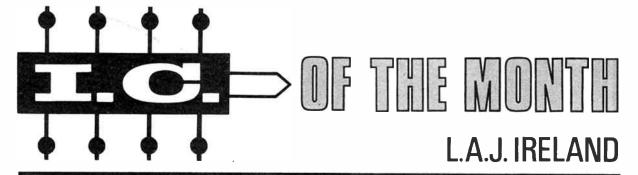
P. J. Dick, Edinburgh; D. M. Haig, Abingdon;

D. Kan, Southsea; M. E. Randle, Walsall;

J. Summers, Peterhead; G. A. Towill, Portsmouth.

These ten readers each receive a 3in. portable oscilloscope kit—the K/OS-2 by Heathkit.

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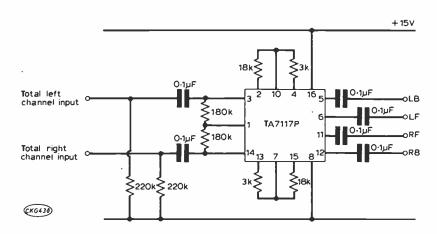


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Toshiba TA7117P Quadraphonic Decoder

NYONE who has recently returned from the United States may have brought home some of the new quadraphonic records which have begun to catch on in a big way on that side of the Atlantic, and no doubt will shortly become freely available here, so this month's article reviews a new linear i.c. recently released by Toshiba, type TA7117P, which is capable of decoding such records to give four channel stereo sound. It is probably only a matter of time before four channel matrixed sound appears on standard l.p.'s especially now that many of the teething problems, associated particularly with the compatibility of ordinary stereo records and four channel records, have been ironed out.

joint Columbia-Sony venture produced a four channel record which was capable of being played through existing stereo equipment and by means of an adapter placed between the pick-up and main amplifiers true quadraphonic sound could be reproduced. The four channel information is embedded in the groove of the record with the LF (left front) and RF (right front) information cut into the left and right hand 45° grooves. The LB (left back) and RB (right back) information is cut in a clockwise and counterclockwise helix and all the information is transformed into a single complex stylus movement with the various components subsequently separated by the matrix decoder.



Flg. 1. As can be seen from this diagram few discrete components are needed to provide a complete quadraphonic decoder using the TA7117P. Separate amplifiers and speakers are required for each channel.

#### **Quadraphonics Briefly**

Quadraphonic sound is not new; it was first mooted back in the early sixties and in fact a number of experimental four channel tapes were on the market at that time. However, the idea failed to catch on, as the public demand for such tapes was very poor. Before any real impact could be made on the home market, it was necessary for the major recording companies to make an all-out drive to develop and push the sales of quadraphonic records. In 1970 Dynaco, an American firm, introduced a quasi-quadraphonic decoder that would give a type of four channel sound from existing stereo records, and the idea began to catch on. At about the same time a

#### **Practicalities**

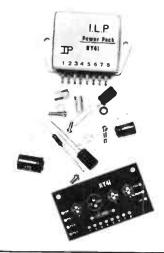
Few external components are needed with the TA7117P i.c., as is shown in Fig. 1. Channel separation is controlled by the values of the resistor network connected between pins 2 and 4, 13 and 15 The i.c. itself is housed in a 16 lead dual-in-line package.

The following are the electrical characteristics of the TA7117P:—Input Impedance  $3M\Omega$ , Output Impedance  $7k\Omega$ , Current Drain 15mA, Voltage Gain 10dB and Distortion less than 0·1% for an input signal of 100mV.

The unit is available from Erie Electronics Ltd., South Denes, Great Yarmouth.



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head). 4mV. 47K \( \Omega\)

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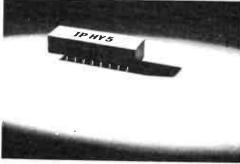
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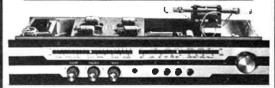
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A compact unit that enables a battery driven transistor radio to run from the mains supply. It incorporates a series voltage regulator to give a constant supply voltage even when driving the varying load of a Class B output stage.

THE simple unit described here was constructed by the author for an elderly relative, whose battery radio, although extremely useful for outdoor use in fine weather, did use up batteries at an alarming (and expensive!) rate when left on for long periods of indoor use. For such service, a mains power supply is the obvious answer, but the design of a suitable one is not quite so straightforward as it might at first seem.

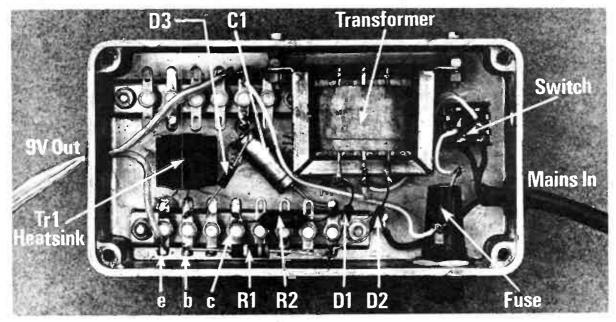
Most battery driven transistor radios employ a Class B output stage; the current requirements of such a stage can vary from a few milli-amps when there is no sound output to perhaps 40mA on peaks. Addition of, say, 10mA for the other stages in the radio results in a requirement varying from about 12/15mA to 55mA or so, and the employment of a simple, unregulated supply will lead to large undesirable voltage fluctuations.

To overcome this objection, a series regulator is incorporated, which has that advantage of requiring

a low power zener diode, the power handling being undertaken by the series transistor. The more conventional shunt regulator (conventional at such current levels, that is) would not only call for the use of a larger and more expensive zener diode but, additionally, since the maximum load current would then be diverted to the zener when not required by the load itself, there would be a continuous drain on the transformer of about 60mA—greater than its maximum rating. It is under such conditions of greatly varying load current that series regulators show up best.

#### Design

Fig. 1 shows the circuit. A 12-0-12V transformer and a conventional twin rectifier produce about 18 volts across C1 when no current is being drawn by the load. The base of Tr1 is held at 5.6V relative to the positive supply rail, by zener diode D3 and hence the negative output is at about 6 volts, since there is about 0.4V across the base-emitter junction of Tr1. With only a few milliamps load current, most of the excess voltage is dropped across Tr1, and R2 has little effect. When the load current rises to about 50mA however, R2 drops more of the excess voltage and this, along with the reduction in voltage across



Every component in the power supply can be clearly identified in this photograph.

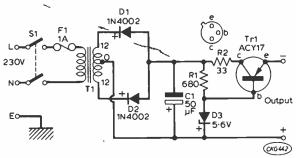


Fig. 1: Circuit diagram of 9V regulated power unit.

C1 due to the higher current causing voltage loss in the transformer windings, means less voltage drop across Tr1. Thus, at times when Tr1 is passing more current it has less voltage across it, so keeping its dissipation low.

The output is not absolutely constant, however, due to the method of feeding the zener diode, D3. The voltage across C1 is, as mentioned previously, 18 volts when no load current is drawn but falls to 11 volts at an output current of 50mA; this means that a variable current flows through D3 and hence its zener voltage is not quite constant, so resulting in a similar change of output voltage. The amount of such change is small, and of no consequence in this application.

#### Construction

Practical construction of the power supply will depend to a large extent on individual circumstances. In the author's case, there was not room for the power supply to be built inside the radio itself but it was found that the smallest size of Eddystone die-cast box,  $4^1_4$  x  $2^1_4$  x  $1^1_4$  n., was just deep enough to accommodate the transformer mounted on its side, leaving ample room for the remainder of the components, as the photograph shows. Provided that care is taken from a safety point of view, there is no reason why any form of construction found to be convenient should not be employed.

Since the transistor is operating in a closed environment, a small push-on heat sink was fitted to obviate any overheating which might otherwise be caused by lack of ventilation.

The type of connection used to take power to the radio will depend on the original method of connecting the batteries. In the case of the radio mentioned in the first paragraph, four U2s were fitted, so the twin lead from these was cut and a small two way battery plug and socket wired in. A compatible fitting was connected to the leads from the power supply so that either mains or battery operation was possible, by swapping connections. It is essential to observe polarity when wiring up such arrangements.

#### **★** components list

F1, fuse 1A with holder. Diecast box, type 7134P (Eddystone). Heatsink type TO5. Tag strips.

Later, the running of another radio, with a 9 volt battery, from a second mains supply was required and in this case the battery fitted, a PP3, had a two way connector in place of terminals. Accordingly, the mains power unit was fitted with a mating two way connector identical to that on a PP3, observing polarity of course.

For 9 volt operation the zener diode D3 was changed to one of 8.2V rating; this resulted in an output of about 8.6V which equates with that from a 9 volt battery after a moderate amount of use. The fitting of a 9.1V zener might have given an output voltage that was rather too high for a radio designed to operate efficiently on 9 volts.

# **TELEVISION**

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#### THE PIL TUBE

One of the most significant developments for some time in colour television is RCA's Precision-in-Line tube which is to be produced in the UK by Thorn (Mazda). This tube has a shadowmask with slits instead of dots, giving increased brightness. The major step forward however is that by using inline guns with a specially designed toroidal scanning yoke the need for dynamic convergence adjustments has been completely eliminated. In fact the coils are attached to the tube and if necessary both must be replaced together. Setting up is almost as simple as with a monochrome set therefore.

#### TACKLING FIELD FAILURE

Field timebase failure is the most common TV set fault. If changing the valve doesn't do the trick just how do you find where the fault lies? This month we describe practical methods of field timebase testing.

#### **REVERSE AND FORWARD AGC**

The application of a.g.c. depends on the characteristics of the devices—valves and transistors—to which it is applied. With transistors there are two opposite techniques of a.g.c.—forward and reverse. The precise mechanisms, not too well known, will be explained this month.

#### TV RECEIVER SERVICING

One of the first modern UK-produced portable TV chassis was the BRC 1580 chassis: this month Les Lawry-Johns describes the chassis and what goes wrong with it.

