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We have often praised you for your patience with us as you seem to understand that perfection takes time. Well your patience (or lack of, in some cases) has paid off. You can now get your hands on one of these new little marvels. As we say in tennis (I know, who asked) the ball is in your court. You now have to commit to a colour scheme and determine whether you want a combo or a head (or both). We're waiting impatiently to hear from you...

Okay, It's Decision Time!



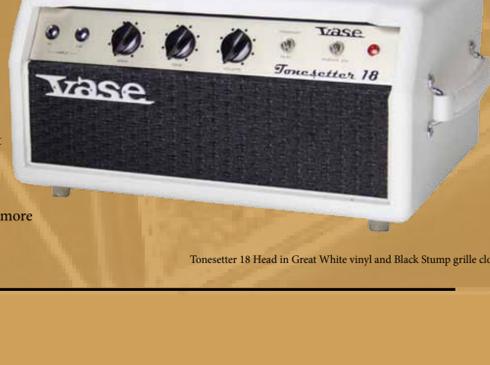
Tonesetter 18 Combos in the 16 combinations available

Decisions, decisions! Well the first thing to decide is whether you want a head or a combo. The head is pictured at right and comes in all the vinyl and grille cloth combinations pictured on the Combos above. It is priced at \$1495. There will be both 1 x 12 and 2 x 12 cabinets available for use with both this and the combo. There will be a choice of four Celestion model speakers in these.

The combo price is \$1795. All are being sold factory direct without added retail margin and come with a 3 year warranty.

Photos can't do justice to the vinyl work and beautiful grille colours, but this gives you an idea of the range! Make your choices, place your order!

Check back to last months FAQ for more information. Click [HERE](#).



Tonesetter 18 Head in Great White vinyl and Black Stump grille cloth

VIA

VASE IN ACTION

It is getting more and more easy to catch up with VASE. We are out and about in Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne among other places! Here's a bit of a review of the past month:



The **Mason Rack Band** played three Sydney Venues



The **House Wreckers** were in Geelong, Victoria

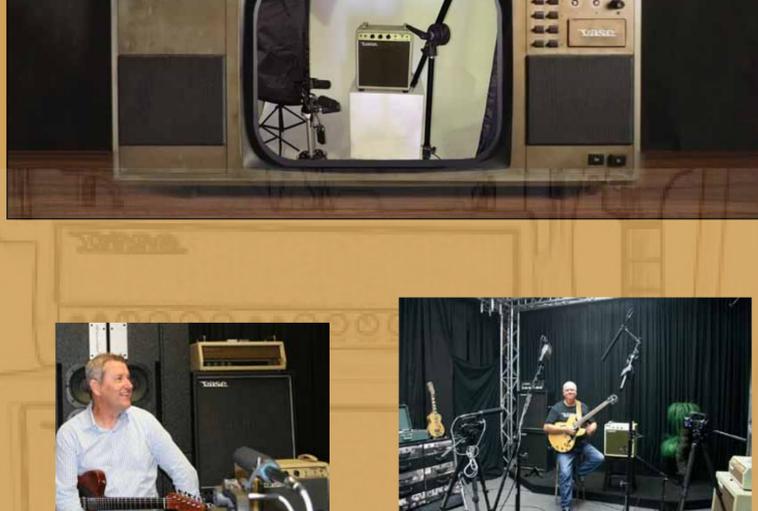


And in Brisbane you can see VASE in Action at **Lefty's Oldtime Music Hall** (above), **Sonny's House of Blues** (left), **Brooklyn Standard** (right) and **The Triffid** (below).



Lights, Cameras, Action!

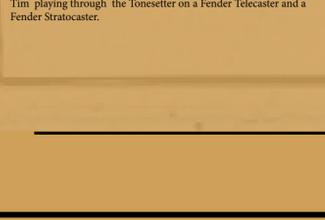
All the action is not in the field, we are generating a bit right here at VASE Headquarters. Doug Watt has been busy photographing, recording and filming bits for VASE. Get on to YouTube for a sample!



Watch **Butch Bellert** on [YouTube](#), putting the Tonesetter through its paces!



Paul Cheeseman can be seen playing a **Yamaha SA2200** and a **Gibson 335** in various styles.



And here's **Tim Gaze** on a Les Paul. There are other YouTube clips of Tim playing through the Tonesetter on a Fender Telecaster and a Fender Stratocaster.



Luthier **Daniel Jeffries** stopped by to show us some of his beautifully crafted guitars. Watch for his YouTube clips for VASE, coming soon.

