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Subject: Vintage FM Tuner

Posted by [gofar99](#) on Fri, 28 Feb 2014 03:12:13 GMT

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Hi, Here is my latest "find". One of the local Radio Shack Associate stores here is closing. The tuner has been on display at it forever (more than 10 years for sure) so I snagged it today. Before they would not part with it. The tuner is from 1959 and is all tubes. It works and is in really good condition. It will be a nice addition to my all tube system. I still need a schematic for it and will test the tubes tomorrow. I have many replacements in case any are weak.

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#### File Attachments

1) [Radio Shack FM-11 ca 1959.jpg](#), downloaded 2603 times

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Subject: Re: Vintage FM Tuner

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Fri, 28 Feb 2014 15:41:14 GMT

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Oh man, Bruce, that is soooo awesome! I'm filled with envy. Talk about nostalgia...

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Subject: Re: Vintage FM Tuner

Posted by [gofar99](#) on Fri, 28 Feb 2014 22:58:45 GMT

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Yes indeed and it works. It requires a decent antenna and the sound is not up to current standards, but still nice. Photos are of the chassis top and bottom.

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Subject: Re: Vintage FM Tuner

Posted by [gofar99](#) on Thu, 06 Mar 2014 03:32:49 GMT

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Hi, Thanks to another diyer (different forum) I obtained a schematic and set up data. It now works pretty well considering it was a modest performance device back then. It turns out that Radio Shack had three versions of it as a kit and one assembled. They were spin offs of a Harmon

Kardon FM tuner of the same vintage (1953-59). How they all worked that out is lost to history. Mine turns out to be the third and last version of the three kits. They called them kits, but basically it was just attaching the PS, audio cables and the case. I contacted Radio Shack at first and they drew a blank on their archives. Then too they are closing 1100 (20%) of their stores (announced yesterday) and seem to have lost contact with their customer base.

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