Subject: i would welcome your input
Posted by shadow on Wed, 22 Dec 2004 13:57:51 GMT
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hey guys .i need some of you more experienced kustom folks to put some input on a matter of a a charcoal sparkle amp and cabinet i have listed in the for sale section .the amp is a k200b-4 made i was told around feb of 1969 ,the cabinet is a 3 15 loaded with cts speakers.this amp and cabinet is what i would call very clean for the age ,not one thats been bounced around from gig to gig. everything works like new as best as i know how to check .i listed the pair at $400 which probably would be negotionable to a point.can anybody give me any indication what a reasonable asking price is for the pair.i have had a couple of people inquire but they seem to think i should almost pay them to take them plus me pay the shipping.i want to be reasonable with anyone but can't see myself doing this .my only reason for listing it is not that it has any problems but the fact i think it would be better off in the hands of somebody that would use it rather then have it just sit here ,plus the fact i have a project i'm working on that i need a few extra coins to invest in .any input on the value of these would be appreciated.. thanks .. shadow

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by edforgothispassword on Wed, 22 Dec 2004 16:42:09 GMT
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hey Shadow...good to hear from you... I'm one of th worst on price cause Ilove em so much that they are worth more to me...as a result I never both to sell anything cause I'd want too much for them.
Here's my 2 cents worth..and all are welcome to disagree...

Cosmetics is what its all about with our beloved kustoms...if an amp is free of cig burns, tears, ripped corners etc...then the price goes on up there...I personnally would gladly pay $400 - $600 for a mint clean sparkle rig...I wouldn't care if the amp even turned on cause I can totally rebuild one for about $60.
Speakers obviously drive the price up...the CTS are good speakers..and i like them a lot...but the Altecs and the JBLs are the cream.

anyway..on your rig...if its clean...yeah $400 is very fair for a 3x15 sparkle...if its ragged...that's probably top dollar.

The biggest problem is that shipping can kill a deal on these so the only time I've bought the big uns  has been when I could pick em up directly. That may be where your buyers are trying to get the price point.  i may be getting in trouble with potential shoppers..but if you were to ask me if $400 is fair...it is to me...then just plan a fun road trip where ya'll meet half way and enjoy the visit with fellow kustom nuts.

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by Smoke1 on Wed, 22 Dec 2004 16:54:02 GMT
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Please send Kustom pictures to smokemcnasty@hotmail.com

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by shadow on Wed, 22 Dec 2004 22:27:01 GMT
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smoke.my wife misplaced her digital camera so ill have to get a friend to come over and snap some shots .this may be after christmas but i will get them to you and will also post them in the forum if my genius friend knows how to go about that.the amp and cabinet are both very nice in my opinion (ofcourse that doesn't count much with me being on the sellers end )i've seen it put in the forum that they look new from 10 feet away ,well this one unless you have superman eyes looks new from 2 feet away .it does have a few small tears on the back of the cabinet and i looked again while writing and found that it has two small ones on the very bottom of the cabinet as if somebody had done loading it at sometime. i will try to get a good pic that will show any i can find.the chrome ports ,the kustom emblem are very shinny and the grill screen is nice with 3 very very small holes(you have to actually get close and look for them.the amp as far as i can tell has no issues and the speakers still sound really good. anddddddddddddd the light shines bright.i'll get the pics as soon as i can .. thanks for inquiring and thanks for the info ed.. take care .. shadow

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by KustomDan on Sun, 26 Dec 2004 01:35:15 GMT
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I think ET has given you a great summary of what drives value. You may want to consider listing it in the site classifieds for a while; you may even consider an e-bay auction. You could indicate in the classified (or in the auction) a willingness to sell the speaker cabinet separately. If you sell the cabinet separately to someone who can pick it up, you will have no trouble selling a clean sparkle head for about $200 as shipping on the head alone will be reasonable.

You might also look into shipping options. The most reasonable shipping that I have found for an item this large is to use someone like Forward Air that ships terminal to terminal (e.g. you drop it off at a terminal near you (assuming there is one - - check their web site) and they deliver it to their terminal nearest the buyer who has to pick it up from them.

