Subject: Modding a console amp for guitar use Posted by colinhester on Wed, 19 Sep 2007 15:23:07 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I have a couple of 6V6 tube amps that I pulled from old consoles. Is it possible to mod them to work as guitar amps? I need another project like I need a hole in the head, but...... At the very least they are going to need a recap, but what else should be done?.....C

Subject: Re: Modding a console amp for guitar use Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 19 Sep 2007 18:30:20 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Put a 1/4" jack on the input and a guitar speaker on the output. I'll bet it will sound pretty cool, escecially for acoustic or "pure sound" guitars like the early Gibson models of the Les Paul.

Subject: Thanks Posted by colinhester on Thu, 20 Sep 2007 01:01:28 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

That's great news. I was really wondering if the amp would be worth restoring. Thanks, Colin

Subject: Gotta love eBay Posted by colinhester on Fri, 28 Sep 2007 23:41:43 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Just received the original (not photocopy) schematic for the amp. It's a Philco F-1700 and has a pretty open chassis. I've never recaped before; it looks like I've picked a good one to start with.....C

Subject: Re: Gotta love eBay Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 01 Oct 2007 13:46:52 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message It's amazing what you can find on that place. Some things you would never expect to find again pop up there. I think you're right to replace all the capacitors. That's the first thing I always do when I restore old tube radios. Sometimes it's all that's required to get the electronics back to 100% working order.

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