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WITH the year of 1974 almost behind us-what of 1975? During 1974 Practical Wireless introduced to the constructor the first bulld-it-yourself TV tennis game and now it is universally known as P.W. Tele-Tennis.
The popularity of this design has been immense, and to those readers who visited our stand at the recent International Audio Festival \& Fair especialiy to see P.W. TeleTennls in operation, we trust that you all got your chance to have a go-despite the queues. Interest was high, especially with regard to our new range of constructional projects that were on display and that we have especially commissioned for the New Year. To start 1975 off, we are featuring in the January issue of Practical Wireless Part 1 of a constructional series on model control by radio. A radio controlled boat-using the system to be describedwas on display on our stand at the Audio Fair.

A new version of the popular Texan Amplifier was also on display. This was of Swedish origin and the manufacturers expect to introduce the kit to the U.K. market during 1975. Known as the Texan U66, it had in addition to numerous extra features, a push button FM tunerl We shall be giving brief details of this interesting design in our February issue.
Author, Richard Mann of Texas Instruments Limited, deslgner of the original P.W. Texan amplifier is currently engaged in updating and uprating the original design. This amplifier was especialiy designed for Practical Wireless magazine by Richard Mann in 1972. Full constructional details on this Mk II version will be published in Practical Wireless during 1975.
The February issue of Practical Wireless features the P.W. Ascot Stereo Cassette Deck. Especially designed for home hi-fi systems, it utilises a Goldring tape transport mechanism and also includes dynamic noise reduction. Start building the P.W. Ascot with the February issue.
Our March issue will feature Part 1 of the P.W. EasyBuild Electronic Organ-for use with home hi-fi systems. For those readers who require further details of these unique P.W. constructional projects and do not want to miss other new and exciting P.W. constructional designs that will be appearing in 1975. we recommend that you order P.W. on a regular basis.


Do not miss out-place a regular order with your local newsagent or alternatively write to our Subscription department, details are given on page 777.

LIONEL E. HOWES-Editor.


## 'Look ahead' Radar

LARGE modern tankers may have little time to spare for manoeuvre in a potentially dangerous situation. A fully automatic radar system can speed up the work of the watch officer and provide those extra vital seconds. With this in mind, four new Shell tankers are getting the Predictor system of anti-collision radar. Predictor was developed by Marconi Marine with co-operation from Shell International Marine.
When the equipment is fitted to the new tankers Limnea, Liparus and Lancella (all 300,000 tonners) and the liquified natural gas carrier Genota, 15 Shell tankers will be carrying Predictor radar.

Predictor was the first commercial radar system which released the navigating officer from the task of manually assessing other ships' movements. As its name implies, it enabled him to 'see ahead'. Predictor gives the navigating officer an accurate prediction of the effect a contemplated change of course or speed by his ship would have on the entire radar scene, before he actually takes any such action.
Predictor was also the first system to provide fully automatic plotting of all targets visible on the radar screen. It shows up all above-surface objects-ships, coastlines or buoys-in its 'area. Simply by pressing a switch, and without the need for any prior action or calculation, the tracks of all fixed and moving objects are plotted continuously. The Predictor presents them either in relative motion- relative, that is, to the radar-carrying ship in its present position-or true motion. The plot is updated every 10 seconds, but situations up to 18 minutes previously can be shown.
When the Predictor system was originally being developed, Marconi approached members of Marine Operational Services division in Shell International Marine. They were sufficiently impressed with the Predictor approach to suggest that when a prototype model was available it should be tested on a Shell tanker.

## Practical Wireless Tele-Tennis on BBC's "Nationwide" programme



MIKE HUGHES, the author of $\mathbb{P} . W$. Tele-Tennis, was recently interviewed on BBC's "Nationwide" programme. It was suggested by the interviewer, pretty Suzanne Hall, that all the equipment one required for playing our armchair tennis game was a soldering iron and a pair of slippers!

It was stated on the programme that most of the 12,000 television tennis games are situated in pubs and clubs but the Practical Wireless design was the only do-ityourself game available for the home constructor.

Mike Hughes explained to viewers that the P.W. Tele-Tennis had been designed with the home constructor in mind and that it employed integrated circuits and printed circuit boards. The aver-
age oonstructor could build it providing he had some ability to carry out the soldering and follow a circuit layout.

When asked how the TeleTennis worked in relation to an ordinary television set, Mike Hughes explained that at the back of the Tele-Tennis case, there was a socket, just like the aerial socket on the back of a TV receiver. All that was needed was a length of cable like TV aerial downlead cable with a standard co-axial plug each end. One end plugged into the game and the other end plugged into the TV aerial socket. The game was then connected to the mains and switched on. The next move was then to tune the TV to a spare channel just as if one were tuning in a normal television programme.

Suzanne Hall asked if the unit could be adapted to play other games and Mike Hughes replied, "Yes, in fact the basic game we are looking at here is very fundamental. It can be turned into a football or basket-ball game but I must admit some of them, stretch the imagination a little."

Mike then played a few games of Tele-Tennis with Suzanne Hall and explained to viewers that he was not the real expert. The TeleTennis 'champ' was his seven-year-old son, Andrew.

Admitting defeat, Suzanne concluded the interview and admitted she was not quite quick enough on the trigger. She told Mike Hughes that she would have to have a lot more practice before she could win a game of TeleTennis.

## Mullard Data Book

ANEW feature of the 1974/75 edition of the Mullard Data Book is brief data on radio, audio and TV modules and TV assemblies.

The traditional formula has been changed slightly to show ICs separately. The full ranges of valves, TV picture tubes, semiconductors, capacitors, resistors and other components for entertainment applications are fully covered.

As before, different coloured papers are used for each of the main products sections, i.e. blue for semiconductors and ICs;
orange for valves and TV picture tubes; green for capacitors, resistors, modules and assemblies.
Copies may be obtained from local booksellers or Technical Press Limited, Freeland, Oxford OX7 2AP. for 40p.

## 1BA Journal

THEE Independent Broadcasting Authority has launched a new quarterly journal of opinion with the object, as the foreword describes, "Of presenting the opportunity to provide frank accounts of the problems the Authority must face and the
elements which go into deciding its policies and plans".

The journal is also to give a wide range of people, as well as those engaged in broadcasting, a chance to present their own views about the many opinions expressed in it or to raise any fresh issues for examination in future editions.

The first issue contains articles on "Impartiality in Broadcasting",
"Future pattern of the ILR", "Television Coverage", "Role of Television in Science Education."

For further information, contact the Editor, Independent Broadcasting, IBA, 70 Brompton Road, London, SW3 1EY.

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 CHARLES HEATH

MANY receivers provide no tuning coverage over the frequency range of about 300 kHz to 550 kHz , this being the "gap" between the long wave band of approximately $150-300 \mathrm{kHz}$, and the medium wave band extending from about 550 kHz to $1,500 \mathrm{kHz}$. Such receivers usually have an intermediate frequency of around 470 kHz , which lies between these LW and MW bands.

By adopting an IF of 1.6 MHz it is possible to arrange tuning to give continuous coverage, thereby including the 600 m or 500 kHz shipping band, as well as other signals using adjacent frequencies. The receiver described here does in fact have three bands, with continuous coverage from 150 kHz to 5 MHz (except for a small gap at the $1 \cdot 6 \mathrm{MHz}$ IF). These ranges therefore include ship and shore; $1 \cdot 8-2 \cdot 0 \mathrm{MHz}$ and $3 \cdot 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 8 \mathrm{MHz}$ amateur bands; $2 \cdot 5 \mathrm{MHz}$ standard frequency transmissions; other signals in these ranges, as well as the usual medium and long wave bands.
Ranges are selected with a bandswitch, and are approximately as follows:

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\begin{array}{lll}
\text { Range 1. } & 150-470 \mathrm{kHz} & 2000-640 \mathrm{~m} . \\
\text { Range 2. } & 470-1500 \mathrm{kHz} . & 640-200 \mathrm{~m} . \\
\text { Range 3. } & 1 \cdot 55-5 \cdot 0 \mathrm{MHz} . & 190-60 \mathrm{~m} .
\end{array}
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The receiver will operate with A.M (amplitude modulation), CW (Morse) and SSB (single sideband) signals, which will be found in the broadcast, amateur, and other bands covered.
Circuitry is confined to three boards; mixer, oscillator and IF sections, BFO unit, and 3-stage audio amplifier.

## MIXER AND OSCILLATOR

Fig. 1 shows this part of the circuit. S1 and S2 select the aerial coils L1, L2 or L3 as required. S3 and $S 4$ are the remaining sections of the 3 -way switch, and select oscillator coils L4, L5 or L6, each with its own padder capacitor, C7, C8 or C9.
The $2 \times 500 \mathrm{pF}$ tuning capacitor $\mathrm{VCl} / 2$ is operated by a dual ratio ball drive. As a panel trimmer TCI is provided, with a fixed capacitor, Cl 0 , in the oscillator section, individual trimmers for each coil are not necessary. Even if individual trimmers were fitted for each range, changes to the aerial might upset alignment, while the use of TC1 does make sure this circuit can be peaked up at any frequency.
Tr1 is gate-protected, with signals at gate 1, oscillator injection at gate 2 , and the drain circuit running to the first IF transformer.


## IF AMPLIFIER

This is on the same board, using the circuit in Fig. 2, and operates at $1 \cdot 6 \mathrm{MHz}$. IFT1 and IFT2 are double tuned, and IFT3 is single tuned. These IFT's are pre-set by the manufacturer, the cores of which should not be adjusted except for final alignment after construction is completed.

Automatic gain control is applied to Tr 3 through R12 and R7 in the usual way, while VR1 constitutes the audio gain or volume control.
R9 can be 560 ohms. However, the actual gain of $\operatorname{Tr} 3$ and $\operatorname{Tr} 4$ may vary quite widely. If gain is high, instability arises, and whistles accompany all signals. It is then necessary to increase R9 in value. On the other hand, where gain is low, R9 can be of lower value, or might in some cases be omitted completely. R9 therefore is not critical, but efficiency is at a maximum when the value here is the lowest which prevents instability. There is probably no point in having available more than three or four possible values, such as $100,330,560 \mathrm{ohm}$, and perhaps $1 \mathrm{k} \Omega$.

## BFO UNIT

The beat frequency oscillator is constructed on a separate board, using the circuit in Fig. 3. (If this section is omitted, the receiver is suitable for reception of AM only, from 150 kHz to 5 MHz .)
The BFO operates at 1.6 MHz , and is set to this frequency by rotating the core of L7, with VC4 half


Fig. 1: Circuit of the mixer and oscillator stages of the Marine receiver. For simplicity the remaining stages are shown as separate diagrams. Band switches S1 to S4 are ganged.


Fig. 2: The IF amplifier, circuit shown here, is built on a common circuit board with the mixer/oscillator.
closed. The frequency can then be shifted either side the IF by turning VC4. This allows an audible beat frequency to be obtained for CW reception, or allows the reception of SSB signals by adjusting the oscillator to the frequency of the suppressed carrier.

S5 (Fig. 4) and S6 has three positions, these being "Off," "AM" and "CW-SSB" reception. Tr5 operates in the last position only. The large capacitor C19 prevents frequency modulation at voice frequency by smoothing out the fluctuating current demand on the battery made by the output stage, at other than
low-volume levels.

## AUDIO AMPLIFIER

This has three stages and is constructed on its own board (Figs. 4 and 9). Tr6 is a pre-amplifier, followed by the driver $\operatorname{Tr} 7$, and push-pull output stage $\operatorname{Tr} 8 / 9$. Quiescent current is pre-set by the adjustable resistor VR2, which gives good gain and volume, depending upon operating conditions and transistors used. It is preferable that $\operatorname{Tr} 8 / 9$ are a matched pair. Many other transistors of comparable type will be suitable as driver and for output purposes.


## Inductors

11 Blue, Range 1

L2 Blue, Range 2
L3 Blue, Range 3
L4 White, Range 1
L5 White, Range 2
L6 White, Range 3
All miniature, valve type (Denco)

## Semiconductors

Tr1 40673
Tr2 MPF102
Tr3 BF195
Tr4 BF195
D1 OA90

## Miscellaneous

IFT1/2 (Denco IFT18/1-6), IFT3 (Denco IFT17); Veroboard ( $0 \cdot 15 \mathrm{in}$, matrix, ) $3 \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \mathrm{in}^{\text {., }}$, Switch (S1-S4) 4 -pole 3 -way rotary.

## BFO BOARD <br> Resistors

R14 270ks
R15 $5.6 \mathrm{k} \Omega$

## Capacitors <br> C16 180pF <br> C17 330pF Silver Mica <br> C18 5000pF <br> C19 $220 \mu \mathrm{~F} 10 \mathrm{~V}$ electrolytic <br> VC4 15pF Jackson C804

## Inductors

4755 turns 32swg enamelled wire on $7 / 3 \mathrm{in}$. diameter cored former.

## Semiconductors

Tr5 BC107.

## Miscellaneous

 2-pole 3 -way rotary.

## AUDIO BOARD

Resistors
R16 $1 \mathrm{k} \Omega$
R17 2.2M
R18 10k $\Omega$
R19 2-2k $\Omega$
R20 $12 \mathrm{k} \Omega$
R21 $47 \mathrm{k} \Omega$
R22 $680 \Omega$
R23 10k $\Omega$
R24 $10 \mathrm{k} \Omega$
R25 4.7ת
All resistors 5\% TW
VR2 $250 \Omega$ miniature pre-set potentiometer

Capacitors
C20 $0 \cdot 5 \mu \mathrm{~F}$
C21 $100 \mu \mathrm{~F} 10 \mathrm{~V}$ electrolytic
C22 $8 \mu \mathrm{~F} 6.4 \mathrm{~V}$ electrolytic
C23 $100 \mu \mathrm{~F} 10 \mathrm{~V}$ electrolytic
C24 $100 \mu \mathrm{~F} 6.4 \mathrm{~V}$ electrolytic
Semiconductors :
Tr6 BC107
Tr7 AC128
$\left.\begin{array}{ll}\operatorname{Tr} 8 & \text { AC128 } \\ \operatorname{Tr} 9 & \text { AC128 }\end{array}\right\}$ matched pair

## Miscellaneous

T1 (Home Radio TR64), T2 (Home Radio TR65A), Veroboard ( $\mathbf{0}-15 \mathrm{in}$. matrix) $4 \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \mathrm{in}$.

## CABINETETC.

$8 \times 7 \times 4 \mathrm{in}$. universal chassis box with extra $7 \times 4 \mathrm{in}$. flanged side and $7 \times 8 \mathrm{in}$. flat plate.
DL6 dual-ratio drive (Home Radio, Mitcham). Knobs, rubber or plastic feet, insulated sockets, bolts and tags etc. Battery PP9, with terminal clips.

## MIXER/OSC./IF BOARD

These stages are assembled on plain Veroboard, approximately $3_{2}^{1} \times 4$ in in size, and perforated with holes on a $0.15 i n$ matrix. It would be possible to use plain unperforated $1 / 16$ in thick paxolin sheet, drilling this in advance for resistors and other items.

Holes are drilled so that the IFT pins come as in Fig. 6. Central holes to reach the cores are necessary under IFT1 and IFT2.

A metal bracket approximately $3 \times{ }^{11}{ }_{4}$ in with a ${ }^{3}$ in flange is drilled for the switch and TC1 (Fig. 5), and bolted to the insulated board. (A piece cut from a flanged universal chassis member is ideal here.) Components can then be fitted as in Fig. 5, taking care to observe the polarity of C11, C14 and D1.

When starting the construction, it will be found that the easiest method is-to fit a few items at a time, then turn the board over, and solder connections as in Fig. 6. In some places 24 swg or similar connecting
wire will be necessary. Place sleeving on any leads which may touch other wires or joints.

It can be a little confusing to check the leads of Tr 1 and Tr 2 when these are fitted. This can be overcome by using short pieces of coloured sleeving and referring to Fig. 6. For example Trl, blue can be used for g1, green for g2, orange for d , and s can be left bare. $\operatorname{Tr} 2$ on the other hand can have blue for $g$, orange for d, and leave s bare.


Inside the Marine receiver with the audio board across the top, the mixer/oscillator board at the left and BFO board to the right.


Fig. 3 : Circuit of the BFO unit. Below, view of the receiver with casework removed.



Fig. 4: The final circuit is of the audio amplifier. The speaker is fitted over a suitable aperture in the side of the case.


Figs. 5 and 6: Component layout and wiring of the combined mixer/oscillator and IF amplifier board.

Rg is soldered directly to pin 5 of IFT2, enabling it to be changed easily if this proves necessary. Flying leads are provided from D1 and C15 to go to the volume control and chassis return (Fig. 6). Connections also rundown through the board to go to VC1 and VC2 and to L4, L5 and L6. The switch and TC1 are now fitted, but the bush nuts of these are later used to hold the assembly to the front of the case.

## BFO UNIT

Prepare another metal bracket as already described, and bolt Veroboard approximately $2^{3}{ }_{4} \times 2^{3}{ }_{4}$ in to this, as in Fig. 7. The nuts holding VC4 and the switch will eventually secure this unit to the panel, as with the earlier board.


Fig. 7: above and Fig. $8_{r}$ right, show both sides of the circuit board for the BFO unit.
L7 has 55 turns of 32swg enamelled wire, close wound on a $7 / 16 \mathrm{in}$ diameter former with adjustable core. Begin at the bottom of the former, leaving an end to reach to VC4 as in Fig. 7. Wind 45 turns, scrape the wire, and form a loop or tapping. Continue winding for another 10 turns, and take the wire down through the board to C17.

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Wire switch S5/S6 as follows:
(1) Off.
(2) Battery positive to IF and AF amplifiers.
(3) Battery positive to IF and AF amplifiers, and BFO Unit via R15 and C19 and S6.
Fig. 8 shows the underside of the BFO unit board. As mentioned, normal AM reception is obtained without this in use, so it can be built and added later if preferred.

PART 2 NEXT MONTH ON ALIGNMENT AND TESTING


In the picture below, visitors to the Audio Fair gather round our stand to watch Tele-Tennis on the JVC "Videosphere".

The Top-right photograph shows a typical crowd round the stand. It was like this every day of the exhibition.
(Bottom right) Two visitors play Tele-Tennis while two pretty P.W. readers study some Data Cards.




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## EMITAPE X1000

EMITAPE X1000 a new ultra dynamic ferric oxide cassette-has been introduced by EMI Tape Ltd., at the recommended retail price of 99p for a C. 60 (excluding VAT).

Having satisfied itself of the tape's characteristics under laboratory conditions EMI Tape adopted the move of proving the tape in the way that hi-fi enthusiasts will judge it-by its sound reproduction qualities under user conditions.
To this end a programme of comparative listening tests was mounted over a three-month period. Under the adjudication of Mr. Denys Killick, who is publisher and editor of $\mathrm{Hi}-\mathrm{Fi}$ Trade Journal as well as being audio editor of Cassettes and Cartridges, these tests set out to determine whether leading musicians and others representing the many sectors of music today-from the classics to pop-could discriminate in 'blind' tests between X1000 and expensive chrome formulations.

To ensure absolute impartiality in the tests, the performance of the Tandberg cassette decks used was checked to specification by Tandberg engineers and the recorders sealed by Denys Killick.

Music was recorded onto standard production cassettes-both X1000 and chrome-from EMI master tapes at Abbey Road under the scrutiny of Denys Killick and two senior audio engineers from AIR London, the biggest independent studios in London.
Later, at a series of listening tests the cassettes were played backunder supervision-to the musicians who made the original recordings ranging from the L.S.O. to the Spinners folk group.
In every case the participants were asked to record their opinions on a questionaire and subsequent analysis of these shows clearly that even the trained ear has difficulty in discerning any difference between X1000 and the expensive chrome cassettes used in the tests.

Mr. Ted Naef, managing director

of EMI Tape Ltd., commented "We began our research from the belief that what really matters to an audio enthusiast is the quality of sound he gets from his chosen medium, related to the cost of the product. Our new cassette which gives as pleasing a reproduction as expensive chrome dioxide cassettes is considerably cheaper to buy. In addition X1000 is a much less abrasive tape, and there is no need for a special bias switch on the recording machine. It will without doubt improve the performance of many cassette tape recorders."
The main technical improvements in X1000 are:

1) An increase of $3-4 \mathrm{~dB}$ in the $8-15 \mathrm{kHz}$ frequency range, compared to low noise tapes such as EMIT APE Hi-dynamic, giving a more realistic treble resulting in a brighter, more sharply defined sound.
2) Superior overload characteristics ensuring low distortion at high recording leveis.
3) A wider dynamic range is obtained due to the tape's increased magnetic remanence, which results in less tape hiss.
4) When used with comparably high quality audio equipment, the tape exhibits a usable frequency response extending from 25 Hz to 15 kHz , giving a smooth clear bass coupled with crisp treble performance.
5) The improved high frequency response ensures a low level of intermodulation distortion providing a cleaner recording.
Further details may be obtained from EMI Electronics and Industrial, Blyth Road, Hayes, Middlesex.

PEAK READING V.U. METER.
Partridge Electronics announce the release of a special V.U. meter system which registers true peak programme levels. This is achieved by the use of a professional grade Bach-Simpson meter with special electronic circuitry, which responds to both positive and negative peaks. It also has an attack and decay time normally only associated with PPMs; and does not suffer from zero drift; is independent of normal voltage fluctuations and therefore requires no setting up. 0 dB reading is equivalent to 6 on a standard PPM meter. Operates from a 24 volt positive supply, and only consumes 4 mA . This unit fills the gap left between the shortcomings of the conventional V.U. system and high cost PPM units. It will market at $£ 8 \cdot 32$ plus VAT. Partridge Electronics, 21-25, Hart Road, Benfleet, Essex, England. SS7 3PB.

