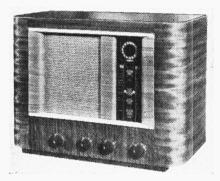
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# BUSH BA53

### 3-BAND BATTERY SUPERHET



SHORT-WAVE range of 16-51 m is covered by the Bush BA53 4-valve battery-operated superhet, a feature of which is the inclusion of the firm's Teleflic dial to facilitate logging short-wave stations.

There is also a local-distant switch, operated by a push-pull motion of the volume control spindle.

#### CIRCUIT DESCRIPTION

Two alternative aerial input sockets; A1 direct on all bands and A2 direct on SW, but via series resistances R1 and R2 on MW and LW respectively, to coupling coils L1 (SW), L2 (MW), L3 (LW), and single tuned circuits L4, C27 (SW), L5, C27 (MW) and L6, C27 (LW). Local-distant switch S29 connects damping resistance R4 across tuned circuits when closed ("Local" position). First valve (V1, Mazda metallised

TP23) is a triode-pentode operating as frequency changer with internal coupling. Triode anode coils L10 (SW), L11 (MW) and L12 (LW) are tuned by C31; parallel trimming by C28 (SW), C29 (MW) and

C6, C30 (LW); series tracking by C7 (MW) and C8 (LW). Grid reaction by coils L7 (SW), L8 (MW) and L9 (LW). Second valve (V2, Mazda metallised VP210) is a variable-mu RF pentode

Second valve (V2, Mazda metallised VP210) is a variable-mu RF pentode operating as intermediate frequency amplifier with tuned-primary tuned-secondary transformer couplings C32, C3, L13, L14, C4, C33 and C34, C13, L15, L16, C14, C35.

Intermediate frequency 465 KC/S.

Diode second detector is part of double diode triode valve (V3, Mullard metallised TDD2A). Audio frequency component in rectified output is developed across manual volume control R12, which also operates as load resistance, and passed via AF coupling condenser C18 and CG resistance R13 to CG of triode section, which operates as AF amplifier. IF filtering by C16, R11, C17. Provision for gramophone PU across R12.

Second diode of **V3**, fed from **V2** anode via **C15**, provides DC potential, which is developed across load resistance **R15** and fed back through decoupling circuits as GB to FC (except on SW) and IF

valves, giving automatic volume control.

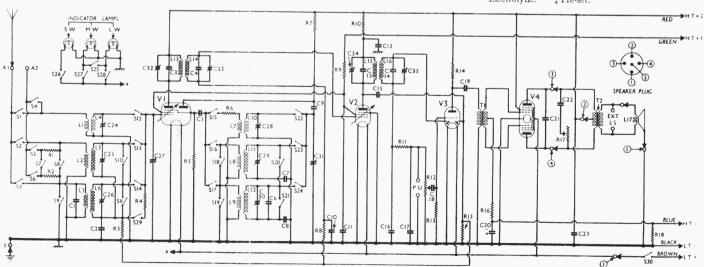
Parallel-fed transformer coupling by
R14, C19 and T1 between V3 triode and
quiescent push-pull output valve (V4,
Mazda QP230). Fixed tone correction
by C21, and variable tone control by
C22, R17, between anodes. Provision
for connection of low impedance external
speaker across secondary of internal
speaker input transformer T2. Plug and
socket device permits speech coil circuit
to be broken, thus muting internal
speaker if desired.

GB potential for **V4** is obtained automatically from drop along **R18** in HT negative lead and decoupled by **R16**, **C20**.

#### **COMPONENTS AND VALUES**

|                | Values<br>(ohms)   |           |
|----------------|--|-----------|
| Rı             | A2 MW aerial series  | 1,000     |
| $R_2$          | A2 LW aerial series  | 10,000    |
| R <sub>3</sub> | Vr pentode CG decoupling   | 1,000,000 |
| $R_4$          | Aerial circuit "Local" damp-   | 2,000,000 |
| •              | ing resistance   | 10,000    |
| R5             | VI osc. CG resistance  | 40,000    |
| $R\tilde{6}$   | Occ. circuit CW ctobilices   | 50        |
| R <sub>7</sub> | Vr osc anode HT food   | 40,000    |
| R8             | 11 00 1  |           |
| Rg             | V <sub>2</sub> CG decoupling<br>V <sub>1</sub> , V <sub>2</sub> SG's HT feed | 1,000,000 |
| Rio            |  | 2,000     |
|                | V2 anode HT feed   | 5,000     |
| RII            | IF stopper   | 50,000    |
| R12            | V3 signal diode load; manual   |           |
|                | volume control   | 500,000   |
| R13            | V <sub>3</sub> triode CG resistance  | 5,000,000 |
| R14            | V3 triode anode load   | 100,000   |
| R15            | V <sub>3</sub> AVC diode load  | 1,000,000 |
| R16            | V4 CG's decoupling   | 100,000   |
| R17            | Variable tone control  | 100,000   |
| Ri8            | VI auto CP maistanes   | 1,200     |
|                | v4 auto GB resistance  | 1,200 (   |

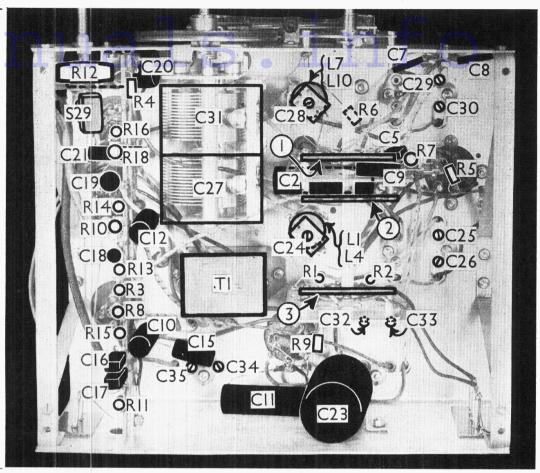
|                | CONDENSERS                    | Values<br>(μF) |
|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Cr             | Aerial circuit LW shunt       | 0.0008         |
| C <sub>2</sub> | VI pentode CG decoupling      | 0.2            |
| C <sub>3</sub> | ist IF trans. pri. trimmer    | 0.00018        |
| C <sub>4</sub> | 1st IF trans. sec. trimmer    | 0.00018        |
| C5             | Vi osc. CG condenser          | 0.0002         |
| C6             | Osc. circuit LW fixed trimmer | 0.0001         |
| C7             | Osc. circuit MW tracker       | 0.000556       |
| C8             | Osc. circuit LW tracker       | 0.000316       |
| C <sub>9</sub> | VI osc. anode coupling        | 0.0001         |
| Cio            | V2 CG decoupling              | 0.1            |
| CII            | VI, V2 SG's decoupling        | 0.5            |
| CI2            | V2 anode decoupling           | 0.1            |
| C13            | 2nd IF trans. pri. trimmer    | 0.00018        |
| C14            | and IF trans. sec. trimmer    | 0.00018        |
| C15            | Coupling to V3 AVC diode      | 0.0001         |
| C16            |                               | 0.0001         |
| C17            | IF by-pass condensers         | 0.0001         |
| C18            | AF coupling to V3 triode'     | 0.001          |
| Cig            | AF coupling to Ti             | 0.1            |
| C20*           |                               | 00.0           |
| C21            | Fixed tone corrector          | 0.001          |
| C22            | Part of variable tone control | 0.01           |
| C23            | HT circuit reservoir          | 2.0            |
| C24‡           | Aerial circuit SW trimmer     | 0.00003        |
| C251           | