

Vase® NEWS

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Welcome back! This month we bring you up to date on progress concerning production and release of the VASE line, we announce an exciting pre-launch offer for subscribers, we catch you up on some VASE product outings for October and as usual, we welcome and feature your feedback. A special welcome, also to our new subscribers. If anyone requires a copy of previous newsletters, drop me a line at carol@aprofessional.com.au

Trendsetter 60 Deluxe Going Through It's Final Roadtests

The Trendsetter Deluxe 60, assembled by VASE veteran Gary Broadhurst (full story in the September 09 issue), has reached the Beta Model stage and is, as we go to press, being tested at festivals, etc. around the state.

The whole VASE team were excited as new parents as the completed prototype was delivered. It's pictured here, and we think you'll share our pride and excitement!



Pre-Launch Release for Subscribers!

As you may be aware, we are manufacturing a commemorative production run of 50 Trendsetter 60 Deluxe Amplifier Heads with a Trendsetter 60 Speaker cabinet loaded with 3 Celestion Greenback 12" Speakers. The commemorative 50 will be handwired by Gary Broadhurst, who handwired the originals back in the 1970's at the VASE factory.



We have decided to offer this commemorative run of 50 to the VASE subscribers first before a general release. Each head and cabinet comes in a custom flight case and a bunch of goodies ie. VASE Trendsetter 60 Shirt, original certificate of authenticity signed and numbered and a 10 year warranty (not on valves of course). It has taken us nearly 4 years to get to this point, but we believe we have now reached the stage where we have a world class amplifier with no compromises, built right here in Brisbane.

We will be sending out a Special News Release next week with photos, the full spec sheet and pricing on the Trendsetter 60 Deluxe.

VASE Speaker Cabinets Out and About in September!

We mentioned Peter Pittendreigh (Pitt to his mates), of General Backline Hire www.gbh.net.au last month who had added VASE equipment to his stable of hire equipment. He's sent us an update on VASE outings for the month of October. If you were at any of the following, you might have sighted some VASE Speakers in action:

Wilbur Wild's Band corporate show. 2x VASE V210
Darryl Braithwaite corporate show. 2x VASE V210
Ross Wilson charity event in Coff's Harbour. VASE V210
Galvatrons SE QLD-Northern Rivers tour 2x VASE V210
Shannon Noll @ Conrad Jupiters VASE 4x12 quad

Mud, Bulls and Music Country Club...2 x VASE V210 bass cabinets
Mud, Bulls and Music Toyota Main Stage...VASE V210,VASE Greenback 412
VASE TS60 Prototype
Kedron St Party VASE V810
House of Shem @ HiFi bar VASE V810

New Addition to the VASE Collection



Gavin O'Dea is pictured left with the VASE amp and head which we recently acquired from him. He received the VASE amp in 1978. It is one of a kind, probably a custom order, with 2 microphone inputs and an organ input. Here's Gavin's VASE story:

"My parents bought it for me with a Wilson Organ. So the first instrument I learnt to play was the organ. I played organ until 1983 then I started to play bass and synthesizer. Incidentally the first synthesizer I bought (in 1984) was a DX 7 which I still have today. Anyway I started playing in bands in 1983 and have continued to play until now. The current band I am in is the Mini Rock n Roll Show. The photos I sent you are of a band (Z Street). I played in this band from 1986 to 1989. these photos were taken in late 1986 and the venue was the Brisbane City Council Club. On stage are Gavin O'Dea, that's me (bass, backup vocals and keys), Paul Wilkie (the chap with the mow, lead guitar and lead vocal), Gary McAllister (rhythm guitar and backup vocal) and Jamie Buckler (drums).

All three used Vase amps, as can be seen from the attached photos. Sorry I couldn't get better close ups of the amps."

No problem, Gavin! Thanks for sharing and for contributing to the VASE collection in our showroom!



If you enjoyed hearing about Gavin's VASE experience, let us hear about yours. We VASE enthusiasts are a rather exclusive fraternity and like to hear from other like-minded (talented, discerning, highly enlightened) fans!

First of all, thanks to all you astute readers who let me know I had failed to attach the actual newsletter to my email last month. I trust you all finally received it!

A new subscriber from Southbank Institute of Technology in Brisbane writes:

Hi There,

My name is Zack and I've been using Vase Amps at Southbank Institute of Technology this whole year and really enjoy the sound of them and was looking to purchase a few for myself and my band i was wondering if you have a product catalogue or a price list of your amps.

Hi Zack,

Glad you are enjoying using the amps. There is no catalogue or price list but it will be our early in the New Year.

Thanks for the interest,

Harry

That's all for this month. The website is getting closer to completion, the launch of the Trendsetter 60 due for early next year along with product lists and prices. Your patience and loyalty have been appreciated. The wait is almost over!

All the best! Carol