## BEYER PHONES

Beyer Dynamic, the West Germany based manufacturer of microphones, headsets and audio equipment, has produced a new headphone, type DT 302.
The DT 302 is a very lightweight headset. This is achieved by the design of the headband, which allows simple adjustment of the ear pieces up or down. These are protected by foam plastic pads eliminating any interference from "local noise", at the same time being exceptionally comfortable to the wearer. Three metres of lightweight cable complete the DT 302
Frequency response is quoted as $20-20,000 \mathrm{~Hz}$. Impedance: $2 \times 600$ ohms (can be connected directly to either high or low impedance outputs). Rated Power is approx. $7 \mathrm{~mW}=7$, IV for 600 ohms. The price of this headset is $\mathbb{E} 7.83$ plus V.A.T. Beyer Dynamic (GB) Limited, 1 C/air Road, Haywards Heath Sussex.


## IN CIRCUIT TESTER

Daystrom-Schlumberger have just released an in-circuit tester designated Type 670. It is aimed at those engineers and constructors who need to take voltage, current and resistance measurements in solid-state circuitry.
With the 670, it is simply a question of connecting the two probes across the current carrying conductor then reading off the value of the current.
To provide this measurement facility-claimed by the manufacturers to be unique for an instrument in its price range-the 670 uses a pair of two-terminal concentric probes. Capable of contacting circuit board rails 0.015 in . apart, these specially-designed probes can be snapped together for fixed spacing, or detached for separate use.

One contact in each probe senses the voltage drop across the currentcarrying conductor under test. A differential amplifier senses this and generates a bucking current until the voltage drop is balanced. The bucking current is therefore proportional to the circuit current, which is read directly on the meter.
In addition to the "in-circuit'"current measuring capability, the FET multimeter offers eight voltage ranges and fourteen resistance ranges. Seven of the resistance ranges use lowpower techniques-max 85 mV -for testing semiconductors. Conventional current measurements can
be made with the standard probes also supplied with the " 670 ".

The 670 is priced at $£ 132$. The kelvin clip probes for "in-circuit" current measurements in solid wire conductors are an optional extra. Daystrom Schlumberger, Gloucester.


## VIDOR POWER PLUS

Vidor have introduced the Power Plus line of batteries to extend their range.

The Power Plus line comprises six alkaline manganese and five mercury types.

A four-page colour leaflet describing the new batteries is available from: Crompton-Parkinson Ltd., Vidor Division, 50-52 Marefair, Northampton, NNI INY.

## PRINTED CIRCUIT KIT

This printed circuit kit from Eagle International of Wembley, Middlesex contains all the items necessary to reproduce a printed circuit to exact individual requirements. Designated the PK3 it is supplied in a durable case complete with comprehensive instructions.

The contents of the kit include: polishing powder, etch resist, etching liquid, resist remover, flux, copper clad phenolic circuit boards, stencil knife, spatula and etching tray. Recommended retail price of the PK3 is $£ 2.86$ excluding VAT. Eagle International, Precision Centre, Heather Park Drive, Wembley HAO 1SU.


## BATTERY FLUORESCENT

The Electronics Design Associates' 12 V fluorescent lighting kit comes complete with printed circuit board, transformer, ready-drilled metalwork, tube end-caps, components, 8 W tube, nuts, bolts etc.
The unit, which only takes about half-an-hour to build up, draws about 0.6 A from the battery.

Full instructions for building are supplied with every kit and construction is simplicity itself-all you need to know is how to wield a soldering iron!

At the price of £3•19, which includes post and packing, this kit represents very good value for money and would make a good investment particularly at the time of the year we are often threatened with power cuts.

If you want to order a diffuser to give a really professional finish, there is an extra charge of 59 p including VAT (12p post and packing if ordered separately).
The kit is available from Electronics Design Associates, 82 Bath Street, Walsall, WS1 3DE.


The built unit and a kit of parts.


THOUGH this unit is particularly intended for use with the Low Frequency \& Marine 3-Band use with the Low Frequency \& Marine 3-Band
receiver described elsewhere in this issue, it can be employed with other receivers of suitable can be employed with other receivers of suitable
type, covering tuning long, medium and short wave bands up to 5 MHz . It allows such a receiver to b bands up to 5 MHz . It allows such a receiver to bc wire aerial. The additional tuned circuit also considerably reduces second channel interference. CIRCUIT

This is shown in Fig. 1, and uses a 3-band ferrite aerial. For LW coverage, S1, is at L, and L1, L2 and
L 3 are in series, tuned by VC1. L4 and L5 are the aerial. For LW coverage, S1, is at L, and L1, L2 and
L 3 are in series, tuned by VC1. L4 and L5 are the base coupling windings for Tr1. For MW reception, SIb shorts the LW coil L3. With the specified ferrite aerial, no switching of the base circuit is necessary for the change to this band. For SW reception, L2, for the change to this band. For SW reception, L2,
L3 and L5 are shorted, leaving L1 and L4 in use. L 6 wound on L1, and L7 situated between L2 and L3 allow an external aerial to be coupled, if wanted.

Transistor Trl provides RF amplification; its gain is controlled by VR1. This is necessary to avoid overloading the receiver input. The transistor can be adjusted to be nearly regenerative, giving best sensitivity.


Fig. 1 : Clrcuit of the Active Aerial. It is essential that there is a $D C$ path between the aerial and earth terminals on the receiver being fed by the Active Aerial.


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Fig. 3: above, gives details of the additional windings required on the ferrite rod aerial.
Fig. 2: below, shows the component layout of the small circuit board.


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Flying leads are left from the MC line for 4 and VC1. Battery positive and R6 circuits are connected to the chassis. R4 is connected to VR1 wiper, and VR1 outer tag to negative. The board is mounted as in Fig. 4, with extra nuts on each bolt to give a $3_{8}$ in space between board and metal chassis.

## FERRITE AERIAL

The rod may be either 5 in or 6 in long, and is $3_{8}$ in in diameter. The lin paxolin tube should be the same length as the rod.

Two supports are made; each of $3_{8}$ in wood, about $1^{1}{ }_{8}$ in wide and $3^{1}$ in high overall. First drill a ${ }^{3}{ }_{8}$ in diameter hole to a depth of about $\mathrm{I}_{8}$ in. as in Fig. 3, to support the end of the rod. A lin diameter channel is then cut to the same depth, to take the paxolin tube. This is most easily done with an adjustable tank cutter.

Two brackets are cut from aluminium angle and drilled to allow the supports to be mounted vertically, at such a distance apart as to take the rod and tube.

All leads will pass down the right hand support, and a hole is drilled through chassis and bracket here. The wooden support (or one end of the paxolin

tube) is notched to leave space for the leads. The whole aerial is wired and tested before the tube is placed over it. This can be done by loosening the left hand support.

A tag strip which will provide seven connecting points for the leads (including MC) is bolted under the chassis, as in Fig. 4. These can also be identified by using thin coloured sleeving, as shown.

Details of the aerial, which is a standard component with four additional windings, can be seen from Figs. 1 and 3. Connections must be so made that all turns are in the same direction, beginning at 1, going to junction of L1 and L2 at 2, and on through L3 to point 4. L4, L5 and L3 are also in the same phase, as are L6 and L7.

This is most easily arranged by fitting L2 first, with the base winding L5 towards the centre of the rod. Now identify the ends of L3, either by examination, or by testing with a meter-the resistance from 3 to the tapping will be much higher than the resistance from 4 to the tapping. Place L3 as shown in Fig. 3.

Wind L7-25 turns of 32swg enamelled wire-on a strip of paper or thin card. L5 can then be connected to the tap on L3. L2 and L3 can also be connected together, and a green lead taken down to tag 3 on the strip. L7 and L3 are also joined, and a black lead is taken down to tag 4.

Next wind L1 in the same direction as L2. L1 has 28 turns of 32 swg enamelled wire, side by side on thin card. Cover L1 with paper or tape, and wind on L4, comprising two turns, as in Fig. 3. Note that L4.

## components list

Resistors All resistors $\frac{1}{4} \mathrm{~W} \pm 5 \%$

| R1 | $15 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| R2 | $399 \Omega$ |
| R3 | $39 \Omega$ |
| R4 | $820 \Omega$ |
| R5 | $1.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ |
| R6 | $3.3 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ |

VR1 $1 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ IInear pot with switch

## Capacitors

$\begin{array}{ll}\mathrm{C} 1 & 0.047 \mu \mathrm{~F} \\ \mathrm{C} 2 & 0.1 \mu \mathrm{~F}\end{array}$
C3 $0.22 \mu \mathrm{~F}$
VC1 Jackson 365 pF single, reduction drive optional

## Miscellaneous

L2, L3, L5, Denco MW/LW ferrite rod aerial L1, L4, L6, L7, see text
Tr1 BF195
S1, 3-pole 3-way rotary switch. S2 ganged with VR1. 1 in . dia. paxolln tube (see text).
Universal chassis $7 \times 4 \times 2 \mathrm{in}$. and extra $7 \times 4 \mathrm{in}$. flat plate. Plain Veroboard, 0.15 matrix. Rubber feet, Tag strip, Knobs, battery clips, insulated sockets.


The battery is held with a clip inside the case. No external connections are required except to plug the output and chassis return leads into the Aerial and Earth sockets of the receiver. The active aerial unit is placed to the right of the receiver mentioned, and a short output (Aerial) lead is possible, so that no screening is necessary for this connection. Tuning scale markings are not essential, as tuning is readily peaked for best reception.

## USE WITH RECEIVER

In most cases VR1 is not advanced for maximum gain, as this is likely to cause overloading. When receiving SSB or CW signals it is generally essential to turn the RF gain VRl back, while advancing the receiver AF gain control, in order that the relative strengths of the received signal and BFO will allow proper resolution. If not, SSB cannot be received, or will sound like severely over-modulated AM.

The receiver aerial trimmer is peaked for best reception for each band, as with an extended aerial in use. The ferrite rod aerial and additional tuned circuit will considerably reduce second channel signal interference.
At some time of day and in some conditions a receiver with a high, extended outdoor aerial will pick up untunable noise at a high level. A similar pick-up of external noise can be encountered with the active aerial unit, and in these circumstances does not indicate any fault in
is in the same direction as L5. Add three turns for L6, as in Fig. 3, in the same sense as L7. Thin insulated wires may be soldered on for connections or the leads themselves may be run through sleeving, and taken to the appropriate tags.

It is possible to modify band coverage in the usual way, by sliding the windings on the rod. However, as this circuit is individually tuned by VC1, and does not have to gang with another tuned circuit, this is not essential.
If the wires are kept against the support, and run down to the tags as the aerial is prepared, the paxolin tube can be fitted over the finished aerial with little disturbance.

## ASSEMBLY

This can be seen in Fig. 4. VC1 is secured with three 4BA bolts, which may have washers, spacers or extra nuts, as they must not project inside the capacitor. A reduction drive is not essential, but eases tuning.
the latter.
If the unit is to be employed with any receiver other than that described, the receiver must have an aerial coŭpling winding, as in Fig. 1, for Trl collector circuit. A receiver with a low impedance input such as $75 \Omega$ is not very suitable.

