

Vase® NEWS

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Don't ever say we can't keep a secret! We've known for a while about Tym Guitars' move to a new home and had to keep it under our hat(s)! In addition to great surroundings for the VASE products, the move means more space for our displays, excellent conditions for you to play around with them to your heart's content and some other VASE merchandise to tempt you. Should be all up and running well before the NEXT newsletter! Other exciting news below regarding the amazing Dynabass 1K Classic, our bass amplifier.

Home Sweet (New) Home

VASE's Brisbane retail home is **Tym Guitars in Fortitude Valley**. We are able to share some exciting news with you this month. Tim Brennan is moving his extraordinary shop around the corner to new and more spacious quarters.

Tym Guitars has grown in leaps and bounds to become one of the most respected and unique guitar shops in the world and is visited by such names as Jack White, Keith Urban, Hank Marvin and J Mascis and lists them plus bands like the Pixies, Jesus and Mary Chain, My Chemical Romance, Paul Weller and many more international bands as well as most big and small Australian bands as customers.

We have mentioned before that Tym Guitars is **THE RETAIL OUTLET in Brisbane for VASE amps**. I hinted in the last issue that bigger and better things were in store, I can now tell you that **Tym Guitars is moving and expanding**. They aren't going far: around the corner at 5 E Winn Street, Fortitude Valley. But the new quarters are making room for (in addition to the VASE section of amps and VASE merchandise) a more diverse range of products including drum products, tour gear, recording equipment, music, CD/vinyl/ merchandise and collectables and lots more.



There will be soundproof "tryout" rooms for retail and hire gear and dedicated custom designed and built practice rooms/studios that can be booked day or night for full bands, teachers/students, clinics, etc. The rooms are supplied with **Acoustic Technology PA's** and Tym speaker cabs along with their current list of ever growing vintage and rare hire gear available on request.

Can't tell you the exact date yet but mid November is slated for the opening. In the meantime, business as usual at Tim's Ann Street address.

“ Man , I was in the shop Saturday and tried out the black Trendsetter. It is AWESOME. Really nice break up. I've gotta say though. It breaks up more than any of my vintage VASE's I think ? I'm not saying that's bad. It sounds amazing !!!!”

Tim Brennan

Dynabass 1K Classic

As we were working on the Trendsetter 60 reissue, quite a few people were asking about **bass amps**. We had already designed 5 models of bass speaker boxes, so we decided we would put a parallel effort into working on a head.

After many prototypes and discussions with bass players for personalized input, we have finally finished the Dynabass 1K. It is a 1000watt into 4 ohm amplifier with very sophisticated pre-amplifier topology.

Like most of the car manufactures that disguise their new models for road testing, we have had this constantly being used in a plain rack mount chassis in festivals and tours etc.

Every bass player that has had a chance to play through the Dynabass, wants one. **Dan Webb**, bass player from the North Coast can't wait to get his hands on one and has ordered the first one to come off the production line. You will be able to come and try it out for yourself at Tym Guitars' new shop which opens in a few weeks time.

We will have the Dynabass 1K Classic and all the bass speaker cabinets on display so you can hear the different combinations. More in depth, technical, details in the next issue.

Dynabass 1K Classic

Vase Bass Cabinets

- V1000 \$995
- V1100 \$1,195
- V4100 \$1,595
- V6100 \$1,995
- V8100 \$2,495



Received the picture at left from Alert Reader Don Betts.

Carol : "The VASE team wants to assure you that they have had no association with pot since, say, the late 70's. I repeat, we have NO pot for sale."

Don B. "a pot is a vital component in an amplifier"

Carol: "Oh, in that case maybe we do, but no inhaling."



Legendary Brisbane bass player Don Betts



It is SO good to hear from you all. Questions are coming in as to where VASE products will be available in other states. As Harry tells Josh Murphy below, we are looking for top quality, compatible music shops in which to place them. If you have a favourite in your area, let us know and we'll check them out!

Hey guys and gals, how things?

I use an original trendsetter 60. I have had it for years.. It's in perfect working condition. although the speaker box does have a few dings. (nothing to worry about really) I play live shows with it every week with my band sex face, and am always getting comments on the tone. I also used it to tour nationally with my other band Epicure and it always stood up perfectly. Outdoor gigs, indoor gigs, Festivals.. any ware.

I Use it to record albums, which get international release, and People all over the world are always telling me how much they love my tone.. So Basically.. Thankyou!!! Killer!!!

I live in Melbourne.. I never have any want to use another amp for as long as I live. However, my amp is very old as you know and I would love to try a new one so I can Compare.. How is this possible?.. I haven't seen any..

Look forward to hearing from you, I will keep spreading the good vase name.

Peace, Josh Murphy

Hi Josh,

Thank you for your e-mail and all your good comments. We have been working on re-birthing the VASE brand now for 3 years and only just last week started shipping some Trendsetter 60's. We have Tym Guitars here in Brisbane as a dealer and will be looking for quality guitar shops in Melbourne and other capital cities.. Best regards, Harry

Didn't see your e-mail on our newsletter list so I've taken the liberty of signing you up. There is a year's archive of back issues on the VASE web site www.vase.com.au, Carol

Hi, I noticed Vase amps already used as back line at a recent gig i did for an artist i manage <http://www.myspace.com/whitnykapa/photos/5709247>. Is this new series? Norwest sound was the PA supplier.

From Matt

Hi Matt,

Those photos are from Mud Music last year. I use Norwest as well as having an involvement with VASE so naturally I try to place our stock on gigs like that where I can. The bass cabinets are an all-new design. Norwest use a back line company by the name of General Backline Hire; they stock a lot of VASE bass cabs. This year we'll also have the Trendsetter 60 re-issue rig on the main stage, as well as our all-new 1000 watt bass amp with 810 cab. Drop in and say hi if you're at the gig.

Regards,

Graeme Whitehouse

hello vase !!

i would like a copy of yr amp and cab product catalog please. i am after a good tube bass amp and cab (610 cab maybe)! it would help me

decide !! thanx heaps vase!!

Stevie G !!!

Hi Steven,

We don't have a catalogue yet as we are working on finishing the new bass heads. But we will keep you in the loop. They won't be far away. If there is any particular piece of information you need on the bass cabinets let me know.

I'll be in touch.

Regards, Harry

can i get some info on vase bass amps and cabs. are they all tube amps ! Steven

Dear Vase people - wonderful vision & accomplishment; kudos! I am hoping the bass amp has a valve preamp as first contact the bass has with your amp as the harmonic richness of the valve is key to Vase tradition. (I am assuming @ 1000w it is semiconductor) best regards, Gordon

Are there any 12" bass cabinets in the scheme of things? Gordon

Hi Gordon,

We will be building a valve preamp solid state bass head. What we will keep you in the loop. They won't be far away. If there is any particular piece of information you need on the bass cabinets let me know. We have pre-orders from the people who have used it on gigs. Talk to you soon, Harry



That's it for another month. "Happy Halloween" in case I don't see you before then. (It's the 31st for you non practitioners.)

Trick or Treat!, Carol