
Subject: Great Plains Audio Community Meeting - Saturday at 2:00

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Thu, 08 Jan 2004 14:33:42 GMT

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Akhilesh Bajaj is hosting a meeting of the Great Plains Audio Community at his house this Saturday January 10 at 2:00pm. Click here for details.

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Community Meeting - Saturday at 2:00

Posted by [lon](#) on Thu, 08 Jan 2004 17:56:22 GMT

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I was wondering if Meetup.com could be used for any application for the readers of the various DIY boards and forums (?)

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Community Meeting - Saturday at 2:00

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Thu, 08 Jan 2004 18:01:51 GMT

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That's an excellent idea. I'm looking at the site right now. Thanks for the suggestion!

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Community Meeting - Saturday at 2:00

Posted by [lon](#) on Thu, 08 Jan 2004 18:31:05 GMT

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Don't know if Meetup will work for small groups. It first came to my attention reading about political campaigns. Would be a good place to go if all the various forums could get in on it. Wayne, I'd suggest as a followup that at some point the suggestion be made that all the forums include some sort of link to Meetup in the same way that sites have subscribed to google. I'd have a hard time doing that as an individual. As you know, I've been trying to contact the Wisconsin DIY community myself.

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Community Meeting - Saturday at 2:00

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Thu, 08 Jan 2004 19:02:03 GMT

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Yeah, I found that out about Meetup.com. I signed up, and then realized it was sort of generic. It does allow local businesses to advertise their restaurant or club, and that makes a nice suggestion for a place to meet. And you can post a little announcement, but I didn't see how to make a club event or anything like that. Then again, I didn't spend a lot of time with it; There may be a way to do it and I just didn't notice. Keep plugging your desire to have Wisconsin folks form a club. There are probably some like-minded people there, but just like you, they haven't bumped into each other yet. By making yourself visible, you will increase your chances of meeting others and bringing people together. I noticed when you started doing this, and I thought it was a good idea. Eventually you'll find each other. Where exactly are you in Wisconsin? Just to the south of you, there are some DIY audio folks in Illinois. Just around the corner is Ohio and there are some good folks there too. And to the north across the lake in Canada, there is another pocket of DIY hobbyists. So I already know a lot of people within about five hours drive from you.

Subject: Re: Great Plains Audio Community Meeting - Saturday at 2:00

Posted by [lon](#) on Thu, 08 Jan 2004 19:43:26 GMT

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So I wasn't too off-base about Meetup. Good for Dennis Kucinch but not much for DIY. My latest communique with the 20 or so who have responded to the DIYWisconsin inquiry included the information about audioroundtable. Trouble is there are FAQs and forums all over the place and smidgin of info here and a smidgin of info there. I think the craftsman forum is unique and an excellent addition to this site. It would be a place to archive methods of work. For instance: there is no place you can go that I know of to find a step by step with illustrations of how to build a crossover on a piece of the traditional masonite anywhere... anywhere at all including books because I've looked. I'm talking about getting your substrate, what sort of glue to use, method of connection (through the board or surface mount) etc. etc. I can't be the only one who has been on this quest. Also I made the suggestion to Ed Dell at [_audioXpress_](#) that all construction projects include the three graphic forms of schematic, diagram of parts placement and photo of the finished item. Some of this has come to pass, but it's still dependent pretty much on the individual author.

Subject: Forgot to tell where I am

Posted by [lon](#) on Thu, 08 Jan 2004 19:55:20 GMT

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Other part of Wayne's post asked where I am located: I am in Northeast Wisconsin in the city of Appleton... part of the Fox Cities which is about 100,000 altogether. Appleton is 30 miles South of Green Bay, home of the Packers football team. Also I put together a newsgroup for the area on Usenet called [wi.northeastern.talk](#) There are several Wisconsin groups in the [wi.*](#) hierarchy but this one stays fairly free of spam and crossposts. It is unmoderated and all subjects

are welcome. Newsgroups like this are available as a link from Google if using a newsreader is not something you want to do. I've been involved in telecomm for about 10 years. Got started with a users group at that time.
