Subject: Thanksgiving gave Steve and I time to spend another great day together at the bench Posted by Bill Epstein on Sun, 26 Nov 2006 17:10:49 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I brought the new base for the 45 amp and my tools to Steves. While I transferred the 45 from the temp base to the new one he wired his version of the same circuit. There was actual conversation while we worked, so rare in this mostly solitary hobby!Steve used damper diodes and a few other twists on his as well as a very spiffy contemporary-looking base.Of course it also features a neat layoutHe's on a road trip today but I imagine he'll have some comments on the design.Mine is playing beautifully right now and I'm thrilled with the outcome Steve helped me to acheiveThese are some of the quietest tube amps you'll ever hear and we're looking forward to comparing them to Colin's Yamamoto in a few weeks.

Subject: Re: Thanksgiving gave Steve and I time to spend another great day together at the bench Posted by Wayne Parham on Sun, 26 Nov 2006 18:04:11 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Wow! Both look great! Love Steve's base and yours too! Your top plate is the one you had powder coated recently, right?

Subject: Re: Thanksgiving gave Steve and I time to spend another great day together at the bench Posted by MWG on Mon, 27 Nov 2006 03:18:50 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Those are two stunning amps Bill. I'd sure love to hear something like that someday. They are something to be really proud of. I hope you get years of enjoyment from it.

Subject: Re: Thanksgiving gave Steve and I time to spend another great day together at the bench Posted by Matts on Thu, 30 Nov 2006 15:28:08 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Both look very nice! Bet they sound great. Are you using 3 psu chokes cause of splitting into a dual mono configuration?

Subject: Re: Thanksgiving gave Steve and I time to spend another great day together at the bench Posted by SteveBrown on Fri, 01 Dec 2006 01:01:23 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

There are only two PS chokes, one for each channel. The other item you see is a filiment transformer. And yes, dual mono power supplies.

Subject: Re: Thanksgiving gave Steve and I time to spend another great day together at the bench Posted by Matts_ on Fri, 01 Dec 2006 15:23:30 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

cool- thx. Both are excellent looking work- I have iron to make these amps and haven't got around to it....real work keeps interfering.

Subject: Nicely done. Posted by Poindexter on Thu, 07 Dec 2006 15:42:03 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Where did you get the tube socket mounting rings? Are those from Chung?Aloha,Poinz

Subject: Re: The tube mounts are from Forstner Posted by Bill Epstein on Fri, 08 Dec 2006 22:31:53 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Steve's pretty good with a drill press, don't you think?

Subject: Re: CCS's? Posted by Matts on Wed, 13 Dec 2006 21:48:07 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

which current sources did you guys use on the drivers?

Used a simple one stage MOSFET on Bills, but on mine I used a couple of Gary Pimm's super-duper Rev 5 self-biased ones. I've got a couple more of those nearly complete to put into Bill's amp. These help ramp up the voltage a bit more slowly which is nice, especially since Bill used SS rectification on his amp.

Subject: Re: thanks Posted by Matts on Sun, 17 Dec 2006 18:29:41 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I've never really looked closely at those, but will check them out. This is turning into a 2007 project for me...