Due to the addition of Ll, MW coverage is changed from that obtained by L2 alone. With L2 unmodified, and the coils situated approximately as in Fig. 3, coverage is $140-360 \mathrm{kHz}, \quad 300-1150 \mathrm{kHz}$, and $1 \cdot 65-$ $5 \cdot 0 \mathrm{MHz}$ for the three bands. If it is wished to modify this, 22 turns can be removed from the outer end of L2 (junction with L1). Coverage is then $140-350 \mathrm{kHz}, 350-1500 \mathrm{kHz}$, and $1 \cdot 2-5 \cdot 0 \mathrm{MHz}$, which is convenient for the 3 -Band receiver mentioned.

Signal pick-up is influenced to some extent by the bearing of the ferrite rod, and by the proximity of large areas of metal, as with a portable receiver. With construction and values as shown, regeneration to the point where oscillation arises is not obtained on all frequencies, but interference-free reception of many signals should be obtained.


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## MOTOR CONTROL

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We shall deal first with the motor speed control. It will be seen from the circuit diagram (Fig. 2) that the motor is fed from the nominal 12 V supply line via transistor Tr52 and resistors R55, R56 and R58. The base current for $\operatorname{Tr} 52$ is formed by the collector current of Tr51, the sensing transistor.

When power is supplied to the system, by inserting a cassette, a potential of just under two volts appears at the junction of resistors R53 and R54. This potential is applied, via diode D51, to the base of $\operatorname{Tr} 51$, so turning this transistor on. Collector current flowing in $\operatorname{Tr} 51$ provides the base current to turn $\operatorname{Tr} 52$ on and the resultant current flows into the motor via R55 and R56 in parallel. The motor starts to turn and diodes D52 and D53 conduct, so clamping the emitter of $\operatorname{Tr} 51$ at a fixed voltage negative with respect to the positive side of the motor.

This action results in the emitter of $\operatorname{Tr} 51$ moving positive, but the base also moves positive since the

[^2]collector of $\operatorname{Tr} 52$ is connected to $\operatorname{Tr} 51$ base via network R51, VR51 and R52. As a consequence, D51 becomes reverse-biased, so disconnecting the starting circuit, R53, R54 from Tr51 base. The emitter-base bias on $\operatorname{Tr} 51$ is now a function of the voltage developed across R55 and R56, since the top end of these resistors feeds the base circuit, while the bottom end is clamped to the emitter of Tr51 via D52 and D53.

If the motor load increases, so does its current drain. As a result, the voltage drop across R55 and R56 increases, so increasing the forward bias on $\operatorname{Tr} 51$. The increase in $\operatorname{Tr} 51$ collector current increases the flow of current in $\operatorname{Tr} 52$, so applying more power to the motor to compensate for its increase in load. If the load decreases, the process operates in reverse. Likewise, changes in the supply voltage are accommodated since the only reference required is the measure of current through the resistors in series with the motor, and the apparent DC resistance of $\operatorname{Tr} 52$ is adjusted accordingly.

The running speed of the motor is set by VR51 which varies the preset forward bias applied to $\operatorname{Tr} 51$. R58 provides a bleed current through the motor in the starting condition and also shunts Tr52, reducing its dissipation.

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Fig. 2: Circuit of the motor control board. The motor, solenoid and commutating switch are part of the cassette mechanism.
NOTES:

1. The Motor Speed control should be labelled VR51.
2. Capacitor C62 should be labelled C52.


Fig. 3: Layout for the motor control board, using 0.1 in pitch Veroboard
Both these boards are viewed from the component side. Fig. 4: Layout for the amplifier board built on 0.1 in . pitch Veroboard image of the upper half except for the transistors shown, which are - reversed for ease of assembly.



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## AUTO STOP

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When power is applied to the circuit by inserting a cassette, capacitor C51 charges via R60, R59 and the base circuits of both $\operatorname{Tr} 53$ and $\operatorname{Tr} 54$. The resultant collector current in $\operatorname{Tr} 53$ energises the solenoid to hold the latch. The flow of collector current in Tr54 reduces the charging voltage applied to C51, so forming a "Miller integrator" circuit linearising the charging of the capacitor. Under these circumstances C51 would eventually become fully charged, and the current would stop flowing, so de-energising the solenoid and releasing the latch. However, this process is not allowed to complete.

## LATCHING

As soon as the cassette is inserted, the motor starts to move the tape, and the commutating switch commences operation. C52 is alternately charged from the 12 V supply, and discharged via R63 into the base of Tr54. The process is integrated by C51 so that a constant hold-in current flows through the solenoid. R64 is included to prevent excessive charging current in C52, with the attendant risk of contact wear and electrical interference.

When the cassette comes to the end, the feed hub stops rotating, and with it the commutating switch. As a result, no current pulses are fed into the base of $\operatorname{Tr} 54$, and C 51 reaches its point of maximum charge. Current flow in the transistors then ceases, so de-energising the solenoid. The latch drops out releasing the deck mechanism and the cassette is ejected.

Obviously, any attempt to re-insert the cassette without turning it over will be fruitless, since the commutating switch will be inoperative and the cassette will be promptly ejected again.

## CONSTRUCTION

. Construction can commence with the two circuit boards. The motor control board, Fig 3, is quite straightforward but take care to cut the tracks in the correct places. When completed, the board is mounted on the rear panel of the cassette mechanism in the position shown in the photographs. Nylon nuts and bolts should be used to avoid shorting or earthing any of the tracks.

The rear panel also acts as the heatsink for $\operatorname{Tr} 52$ and is supplied already punched with the necessary pattern of holes. An insulating mounting kit must be used for this transistor.

The amplifier board carries the two channels side by side, one being a mirior image of the other apart from five of the transistors. These are turned around to make mounting easier. See Fig. 4.

Note that the amplifier starts in the middle of the panel and moves towards the controls. The signal is then conveyed via screened cables to the other half of the board, where it progresses towards the output transistors at the rear of the unit. Because of this layout it is essential, if feedback is to be avoided, to place a screen across the middle of the board, as shown in the diagram. This screen is a piece of thin tinplate, soldered to two tags in the negative rails at the centre of the board. It should not touch any other metalwork.

The main earthing is via the deck mechanism; nylon fixing bolts are used to secure the amplifier board to the case. This method of earthing at one point avoids feedback loops which can affect both the stability of the equipment and its immunity to interference. It also eases the conversion to positive earth working.

When constructing the boards, it is wisest to cut the tracks in the appropiate places first, using the lists provided. Then, as you fit the components, check against the circuit diagram that the actual circuit you are making follows it precisely. Any apparent deviations should be checked, and will probably reveal incorrect positioning of components or incorrect cutting of the copper strips.
Next month we will conclude with details of the metalwork required plus final assembly and testing.

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## PART 1-THE R

 HIS receiver is intended for use with the 27 MHz model control transmitter to be described next month, but it may also be used in conjunction with any transmitter giving a tone modulated carrier. Though a superhet receiver has a less simple circuit than the super-regenerative receivers which are often used for model control, it does have some advantages. One of these is the additional selectivity obtained so that, if more than one model is in use, it is unlikely that control will be taken over accidentally by another person whose transmitter is near, as may happen with an unselective receiver.The crystal controlled oscillator of the receiver also gives a high degree of reliability and frequency stability so that the receiver is unlikely to need regular adjustment. The receiver operation is not influenced by changes to the aerial, which can be critical with super-regenerative circuits.

## RECEIVER CIRCUIT

The circuit shown in Fig. 1 employs five transistors and one IC. The aerial tuned circuit L1C2 is coupled through C1. The length of aerial used naturally influences the maximum range obtainable and can generally be some 12 in . to 18 in . or so. There is no critical or exact length which must be fitted.

Coil L2 couples signals to the base of the mixer $\operatorname{Tr} 1$ while $\operatorname{Tr} 2$ is the crystal controlled oscillator, coupled to Trl by C4. There is a difference of455 kHz between this oscillator and the frequency of the transmitter. Mixing in Tr1 thus provides a 455 kHz output feeding the intermediate frequency transformer IFT1. IFT1 and IFT2 from a compact but quite selective IF filter and signals pass to pin 2 of IC1 providing IF amplification, automatic gain control and demodulation, the resultant audio tone being obtained at pin 1 . Tr3 an audio amplifier after which the audio tone is coupled to $\operatorname{Tr} 4$ by the driver transformer T1.
When no tone is present $\operatorname{Tr} 5$ base is negative via R10 and no collector current passes. When the tone

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is present $\operatorname{Tr} 4$ conducts when its base is driven positive by Tl and these pulses are smoothed by C12. Tr5 base bias now results in collector current which operates the relay. The relay switches the circuit to magnetic or similar devices which in turn control steering or other functions in the model.

Current drain of the whole circuit is small and it is intended for use with any 4.5 volt or 3 -cell battery.

## CRYSTAL FREQUENCY

With a $27 \cdot 005 \mathrm{MHz}$ crystal in the transmitter the receiver crystal is 27.460 kHz , giving a difference, or IF, of 455 kHz . There is no need to use these specific frequencies which are quoted as an example. Model control crystals are available for various channels, some being colour coded. If the equipment is being used by itself, remote from other model control transmitters, any channel may be used. But if other persons are operating model control equipment nearby each transmitter should use a separate channel to avoid interference. If a change in frequency is ever found necessary both transmitter and receiver crystals have to be pulled out and replaced by a pair for the new working frequency.

## CIRCUIT BOARD

This board measures about $3_{8}^{5} \times 1_{8}^{5}$ in. without the relay but may be extended to permit a small relay to be mounted on it near $\operatorname{Tr} 5$, but the relay can just

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A The finished receiver board mounted in a protective plastic box together with the relay. The battery switch and battery are mounted externally.
F Fig. 1 : Circuit diagram of the crystal controlled receiver.



Fig. 2: Layout of components on the Veroboard, top ${ }_{5}$ with wiring shown below, Coil L1/2 is cemented into a hole in the board. Veropins are used as anchoring points.
as well be separated from the receiver. Both sides of the circuit board are shown in Fig. 2. Holes are drilled for the pins and screening can tags of IFT1 and IFT2, for T1 and the crystal holder before fitting any items. The coil $\mathrm{L} 1 / \mathrm{L} 2$ is a push fit in a hole and is cemented in place. A flying lead is left for the aerial connection and leads for battery positive and battery negative. The on-off switch S1 is placed in an easily reached position on the model. Two leads are soldered to Veropins which run to the relay.

The RF choke has 46 turns of 32SWG enamelled copper wire, close wound on a ${ }^{1}$ in diameter former about $3_{4}$ in long cut from insulated rod (some potentiometers have an insulated shaft which is suitable). A small hole is drilled near each end of the rod, the wire is taken through one hole and the choke wound then the wire is cut and passed through the other hole. Adhesive at the ends holds the choke to the board. The whole winding should not be covered with adhesive or any other protection.

In most places the wire ends of components are long enough to reach connecting points. Elsewhere, 22SWG wire can be used. Sleeving is necessary on leads which cross other wires or run near joints. $\operatorname{Tr} 1$ has tags which pass directly through the circuit board holes. The leads of the other transistors and IC1 are arranged as shown. Leads 1 and 2 of IC1 must be well separated as in Fig. 2.

The can tags of the IFT's are connected to the negative line as is the core of T 1 . The secondary centre tap of T1 is not used.