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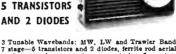
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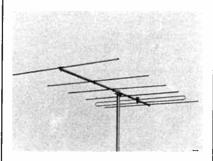
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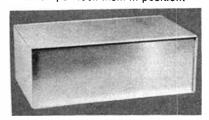
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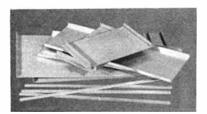
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## The Circuit

The circuit is primarily one for measuring a change in resistance. A sensor is used which comprises a small piece of Veroboard of a size suitable for holding in the palm of the hand. Alternate strips of this are wired together as shown in the diagram: When the board is held in the hand with the copper side next to the skin, the resistance will appear across the strips and affect the circuit; it is not essential that every part of the board is in contact with the skin.

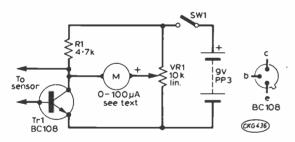


Fig. 1. Simple circuit of the Ile detector.

The resistance of the skin is thus transferred to the collector/base circuit of the transistor and it will start to conduct. The transistor is in a bridge circuit. With the sensor held in the hand and with the "subject" not lying, a particular resistance will appear across the transistor and the bridge can be balanced using VR1. By 'balancing the bridge' we mean adjusting VR1 so that the voltages at the collector of the transistor and at the slider of the potentiometer are the same and no current flows through the meter.

# In Operation

When the subject is asked a series of innocent questions, the needle of the meter will remain fairly steady; it may wander about a bit but not to any great extent. When the subject is asked a question

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which they lie to, the skin will sweat, the resistance between the Veroboard strips will fall, the transistor will pass more current, upsetting the bridge and causing the needle to rise.

Simple though it is, it does work, but unless tried reasonably seriously, results may seem a little inconclusive. Asking obvious questions and deliberately lying will not work. "Do you live at No. 4 Green Street?" . . . "No, at No. 5" . . . even if it is a lie will cause little deflection as the subject is not under tension. Just what questions you ask is a matter between you and the person under interrogation. Be careful however, it is easy to cause offence; asking young ladies about their lovelife cannot be recommended and you are likely to become very unpopular if you try this sort of thing. As we have said before, the circuit is not infallible and should not be regarded too seriously but, if you select your questions carefully, it makes a good party trick.

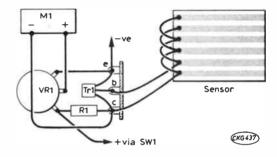


Fig. 2. Author's layout of lie detector using a piece of tagstrip.

## Construction

A suggested layout is shown in Fig. 2. The meter used can have a sensitivity of anything between  $100\mu$ A and 1mA; to keep within our budget one of the recording level meters has to be used, which are available from a number of suppliers as well as that mentioned in the components list but the price should be similar.

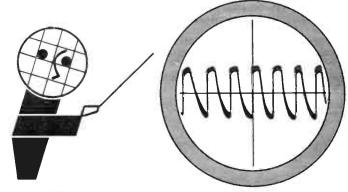
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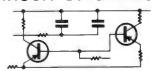
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## THE BASIC STRUCTURE

The cathode ray tube utilises an electron gun assembly to produce a focused electron beam as shown in Fig. 5. This beam is used to bombard a phosphor-coated screen which fluoresces emitting light at the point of bombardment. Various phosphors can be used to give different characteristics of colour and image retentivity and are consequently specifically chosen for the designed application.

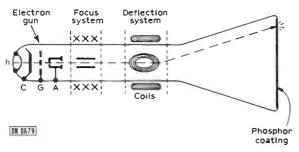


Fig. 5: General arrangement of a CRT using electromagnetic deflection.

The beam direction can be moved by either electrostatic or electromagnetic deflector systems to produce a movable point of light as required. Therefore, by sequential scanning, complex electrical signals can provide visual outputs.

## OSCILLOSCOPE TUBES

One of the most important uses of c.r.t.'s is in oscilloscopes where an electrical signal is visually displayed. Since these are essentially test and measuring instruments the tubes used are designed to give linear responses and simplicity of access to the deflection system. For this reason electrostatic deflection plates are used and for safety the anode is earthed which allows the plates to be safely accessible.

The X axis plates are usually internally driven by a ramp generator with switched speeds to give the desired time base. Similarly the Y axis plates are fed via an attenuator/amplifier system from the signal

input, to give a visual display of signal amplitude variations with time.

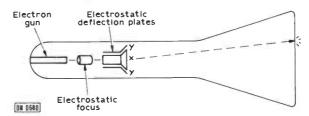


Fig. 6: Oscilloscope CRT with electrostatic deflection by means of the X and Y plates.

Most modern oscilloscope tubes, such as that shown in Fig. 6 utilise a green phosphor screen but a wide range of colours is available. Such phosphors generally have a short to medium persistence, whereas very long persistence can be achieved using orange phosphors and very short using blue or purple-blue colours. Many tubes use double beam systems in which the beam is split by an electrostatic plate and independently deflected by separate sets of X-Y plates. In addition, other types are available with dual electron gun assembles and in some, four separate display traces can be achieved in a single tube.

Screen sizes vary from lin. for monitor tubes to 6in. in diameter. Modern types are also available with rectangular faces. Precision tubes incorporate internal screen graticules to eliminate parallax errors. High brightness types also utilise metallising on the phosphor to increase tube life and reduce burning of the tube face coating.

Final anode voltages are commonly 1 to 3kV for general purpose types but up to 20kV for special purpose, fast response tubes. Typical deflection sensitivities are 10 to 40V/cm for Y plates and 15 to 60V/cm for X plates.

# TELEVISION TUBES (MONOCHROME)

These are large screen area c.r.t.'s which use an electromagnetic scan system of four scan coils in two planes. Generally the focusing of the beam is by means of a small ring permanent magnet located on the neck of the tube before the scan coils, but modern tubes often use electrostatic focusing. Most modern television tubes utilise wide angle (110°) deflection and the electrical deflection waveform compensates for the deflection de-focusing. The phosphor used gives an essentially black and white image.



The Marconi-Osram Valve Company's 1400A single gun oscilloscope tube has a flat face with a display area of  $10 \times 8$  cm. The maximum final anode voltage is 4kV.

Typical operating parameters are: 10kV to 20kV screen potential; 400V to 500V for the anode potential; 0 to 400V focus anode; -50 to -100V grid potential for beam extinction.

Television tubes are generally designated using the Pro-electron code in which the first letter A stands for domestic television picture tube. The next figures indicate the screen diagonal dimension in cms. The final letter is W for monochrome and X for colour tubes. Commonly used tubes are the A59-23W/R and A47-26W/R which are 23in. and 19in. tubes respectively. High performance studio monitor tubes include such types as M21-12W (812in.) and M36-11W (14in.).

# TELEVISION TUBES (COLOUR)

Colour television tubes using the shadow mask screen principle, have three separate electron gun assemblies all contained in a 90° deflection c.r.t. The electron guns use electrostatic focusing and are set 120° apart with their axis tilted with respect to the screen. The individual beams are aimed through holes in the mask at their respective phosphor dots which are of three primary colours—red, green and blue. The alignment of these beams is dependent upon an external purity magnet and the deflection coil assembly. It is critical and requires the use of magnetic shielding around the tube neck. since it is affected by even weak magnetic fields—such as the earth's magnetic field.

The electron beams converge and form a spot which by suitable mixing can give the required colour. Convergence is achieved by physical movement of the permanent magnets in the convergence assembly and centring by passing d.c. through the deflection coils. Dynamic convergence is achieved by the addition of parabolic waveforms to separate secondary windings in the deflection system.

The colour television tubes available are in the range 11in. to 26in. with their designations in the Pro-electron coding as for monochrome tubes. Typical types are A49-11X (19in.) and A63-120X (25in.).

#### RADAR TUBES

The earliest radar devices used ordinary c.r.t.'s and measured times for the neturn of a pulse to determine distance. Modern radar sets use special radar tubes with electromagnetic scan coils which generate a scanning beam from the centre of the tube to the edge. The scan line revolves in synchronism with the rotating aerial and thus an effective picture is built up.

Such tubes are known as Plan Position Indicator tubes (P.P.I.) and are available in a wide range of sizes although typically in the region 8in. to 24in. diameter. The phosphor is specially chosen for its retentivity since the scan rate is usually fairly slow and thus orange displays are common.

The rear port tube is currently being developed to overcome the difficulties attendent upon the use of graticules, electronic mapping or frontal projection to superimpose static information on the display. The map, co-ordinate, scale or other information can be slide projected on to the screen through a window on the rear of the tube. This is superimposed on the radar trace to give additional information.

# LEVEL INDICATOR TUBES

Commonly known as "magic eye" indicators these valves are thermionic devices in which the anode is coated with a fluorescent material. Electrons are beamed past the grid electrode and bombard the anode producing a visible sweep. The basic structure is shown in Fig. 7 and in this case the electron beam bombards the circular anode. With no input the beam width is restricted to form a pencil line but with maximum input a wide band appears, as illustrated.

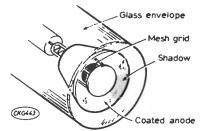
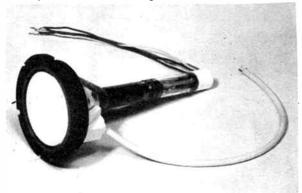


Fig. 7: Sketch of the electrode assembly of a typical "magic eye" level indicator.

END VIEW OF MAGIC EYE

This form of level indication is widely used for the less critical indication required for general purpose tape recorders and radio tuning indicators. Many different anode shapes are used with side and end viewed anodes. The valves generally fit standard valve holders and operate at normal anode voltages of 100V to 300V, grid – 10V.



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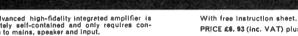
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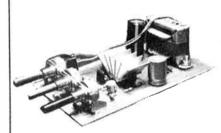
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## **NUMICATORS**

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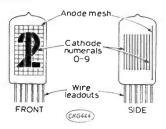


Fig. 8: Illustration of the construction of a numicator tube.

Such digital indicator devices give fairly clear, high intensity, large size numerals and are still widely used in modern digital equipment. Very often the displays incorporate red filters to give a cleaner visual indication and both side and end view configurations are available. In addition to numbers other information displays are available.

