Subject: power amp specs
Posted by Chris R. on Sat, 20 Dec 2003 02:46:12 GMT
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Hi Folks, I'm 1/2-heartedly shopping for a power amp and looking prettyclosely at the Crown amps from PE, specifically the CE1000. Fromreading the specs, is seems that even Crown is moving away from theFTC requirements of specing power, distortion, etc. at 20-20KHz.The only amps that have these sorts of specs are the Studio I and IIwhich cost an arm and a leg. Same deal with HT amps. They allseem to be rated at 100W/ch X 5 channels or more, but if you checkthe back by the power cord, they claim a max 375W input. Have theydiscovered cold fusion in the form of an audio amp? :^)I doubt it. So back to the original question, are the Crown CE ampsat least decent? Quiet? It *has* to be quieter than the 100W Klipsch plate amp I'm using now. Any other relative bargins inpower amps around? QSC seems to get good comments. Which series?Thx, Chris

Subject: Re: power amp specs
Posted by Adam on Sat, 20 Dec 2003 04:03:00 GMT
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The CE-1000 is a great amp, very solid... Both the Crown and the QSC would be a solid choice... I'd lean a bit to the QSC...Adam

Subject: Re: power amp specs
Posted by Wayne Parham on Sat, 20 Dec 2003 10:14:42 GMT
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I agree with Adam here. I like both Crown and QSC products. I've run Crown's for so long that I'm partial to them, probably like an old Ford man likes his Fords. But I see a lot of comments just like Adam's, giving QSC the nod by a nudge.Adam, how's the horn coming? I made a post to you about it yesterday, but it's down the page a bit.

Subject: Re: power amp specs
Posted by Adam on Sun, 21 Dec 2003 00:50:25 GMT
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Hey dude,No progress on the horns so far. The garage needs to be cleared out and my room needs some work as well. Once that's done, I have about six other cabinets to build before that.I

think I'm going to tinker with those conical horns, but I'm not 100% sure yet. I'm currently working on a pair of MTM mini towers using the Excels and possibly a Scan Speak 9500, or maybe even a Hiquphon OWII or OWIII. The construction will be pure fibreglass, bullet/teardrop shaped enclosures and integrated stand, all with bondo, a deep blue crackle paint job and a pearl finish. I think they'll be unlike anything you've seen before, Wayne! I started the mold earlier this week... Going to take a while. I'm expecting the enclosures alone to be a three month project.Adam

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Posted by Wayne Parham on Sun, 21 Dec 2003 11:42:36 GMT
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Now, that sounds cool! Definitely keep us informed.