I sent a 3-12 cabinet from Phila to Dallas for $50 and received a 3-12 from San Francisco (to Phila) for $50). The key is boxing the amp yourself and it must be shipped on a pallet base so that they can load it with a fork truck; be sure to allow something for materials if you pack it yourself (e.g. styrofoam padding - - cardboard to form a box this large could be obtained free from an appliance store such as the cardboard from refrigerator boxes).

If you have to pay someone to make a box and/or pack it that will add to your shipping cost (get estimates in advance)

Dan

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by shadow on Sun, 26 Dec 2004 13:37:12 GMT
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thanks Dan for the info .i do have it listed in the for sale section of the forum .i had a few to e-amil me about it but all of them seemed to want to give me the impression the amp and cabinet were almost worthless and i thought i'd ask the advise in the comment board from you that have dealt in them.i actually hate to part with it because it is probably one of the best conversation pieces a guy can own,i just have some other interests that i need a few bucks for and decided it might be better to be in the hands of someone that would enjoy using it because it rarely gets played here .. thanks again and hope you and all have the very best of holidays.. Shadow

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by shadow on Wed, 05 Jan 2005 15:37:04 GMT
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here is a link that will take you to the pics of the kustom 200b-4 amp and cabinet i have for sale just click on it and it should take you there. http://www.guitarfrenzy.com/kustom_200.htm thanks.. shadow

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by edforgothispassword on Thu, 06 Jan 2005 15:37:32 GMT
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Dude!...great looking amp!...jump all over it....and what a cool looking basement..inspires me to want to finish my own room which is roughed in and concrete floor...that amp looks good in that room.....

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by shadow on Thu, 06 Jan 2005 16:56:42 GMT
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thanks for the compliment on the room ed. this is my play room that is kind of a mess from all the equipment in it right now .the band is set up to practice here and it takes up alot of room. kinda got things scattered about.it's a 6 piece band so with 6 amps , a set of drums ,4 mics, pa set up and 6 monitors,guitar stands and all of my junk with extra amps and guitars it takes up alot of space and makes it hard to keep organized. ..... shadow

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by edforgothispassword on Fri, 07 Jan 2005 14:37:57 GMT
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crowded is cool...espeically when its music n racing...my little office ( a single bed bedroom conversion) houses my desk (main computer, plus lap top, second unit with fax machine,copy machine, scanner...bookcase..the rest of the floor space is full with 4 kustom amps, usualy about 6 plus guitars, a keyboard to do a bit of midi work, usually a small rack with synth modules and an 8ch mixer on top, a fender acoustic amp that usually serves as monitor for it all and walls full of Budweiser steins, model trains and johnny lightning cars (little ones...all I can afford)...oh and a big olf kustom pic shaped clock (thanks Bryan), and pics of me and Bud Ross....gotta have em!...mostly it just looks cluttered..yours looks cool.
My ware house originally was to be my toy room with space to set up band and properly display all the kustoms...but then I cranked up this backline biz and now the whole thing is piled full of gear so badly that I have to shuffle stuff every time I want to load out...will be building more shelving this month and hopefully get to where I can at least SEE my kustom collection....

Subject: Re: i would welcome your input
Posted by shadow on Fri, 07 Jan 2005 19:13:26 GMT
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ed.i'm a pack rat too .it sounds like we have close to the same set-up i don't have the kuston clock ,bud ross pic or the beer stines but all the other sounds familiar.i've got a 3600 square ft.shop piled floor to ceiling with collections of junk ,some usable and some probably trash that will always be what you needed the day after you haul it to the dump one of my buddies is all time telling me i should open the door and charge people to just go in and look to see what all can be whorded up over the years ...i hardly ever sell much of anything to be honest but my wife has almost clamped the bits down and told me i have too many toys that i don't play with anymore so i need to make some effort to unload some of them to start a new pile .. good to hear from you .. Shadow ..... by the way ed.i had one guy e-mail me about the amp that says that it is a silver sparkle,from the kustom pics i've seen i thought it might be called charcoal .can you give me the correct term of the color of the amp and cab ?.. thanks again .. Shadow