# CHARGE STORAGE TUBES

These are similar in shape and construction to cathode ray tubes but embody additional electrode structures to store charges. They are used in a wide range of applications such as TV camera valves, scan charge tubes, storage c.r.t.'s and image intensifiers. Generally they are not mass produced and consequently expensive.

Charge storage tubes rely upon a target electrode structure located in an evacuated c.r.t. The target is of insulating material which stores charge on its surface and the flow of this charge is limited by its



This E716A direct-view storage CRT is manufactured by the English Electric Valve Company has a viewing area of 10 × 10 cm. Because of its good deflection sensitivities it is particularly suitable for compact transistorised equipment. The normal storage time is from less than one second to several minutes but this can be extended to several days!

surface resistivity which is exceptionally high, The charge itself is generated by photon bombardment in the case of visual to electrical TV camera tubes or alternatively by electron beams which are scanned across the target. This procedure of imprinting a non-conductive target with stored charge is known as writing and the retention as storage.

The mechanism by which the charge is removed is known as reading and is achieved by means of electron beam scanning of the target. The actual output signal is derived from this beam usually by examining the received beam current and generally the effect of this beam is to remove the stored charge to the neutral no charge condition.

### TV CAMERA TUBES

The Image Orthicon is the ultimate commercial development of the original studio quality camera tube which began in the form of the Emitron tube shown in Fig. 9. Here, photon bombardment produces a charge depending upon the focussed light intensity and this is sequentially read by the scanned electron beam current. The metal plate receives the capacitively induced signal which is then combined with the scan pulse information to give the complete video-signal.

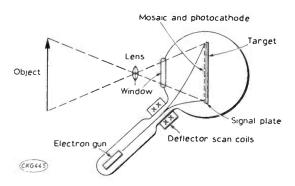


Fig. 9: General layout of the original Emitron TV camera tube.

The image orthicon whose structure is illustrated in Fig. 10 consists of a plain glass high purity optical aperture through which the externally mounted lens focus the object on to a photo-sensitive mosaic screen. The target consists of a very thin glass sheet and fine metal mesh supported in a wire ring. In modern tubes the glass is coated with a metallic oxide such as vanadium or titanium. Electrons are emitted from the photosensitive mosaic and travel to the target to form a charge image corresponding to the light image.

The target is scanned by an electron beam which is slowed down by the field produced by the walls of the tube and the wire mesh. Thus secondary emission electrons are minimised. The beam neutralises the target charge and the remaining electrons are returned to an electron multiplier dynode chain near the electron gun. This gives a very large signal amplification and in consequence this camera tube is very sensitive.

It is widely used in professional studio equipment since the picture is of high quality. Most cameras are equipped with these and the most popular size is 412in. diameter. Until recently the major drawback to the use of this tube was its short working

life, as a result of which it was usually hired and after use returned for target or gun replacement. However improved target materials have contributed

to a dramatic increase in operating life.

The Vidicon is now by far the most widely used camera tube largely because of its simplified construction and operation and hence distinct price advantage. A typical vidicon consists of a photoconductive layer deposited on to a conductive signal plate on the inner surface of the glass faceplate. The electron beam scans the target and results in effective connection of the signal plate through the photo-conductive semiconductor layer. In the absence of light this side of the photoconductive surface achieves cathode potential because of the high resistance but the impingement of light reduces the resistance and discharges the surface.

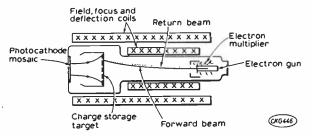


Fig. 10: The image orthicon tube incorporates an electron multiplier assembly.

When the charge is restored by the scanning beam, a current flows in the load resistance connected to the signal plate. This output is dependent upon the rate of discharge as well as time and is thus dependent upon illumination and scan. However, since the charge can only be restored by the beam, there can be a delay on the return of highlighted areas which results in image retention. Until recently this was a serious problem since bright moving objects were blurred, but this has now largely been overcome by the introduction of the Plumbicon tube.

The advent of the **Plumbicon** has now resulted in the acceptance of this tube for studio work. Because of its relatively small size and considerably simpler operation, it is increasingly used for colour television cameras. Similarly it has always been used for closed circuit television and outside broadcasts.

# IMAGE INTENSIFIER AND CONVERTOR TUBES

These are tubes designed to increase the brightness of images by electronic multiplication. They are used in order to obtain acceptable visual images of objects which have poor illumination levels. As such they are incorporated in starlight viewers or infra-red viewers. Another application is the storage and amplification of extremely fast events such as sparks etc. which occur only for times of  $10^{-3}$  to  $10^{-6}$  seconds duration.

Generally multi-storage elements are used, with each stage giving a gain of 30 to 80 and overall gains of 10<sup>5</sup> are possible. A variety of phosphors are used, none of which have a sensitivity corresponding to the human eye. Consequently they do not visually appear as bright normal pictures.

Several types of construction and principles are used, all of which involve photocathodes which emit secondary electrons which travel through a uniform field space. Further gain is achieved either by focussing on secondary emission devices or photocathode and phospor boundaries or by using fibre optically coupled assemblies.

The tubes operate with supplies in the region of 10 to 45kV and usually involve a slight reduction in image size. The photocathode material is caesium on oxidised silver and typical screen sizes are 0.5in. with a resolution of greater than 10,000 lines per

inch.

### THERMOVISION CAMERAS

These are essentially radiation detectors in which the infra-red radiation is beamed by means of scanning mirrors on to a detector. Generally the detector is of indium antimonide and this provides the electrical signal. The signal is amplified and transferred together with the mirror scan synchronisation pulses to form a television-like picture on a crit.

A very limited number of these devices are commercially available and needless to say the price is correspondingly high. Generally they are difficult to use since the response is not easily interpreted, however they are very useful for the detection of hot spots at fault positions.

# **ELECTRON MICROSCOPES**

These are very expensive specialist devices used for very large magnification factors of minute objects. In effect they consist of accurate electronic lenses in which the electrons replace light. The potentials used are high (>60kV) and the magnification factor achieved by focusing the electromagnetic or electrostatic lenses can be as high as 200,000

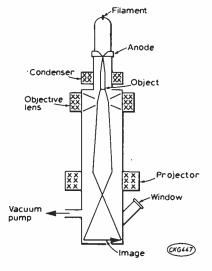


Fig. 11: In the electron microscope electron beams can be focused in the same way as light beams in conventional microscopes.

The construction is diagrammatically illustrated in Fig. 11 and shows the focused electron beam passing through the object. The chamber is evacuated during each operation and the magnified image is recorded on photographic film.

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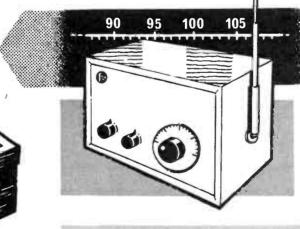
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# STERED HEADPHONES REMOTE CONTROL UNIT

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HILST a great deal of pleasure can be derived from listening to stereo through conventional loudspeakers, it is often more enjoyable and practical, particularly late at night to use stereo headphones. One of the disadvantages, however, is the usual need to position oneself adjacent to the amplifier for the obvious purpose of using its controls.

It is the opinion of the author that once the conventional bass and treble tone controls have been set to suit one's taste, it is unnecessary to re-adjust them for each record played. This, of course, is assuming that the records being played are all of similar quality. Volume and balance are however

in more frequent need of adjustment and a unit facilitating this from a remote seating position is extremely useful.

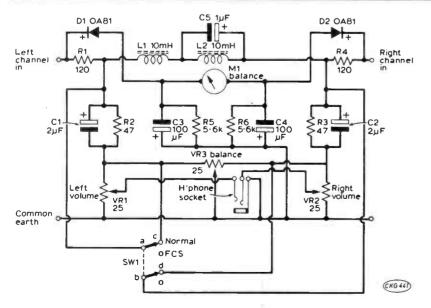
The unit to be described contains volume controls for left and right channels and an overall balance control. Also included is a balance meter to monitor the balance of the output of the stereo amplifier and the unit is so designed to allow it to be used as a balance meter without any power supply or headphones connected.

A switch is provided on the unit to select between normal listening and listening via a network which provides some degree of cross-talk between the left and right channels. The idea behind this is that when one listens to stereo from loudspeakers, the sounds received by, say, the left ear constitute a mixture of left and right signals; the same applies for the right ear. It is the balance of these two "views" that forms a stereo image.

However, when one uses stereo headphones the left ear can only hear the signals emanating from the left channel and a corresponding degree of discrimination exists for the right ear. Therefore, strictly speaking, a correct stereo image is not formed aurally. Thus some degree of "crosstalk" between left and right is necessary. This need only be noticeable at mid-frequencies, at round about 1kHz where the ear is most sensitive. The network included performs this function and the effect of this is to shift some of the signals into the centre of the image.

# Circuit

The circuit. Fig. 1, shows the network and the components forming the balance meter circuit. The two resistors R1 and R4 provide attenuation for the headphones from the amplifier loudspeaker outlet. With the resistors included the unit can be fed directly from the speaker outlet of the amplifier, but if an amplifier including an attenuated headphones outlet is used then these resistors can be reduced in value or even omitted. Balance and volume adjustment are provided by VR1. VR2/3.



