Subject: Major Bass Combo Restoration Project Posted by trainwreck_joe on Tue, 24 Jan 2012 01:01:49 GMT

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Where to begin?

Just this past weekend I received the guts of a 1971 1-15 K-100 bass combo amp from an old friend of mine. Components are all there, along with the original front panel, and the open-top, metal "box"--but that's it. The cabinet and its speakers (not to mention the original castors!) are long, long gone.

Does anyone know if there's anybody out there who can build vintage Kustom cabinets from scratch to pretty much original specs? For that matter do any blueprints, specs, information or knowledge bases exist for how these cabinets were constructed?

By the way, the components are a complete mess--but it looks like everything is there. My old friend told me that the amp no longer works (I'm afraid to even plug it in in its current condition), but that it *could* just be a loose capacitor (wishful thinking on his part I'm sure).

I realize that I could probably just buy a vintage Kustom amp out on ebay for much less than the \$\$\$ it will probably take to restore this amp, but I have a lot of personal history with it. It goes all the way back to my high school days, and I'm absolutely floored that--even in the current state it's in--it's come back into my life.

Thanks in advance for any information just to get me started.

--TWJ

ps: Will upload pics of what I have asap.