## TESTING

The receiver is adjusted by setting the cores of L1, IFT1 and IFT2 and is best done with the aid of a multi-range meter. Set the meter to 100 mA range
and clip it to the relay pins, with a resistor of about 100 ohms or so in series with one lead (the resistor is essential). Meter positive is taken to the positive pin. With the receiver switched on, current should be almost zero.
The transmitter (Part 2) is then switched on and the cores of IFT1 and IFT2 are rotated for maximum meter reading. To avoid overloading the transmitter aerial should not be extended and no aerial need be present on the receiver. A correctly shaped tool, such as that available from the IFT makers, should be used to adjust the cores, as a steel blade is unsuitable and wedge-shaped tools may split the cores so that they cannot be rotated. It may be helpful to have someone take the transmitter a short distance away so that the relay current shown by the meter only rises to 15 to 20 mA or so. The core of Ll is also peaked for best results. In the absence of a transmitter a signal generator will suffice.
When the IFT's have been set they need no further adjustment. But when changing or connecting the aerial some small re-adjustment of L1 core may be needed.

## AERIALS

A vertical or slightly sloping aerial will not appear out of place on many models. It can be the small telescopic receiver-type of aerial or a rod or stout wire which can be inserted in an insulated socket. A self-supporting vertical wire should have a loop formed on the top so that it is not a hazard to face or eyes. The length of the aerial will depend on the size of the model and the maximum range wanted. For close ranges the aerial can be short which would be useful for a small model boat controlled over a limited distance.


## RECEIVER PROTECTION

In a model boat there may well be moisture, spray or oil so the receiver can be protected by fitting it into an insulated box with a tight lid, with aerial, relay and battery leads emerging through small holes.

A check on operation and range should always be made after any changes to the equipment. If loss of control may result in the model not being recovered, a careful watch should be kept on the condition of all batteries. These may appear adequate after an interval of rest, but may soon lose voltage when delivering current, if in poor condition.

## RELAY

Provided the relay opens and closes reliably when the transmitter is keyed, at the range wanted, it will probably need no further attention. However, as range is increased, the rise in current decreases. The maximum range which can be obtained thus depends on the relay sensitivity, as well as other adjustments. For example, if the relay requires

## components list

| Resistors |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| R1 $18 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | R6 | 100k $\Omega$ |
| R2 $15 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | R7 | $10 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ |
| R3 $2 \cdot 7 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | R8 | 1-8M 2 |
| R4 47k | R9 | $33 \Omega$ |
| R5 $1.2 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ | R10 | 2-2kS |
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| Capacitors |  |  |
| C1 20pF SM | C8 | $0.1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ |
| C2. 20pF SM | C9 | $0.047 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ |
| C3 0.01 $\mu \mathrm{F}$. | C10 | 0.1的 |
| C4 5pF SM | C11 | $0 \cdot 1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ |
| C5 0.047 $\mu \mathrm{F}$ | C12 | $30 \mu \mathrm{~F} 6 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| C6 22pF SM | C13 | $200 \mu \mathrm{~F} 6 \mathrm{~V}$ |
| C7 33pF SM |  |  |
| Semiconductors |  |  |
| Tr1. BF194 | Tr4 | BC108 |
| Tr2 2N3706 | Tr5 | BC107 |
| Tris BC109. | IC1 | ZN414 |

## Miscellaneous

IFT1/2 (Denco IFT13), Pair of crystals, Type HC6U, see text (Henrys) and crystal holders. Transformer T1 (Home Radio TR64). S1, slide switch, on-off. Waterproof box to suit. Plain Veroboard $3 \frac{5}{8} \times 1 \frac{5}{8} \mathrm{in}$. $0 \cdot 15$ in matrix, Former 7 mm dia* and core.

35 mA to close, operation will be satisfactory where this or a higher current is obtained, but will become unreliable and cease when current falls below 35 mA . So if the relay were set to close at 25 mA instead, control would still be obtained at an increased range.

The simplest way to check the operation of the relay, if necessary, is to connect the relay, a $2 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ or similar wire-wound potentiometer and a 9 V battery in series, with the meter on 100 mA range also in circuit. Begin with the full resistance and on reducing this note at what current the relay closes. Some relays have an adjusting spring and can be set to very close limits. With others, careful bending of the contact springs or a flat spring will be needed.

Both a miniature model control relay, with a coil having a resistance of 35 ohms and a larger surplus type relay were found suitable. The small relay originally required 60 mA but was re-adjusted to pull in at 25 mA and this easily gave control at 100 yards. The larger relay was capable of more sensitive adjustment. A miniature relay is more appropriate for a model having limited space. In general, a relay of moderately high resistance, such as 100 to 250 ohms, will be more sensitive than relays of under 100 ohms but the greater coil resistance naturally reduces maximum current. If wanted, an extra battery could be added in series with the relay so that the additional voltage is available for $\operatorname{Tr} 5$ only, but this was not needed with relays of the type mentioned.

Where the relay may switch circuits carrying appreciable power it is necessary to watch that the relay contacts are suitable or they will rapidly deteriorate and become pitted or stick together. A small relay can control the circuit to a small actuator or motor but it is not suitable for controlling directly speed models where a propulsion motor may consume several amperes. Where the receiver relay is unsuitable for the current required, it should control a relieving relay of more robust type, which will in turn switch the circuit required.

With a 100 ohm relay and 4.5 V battery supply, current through the relay cannot exceed 45 mA . Using this receiver at ground level, with a 20 in aerial and the hand-held 5 -transistor tone transmitter described in Part 2 a current change of about 40 mA was maintained up to a distance of 100 yards. This easily gives strong, reliable operation of the relay. With no tone radiated, the receiver draws approximately 3 mA which is a very light load for even small cells.

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## by Eric Dowdeswell G4AR

JUST back from a couple of weeks of sunshine in SV-land, to be greeted by a nice pile-up of logs. Personally, I prefer a pile-up on 20 m , especially if I am the focal point! All letters and logs will have been answered by the time this appears in print. I normally try to answer mail within a day or so of receipt but I have to have a break some time!

Eric Carling (Lymington, Hants) expresses surprise at the lack of logs for 10 m especially since his Yaesu FR50B has rounded up 113 countries for him on that band this year. All round signals from a quarter wave vertical feed a Hamgear PMIIA preselector. Andrew Darragh (Nr. Wetherby, Yorks) apologises for the absence of a log this month. He's been busy rewiring his AR88 and promises better things henceforth. Just so long as you haven't deserted us OM!

Paul Barker BRS 34898 (Sunderland) volunteered to provide some photos taken off his SSTV monitor but until I can persuade the Editor to give me some more space I am afraid it is not possible to include photographs. But, I can promise that there will not be any pics of any Fred Bloggs and a desk full of commercial equipment! Paul will be glad to assist those interested in SSTV. Also had a very interesting letter from MK Products, 5 Lancashire Drive, Bel mont, Durham (alias G3LIV and G3RDI) who can provide PC boards for homebrew SSTV equipment, such as used by Paul Barker, and promise info and help to interested readers.

Lately 15 m has been a happy hunting ground for Bernard Hughes BRS 25901 and his FR500SDX, logging 36 JA's in a couple of days. His comprehensive logging system shows a band/countries total of 533 countries on SSB from 10 to 160 m so far this year with an all-time total of 1,048 . Not to be out done by Paul Barker and his SSTV antics, Peter Roughley (Warrington, Lancs) weighs in with a long list of RTTY call signs copied on $14 \cdot 1 \mathrm{MHz}$ in just a couple of days. His modest gear, fed from a 60 ft wire or 21 ft whip aerial is a BC312 with a Racal IF unit "grafted on as a Q5-er" feeding a homebrew terminal unit and 7B printer.

Michael Green A8088 (Northwich, Cheshire) bemoans his folk's colour TV timebase QRM and appeals for suggestions on suppressing same. Try shorting the aerial input to the chassis and see
how much is coming through the mains OM. Fit a mains suppressor if necessary, or try earthing your gear to a separate point such as an earth rod, after disconnecting the mains earth. All my own gear is earthed to an extensive buried radial system, used for 160 m , and I get no QRM from a colour set situated about 15 ft away. Max France (Warrington, Lancs) found that a 20 ft vertical plus ATU produced better signals from the DX than separate dipoles for 10,15 and 20 m . Generally will OM , if one can tolerate the lack of horizontal discrimination such as a dipole will provide when placed end-on to the Euro QRM! Tim Charles (Colchester, Essex) has been braving our English summer and getting up at 0400 to check on 80 m , usually finding ZL's at the top end. He is not too happy at a certain G-net station relaying VK and ZL's from 20 or 40 m on to 80 m giving the impression of a two-way QSO on 80 m !

Kind letters from Leonard Page (Kilmarnock), Malcolm Nesland (Blyth) and Bill Major (Keighley) with hints on curing the hum on Yaesu 9R59 series of receivers, mentioned recently in this column. All amount to fitting an attenuator to the output and then turning up the audio gain. Try 100 and 10 ohm resistors in series across the output, the 100 ohm going to the live side and connect the phones to the junction of the resistors and earth. Bill Urquhart (Sutherland) repositioned the output transformer but got more joy replacing the $2 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ resistor in the power supply circuit with a 10 H choke. Len Allard (Leigh-on-Sea) wrote direct to Japan, to the makers, who suggested additional smoothing capacitors but again little improvement resulted. On my own 9R59DS I spent a week-end making some 25 mods to improve the overall performance, some taken from past articles in Radio Constructor, so it looks as if a separate article on the subject is now called for!

Alan Rae (Glasgow) has also taken the advice of your OT and provided himself with a 60 ft vertical plus ATU for his CR100 and "it proved very effective especially on 80 m " enabling Alan to log his first ZL's on the band.

## Log extracts

Alan Rae:-80m VK2VQ VK4NE ZL2AR ZL3ACW ZL4BX 20 m EA8TR TU2EF 3A2CP VE6JL/P.

Tim Charles:-80m VK2ALK ZL2BFT ZL3GX ZL4AA ZL4FB 40 m BU3OS ST2RE ZL1AOP 20m AP9VHE XE60MB YS2RL.

Max France:-80m FL8DJ ZD3R 6W8FP 9M2CJ 20m VK9YV VP8NS XP1AA 7P8AQ 15m KX6NQ 5N2ESH 10m CR6UE ZE4JW 3B8CV.

Michael Green:-40m HK4DHR 20m 7SL2AO


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Peter Roughly:-20m ALL RTTY DAILS DJ0CP DL2BR EA3OT EA8FF F5WG F9IB G3AWA G8FC HA5KDQ HZ1SH IIPXC I3BA IC8SMY SM0ASW TF3IRA VE7BDQ VK3KF W3KV 3A2GX.

Bernard Hughes:-20m KL7HRP VK5YH ZLIPZ ZD3R 3D2AZ (Fiji) 15m A35AF JGIMVA JRIYFD JE1MLK.

Paul Barker:-20m DUINRS FM7AQ TJIAF TU2DO ZB2CJ (QSL G3ATU) KL7GDX JRIVMC 15m VQ9BP/D 7P8AY 10m A4XFE (Oman) HZ1KE 3B8CV.