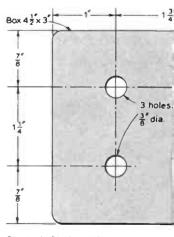
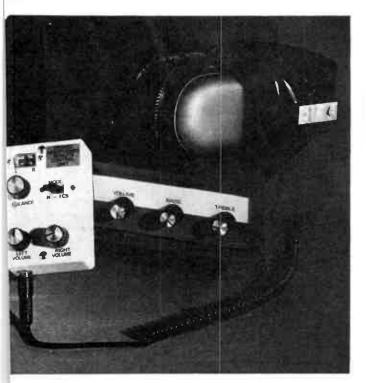
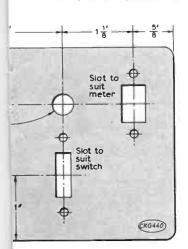


Fig. 1. (left) shows the complete circulfig. 2: (above) gives the positions of the Fig. 3: (right) Details of the veroboar components being mounted on the old



In the normal mode the switch SW1 connects the attenuated signals directly to the volume and balance controls. When the signals are switched through the crosstalk circuit (FCS) the signals are channelled through L1, L2, C1, C2, and C5, R2 and R3. Capacitors C1 and C2 shunted by R2 and R3. although not affecting normal sounds, do provide slight attenuation of any mains hum and generally frequencies below 40-50Hz, but with bass notes as encountered in music the effect is largely negligible. Looking at the balance meter circuitry, the arrangement of C3. C4, R5 and R6 is largely a standard circuit, these components providing a path to earth of comparatively low impedance to high frequencies.



t of the stereo headphone unit. e various holes and slots in the box lid. I layout from the copper rail side, the er side, in the positions shown.

# \* components list

Resis					
R1	12012	R4	12011	VR1	25()
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R3	47Ω	R6	5-6kΩ	VR3	25Ω
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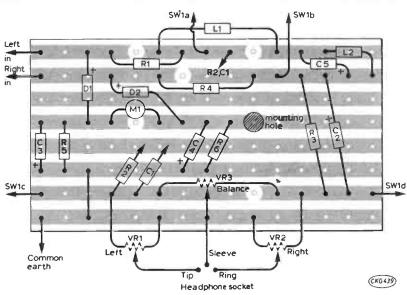
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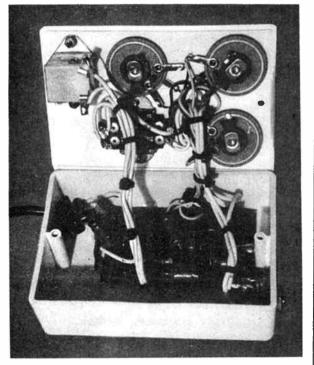
A plastic box, about  $4^{1}_{2} \times 3 \times 1^{1}_{4}$ in., as used in the prototype, should be obtainable from any good radio parts shop but if difficulty is experienced a plastic soap dish of the type with a clip-on lid can be used. A metal case can be used but then care must be taken to ensure that the underneath of the veroboard is clear of the case bottom.

Drilling details for the box lid are given in Fig. 2. An easy way of cutting the thin plastic is by means of a hot thin knife blade later finishing off the holes with a smooth file after the plastic has hardened. This method is preferred to drilling which can lead to a split box.

The balance meter, two volume controls, slide switch SW1 and the balance control are mounted on the lid and the remainder of the components on a small piece of 0.15in. veroboard approx. 3 x 2in. or eight strips of 15 holes. The board, Fig. 3, is fixed to the box by a single bolt with a spacing nut between the board and the case.

VR1. VR2 and VR3 are flat, miniature, wirewound





The circuit hoard is mounted inside the hor the various controls and meter being fitted to the lid.

pots, widely available as "extension speaker volume controls". Standard size pots will require a larger box than that specified here. Single flex is used to wire the panel components to the board, as shown in the photograph. A rubber grommet was used for neatness at the cable entry hole. The cable must be long enough to comfortably reach between the stereo amplifier and the listening point.

More than one set of headphones can be used provided attention is paid to the impedance of the extra sets. Too low impedance will cause a loss of volume which may not be acceptable. If more headphone sockets are fitted they should be wired in parallel.

Component values are by no means critical and there is room for improvement here. Variation of the network values can provide some interesting effects



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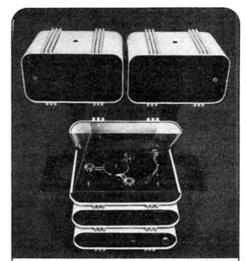
IN spite of some pessimistic mutterings expressed in various quarters on the future of quadraphonic sound, there is no doubt that there is increased confidence in its viability. Several manufacturers, exhibiting at Sonex in the new venue, Excelsior Hotel, London Airport, show that in order to be able to sell four-channel it must be of high quality.

The characteristic "wait-and-see" of the British Trade will not be able to hold out much longer, especially as there are now being made and imported quad recordings based on matrix coding systems SQ and QS. Some manufacturers have wisely chosen to cater for both these systems and the discrete four-channel

system generally known as CD-4 (See News...page). Space does not permit an exhaustive treatment of the exhibition, but we have shown here some highlights that are worthy of consideration. Some of the main features are given and prices shown where known. It is stressed that all specifications are quoted and are in no way intended as a basis of transaction under the Trades Descriptions Act. Full details are usually available from manufacturers or agents. E.M.I. Crown and ITT were not at Sonex. The quad SQ system originates from CBS of America; QS from Sansui; discrete CD-4 from Victor Company of Japan. The Midlands and North have their own special exhibitions.







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ITT Consumer Products (UK) Ltd., Maidstone Road, Sidcup, Kent, DA14 5HT.

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Successor to the 590, this 2 × 15W r.m.s. amplifier conforms to DIN 45500 Standard. It has switchable "Stereo-4" quadraphonic facility, rumble and scratch filters, slider controls, headphone socket, power meters. Recommended retail price £85 including VAT.

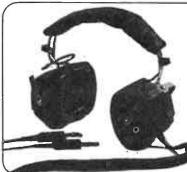
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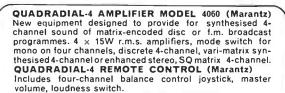
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POWER AMPLIFIER AP1, AP2 (Right) FM TUNER TF1 (Centre) CONTROL UNIT AC1 (Left)

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r.m.s. and 100mV r.m.s. (tape). Lecson Audio, Nuffield Road, St. Ives, Hunts. me fill Hel





4-CHANNEL PLAYER QZ100S (Garrard)

Both this turntable unit and its companion, the QSP25 Mk. 3, are now available with Q prefix to cater for quadraphonic sound. Capable of playing discrete four-channel and twochannel discs or, by using the built-in matrix decoder, they can provide enhanced four-channel output from twochannel recordings. High quality magnetic pickup on the QZ100S has frequency range 20 to 50,000Hz to reproduce

CD-4 recording and carrier. Plessey Electronics, Swindon, Wiltshire.

#### ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

FLAT C.R.T.

THE search for a flat, thin cathode ray tube continues. Many ingenious ideas have been put forward, but many have had to be shelved simply because of cost compared to the c.r.t. This is particularly so in the case of television screens. Could it be that the solutions to date have sought to be too clever? An American company has come up with a solution which is extremely simple, it works, and the cost is not prohibitive.

Basically, the system is based on the principle that if a spot of oil, turpentine, etc is dabbed onto the roughened side of a sheet of frosted glass, the affected spot will become transparent.

Imagine two sheets of glass. The rear one is blackened. The front sheet is frosted, the rough side facing the blacked sheet. Between the two sheets is a reservoir of liquid and the glass is thus transparent or clear all over. All that is necessary is some form of matrix to "address" this "cell". This could be a fine mesh of conductors laid down onto the roughened surface of the front plate—a very fine pattern of lines in the x and y axis—rather like finely ruled graph paper squares.

Action of the device is simple. When power is fed to two electrodes, the point at which they meet will heat and vaporise the liquid, causing a white opaque spot to appear.

The speed at which all this can happen is, in present models, between 1-10mS. Note: this is quite adequate for television applications where the frame speed is about 30 per second. Turn off time is about 10mS.

Various liquids are under investigation. Trichlorethylene, for example, requires 50V at about 2W of power to control each square centimetre of display area. Compared directly to the c.r.t. for TV applications this "picture frame cell" uses more power but at a lower voltage. Because the surface is completely flat, barrel and pin-cushion distortion are eliminated. By utilising low vapour pressure liquids, it should be possible to increase efficiency.

The idea could also be used for a form of storage tube display. The addressing matrix could be used to boil off the liquid in the selected

"trace" areas leaving those areas dry and thus standing out against the transparent surrounding areas. The boiled-off vapour would be returned to a reservoir via suitable ports where it would condense back to a liquid. This liquid in the reservoir could, in turn, be heated and allowed to recondense over the entire surface of the cell, thus clearing the display ready for the next trace.

Perhaps thin, flat-screen television is nearer than we think, and the Japanese are known to be working on some pretty cute ideas.

#### I.C. SOUND EFFECT

Electronic organs are popular and circuitry has appeared in many journals. One very nice asset is a Leslie Speaker cabinet which contains a drum which rotates in front of a loudspeaker. This sort of f.m. gives an effect of vibrato and chorus. The more sophisticated home organs have a Leslie Speaker built-in to the organ itself.

A German company has now produced an IC which could replace the entire Leslie System. It has the advantage, besides an obvious tremendous reduction in size, of having no moving parts; no motor noise, nothing to rotate. The IC, designated TCA350, achieves the effect by introducing a delay time. The actual electronics of the system is too complex to deal with here, but the TCA350 contains some 185 field effect transistors and complementary capacitors. Another application could be to use this IC to replace glass delay lines.

#### MONO CHIP INDUCTORS

Little things please little minds so we're told, but sometimes it's not that cynically simple. Cramming a few thousand semiconductors into a dual in-line package is a common occurrence today, but what of the devices which are very difficult to integrate? Items such as tuned circuits are a problem. However, solutions are on the way, in the form of subminiature inductors or "coils".

Described as monolithic chip inductors, these minute devices are made by stacking U-shaped conductor patterns which have been screened onto a special ferrite tape. The U-shaped patterns are stacked

such that when the individual ends of each U are connected to the U's above and below, a continuous "coil" pattern is achieved. When this has been done, the complete stack is "fired" resulting in a monolithic structure.

It sounds simple; but it isn't. First a special high-permittivity ferrite has to be carefully bonded with a plasticiser to make the tape which is typic-

ally about 1.8 thou. (1thou  $\frac{1}{1000}$  inch).

Again when the tiny tapes are stacked, holes must be drilled through the stack to enable the ends of each U-pattern to be connected. The entire coil is only 0.08in<sup>3</sup>.

