Subject: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by Bill Martinelli on Mon, 15 Dec 2003 03:17:55 GMT
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Said another way. What are you going to go get yourself for the holidays that no one else is going to get you !Bill

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by Wayne Parham on Mon, 15 Dec 2003 08:33:22 GMT
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I ordered a Seduction phono preamp kit, and it may be on its way around Christmas time. I ordered it a month or six weeks ago, right after buying Jerrod Harden's Foreplay preamp. So those are my Christmas goodies.What about you?

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by Bill Martinelli on Tue, 16 Dec 2003 03:12:31 GMT
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I'm hoping to put a lower ceiling in the shop along with more insulation over the christmas break. It's a pain to do by myself so I keep putting it off! You'll have to let me know how that seduction works out. I need a phono preamp.

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by jlharden on Tue, 16 Dec 2003 03:17:40 GMT
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Hi Wayne and Bill!Found my way over here! Have you had a chance to try the Foreplay with the Paramours yet Wayne? I'm interested to hear how it works for you. I have the same constant, non volume pot dependent hum with my Ella as I had with the Foreplay, starting to think it could be something in the house wiring or around the house. Never had noise with the Foreplay at the old house.... Jerrod

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?

Posted by Wayne Parham on Tue, 16 Dec 2003 04:04:27 GMT
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Wow! That's a big job! Why do you need this lower ceiling? Is it for temperature control, i.e. better insulation?About the Seduction, I'll be sure to let you know. I made sure to order the C4S kits too, so it should be as hum-free as possible.

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by Wayne Parham on Tue, 16 Dec 2003 04:11:21 GMT
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Hi Jerrod!I'm sorry I didn't write to you! I'm surprised that I didn't, actually. I meant to, and thought I did. But I guess that shows what "good intentions" by themselves are worth.I received your preamp, in great shape. I got a free T-shirt too! I think maybe you sent it for packing material, but I use it to change oil and futz around in. So that made me smile, and I meant to write and tell you about it.The preamp sounds fine. It's a pretty good unit. You did a great job wiring it up, and I like the base you built. Honestly, I expected that I would want to retouch some of the solder joints, maybe rewire in a few places. But I had mis-assessed you. Your work was splendid.So I've just been enjoying the preamp. It is a great little unit. Once I get the Seduction phono stage, I'll have a system that's tubes from pickup-coil to voice-coil.Wayne

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by Bill Martinelli on Tue, 16 Dec 2003 05:43:21 GMT
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Yeah, same old up north crap. less heit, more insulation, new heating unit, yada yada. right now i dont have anything for a ceiling so I dont keep the heat on all the time. That's really a bad thing so it's getting time to step up.

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by jlharden on Wed, 17 Dec 2003 03:11:35 GMT
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Hi Wayne, Thanks for the complement on the amp. I felt like I did an adequate job assembling it, but couldn't kick that last bit of noise. Now that I'm fighting the same exact issue with another similar, simple circuit I'm questioning the source of the hum. Noise is a frustrating thing! I forgot about the free tee shirt offer with a used Foreplay preamp promotion. Seriously though....I'm

missing a few tee shirts, what did it look like? ;) Was it a midget sprint car shirt? I've used a few of those for packaging. I'm glad you are having fun with the preamp and the shirt! Jerrod

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Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 17 Dec 2003 04:37:24 GMT
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Yep - The shirt was for "Esworthy Racing."

Subject: Re: Have you seen Zarniwoops.....
Posted by BillEpstein on Wed, 17 Dec 2003 23:59:27 GMT
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.....post that says he grounded the knob(!) of the Alps pot. Or perhaps you need a $450 Beech knob:) Another possibility is those Holland Tunnel speaker posts. I discovered that one of the grounds from the output board was just sitting inside one, not really soldered. I nearly drilled holes in'm to make a mechanical connection, Hate using solder as glue. Keep trying. Love my Ella.

Subject: Re: Get my room ready, eye-gor
Posted by BillEpstein on Thu, 18 Dec 2003 00:05:37 GMT
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Help? You need help? Help is 280 miles away.

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by BillEpstein on Thu, 18 Dec 2003 00:24:21 GMT
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I have no records. I have no record player. I have no record cleaner.But I just got a Hagerman "Bugle" fono stage board. Still have to order the parts from Mouser. Wanna try op-amps. cheap way to learn. Mebbe I'll "win" a KLH Model Eleven soon.

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by jlharden on Thu, 18 Dec 2003 01:16:52 GMT
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Hi Wayne, Paul Esworthy is my ex-girlfriend's uncle and a notable good guy. He's been racing the midgets for over twenty years and has won multiple national championships. He knows his stuff and is a dirt monster. The multi class midgets are sub 1000 lb cars with modified 600 cc motorcycle engines making over 150 horsepower. They are a whole lot of fun! Now you know....the rest of the story! Jerrod

Subject: Re: Have you seen Zarniwoops.....
Posted by jlharden on Thu, 18 Dec 2003 03:26:42 GMT
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I remember reading that zarni grounded the pot and after your post decided it couldn't hurt anything. I went for it and it made an improvement. Ella is tolerable now. I'm pretty anal when it comes to noise though, will keep trying to eliminate the rest. Spent the better part of the weekend rewiring the amp. Completely disconnected the toroidal transformer and started over twisting and rerouting all the wires. Also rewired the input and volume pot wiring with twisted pairs of magnet wire with braided copper shield. My amp has the power supply choke installed. Do you happen to have the wiring schematic so I can determine if the wiring is correct? I've been through about everything else. BTW....I reheated the joints on the output jacks. Took all 950 degrees my solder station had to get a nice hot joint! Not a real good design on those jacks. Otherwise Ella is getting better the more I futz. I guess that's better than getting worse! Jerrod

Subject: Re: Get my room ready, eye-gor
Posted by Bill Martinelli on Thu, 18 Dec 2003 04:26:00 GMT
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I'll lay in some sipping stock

Subject: Re: What's everyone have on your Christmas list?
Posted by replay on Fri, 19 Dec 2003 02:41:23 GMT
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other than the hartsfield replica's martinelli plans to build these would be a great stocking stuffer.george

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Subject: A biscuit joiner and a pair of DX 4s.
Posted by Ryder on Sun, 21 Dec 2003 22:08:07 GMT
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Happy HolidaysCheersCraig Ryder