Eric Carling:-10m VU2DK EA9FA VQ9BP/D (Desroches Is) 9Y4SH HCICW FY7YM 5U7BA FH8CJ 7Q7DW CT2AK ZS3AW KC4AAC 9J2DT PAOIWH/S21 (Bangladesh) JY9GR VP8HZ.

CW stations in bold, remainder SSB. Please note that logs should be in alphabetical order for every band.


## MEDIUM WAVE BROADCASTS

by Charles Molloy

RODNEY ARMSTRONG who lives at Ashby-Cum-Fenby, near Grimsby refers to the October issue of PW and the reception of the Yorkshire TV sound on the medium waves by E. Jenkinson of Sheffield. Rodney has had similar reception which he has traced to re-radiation from his domestic TV receiver. He can also receive BBCI sound on the 49 m band when his TV is switched to that programme. Reception was on a Sony 7R33L portable connected to a 50 ft longwire antenna.
Timothy James reports again from Southampton. With his Fidelity RAD 16 he has pulled-in BBC local stations at Medway on 1034 kHz ( 290 m ); London on 1457 kHz (206m); Brighton on 1484 kHz (202m); Oxford, also on 1484 kHz ; Bristol on 1546 kHz (194m) and the BBCl relay at Bournmouth on 1484 kHz ; the IBA outlets, Capital Radio on 557 kHz and London Broadcasting on 719 kHz . Europeans heard include AFN Frankfurt on 872 kHz ; Cluj, Romania on 1151 kHz ; Radio Sweden 1178 kHz ; Radio Prague 1268 kHz and Radio Norway 1578 kHz (this station has an English programme at midnight on a Sunday and there is a DX programme on the first Sunday/ Monday of the month at 0020 hrs GMT).

Paul Slinger refers to Radio City, the new Independent Local Radio outlet in Liverpool which is now on the air for twenty-four hours a day. The frequency is $1546 \mathrm{kHz}(194 \mathrm{~m})$ and the transmitter has a power of 1200 watts.

Brendon McNamee (Portrush, N. Ireland) reports that the low power relays at Dublin and Cork, both
of which transmit on 1250 kHz have been experimenting recently with individual local programmes during the daytime.

Long distance reception on the medium waves is at its best during the winter months when a path of darkness exists for part of the day between the UK and the American continent to the west and to large parts of Asia to the east. Ideally, a communications receiver and medium wave loop aerial are the tools used by the MW DXer, but complicated equipment is unnecessary on this band. A domestic radio connected to an outdoor aerial will pull-in some DX and when conditions are favourable for reception of this area, will certainly receive a few of the stronger North American outlets.
$\mathrm{D} X$ from the west begins about 2330 hrs when the path starts to open and a number of Europeans have closed down for the night. Canadians appear first. Listen for CJON in St. John's, Newfoundland on 930 kHz ; CBN also in St. John's on 640kHz; CHER in Sydney, Nova Scotia on 950 kHz and CBA in Moncton, New Brunswick on 1070 kHz . High power outlets on the east coast of the United States appear by midnight. Search for WNBC in New York City on 660 kHz ; WOR also in NYC in 710 kHz ; WINS in NYC on 1010 kHz ; WBZ in Boston on 1030 kHz and WNEW in NYC on 1030 kHz . Latin Americans to look for are Radio Jornal, Rio de Janeiro on 940 kHz ; Radio Belgrano, Buenos Aires on 950 kHz ; Radio Margarita, Venezuala on 1020kHz; Radio el Mundo, Buenos Aires on 1070 kHz and Radio Tupi, Rio de Janeiro on 1280 kHz . DX from North and South America reaches a peak between 0100 hrs and 0200 hrs GMT but it continues throughout the night until it gradually becomes swamped by Europeans opening up again for the next days broadcasting.

## SHORT WAVE BROADCASTS <br> by Derek Bell

THE main topic of conversation among the short wave enthusiasts over the past few weeks has been the heavy storms that have reached us from the sun, dosing the ionosphere with radiation. This spectacular solar hiccup produced very far reaching effects that ruined many an evening's listening on the short wave frequencies.

The main disturbance was centered round the 14 , 15, 16, of September with a visible aurora in Finland on the evening of the 15 th . The outbreak started to bite on the Sunday the 15th at 1430, and by nightfall the 80 metre band went out completely. The BBC North Atlantic path also went out, along with most of the hope of amateurs engaged in contests. On Thursday, September 19th, another smaller disturbance was registered, and between them these two sent the sound of frying bacon and assorted grunts and groans down the spectrum to remarkably low frequencies, still it's an ill wind, I suppose our VHF colleagues enjoyed the fun.

To move on to the latest QSL news, Radio Canada is sending out a multi-coloured card depicting the world cycling championships 1974. This is a nice example of the graphic designer's skill, a pity it is unsigned and thus robs the artist of his due credit. Meanwhile, "Down Under" Radio Australia is accepting reports that are sent to its London office at 54 Portland Place, London W1, they are still "clocking" between 60 and 90 days for a reply though. One of the most original "QSLs" that I have heard of comes

from Radio Baghdad, I have it on good authority that a certain collector received through the post (would you believe) two pounds of Dates!! Another QSLer has had the three volume biography of Kim Il Sung, from the Lebanon, he thinks that it came via the Radio Fyongyang mailing list.
While on the subject of the broadcasting stations, we must welcome Radio Israel to the ranks of those that put out a DX show, they have one due to start shortly hosted by one Ben Dolphin who I am told is an amateur and who hopes that his listeners will send him technical questions. Radio Israel also announce that they are to start a transmission to Australia and South East Asia at 1030 on their usual frequencies these are on the air with short gaps for twenty four hours a day, and the tuning signal is a national hymn on trumpets and drums with the spoken announcement "Kanshidurei Yisrael Mi-Yerusalayim" in Hebrew.

One final station to look at is Radio Finland who recently resumed their English Transmissions to North America at $0300-0330$ with a 100 kW on 9585 dropping their 2300 to 2330 transmission.
Turning now to postbag, letters are sparse this month due to the changeover. However, I have beside me a missive from Trevor Bland who resides at Lea in Lincolnshire. He operates a Teleton TF182 FB and the pick of his loggings are as follows:-

## 9545 Radio Ghana at 2115 in English

11880 Voice of Turkey at 0005 in English
15265 Radio Afghanistan at 1145 in English
His aerial is a built-in telescopic five feet long assisted by a seventy-five foot-long external wire.
Mr. J. A. Martin (sorry about the formality but I have no more information) of Staines in Middlesex also tells us of his catches on his Codar CR70A, he runs a hundred foot aerial in the loft among the spiders and this picks out of the ether such goodies

## as:-

15270 Voice of Nigeria at 0600 in English
15012 Radio Hanoi at 1800 in English
To be awake at 0600 and DXing show that we have a dedication to our hobby equalled only by such people as fisherman, mountain climbers, or ardent PW readers!

Well folks that brings this month to a close so it only remains for me to wish you all good DX and long may your long-wires prove truly fruitful!

## BROADCAST BANDS

Short Wave and VHF reports by the 15th of the month to Derek Bell c/o Practical Wireless, Fleetway House, Farringdon Street, London, EC4A 4AD.
Medium Wave Logs to Charles Molloy, 132 Segars Lane, Southport, PR8 3JG.

## AMATEUR BANDS

Logs covering any amateur band/s in band/ alphabetical order by the middle of the month to Eric Dowdeswell G4AR, Silver Firs, Leatherhead Road, Ashtead, Surrey, KT21 2TW.

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## 'TELE•TENNIS'

We have heard from several readers of problems in setting up Board A. Symptoms are the display of two or more "courts" side by side on the television screen.

A cure may generally be effected by increasing the value of R 4 to $2 \cdot 7 \mathrm{k} \Omega$, though it may be neces sary to change VR2 to $25 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ to be sure of coping with timing spreads in IC2.

## 'EPSOM' SHORT WAVE RECEIVER

The following points should be noted in conjunction with Fig. 13 in the October, 1974 issue.

1. The various coils and IF transformers are all wound with 28 swg enamelled copper wire.
2. Winding L9 is a straight 40 turns--no centre tap.

## 'SANDOWN' F.M. TUNER

From experience gained in constructing several more tuners to this design, the authors have recommended a number of minor modifications to ensure consistent performance.

1. With certain samples of $\operatorname{Tr} 102$ and $\operatorname{Tr} 103$, spurious oscillations occur in the mixer stage at about 400 MHz . These may be cured by inserting a ferrite bead between C110 and the junction of R107, R108, and Tri02 g2. If C110 is stood on end, the bead can be threaded onto the longer lead.
2. To reduce the effect of hum pickup in the oscillator tuned circuit, increase C 118 to $0 \cdot 1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ and insert a $100 \mathrm{k} \Omega$ resistor, R118, between the junction of R111 and C118 and the tuning line (H). No modification to the pab is necessary as R118 can replace the wire link beside C118.
3. The decoupling capacitor C227 on pin 11 of IC202 should be changed to a $22 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ tantalum bead type.
4. If stronger a.f.c. action is required, R217 may be increased in value up to a maximum of $47 \mathrm{k} \Omega$.
5. Some mains transformers, although of the rating specified in the components list, may be incapable of driving scale lamps as shown in Fig. 3.

If the resistance of the secondary winding is too high, the voltage drop due to the lamp load will cause the supply to IC301 to fall below the level required for satisfactory operation. The ripple on the stabilised 13 V line will increase and cause hum on the audio output.

For those constructors requiring the dial lamps, the solution is to use a transformer of a higher current rating or a slightly higher secondary voltage. If the voltage at pins 11 and 12 of IC301 exceeds 19 V , a resistor of about $10 \Omega$ should be inserted in the line to these pins to restore it to that level. $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{w}}$

## A series of simple transistor projects, using not more than twenty components.

ALTHOUGH we call this month's project a Wobbulator it is in fact a voltage controlled r.f. oscillator and as such might prove a valuable experimental circuit for many applications. Its most obvious application is as an aid to circuit alignment and we have designed it to operate from about 400 kHz to just over 1 MHz . Basically it consists of a conventional Hartley oscillator centred around Tr2, Fig. 1.


Fig. 1: Circuit for the Basic Wobbulator.

The coil used was one of the Denco Maxi-Q transistor aerial coils (Blue type) range 2 T to give the desired frequency range. This is tuned by means of C2 and gives good coverage of the medium wave band as well as conventional intermediate frequencies. A high level is available at the output at quite a low impedance, nevertheless the oscillator is liable to "pulling" if too high a capacitative load is applied to the output. In most applications it will be found desirable to attenuate the signal by means of a suitable RC network-alternatively the output can be very loosely coupled to receivers under test (the output being taken "close" to the circuit in question without physical connection).

## Higher frequencies

The prototype has only been tried with the above coil in the frequency range mentioned but there is no reason why it should not work at higher frequencies with different coils-provided the transistor has sufficient gain and circuit parasitics do not present problems. Should the gain of the transistor fall off at higher frequencies feedback coupling can be increased by increasing the value for C3. Excessive feedback will distort the output waveform as clipping sets in so do not make C3 larger than necessary for satisfactory oscillation.