Another snag is the d.c. resistance of the "windings". If this is too high, the Q of the coil will be lowered and the tuned circuit would tune far too broadly. The favourite metal, Platinum, was found to give a resultant inductor with far too great a resistivity. Gold and Silver, other immediate candidates, have melting points which are much too low to be of use with many ferrites. One company overcame this by developing a special ferrite material which could be fired at under 900°C.

In their tiny 0.08inch cubes, these miniature marvels, called Magna Chips, have been produced with Q ratings of from 20 to 50 with inductance values in the range 0.1 to  $6\mu$ H. Perhaps transformers are a possible future development, particularly r.f. types. At present, the upper limit appears to be around 50MHz.

#### **GOT A TEMPERATURE?**

If you're worried about getting too hot under the collar, you need a Hot Spot temperature recorder/indicator. These devices look like a transistor (there are other mountings) about 0·18inch in diameter. They have a particular temperature rating which you specify on ordering and the present range covers from 100°F to 350°F in 10°F steps. If one of these devices is exposed to its rated temperature it immediately turns from bright silver to black.



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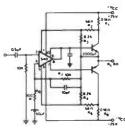
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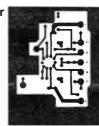
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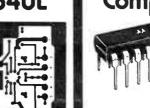


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HE P.W. Tricolour described in parts 1 and 2 dealt with a design which utilised zero voltage control and the printed circuit board, components and metalwork was specifically designed for that purpose.

Part 3 deals with the lamp dimming version of the *P.W. Tricolour* which requires a different printed circuit board, component changes and modified metalwork. To avoid any confusion we will refer to this design as 'Mk II'. The Mk II printed circuit board however has been designed to accommodate either the lamp dimming or zero voltage control designs. Each design has its basic differences and these can be ascertained by reference to the circuitry.

The filter circuit as shown in Fig. 9 part 1 remains identical for each design. The Mk II metalwork is similar in many respects to the original design, but will be reproduced in its entirety for the sake of completeness.

# Light Dimming

The light intensity is varied by controlling the input voltage to the lamps. This is achieved by using the same solid state devices, triacs, as in the zero voltage switching design described in parts 1 and 2 in this series of articles (April, May 1973).

Fig. 21 shows some of the voltage waveforms obtained by moving the gate pulses in time with respect to the input voltage and thus controlling the load voltage.



Photograph shows the lamps unit that is used with the P.W. Tricolour

The formulae given below gives the relationship between the output r.m.s. (root mean square) voltage, a function of delay angle '7'.

V.r.m.s. 
$$\equiv$$
 E.r.m.s.  $\sqrt{2}\sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi}\left(\pi-\gamma+\frac{\sin 2\gamma}{2}\right)}$ 

Where E.r.m.s. = 240V (supply voltage) Taking the supply voltage as 100, the above formulae can be modified to give the results as a percentage of the supply voltage.

V.r.m.s. = 
$$100 = \sqrt{2 \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\pi - \alpha + \frac{\sin 2\alpha}{2}\right)}}$$
 per cent

Fig. 22, drawn from the above formulae, shows the percentage reduction of the output r.m.s. voltage as a function of delay angle 'r'.

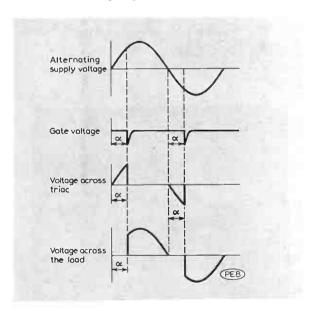


Fig. 21: Some of the triac voltage waveforms obtained by moving the gate pulses in time with respect to the input voltage.

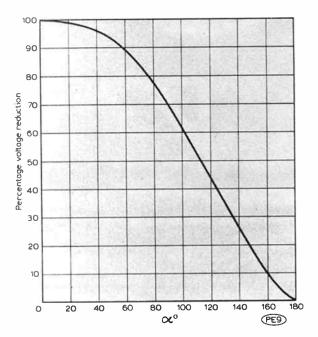


Fig. 22: Graph showing the percentage reduction of the output r.m.s. voltage as a function of the delay angle of

There are various circuits for controlling the gating of a triac and thus the power in the load. One of the simplest ways is to employ an unijunction transistor (u.j.t.).

Unijunction transistor trigger circuits are usually based on the simple relaxation oscillator as shown in Fig. 23.

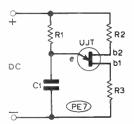


Fig. 23: Circuit shows simple unijunction relaxation oscillator.

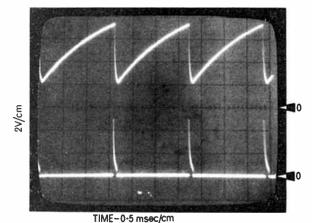


Fig. 24: Voltage waveforms relating to Fig. 23 (see text). Photograph not to scale.

Resistor R1 and capacitor C1 form the timing network. On application of a d.c. voltage capacitor C1 will charge up exponentially at a rate (time constant) determined by resistor R1 and its own value until the peak point voltage of the u.j.t. emitter is reached. At this time the u.j.t. turns on discharging capacitor C1 through the base resistor R3 (i.e. with a time constant C1 x R3 where R3 << R1). Then the process repeats, resulting in a train of pulses across resistor R3. Fig. 24 illustrates the voltage waveforms across capacitor C1 (upper trace) and the voltage pulses across resistor R3 (lower trace). The values of components for this oscillogram were:

Synchronisation to the mains is achieved by using the circuit as shown in Fig. 25.

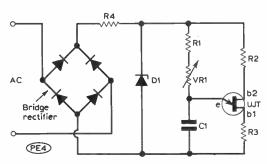


Fig. 25: Mains synchronisation of the unijunction oscillator.

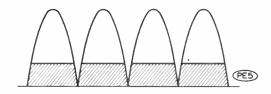


Fig. 26: Waveform related to Fig. 25, see text.

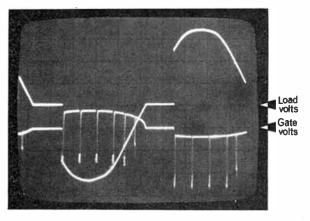


Fig. 27: Triac gate voltage pulses and corresponding voltage waveform across the load.



HOLE DATA 8 holes & 5/32 dia 3 holes B 1.8mm dia 22 holes C 1.3mm dia All other holes 1.0mm

Flg. 28: The Mk II printed circuit board for the PW Tricolour. This is shown full size—copper foll side. The respective layouts for zero voltage switching and lamp dimming will be given next month.

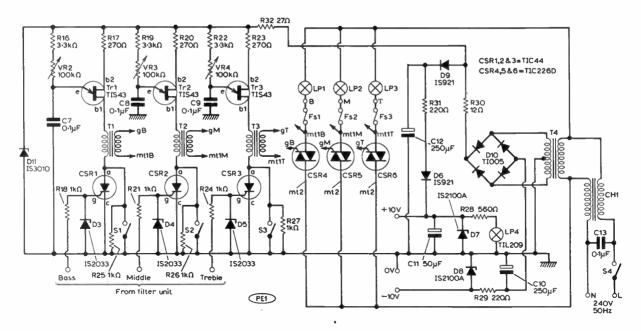


Fig. 29: Circuit showing the P.W. Tricolour lamp dimming control unit. The associated filter unit is exactly as described in Part 1 of this series (April 1973 P.W.)

# \* components list

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R16 3·3kΩ	Tr1 TIS43		
R17 270Ω	Tr2 TIS43		
R18 1k $\Omega$	Tr2 TIS43		
R19 3·3kΩ	D3 1S2033		
R20 270Ω	D4 IS2033		
R21 1kΩ	D5 IS2033		
R22 3·3kΩ	D6 IS921		
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R29 220Ω	CSR1 TIC44		
R30 12Ω JW	CSR3 TIC44		
R31 220Ω	CSR4 TIC226D		
R32 27Ω	CSR5 TIC226D		
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Capacitors	Miscellaneous		
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C8 0·1μF	FS1 FS9 FS3	5A fuene a	nd panel mountin
C9 0·1μF	101, 102, 100	holders	na paner mountin
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C12 250µF 25V electrolytic	LP4	TIL209 indica	tor lamp, Texas
C13 0·1µF 250V a.c. wkg.	S1, S2, S3	Push on-pus	h off switches
Transformers	S4	Single pole	mains on-off switc
T1)	CH1	Filter choke	, Tunewell Trans
T2 Pulse transformer, type PT-ATA ITT Ltd.		formers type	
T4 Miniature mains transformer, 240V primary,	SK1	Lamps socke	et, Bulgin type P55
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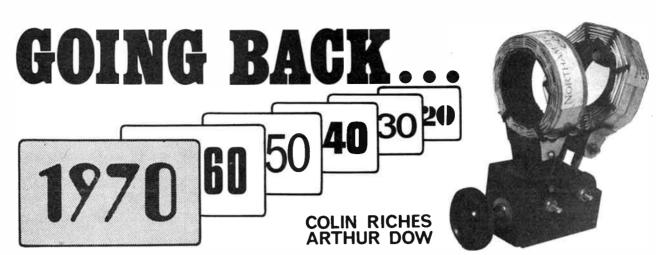
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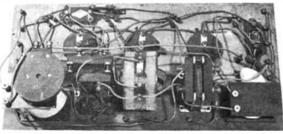
r. Paul Godfrey has sent us some excellent photographs of a vintage wireless. He discovered it at an auction in Great Yarmouth and is wondering if anyone can help him identify the manufacturer and the rough age of the set.

The exterior bears no maker's name but a great many of the components bear the name "Saxon Radio, Blackpool." The wiring is somewhat untidy for the standard of the day and Mr. Godfrey wonders if the wireless may have been made up from a kit.

Three of the valves are made by Tungsram of Hungary and the fourth is a Marconi valve that appears to have been adapted somewhat to fit the holder.

The speaker has been spoilt by a "tatty" coat of paint which has in all probability obscured the name of the manufacturer but he thinks this could be removed to allow it to be re-painted or sprayed properly. So, if anyone can help, you can contact Paul Godfrey at 59 North Quay, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk.





Under-chassis wiring of the above receiver.