VASE in Social Media

Creativity Well Managing Director and Principal Consultant, Paul Holland, has had significant experience in the private and public sectors as an executive manager, company director, educator, business coach, media producer, and interaction designer. He is a musician, VASE Board Member, past and present VASE owner and keeps us up to date on Social Media.

A real action month for us with the new Tonesetter 18 the star of the show with some great demos posted on VASE TV and also our Facebook page. Both Paul Cheeseman and Tele Master Butch Bellert dropped by VASE HQ to put the combo through its paces and share their thoughts. Well watched and appreciated vids that are also available on our VASE TV YouTube channel.

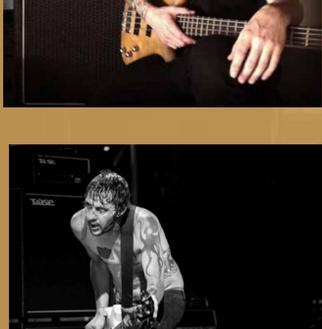
Their insights into the new amp are really worth taking in. We'll continue to feature demos like these with great players using different instruments and revealing the amazing qualities of this little amp.



Paul Cheeseman

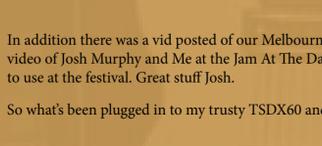


Butch Bellert



Jamie Roberts of the **Mason Rack Band** looked pretty happy when we pictured him with his new Dynabass rig.

A couple of really good pics showing the classic styling of the Tonesetter18. The first showing a Full Cream combo unit with the 4 different styles of grille cloth. And the second a great shot of a Black Stump combo.



Our Pinterest page continues to grow. The VASE In Action board has some fabulous pics of our gear in action. If you haven't checked it out yet you should. Pinterest isn't all about pictures of cats and scrapbooking. Please contribute. <http://www.pinterest.com/VASEamps/>

Pic by **Alexander Wooten** at the Triffid.

In addition there was a vid posted of our Melbourne mate Greg Trenney and his new band the HouseWreckers. Also video of Josh Murphy and Me at the Jam At The Dam event where they provided their VASE gear as the backbone for all to use at the festival. Great stuff Josh.

So what's been plugged in to my trusty TSDX60 and 412 cab this month? A bit of Gretsch action. (Picture below)

What gear do you use? Please share. Keep your contributions coming in. I always put in a reminder that we can scan old slides and negatives if you have them. They will be returned along with digital copies for your archives. Have a rummage around and send what you can find. Polaroids were big in the 70s. There must be thousands of those instant snaps around as well. Just contact me at hollandp@bigpond.net.au or send them to: Paul Holland, PO Box 2612, Cherside Centre, Q 4032

I'll copy the pics and return to you. I'll also email you digital copies. The VASE Facebook page is: <https://www.facebook.com/VASEAMPS> Check out our VASE TV channel on You Tube: <https://www.youtube.com/user/vasetvau/>

A big effort is on to revitalise our Twitter presence. If you tweet, follow us and contribute. Follow us on Twitter at: <http://twitter.com/#!/vaseamps> Our new Instagram presence: <http://instagram.com/vaseamps> And now on Pinterest as well: <http://www.pinterest.com/VASEamps/> Let us know your thoughts direct on FB and Twitter or at info@vase.com.au Keep your smart devices charged and ready to shoot when you're out and about. Cheers and rock on Paul



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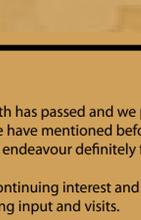
Last month we had a letter from Mike Shaw, owner of Elephant Studios and member of local 70's band Karma. He had come across an old Trendsetter head on Ebay. It had never worked properly for him so he brought it in for our guru Noel to take a look at. We enjoyed visiting with Mike and hearing about his life since Karma. You can find out more at Elephant Studios web site [here](#).

Here's a picture of Mike's vintage Trendsetter. Unfortunately Noel Bourne (pictured below), has more pressing matters just now. His wife is seriously ill and Noel is caring for her. I know you will want to join us in sending very warmest thoughts to the Bourne family.

As Mike put it:

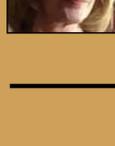
There's absolutely no hurry at all for the amp. All the best to Noel.

Cheers, Mike



Noel Bourne

And Finally...



Another month has passed and we pause to reflect on how important our associations with you are. As we have mentioned before, VASE is a community, a sharing of lives and stories. The energy in this endeavour definitely flows both ways.

So it is with continuing interest and anticipation that we look forward to the new season and your continuing input and visits.

Keep up with us between newsletters on any of the four platforms below, and let us hear from you. Take care, Carol