## "Wobbulating"

To obtain "Wobbulator" control of the frequency we must arrange to frequency modulate the oscillator with a control signal. In most applications this signal will be a sawtooth waveform extracted from the time base circuits of the test oscilloscope. The voltage control part of the circuit is around Trl. The d.c. level at Trl emitter is set by VR1 and the sawtooth sweep is superimposed upon this. The voltage from $\operatorname{Tr} 1$ is used to control the shunt capacitance in the tuned circuit of the r.f. oscillator stage by means of D1. This diode is acting as a cheap substitute for a varacter diode and works extremely well. The principle of operation depends on the parasitic capacitance of the diode's depletion layer. When a diode is reverse biased very little current flows through it because of the layer between the $p$ and $n$ regions-known as the depletion layerwhich is temporarily devoid of charge carriers. The depletion layer thus acts as a dielectric and the junction acts as a capacitor the value of which depends on the area of the junction and the width of this depletion layer. To get significant capacity we are using a large area junction-as found in a power rectifier-this gives capacity in the order of tens of picofarads.

## components list



The diode's capacity is varied by altering the width of the depletion layer. The greater the reverse bias on a diode the wider the depletion layer and hence the lower the junction capacity. Conversely as the bias on the diode is shifted in a forward direction the capacitance increases as the depletion layer gets narrower up to the point when the depletion layer disappears altogether and the diode is then said to be conducting in the forward direction.
Our circuit shows this diode as D1 and, of course, its polarity is very important. The polarity is such that it is always reverse biased by signal levels at the emitter of Trl and if these voltages vary, the internal capacity of the diode will change. The higher the voltage from $\operatorname{Trl}$ (in a positive direction) the more the diode is reverse biased and hence the
lower its capacitance and vice versa. Although it is not obvious from the diagram, this variable capacitance diode is acting in parallel with the main tuning capacitor C2 and hence input signal voltages will alter the frequency of the r.f. oscillator. For a wider range of control (together with a general increase in shunt capacity) you can put two or more similar diodes in parallel-this is shown by the dotted lines in both the schematic drawing and the layout.


Fig. 2: Layout of Wobbulator on plain Veroboard with components mounted on pins or tags. Dotted lines indicate wiring below the board. A B9A valve-holder may be used to take L1/L2, especially if different bands are contemplated.

The basic frequency of oscillation is set by C2 and this can be modified by the d.c. level at $\operatorname{Tr} 1$ emitter which is itself set by VR1. The degree of voltage control (as a percentage of the basic frequency) depends on the relative values of D1 and C2. At high frequencies (when C2 is at a low value) there will be a wider range of control than at low frequencies. In extreme cases the percentage variation is from about $100 \%$ to almost zero so some experimentation is needed. Of course, the voltage control is NOT linear with the output frequency over wide rangesnevertheless it can be considered linear for a few percent modulation. R1 and R2 are present to prevent Trl being biased in extreme directions so that the input signal will always have some effect but it should be remembered that an excessive input signal could push $\operatorname{Tr} 1$ into an extreme conduction state if VR1 is set at either extreme.

As the title implies, this is a very basic circuit and although we cannot guarantee its quantitative accuracy it could prove very useful as a simple qualitative aid. Other applications could include experimental circuits involving phase locked loops and possibly self-tracking local oscillators for constant frequency reception of c.w. morse signals. Pw

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$320 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 65 p \& $1000 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 11 p \& $220 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 10 p \& $200 \mu \mathrm{~F}$

 

$320 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 61 p \& $1000 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 11 p \& $152 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 10 p <br>
$1000 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 18 p \& $1500 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 20 p \& $20 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 44 p

 

$1000 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 18 p \& $1500 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 20 p \& $470 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 18 p <br>
$4700 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 29 p \& $2200 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 24 p \& $680 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 20 p
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$33 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 61 p \& $16 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 61 p \& $2200 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& $89 p$ \& $1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 61 p <br>
$68 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 61 p \& $33 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 61 p \& $500 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 68 p \& $2 \cdot 2 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 61 p

 

$68 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& $6 \pm \mathrm{p}$ \& $33 \mu \mathrm{~F}$ \& 61 p <br>
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## TV WALLPAPER

Printed circuit boards are all very well in saving the amount of wiring which needs to be done by hand, but the idea has now been taken a step further. A laminate company is offering for sale printed circuit boards which have a resistive layer beneath the copper layer. The idea is that one first etches away all the copper not required leaving only the desired connection pattern on the board surfaces. This exposes the layer of resistive material which the copper etchant does not affect. The required resistor pattern is then selected by printing using a negative and photoresist just as in normal PCB processing. The board is then etched in a solution which dissolves the unwanted restive layer and bingo, resistive networks etc can be printed down and connected via the copper connection pattern. One company recently exhibited some tiny resistive patterns connected in this way. The patterns had small holes drilled through the PCB. The idea was that one simply pushed a transistor into the holes and the active device, together with the resistors already connected up, formed the well-known Schmitt trigger circuit. I wonder what else can be printed down onto the PCB? Perhaps in the end, the circuitry for television sets will be printed rather like wallpaper.

## MEDICAL HELP

One of the most distressing ailments of our time is cancer. A British doctor, with the aid of electronics, is trying to do something about it. One way to check for cancer is to "tag" tumor antibodies in the patient and then measure the quantity. The "tagged" antibodies react with the patient's cells and give an indication of any cancer which might be lurking. Trouble is that all this takes time. The new method employs a minicomputer and allows some seven times the amount of samples per day to be processed when compared to other methods less automated. There's even a print out system which keeps the physician informed as to just how the test is going.

## DEATH RAY

Readers may remember my commenting on a cigar-sized laser which was capable of putting out some very high power. I hear now that a nuclearpumped laser has just arrived on the scene which would appear (at least in theory) to be capable of arc welding a missile to the nearest cloud. Experiments so far have been confined to using a helium-xenon gas laser which is excited by a neutron pulse from a reactor. Because of the military applications possible with this device, information is sketchy. However, it seems that the "death ray" is here and that metal could be melted and destroyed at quite vast distances.

## MAGNETIC BUBBLES

Magnetic bubbles are back in the news. These are tiny bubbles which can be magnetised and passed along a chain thus forming a kind of memory which could be used in computer applications. These bubbles are only tiny-around 5 micrometers. "Too big," say Bell Laboratories who aren't known for telling fibs. Bell think that a single solitary micrometer is quite big enough. The effect will be to give greater packing density and lower power consumption. Well worth watching, these bubbles. Bell produced a bubble device about 12 to 14 months ago which took the form of a 100 -bit shift register. Now they have succeeded in building an 8,000 bit array onto a $40 \times 40$ mil chip. How's that for progress in just over a year! If you really want to get technical about it, the film which contains these tiny bubbles in the latest device is composed of a gadolinium-cobalt-molybdenum alloy which in turn has been sputtered onto a glass substrate. Looks like future electronics engineers will need a degree in chemistry too.

Before you get all excited about the bubbles for memories, don't forget that charge coupled devices are bubbling along; an 8 million-bit memory was the highest count I last heard of-but then that was a month or two ago! Another interesting comparative newcomer is the

Josephson effect device. These are almost unbelievable if all the tales are true. To date they are claiming switching speeds in millionmillionths of a second and power consumptions of meagre microwatts. Already these devices have been mentioned in applications for amplifications at 300 GHz .

## WELL 'ORGANISED'

Electronic organ enthusiasts will be pleased at the sound of the new SAH 200. It's an integrated circuit which can produce the top 13 notes of an electronic organ. Previously this task took three of the company's ICs. The device needs a single supply of 22 V and is based on MOS technology. It comes in a 16-pin dual in-line package.

## I.C. A CAR!

Motoring enthusiasts may like to know of a different IC; this time it's designated SAK 140 and it is intended for engine rev counters. It converts input pulses from the engine contact breaker into output current pulses of constant width and amplitude. I hope to give greater details next month if the circuitry (which is extremely simple) arrives in time.

## DIGITAL TUNING

A parting thought. Your hi fi amplifier may be digitally tuned and controlled in future. Some ICs on the market require only a variable d.c. applied to be able to control such things as frequency response. One application given by the manufacturers shows an active bandpass filter whose response is controlled by a simple d.c. signal. Other examples include channel selection from a number of separate inputs. One advantage is that the d.c. control signal is not prone to interference in the same way that an a.c. control signal would be.
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## PART 14-PHASE SHIFT CIRCUITS (cont)

THERE are innumerable applications of positive feedback and it would be impossible to give examples of all of them. Nevertheless following on from last month's experiments we felt it would be logical to continue with two other types of circuit which rely on phase shift and can be used in conjunction with feedback to make oscillators. At the same time we hope to show that positive feedback, alone, is not sufficient for oscillation to take place-there must always be a loop gain greater than unity.

We have selected two important circuits to describe this month; the Wien Bridge and the Twin-T or Bridged-T network.

Fig. 99 shows the basic circuit of a Wien Bridge. Basically it is a top cut and bottom cut filter rolled into one. Although it needs a lot of mathematics to prove it one can consider it as a circuit that will attenuate low frequencies and high frequencies to a great extent but will not have such a dramatic attenuation effect on middle frequencies. The ressponse curve showing what the output voltage would be for different frequencies of input voltage is shown in Fig. 100.

The frequency of maximum output is called the resonant frequency and if the values of components in the bridge circuit follow the rule that $R 1=R 2$ and $\mathrm{C} 1=\mathrm{C} 2$ the output voltage at the resonant frequency is always one third of the input voltage

$$
V_{\mathrm{out}}=\frac{V_{\mathrm{in}}}{3}
$$

For all other frequencies the output voltage is considerably lower than the input.

Provided the two resistors and capacitors are of equal value there is a simple formula that relates the resonant frequency to these components

$$
f(\text { resonance })=\frac{1}{2 \pi \times R \times C}
$$

where $R$ is in ohms, $C$ in farads and $f$ is in hertz.
Clearly, one could use this circuit as a passive filter of the "band pass" variety by inserting it between two stages of an amplifier-rather like the simple top and bottom cut filters described in an earlier part.


Fig. 99 : Basic circuit of a Wien Bridge. Usually $R 1=R 2$ and $C 1=C 2$.


Fig. 100: top, shows that the output from a Wien Bridge is maximum at a particular frequency (resonance), below, indicates that there is no difference in phase between input and output at the resonant

The $Q$, or quality factor of such a filter is not very great so consequently it could not be used for accurate frequency selection.

When dealing with complex filters of this type one must not overlook what happens to the phase of the signal as it is processed by the circuit. In practice one can draw two curves to describe a filter's characteristics; the amplitude/passband characteristic that we have just described, also the relative phase of the output signal with respect to the phase of the input at different frequencies. Such a phase plot is shown in Fig. 100.

It should be noticed that for all frequencies below the resonant frequency the output tags behind the input by up to $90^{\circ}$ in the extreme case, but above the resonant frequency the output has changed through zero phase to a leading condition and in the extreme this can be $+90^{\circ}$. This means that at resonance the output signal is exactly in phase with the input-in other words the network offers zero phase shift at resonance.