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Side 4 starts with the 1947 F.A. Cup Final between Charlton and Burnley when the ball burst. There are excerpts from "Take it from Here", 20 Questions, The Goon Show and others. The events of Yuri Gagarin in space and President Kennedy's assassination bring us into the sixties and the final track is the memorial service in Westminster Abbey for Lord Reith (22/7/71) with the lament "Flowers of the Forest" played on bagpipes by Pipe Major Thomas Anderson.

We cannot praise this album too highly. It is a record that should be in the collection of anyone who has gained enjoyment from listening to BBC programmes over the years. We have only been able to mention a few of the fascinating tracks and to do full justice to this memorable record we recommend that you listen to this nostalgic document. Price £3.99 from your local record dealer.



# BROADCAST BANDS

# SHORT WAVE DX by MALCOLM CONNAH

THE first news this month is of an interesting venture by several young readers of this column. They are attempting to form a DX Club for younger listeners.

The name of the club is the Youth DX-Club International and the first copy of their magazine arrived on my desk this week. The magazine contains many interesting features including an article on antenna construction and an equipment review. The majority of the articles are aimed at helping the young DXer.

The present membership of the club is composed of 14 and 15 year olds. I have no further information at present but hope to publish more details next month.

#### **DX News**

GREECE: The Hellenic National Radio Institute has been heard on the new frequency of 21610 from 1420 to 1500 with a strong signal.

SWEDEN: The new, 500kW, transmitters of Radio Sweden at Karlsburg are now on the air. Due to technical difficulties the output has been reduced, for the time being, to 150kW. It is hoped that these problems will soon be overcome.

URUGUAY: Radio El Espectador, Montevideo is reported to be active again on 11835kHz and has been heard from 1100 to 0300.

The last three items are courtesy of Sweden Calling DXers which, by the way, has just celebrated its 25th. anniversary.

# Readers' Logs

The first log comes from the team of Simon Wormleighton and J. P. Fletcher at Rendcomb College, Circnester. The equipment used in their station is an HRO receiver with 8 metre folded dipole and an Astrad Altair receiver with an 80 foot long-wire. Stations logged include:

5920 R. Kiev, Ukraine in English at 1950.

9560 R. Japan with news in English at 1000.

9570 R. Australia in English at 0700.

9655 R. Damascus, Syria. Nx. in English, 2030.

9695 RSA, South Africa, English at 2400.

10050 Voice of Vietnam, Hanoi at 1705. 11770 BBC, Atlantic Relay in English at 1700. 21500 AFRTS, Washington in English at 1500.

Paul Beeson of Bexleyheath caught his father in the act of throwing away a 1947 Murphy type TA92, 6 valve Domestic receiver. Having rescued the set he performed a few minor repairs, added a 100 foot long-wire and obtained the following results:

9560 All India Radio in English at 1830.

9565 Voice of America, Tangier, at 1730.

9580 Warsaw Radio, Poland, news at 2240.

9605 R. Bucharest, Rumania at 2020.

9645 Armed Forces & Int. Ser., R. Canada, 2055.

9690 R. New York World Wide at 2300.

9700 IBRA Radio, Lisbon, English at 2015.

9830 Voice of Vietnam, Hanoi at 1610.

Richard Witney of Black Notley. near Braintree has used his Skywood CX203 and inverted 'L' antenna to hear:

5965 Voice of America, Wooferton, at 0545.

9760 Voice of Vietnam, Hanoi.

11720 RAE, Argentina in English at 2345.

15140 Voice of Vietnam, via R. Havana, Cuba, 2115.

15435 R. Tanzania in English at 1900. 17710 NHK, Japan in English at 0802.

John McFadden of Belfast has just received a Trio 9R59DS receiver and using an indoor loop antenna he heard the following stations during the first five days:

9550 R. Lebanon, Beirut in English at 0245.

9570 R. Australia with news at 0715.

9745 R. Baghdad, Iraq in English at 1930.

11650 R. Bangladesh, news in English at 1720.

11710 RAE, Argentina in English at 2305.

11720 R. Nacional, Brazil in English at 2255.

11770 R. Afghanistan in English at 1820.

11800 Voice of Turkey in English at 2215.

11930 WIBS, Grenada, Sports commentary at 2055.

11955 FEBA, Seychelles in English at 1800.

Ian Gordon of Birmingham has a Codar CR70A receiver and uses a central heating radiator as an aerial which must be an unusual feature on the Birmingham skyline. Stations logged included:

6125 R. Canada with DX news at 0730.

9550 R. Finland in English at 1425.

9695 RSA, South Africa at 2110.

9710 RAI, Italy, s/on in English at 1935.

9745 R. Baghdad, Iraq in English at 2000.

9912 All India Radio, Delhi at 2210.

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I hope to answer all those letters which raised specific queries in the near future. Please remember that all queries should be accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope.

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# MEDIUM WAVE FROM AFRICA by CHARLES MOLLOY

EDIUM WAVE stations in North and West Africa are worth listening for after dark at this time of year. From Algeria, Ain Beida is on 533kHz with Arabic programming and Tipaza is on 251kHz on the Long Waves. This station can be found between Kalundborg 245kHz and Lahti. Finland on 255kHz, it has a power of 1500kW and is heard all over Europe with its French programming. From nearby Tunisia the Arabic programme on 962kHz is usually conspicuous by 2200hrs GMT. From 2300hrs onwards when European interference begins to subside, listen for Dakar, Senegal on 764kHz, which often features a programme of African music with announcements in French until it signs-off at 2345hrs. Enugu, Nigeria is a weakish signal on 1320kHz with news in English before it closes down at 2305hrs GMT. Conakry, Guinea is usually a strong signal on 1403kHz with African style music. Bissau, Portuguese Guinea is often strong on 1070kHz with pop music and Portuguese announcements. There are two stations at Funchal on the island of Madeira that can be logged when conditions are good for reception from this area.

VHF/FM FROM EUROPE by SIMON DAVID

HAVE received an interesting letter (passed on to me by the Editor) from Mr R. B. Callwood who writes from Munich, West Germany. He says that a popular station there is Austria-3 which transmits from Vienna about 200 miles away to the east.

The most interesting point is that Austria-3 broadcasts in stereo from 6 a.m. each morning to 4 a.m. the next morning. This makes British stereo services look rather mean by comparison. Mr Callwood moved into a new apartment block that has a Hirschmann communal aerial. Not being satisfied with the aerial's sense of direction he dangled a wire dipole over the balcony of his apartment. More decibels came pouring in but it was still very noisy on stereo signals.

Still not content that the Pioneer SX-626 receiver was running flat out, he made up the f.m. preamplifier from the April issue of P.W. and is now receiving Austria-3 in stereo loud and clear.

It is not difficult for the BBC to pick up and relay ORTF programmes from France, especially when they "cheat" a little by going to the cliffs at Folkestone.

At least they thought it would be easy to pick up Boulogne 27 miles across the water but ran into trouble with transmission reflections from Wrotham on an adjacent frequency only 30 miles North West. They were obliged to find Lille (100 miles) to avoid trouble. "France Musique" is the usual stereo channel and from Lille comes in on 88.7MHz.

It is an interesting fact that "France Musique" is the "bread and butter" stereo music channel for some listeners in South West England and the Channel Islands. Is that a sign of joie de vivre, Vive le Common Market or just plain inadequacy of British stereo broadcasts? The French are now urging the

CSA99 is on 1331kHz with a power of 10kW and can be heard with station identification at 2350hrs followed by news in Portuguese and close-down at 0005hrs. CSB91 with 1kW on 1529kHz is a weaker signal but is on a clear channel after Vatican Radio signs-off at 2200hrs. Try around 2330hrs for a fluttery signal with local or pop music until it goes off the air at midnight.

Back on the mainland Azilal, Morocco can be found on 209kHz on the long waves, in French but with some interference from Kiev, while the Voice of Morocco in Tangiers transmits with 200kW on 1232kHz with Arabic programming until midnight. For the night owl there is Kinshasa in the Republic of Zaire (Congo) which is on the air all night on 692kHz, a frequency which it shares with an East German outlet but it is fairly easy to separate the

two with a medium wave loop aerial.

John McFadden (Belfast) has been trying the medium waves with his Ekco transistor portable. Although using only the internal ferrite aerial he heard Radio Blackburn on 854kHz; Radio Merseyside on 1484kHz and Radio Bristol on 1546kHz, all during the daytime. After dark he logged the following broadcasts in English:—BBC World Service on 1295kHz at 1700hrs; AFN Frankfurt on 872kHz at 1730hrs; Radio Berlin International 1511kHz at 1815hrs; Radio Tirana, Albania 1394kHz at 2030hrs; Vatican Radio 1529kHz at 2055hrs; Radio Moscow 1493kHz at 2115hrs; Trans World Radio, Montecarlo 1466kHz at 2230hrs; Warsaw Radio 1502kHz at 2230hrs; Radio Sweden 1178kHz at 2250hrs and Radio Portugal at 2300hrs.

expansion of British stereo to supplement what they claim to be inadequate service over there.

France Musique boasts 70 stereophonic transmitters operating at fixed hours each day; for reception in the south of England the best stations to find will be Boulogne 89 4MHz, Lille 88 7MHz, Caen 95 6MHz, Rennes 89 9MHz, Cherbourg 92 35MHz. These stations radiate sufficiently to receive stereo here although there may be a good deal of noise about. Details are published in La Semaine Radio Télé and Le Figaro (weekend edition). You should switch off the a.f.c. on your set if you don't want to lock on to the BBC.

My feelings go out to readers in other parts of the country who cannot yet receive stereo at home from the BBC. In particular, Scottish listeners always seem to get the "donkey's tail" in broadcasting and, since I have a yen for my compatriots over the border (I'm no Sassenach!), perhaps we Southerners should toss a metaphorical caber at the policy makers.

The BBC has issued a statement regarding the stereo pilot tone it uses. As a result of confusion over mixed stereo/mono broadcasts the BBC has adopted the following policy:

1. During stereo (or mixed) programmes the pilot tone will be transmitted and is indicated by the stereo lamp if fitted.

2. During wholly monophonic programmes of substantial duration the pilot tone will not be transmitted. This procedure applies to all BBC v.h.f. broadcasts; the Midlands and North Radio-3 transmitters will be so arranged at a later date.

