
Subject: New Kustom Kid on the block

Posted by [ampfreak](#) on Sat, 11 Feb 2006 20:17:49 GMT

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Not really guys as I'm 52 years old and have been playing on these beauts for 35 years. I'm just new to this website and hallelujah, I got logged on. Thanks for whoever it was that helped me into this website. I just wanna tell you members of several nice K's I have picked up on since I got my studio set up. First of all, Tucks have vanished from this area in Vicksburg MS that used to be common due to the decline in the music scene. It's a shame but Thank God for Ebay. I found a mint black K-50 textured nauga with mint cover and logo that was literally a little ole ladys amp in Missouri a few years ago for 385.00. She had bought it in 1969, played it 6 months and stuck it in a closet. A dude put it on Ebay, I won it by \$3.00 and it is a jewel, not a mark anywhere. However the speaker was frozen up from humidity and dust so I replaced it with a 16 ohm Vintage 30 Celestion greenback and DOES IT TALK? Cranked up full it sounds like a Marshall tube with a lot of gain. Next I found a K100 blue tuck 2-12 with bass module in California for \$650.00 with both covers. It is my pride and joy and was my keyboard amp for Hammond XK2 and Yamaha digital grand because it sounds great. But now I've found a near mint black K100 1-15 (if I can ever get the guy to ship it)that has a guitar module with reverb and tremelo which I will add a horn at the top to make my primary keyboard amp for the wedding reception gigs we do. I will swap the chassis so the two-twelve will be guitar in blue and the one-fifteen will have the bass head in black. Since the years of haulin' k200 series to clubs has taken a toll on my back, these little K100's are my favs as they are powerful enough but lighter and easier to handle. I will be looking for a red K100 in the near future if anyone has a tab on one. I also love my Mark 3 Kasino head with a 4-10 Ampeg bass cab that I refurbished in red elephant grain Marshall tolex. It looks awesome!! Thanks

Subject: Re: New Kustom Kid on the block

Posted by [stevem](#) on Mon, 13 Feb 2006 13:15:42 GMT

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Hey, welcome aboard. I hope you find a red one too. I've got a red frank type head from 67, and the tuck -n-roll covering looks better than the new 2001 TRT100 Kustom in red that I have. Some of these colors in the new stuff is not as brilliant as the vintage covering. Either that or the covering they used in China when they made this newish amps is substandard!

Subject: Re: New Kustom Kid on the block

Posted by [ampfreak](#) on Tue, 14 Feb 2006 05:33:49 GMT

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Hi Stephen,

Yeah, I noticed the material doesn't look as good also...even in the pictures. They just don't make stuff like they used too huh? In my job I deal with China parts everyday..makes you just wish we still had all the old good AMERICAN competition in companies within the U.S. and it was still all about making things that last, not who can make it cheapest with the most profit margin.

I always said if we ever get into a conflict with them, I hope they are not making our weapons too!!

So what do you play and what gear? Me...Well there's the 72 Tele Deluxe, Les Paul, Epi 335 Cherry, Homemade Strat with Entwistle-White british pickups, schaller neck and body from African bluebelle wood, Ibanez active bass, Old Alvarez hand made acoustic and an old 65 Silvertone acoustic with retrofitted Framus bridge. A Laney GC50, Holmes MP3, Kustom K50, two K100's, a Fender BXR100, KXR100, Laney 100 watt kickback, Kustom MK3 head with a 70 Ampeg cab, Kasino 4 channel head, Shure Vocalmaster PA, Beringher 12 channel PA head and two Carvin 12" / horn cabs with Sunn tripods, a 1965 Olds Recording trumpet, Yamaha digital grand and Hammond XK2 organ, Orpheus mandolin and 4 harmonicas. That is just instruments. Other stuff is vintage mics Shure S55, a pair of EV 664's, pair of AT condensers, a 75th year anniv. box set of SM58/57 another SM58, a Carvin Studio mic, a Sennheiser condenser and a bass drum mic, plus vintage Pioneer amps, receivers, cassettes, JBL and AR studio monitors, Alesis 3630 compressor, Art Quadrafx, Beringher headphone amp all for my 16 track Roland and 12 track Tascam recorders. How can a guy need this much CRA....? Isn't it fun? I love it!

Subject: Re: New Kustom Kid on the block
Posted by [ampfreak](#) on Tue, 14 Feb 2006 05:39:47 GMT
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Sorry...It was "STEVEN" wasn't it...not Stephen. My bad!!

Subject: Re: New Kustom Kid on the block
Posted by [edforgothispassword](#) on Thu, 16 Feb 2006 22:27:56 GMT
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welcome AmpFreak...to the greatest bunch of guys/and Deb on the planet. !!!! glad you found us... I just finished emailing another kustom 40 something who came back to the amps after many years..he found me on harmony central..and I told him about this site...should see him soon..

You've gotten some great treasures there...fantastic...and as always..love to see guys still using them..a blue 2x12 on stage with a VK pouring that hammond tone through it..oh yeah...life is good!

thanks for sharing....and glad to have you...

Subject: Re: New Kustom Kid on the block
Posted by [Dave](#) on Fri, 17 Feb 2006 07:54:23 GMT
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HEY THERE, my name is Dave, I'm the guy Ed just mentioned. What a cool place you got here,,, nice curtains. I wondered if any one knows about the Kustom Kat that's on ebay right now, what's the story? & is there any sort of history text you might know of? Or is it on here & totally missed it, I do that alot. thanks

Subject: Re: New Kustom Kid on the block
Posted by [stevem](#) on Fri, 17 Feb 2006 12:45:45 GMT
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The Broadway music, kustom site may have more info for you on that add campane.

Subject: Re: New Kustom Kid on the block
Posted by [edforgothispassword](#) on Fri, 17 Feb 2006 15:09:05 GMT
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hey Dave...glad you found your way here...I've sent you an email with a bit more of the background on the KATs and the Naugas....its another wonderful part of the kustom story..

I wish I had been savy enough to have had a tape recorder with me at times when Bud was telling stories...coulda put some sound bites out on this site....anyway...glad to have another new/old kustom freak join the ranks... Play Loud ! ET

Subject: Re: New Kustom Kid on the block
Posted by [ampfreak](#) on Sat, 18 Feb 2006 06:12:01 GMT
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Subject: Re: New Kustom Kid on the block
Posted by [Smoke1](#) on Tue, 21 Feb 2006 01:33:04 GMT
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You are cool to come onboard and online my newest Kustom jammin brother. Smoke1 is close to the big 50 next month and getting better everyday. Got a new jammin partner and coming back out of hiding. Be Cool, Be smooth, and Be jammin'
