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Subject: Marshall Valvestate 65 wont turn on anymore

Posted by [Mike](#) on Thu, 02 Jun 2005 01:20:52 GMT

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For awhile i had this amp that would cut in and out while im playing and it would always pop and crack before it was ready to have steady power going to it so it would work and have sound. I opened it up to see if there were loose wires or solder points anywhere but there wasnt so i put it back together and it still did the pop crack thing. So next day i try to turn it on again and it doesnt even turn on anymore.. it just seems dead. Im new to fixing amps and have the schematics for it does anyone know what the problem may be?

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Subject: Re: Marshall Valvestate 65 wont turn on anymore

Posted by [Mike](#) on Fri, 03 Jun 2005 05:04:56 GMT

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ok dont know if anyones reading this but i made some progress.. i changed the fuse and a new preamp tube so i have power now.. itll turn on but not after like 10 minutes of cracking and power waving in and out.. especially at higher volume. when its steady itll start cracking and whatnot if i flick the power button. so what should i do that doesnt involve me putting any money into this thing when i want to get a new amp anyway.. resolder the board? something i dont know that has to do with the power supply? capacitors? any help would be appreciated

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Subject: Re: Marshall Valvestate 65 wont turn on anymore

Posted by [Chris R.](#) on Mon, 06 Jun 2005 23:46:52 GMT

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Without looking at it, my money is on power supply caps. Shortof finding a loose solder joint or being able to make it happenby tapping on things with a wooden/plastic stick, you're likelyto need a 'scope to see where the transients are coming from.Tube use high voltage, so be very careful. Only one hand nearthe chassis at a time. The other one goes in your pocket.Chris

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Subject: Re: Marshall Valvestate 65 wont turn on anymore

Posted by [KC](#) on Tue, 07 Jun 2005 17:39:51 GMT

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I also have that problem with my JCM-800 lead series... Somtimes while im playing it will just cut out (especially annoying during band practice or shows) but then i take out the input to my guitar

and it put it back in and its fine... this is very wierd and concerns me greatly. I thought it might have something to do with old tubes since its vintage and I have no idea when the tubes were last switched out. But good luck to you Mike.

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