We shall always be pleased to hear of readers' experiences of VHF/FM reception, especially those who listen in to continental stations. Please state stations received, aerial and tuner used.



# AMATEUR BANDS

# SHORT WAVES by DAVID GIBSON, G3JDG

Y remarks in previous episodes regarding four metres (or 70MHz) appear to have struck a few nails on the head. A large number of letters said naughty words (or were they new callsigns) and made suggestions which, although both ingenious and original, I found physically impossible.

H. Brown (Eastwood, Essex) suggests that one answer would be to make 70MHz available to the G8 stations. This is a very good idea. All it needs is an effort from the G8s to learn c.w. and get a "full" Amateur Licence—the ball is really back in our court! Is it worth learning c.w. to save 70MHz? If we don't none of us will be using it!

Barry Crowley (Crawley, Sussex) offers useful comment. He reckons that after a 70MHz station has called CQ, the CQ caller tunes up and down the band once and, hearing nothing, closes down or migrates to other bands. Barry says that on one occasion on the mobile channel (70·26MHz) he heard four mobiles, all within working distance, calling CQ one after the other in the space of 15 minutes. Barry's solution is a simple one—patience.

Stations logged by Barry on 70MHz using an AR88D, nuvistor converter and 4 ele. yagi at 40ft include; G2DN, G6HB, G6HD, G3-KSU, NKS/M, OUX, RAE, TR, TIR, VHR, XOG, XSZ/M, XIG, UPS/M, YVR/M, ZHA/M, ZLO/M, ZQX, ZRR, ZYR, G4ARO.

Unwanted signals on 3.5MHz look out. The Northumbria Radio Club is after you. They (like the rest of us) have had enough of the deliberate interference on the 80 metre Amateur Band—and they're doing something about it. How about everyone giving the Northumbria R.C. a little help? Please, have a listen on eighty for intruders and assorted unwanted interference. When you find one, log all the info. you can i.e., a rough d.f. bearing would be very useful, frequency, time in BST (or whatever, but specify) and the type of QRM—carrier only, some LID tapping a microphone, etc. Address for all this info. is **W. Ricalton G4ADD**, 4 South Road, Longhorsley, Morpeth, Northumberland.

A few tasty morsels for the DX fanatics to drool over. Fanning Island should see Amateur activity later this year and a KP6 callsign will (hopefully) be heard from Palmyra Island. Topband DX types will be delighted with the news that both G3RGB and G3SZA worked VK3CZ on 160 metres. Also, GW3YGH had a natter with VK6HD. Well, what do you hear on topband these days?

News has arrived that there is a S.E. Asian DX net on 7.075MHz; listen Tuesday/Friday at 1400hrs. (Go on, have the afternoon off work, your boss will understand).

Mike Prescott (Warrington, Lancs) reckons there's only one station in Bhutan now; A51PN. Watch out in case some expedition turns up, this could double the number of stations! The VE1 prefix for Prince Edward Island is now C11. Apparently, the province years ago.

#### Contests

Contests in May are: May 5-6, two metre and seventy cms open; 5-6, Bermuda c.w. contest; 5-6, OZ-CCA c.w. contest; 6, 70cm fixed contest; 12-13, Jubilee phone contest; 12-13 Russian c.w. contest; 19-20, Jubilee c.w. contest; 20, S. Manchester DF qualifying round; 27, two metre portable contest; June 2-3, National Field Day.

# Logs

L. Tarassenko (Dorchester, Dorset) opens the logs for this month with a little piece entitled "Heard on Eighty Metres". This work was played on a G3JDG receiver (modified) (how dare you Sir?), accompanied by an a.t.u. and a "W3DZZ dipole". Squirts of s.s.b. from; CN8BDO, CT3AR, EA6BJ, EA6BT, FC2WS, HB0AWQ, KP4AN, KV4CI, KZ5JF, M1I, OH0MA, V01FJ, VP2LI, W1TAT, WA2HSU, W4RQ, W5PWW, ZL3GS, 3A2EE, 4W1AF, 4Z4EF, 6W8DY, 9H5D.

Stephen Glover (Castleford, Yorks, neat handwriting) has a 9R59DS and a poor 30ft. aerial (wonder what a rich aerial is like?) Savoured on 80m s.s.b.; CN8BF, ET3USF, FP8DH, JX3EN, KP4AN, KV4FZ, OD5LX, OD5BA, OY5NS, OY7BA, PZ2OA, VP2SAF, VP7ND, W2PV, YA1OS, ZS2MI, 9H4KN. On 20 metres s.s.b.: CR6AB, KV4CL, OA2WC, OD54D, VK2WC, VK6VW, 4X4BL, 9H4KN, 9V1QQ.

St. Peter-in-the-wood is where Roger Sarre lurks. It is located at Guernsey in the Channel Islands. Fellow lurkers include an HRO and a 30ft. end fed. Results of combined lurks; CN8BF, CN8GG, CR7IC, EP2BI, KP4AN, OD5GC, VE1ADV, VEIAM, VO1FN VP2L1, ZB2CF, ZC4EJ, 4X4BL, 4X4UF, 4Z4DX, 7X0GM, 9H5C all 3·5MHz s.s.b. An h.f. lurk revealed: CN8CG, CT2AK, CR3RY, CR6FW, CR7IZ, EA8GK, EL2DT, EL8G, EP2TC, FP8AA, HC2PY, HI8LC, KP4BAJ, K6RMM, KV4AD, LU8EDN, ST2SA, SV1BS, W4D1W/P/VP7, XT2AC, ZD3D, ZD3X, 4Z4MO, 5B4AC, 5N2AAN, 6W8AL, 9E3USA all s.s.b. on 15 metres.

#### BROADCAST BANDS

Short Wave Reports by 15th of the month to Malcolm Connah, 59 Windrush, Highworth, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN6 7DT.

Medium Waves Logs to Charles Molloy, 132 Segars Lane, Southport, PR8 3JG.

VHF/FM Reports to Simon David, c/o Practical Wireless, Fleetway House, Farringdon Street, London, EC4A 4AD.

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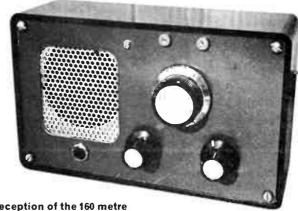
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# RECEIVER CIRCUIT

SW1 (see Fig. 1), is a 3-pole 3-way switch, one position giving "Off." L1 is the ferrite rod winding

which is tuned by VCla and VClb which are in parallel for MW reception. For the higher frequency range, SW1 disconnects VCla and Cl is in series with VClb, resulting in a coverage of about 1.5MHz to 2.15MHz with the full swing of VClb.

VC1 is a readily available ganged capacitor. It is possible to obtain h.f. bandspread by using a 365pF or similar capacitor in the VC1b position, VC1a being omitted and C1 being 30pF, but this has the disadvantage that most of the frequency coverage is then compressed into a quite small part of the rotation of VC1b, giving cramped tuning at the h.f. end of this band. This arises from the tuning "law" achieved with fixed and variable capacitors in series, and a much more even spread of frequencies across the dial is obtained by having a small value for VC1b.

L2 is the base coupling winding, and L3 is for an external aerial, when used. A to F are pins on the circuit board for leads to other items. Trl acts as r.f. amplifier. TCl is a pre-set adjusted for suitable feedback to L1, and the potentiometer VRl controls

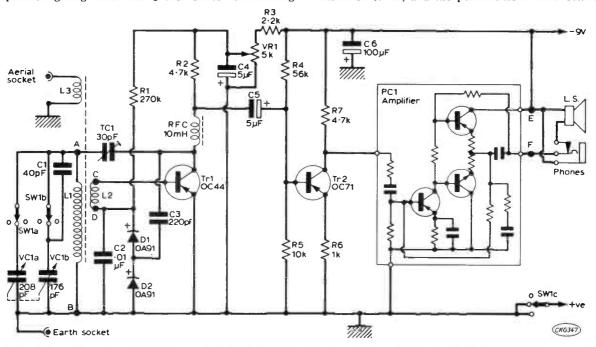


Fig. 1: The circuit of the receiver. Tr1 acts as both an r.f. and a.f. reflexed stage, Tr2 as an audio pre-amplifier and the three transistors in the PC1 package as the audio output stage.

regeneration. Demodulation is by diodes D1 and D2 and audio signals pass through L2 to Tr1, which is a reflexed amplifier with a.f. output developed across

R2 and thus reaching the base of Tr2.

Tr2 is followed by the PC1 package. This is a 3-transistor medium gain amplifier of the directly coupled transformerless complementary symmetry type. The NPN-PNP output pair provide about 125mW for a 40 $\Omega$  or similar speaker. Results are also satisfactory with a 30 $\Omega$  to 80 $\Omega$  speaker and the output can instead be taken to phones. Inserting the phone plug disconnects the speaker. The use of this amplifier considerably simplifies construction. It has only four external connections—positive line, negative line, audio input, and output to the speaker.

The whole receiver with speaker is constructed entirely on a panel and perforated board, for easy testing out of its case.

# FERRITE AERIAL

Wind a strip of paper 112in wide on the rod, and secure with a little adhesive, leaving the tube free to slide on the rod. Beginning at the SW1 end, Fig. 2, wind 65 turns of 26s.w.g. enamelled wire side by side for L1, finishing at the chassis end. The ends can be fixed with adhesive or tape. The whole winding should not be painted with adhesive, and turns should not be so tight that the tube and winding cannot be moved on the rod.

A very small space (say <sup>1</sup>16in.) is left and L2 is wound in the same direction, beginning with the end to go to pin D. L2 has 6 turns of 34s.w.g. enamelled wire. L3 is similarly wound on a strip of paper about <sup>3</sup>4in. long and has 25 turns of 34s.w.g. wire.

