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Subject: Search feature changes

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I've just updated the search engine to give ART the ability to search for part numbers. To be honest, I can't believe I never noticed this before, but when we moved from the original WWWBoard format to this one, we lost the ability to search for phrases containing numbers. That meant searches for things like KT88, 6550, TD12S and 2226 wouldn't work.

Like I said, I don't know how I missed that, but I guess it's because I knew where to find most of the archived posts I needed. I vaguely remember trying to search for "6DJ8" once before and finding no search results, but I disregarded it and searched for "tube preamp" instead. It was only yesterday when I tried to search for "KT88" and "6550", when I got no results, I looked further and found that the database search index wasn't storing numbers. So I recoded and reindexed. You may have noticed a couple of brief outages earlier, and that's why - the system was being reindexed.

Anyway, hopefully this will make the site much more useful.

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