We can make use of this effect to produce a very versatile oscillator, the basic block diagram of which is shown in Fig. 101. We have already established


Fig. 101 : When connected into the feedback path of an amplifier having zero overall phase shift the Wien Bridge offers a simple way of making a sine wave oscillator.
that a two stage grounded emitter amplifier has an overall phase shift of $360^{\circ}$ (which is the same as zero). Thus, if the output was connected back to the input we would have a condition for positive feedback.
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Fig. 102: top, is the circuit of an experimental Wien Bridge oscillator with the gain of the amplifier set by VR1. Values of C1 and C2 should be equal in the range $0 \cdot 1 \mu F$ to 2200pF. Fig.103, below shows the practical layout of Fig. 102 built up on S-Dec.

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If we insert our Wien Bridge network in this feedback loop the bridge will alter the phase relationship of all frequencies except for the resonant frequency of the bridge in question; thus we would only obtain positive feedback at the resonant frequency.

The feedback signal is attenuated to one third of the output level, as we have just explained hence to obtain oscillation the gain of the two stage amplifier should be three. Although there is no problem in obtaining a low gain like this there are problems in maintaining its stability particularly as we are forced into using two stages to get the necessary phase response. Consequently our experimental circuit shown in Fig. 102 looks a little complex as we have built in two stages of negative feedback to fix and adjust the gain at this low level.

R6 in conjunction with R5 provide one negative feedback path which is fixed and VR1 allows a variable degree of feedback for experimental purposes. In practical production circuits a thermistor might be used instead of R 6 to control the overall gain automatically.
If the gain diverges considerably from the desired value two things can happen. If it is too low the circuit will not oscillate, and if too high the output waveform at the collector of $\operatorname{Tr} 2$ might suffer from clipping. You should be able to experience this effect with the following experiment.
Make up the circuit of Fig. 102 complete with loudspeaker driver stage. Set the wiper of VR1 to the bottom end of its track. Depending on the components you have used the chances are that the circuit will not oscillate because we have excessive negative feedback around $\operatorname{Tr} 2$.

Increase the gain of the amplifier by reducing this negative feedback (advance the wiper of VR1) and the circuit should oscillate nicely. If you increase the gain too much you should hear the onset of clipping by a sudden change in tone of the signal from the loudspeaker.

You will find that there is a certain degree of sluggishness in getting oscillations started and they might build up in amplitude over a second or two which is caused by the high degree of negative feedback.


Fig. 104: Basic circuit of a 'Twin-T' or 'Bridged-T' fitter. Normally the circuit is symmetrical with $R 1=R 2$ and $C 1=C 2$. R3 should equal $\frac{1}{2} R 1$ and $C 3$ should be $2 \times C 1$.

A big advantage of this type of oscillator (compared with the phase shift type described last month) is that you only need change the values of two components in the frequency determining network (the bridge) to alter frequency and the range of adjustment is very large. In theory one can change the values of C1 and C2 or R1 and R2. However, in our experimental circuit you are limited to playing with different values for the capacitors only because R2 forms part of the potential divider biasing for $\operatorname{Tr} 3$
and changing its value would modify the qu
levels of the amplifier. Nevertheless try substit different pairs of values for C 1 and C 2 in the rah $2,200 \mathrm{pF}$ to $0 \cdot 1 \mu \mathrm{~F}$.

This circuit is widely used by audio oscillator manufacturers for test instruments; for what it does it is a very simple circuit and is often used in amateur projects.

Whereas the Wein Bridge is a pass filter at resonance the Bridge-T filter, shown in Fig. 104 gives a high degree of attenuation at its resonant frequency. The onset of resonance is very sharp and this circuit is often used as a notch filter when a particular frequency needs to be removed from a series without significant influence on the amplitudes of neighbouring frequencies.


Fig. 105 : top, output voltage at different frequencies for a fixed amplitude input signal. Below, at the resonant frequency $180^{\circ}$ phase shift
occurs.
The relationship between the component values is slightly more complex than the previous filter and although there is an unlimited variety of values one can use the Bridged-T is usually represented in its symmetrical form. This means that R1 should equal R2 and R3 should be half the value of R1. At the same time Cl should equal C 2 and C 3 should be twice the value of Cl. Provided this relationship is maintained the resonant frequency is given by

$$
f=\frac{1}{2 \pi \times C_{1} \times R_{1}}
$$

where $C_{1}$ is in farads, $R_{1}$ in ohms and $f$ in hertz.
The phase response of the filter is somewhat more complex. At the resonant frequency there is a sudden $180^{\circ}$ phase shift between input and output. Depending on which side of the resonance frequency one looks one can say that the output is $180^{\circ}$ out of phase with the input or it is in phase with the input. However, at the resonant frequency the theoretical output from the filter is zero, Fig. 105.
We can use this filter in the negative feedback loop of an amplifier (Tr1 of Fig. 106). Because of the rather strange phase response we shall get negative


Fig. 106: top, shows the circuit of an audio oscillator/frequency selective amplifier using the Brldged-T network with the layout shown in Fig.107, below.
feedback on one side of resonance and positive feedback on the other side. By careful adjustment of the amplifier's gain we can get the circuit to oscillate at a frequency just slightly one side of resonance, by reducing the gain a little we have a complex balance between negative feedback on the one hand and positive feedback on the other. Thus it is possible to make a frequency selective amplifier that has a maximum gain (because of the zero negative feedback signal at resonance) at the resonant "notch".

This is very useful in many special applications and is frequently used by amateurs to make WaaWaa effects with guitars and organs particularly if it is possible to sweep the resonant frequency by adjusting one of the components in the feedback circuit (usually R6).
You can experiment with the circuit as an oscillator or a frequency selective amplifier by suitable adjustment of VR1. Notice (as for the Wien Bridge)
that reducing VR1 too much (increasing gain) causes clipping and, in this case shifts the frequency further away from the notch.
As an amplifier connect the output of a crystal cartridge (through an attenuator if necessary) to the base of $\operatorname{Tr} 1$ through a $0 \cdot 1_{\mu} \mathrm{F}$ capacitor and substitute a variable $50 \Omega$ potentiometer for R6.
By advancing the gain of the amplifier to just below the oscillating point you can deliberately make a ringing amplifier; i.e. a circuit that will respond to a pulse input and give a decaying train of sinewaves out. This effect is commonly used to produce electronic percussion effects to simulate drums or bells. You can stimulate such a ring by momentarily shorting the junction of R1 and R2 to the +9 V rail. Altering the values of R4, R5, R6, C3, C4 and C5 will produce different sound effects.

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Hints for obtaining maximum efficiency from the "One-Der" were as follows:

The "ONE-DER" Receiver, owing to the system of amplification employed, is capable of giving the purest reception at present obtainable, and in order


Interior view of the "One-Der."


Front panel of the receiver.
that this may not be marred by any faults, in or about the installation, the following hints are given:-

AERIAL.-Upon the efficiency of the aerial and earth system depends the amount of energy colleoted and supplied to the set, and every effort should be made to see that the aerial is as good as it is possible to obtain under the circumstances.

The aerial should be as large and as high as possible, and the lead-in wire from the aerial to the point of entry into the house should be clear of walls or buildings. If it must run parallel or side by side with a wall or any other obstruction, it should be kept at least two feet away, this may be achieved by propping it out. Good insulation of the aerial is absolutely essential, and where bare wire is employed the porcelain or other insulators used for its suspension should be periodically cleaned, particularly in large towns where smoke is prevalent. The aerial wire itself should be of the stranded variety known as $7 / 22$, and each strand should be insulated from the other by a coating of enamel. This type of wire can be obtained at most dealers. This insulation, however, is not good enough to render the use of porcelain insulators unnecessary. This wire is usually sold in lengths of 100 feet, and where possible, erection should commence at the free end and the wire should be brought right to the AERIAL terminal on the set without being broken, so as to avoid making a joint.
EARTH.-Too much attention cannot be paid to the earth connection. The lead from the Receiver to earth should be as short as possible, and the cable should be at least as heavy as that employed for the aerial, or preferably heavier.


The Ediswan "One-Der" speaker (£2•10s in 1925).

There is nothing better than what is known as cab tyre, which is insulated with a thick external sheath of rubber.

In most cases we expect that the connection will be made to the water system, and this is quite good provided connection can be made to a "rising main." On no account should connection be made to the hot water system as the joints which are inevitable in all such systems are usually packed with non-conducting material, and the fact that such pipes are usually made of iron, makes this method most unsatisfactory. Always endeavour to connect to a lead pipe. First scrape the lead perfectly clean and screw ion the clean place some clip arrangement, many satisfactory types of which are obtainable at wireless dealers, and when this is clipped in position, it is a good plan to cover the joint made with tallow or Vaseline as this to some extent, will prevent the oxidisation of the newly-cleaned lead and will ensure a good electrical joint. LOW TENSION ACCUMULATOR -The L.T. accumulator which is the source from which the current for heating the filament is drawn, as a rule gives very little trouble beyond the need for re-charging when it is run down. It does, however, require careful charging, and the owner is advised to take the accumulator for re-charging to a reliable electrician who will
not overcharge it and so shorten its life. Accumulators which have glass for their outer container are always to be preferred before those in celluloid containers. The terminals of the accumulator should be kept clean and occasionally covered with Vaseline, and any connection made to the terminals of the accumulator should be screwed down tightly.
HIGH TENSION SUPPLY-The high-tension supply to most wireless sets is probably obtained from dry batteries, and it is essential that these should be of reliable make, otherwise the discharge may be somewhat intermittent, or noisy. Batteries of inferior manufacture often give rise to noises not unlike atmospherics, and for this reason high-tension batteries bearing a reputable name should always be purchased. As the "ONE-DER" Valve requires only a very small anode current, even when working a loudspeaker at full strength (it takes only 1-1 ${ }_{2}$ milliamperes, which is probably less than any other valve available), a very small high-tension battery therefore is all that is needed, but it must consist of sufficient units to give 120 volts. GRID BIAS.-It will be noted that the high-tension batteries
used include tappings for Grid Bias at the negative ( - ) end, so that if this type of battery is used there is no need to employ a separate Grid Bias battery.

Place valve in holder, the two legs which are close together being put to the sockets which are similarly spaced. The others will be found to fit.

The coils are placed so that the one having the most winding and which has four inside tappings is put on the left-hand side, while the one with the lesser winding and only two connections is placed on the right-hand side. Both coils have four pins, but in the case of one coil there are only two of these pins which have wire connections, the other two being left blank-this is visible on looking down inside the coil. The coil is placed on the right hand side working from the front of the set. To switch "on" or "off" pull out, or push in respectively, the small knob on lower front of set. The filament voltage required by this valve being 2 volts no filament rheostat is needed, as the filament is correctly dimensioned for this voltage.

Tuning is effected by means of the two larger knobs. As a general rule start with both
pointers at zero and advance each equally. It will be found that the two indicators will be at approximately the same positions on the scales. If any difference it will be found that the righthand one is slightly higher up the scale than the one on the left-hand. Tuning is rather critical and this is purposely made so in order that powerful nearby stations can be eliminated without the use of a wave-trap. Continue to turn until the station wave or "mush" is heard, when a forward and backward final adjustment of both condensers will enable the station to be tuned in correctly. Should the set be inclined to oscillate even when the right-hand pointer is at zero, a reduction of voltage on the Green wire will always prevent this."

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