The rod is mounted on a strip of paxolin 134in. x 34in. which is secured to the panel by a small bracket. A strip of card or other material passes

# **★** components list

Resistors		
R1 270kΩ—se	e text R5	10kΩ
R2 4·7kΩ		1kΩ
R3 2·2kΩ	100000	4-7kΩ
R4 56kΩ		₹w 10%
VR1 small 5kg		•
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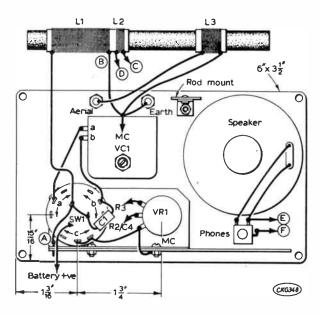


Fig. 2: The component wiring on the reverse of the front panel, together with details of the coll connections.

round the rod and is clamped with a 6BA bolt also through the paxolin.

# PANEL

This is 6in. x 3<sup>1</sup>2in. for the case listed, but could be changed to suit a plastic lunch box or other case. Holes are drilled to locate the switch and VR1 as in Fig. 2.

A round hole may be cut to match the speaker cone, and the speaker can be placed behind gauze or other suitable fabric or perforated metal. If a rectangular hole is made, this can be about  $2^1_8$ in. x  $1^7_8$ in. Gauze is then cemented on, followed by a piece of stout card with an aperture to match the speaker cone.

The speaker is fixed with adhesive or with screws through fixing lugs if these are present. The phone jack is immediately below, as in Fig. 2.

VC1 requires a <sup>1</sup>2in. clearance hole, and three holes for 4BA bolts. Drilling positions can be accurately marked by passing a piece of paper over the spindle, and piercing through this, using it as a template. The 4BA bolts must only project the thickness of the capacitor frame behind the panel.

L3 is connected to small sockets for aerial and earth, as in Fig. 2.

# CIRCUIT BOARD

A piece of aluminium about  $3in. \times 1^12in.$  is drilled to match the panel holes for the switch and VR1, Fig. 2, and has a flange which is bolted to the circuit board, Fig. 3. The completed board is thus held by the bushes of the switch and VR1, when wiring is finished.

Figure 3 shows both the top and bottom of the board. A Veropin is inserted at A, for the connection to SW1. Pin B is the earth return for the tuning capacitor and L1.

Pin C is for lead C from L2, and for Trl base, Fig. 3. Pin D is the other end of L2.

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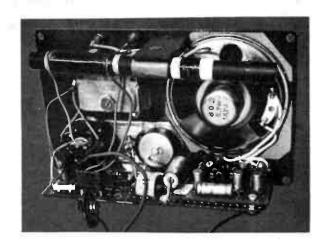
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Fit the resistors and other items as in Fig. 3, positioning the leads approximately as shown on the underside of the board. In most places the wire ends are long enough to reach the connecting points. Sleeving is put on wires which may touch other wires or joints.

The transistors can have about 381n. of lead above the board. Lengthy heating of the transistor and diode wires should be avoided when soldering. The diodes and polarised capacitors must be put in as shown.

# AF AMPLIFIER

Drill fixing holes to match the holes in the amplifier board. Solder four leads to the four circuit connecting points on the board, and these leads will then come through the Veroboard as in Fig. 3. They are taken to the positive line, pin E (negative line), pin F (speaker) and Tr2 collector and R7. Place extra nuts or washers between the amplifier and Veroboard to act as spacers.



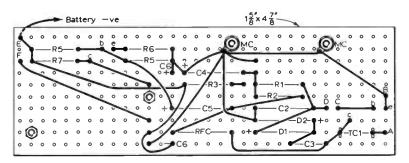
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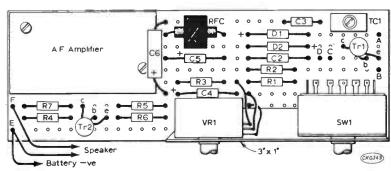
Fig. 3: The component layout on the circuit board; the top section shows the underside wiring.

# ASSEMBLY

The bushes of the switch and VR1 can now be put through the panel holes, so that the nuts hold the board as in Fig. 2. Leads C and D (L2) and other connections are cut to length, sleeving is put on where necessary, and wiring is completed as shown.

As miniature phone jacks are made in various types, check that connections here are correct. With no plug in, the circuit must run from pins E and F to the speaker. When a plug is inserted, this interrupts the circuit to the speaker and the jack tip is in contact with circuit F so that the phones operate instead. The amplifier ought not to be operated with a load of under 300.





# **ADJUSTMENTS**

If necessary, band coverage can be modified by moving L1/L2 along the rod. Moving it towards the end of the rod increases the frequency reached with VC1 fully open. This frequency limit can be around 1600 to 1500kHz for MW and 2.2MHz to 2.0MHz for the his range.

TCl should only require to be screwed down slightly, so that oscillation can just be secured with VRl at the l.f. end of the MW band.

VR1 does control volume, but is not a volume control, and merely turning it to maximum is unsatisfactory. Instead, it should be advanced slowly from minimum setting until oscillation just arises when

tuning through a transmission. It is then backed off very slightly The setting of VR1 is quite critical for maximum possible sensitivity, and varies with frequency. With optimum adjustment, very many signals can be received.

R1 should be satisfactory at  $270k\Omega$ , but as diodes D1 and D2, and Tr1 will vary, the effect of changing R1 may be tried. A value from about  $150k\Omega$  to  $330k\Omega$  should be satisfactory, and it may be found that some change improves results.

Headphones become useful when listening for weaker signals in the 1.8MHz to 2MHz range, though more powerful signals can be reasonably audible with the speaker.

Reception of amateur and shipping signals will

be greatly improved by an aerial. Also, adding an earth connection can bring about a very useful improvement in signal strength. Even an indoor wire only a few feet long will increase signal pick-up, especially when an earth is available. An outdoor aerial will naturally give more volume, but a very long aerial will tend to result in strong, local signals breaking through. This can be prevented to some extent by placing a small capacitor in series with the aerial lead to the receiver. In all cases the receiver is kept on the point of oscillation for maximum sensitivity and selectivity. For the reception of a.m. signals, oscillation is just avoided. To receive c.w., regeneration has to be advanced so that oscillation begins.

# LONG WAVES

If reception of the BBC on 200kHz is required, the simplest method is to shunt L1 with a silver-mica capacitor which will load it to this frequency. In the original receiver, a value of 2000pF, 1 per cent tolerance, was found suitable, and coverage was then about 195kHz to 205kHz with the full swing of VC1 in use. This method is used in some inexpensive receivers. With so much parallel capacitance, very small changes in the inductance of L1 have a considerable influence on frequency. It is thus necessary to slide L1 on the rod, or to make up the parallel capacitance with a pre-set, such as a 1500pF padder with a 1000pF silver mica capacitor in parallel. The padder is then adjusted for 200kHz with VC1 half open, and the latter then allows a narrow band to be covered for correct tuning.

An improved LC ratio is obtained with a LW winding, but this introduces the need for additional switching for L2, for the full advantage to be obtained.

With the 3-way switch, substituting VR1 by a potentiometer with on/off switch allows the third position to give reception of 1500m. Alternatively, a 4-way switch could be fitted here.

The 208/176pF capacitor is produced both with and without an integral reduction drive. The latter is helpful when tuning; if no drive is used the tuning control knob should be of fairly large diameter.



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Tape Tuner

The  $2\mu$ F capacitor between R5 and chassis is C4 (Fig. 1). Pin 6 on T1-3 is in this case marked as pin 5 (Fig. 2).

Baby Alarm

T1 has an unused centre tap on the winding connected to Tr3.

C4+ is connected to R5, Tr4e, C3+.

Light Powered Radio

In the components list, R1 should be  $270k\Omega$ , C1—0.01uF.

In the text, the mercury cell should be a solar cell and the connections are for transistor AF117. In Fig. 2, Tr1 base should be connected to R1 and C1.

# P.W. TRICOLOUR—continued from page 156

The output voltage from the single phase bridge is clipped by a zener diode D1. The shaded part of the sinewave represents the voltage applied to the u.j.t. circuit. The emitter voltage of the u.j.t. drops to zero each time the line voltage crosses zero, so that capacitor C1 is discharged completely to zero every half cycle and charges again at the beginning of a next half cycle at the rate determined by the values of (R1 + VR1) and itself. By varying the resistance of the potentiometer VR1, the charge rate is varied so that the position of the pulses with respect to the supply voltage moves in time.

Fig. 27 shows typical triac gate voltage pulses and the corresponding voltage waveform across the load.

# **Lamp Dimming Circuit**

The circuit shown in Fig. 24 is basically similar to that of Fig. 12 (part 1). Both the power supply of  $\pm 10V$  for the filter circuit and the mode of controlling the lamps are as before. In fact the only basic differences are the addition of the zener diode D11 and the replacement of the zero voltage switching system by the unijunction transistor circuit. (Filter choke CH1 and capacitor C13 have been added at the input to the circuit for radio frequency interference suppression.)

The unit is suitable for either mono or stereo record playing in the same manner as described earlier. The flashing of the light can be controlled at various light intensity levels by means of the potentiometers corresponding to Bass, Middle and Treble frequencies. Facilities are also provided for 'by passing' the psychedelic control by closing switches S1, S2 and S3 to allow the lamps to be used as ordinary lamp dimmers.

# Radio Interference Suppression

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There are two main types of radio frequency interference. One is caused by radiation and the other by conduction through the power leads.

We stated in the April issue that the author had arranged with Henry's Radio Ltd for the supply of all components. We now understand that the printed circuit board and metalwork as shown in the May 1973 issue will not be available from them.

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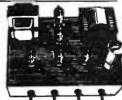
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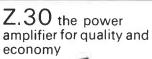
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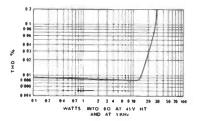


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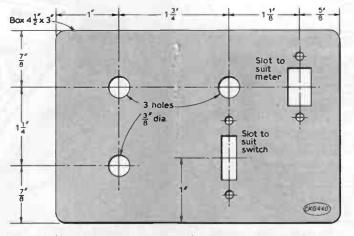


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