Subject: thorens td160 tonearm problem Posted by kpl on Sun, 14 May 2006 07:20:01 GMT

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Cleaned and oiled my TD160 turntable arm but anti bias adjuster no longer effective. Arm seems to be over biased even with the adjuster completely turned down(using the tracking ability test on record, the sound is like when the bias value has been set too high with the distortion in the left channel). Would appreciate any advice, suggestions, etc.

Subject: Re: thorens td160 tonearm problem

Posted by Wayne Parham on Fri, 19 May 2006 14:51:29 GMT

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Looks like some arms for that table were better than others. Check out this article for more information:

Olde Worlde - Thorens TD150/160 Turntable

Subject: Re: thorens td160 tonearm problem

Posted by kpl on Tue, 23 May 2006 08:30:13 GMT

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Thanks, Wayne, for observation and reference to the article. My arm was probably, partly, responsible for the mediocre sound all along. Yet, it managed to produce a purer tone on the tracking ability test track before I cleaned the 3 bearings. Think I upset some adjustment while assembling the arm. Tried various degrees of tightness/looseness in the bearings which resulted in some changes in the left side distortion but wasn't able to get rid of it. The right side is so clean. Am suspecting it to be something related to the anti-bias mechanism which I'm told, involves some magnetic feature. Don't see how I could have caused it to go awry. Thanks again.