Subject: Frank's jewels

Posted by Yooperdan on Sat, 03 Feb 2018 06:28:02 GMT

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Hi all,

I got lucky and picked up a Frankie but it's missing the pilot light jewel and bezel.

I have an early Frank with the smooth red jewel and like that look and wondered if all the Frankie's had the smooth red jewel or the later ones used the faceted purple jewels. Anyone have any thoughts

on a replacement that would screw in? Of course a Kustom jewel would be best, would certainly pay a nice finder fee

for one : ) Also missing one foot and the 3 amp fuse assembly is missing, haven't opened her up yet to see why.

Any thoughts or help is greatly appreciated.

She's a beaut!

Thanks,

Yooperdan

Subject: Re: Frank's jewels

Posted by stevem on Sat, 03 Feb 2018 11:28:03 GMT

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I think a have a spare Jewel or two, but you can still get the dimond face Jewels new so don't fret, what I would fret about is why that 3 amp fuse is out!

What do you mean by the "3 amp fuse assembly is missing", do you mean the fuse and its twist on cover, or the whole deal the fuse loads into?

At any rate I would not turn the amp on if that whole fuse holder is missing, but even if the holder is there I would not power the amp until I did two things.

- 1) open it up to look for any loose wires.
- 2) do a resistance check across the 2 big power supply filters to ground to check for shorts, like less then 1000 ohms to ground.

If these check out then I would load a 1.5 fast blow fuse in place of the 3 amp and see if it blows when you turn the amp on.

If it does then it's power supply and or output stage repair time!

Peavey makes a metal foot like the A and B amps have that you can order from Tubes and more.

Subject: Re: Frank's jewels

Posted by Yooperdan on Sun, 04 Feb 2018 18:41:51 GMT

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Opened up Frankie to see what was up with the 3 amp assembly, someone was creative it

appears,

lots of duct tape wrapped around the brace and I'm assuming the fuse assembly inside and going to the

5 amp I think on first glance!! Oy vay. I think the auction company was fibbing when it said the amp worked a couple of years ago.

All good nothing that can't be fixed (not by me) and I'm still grinning about finding it.

50+ years later and still the coolest amps out there.....

Yooperdan

I may be old but I saw all the good bands

Subject: Re: Frank's jewels

Posted by stevem on Tue, 06 Feb 2018 10:55:56 GMT

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I am not sure what you are stating about the 3 and 5 amp fast blow type fuse, they should not be wired together!

The 3 amp fuse is on the AC wall outlet input of the power supply and the 5 amp fuse is in the amps speaker output feed.

Yes, 5 amps!

That's why speaker cables should not be made up of flimsy light gauge stereo hook up wire!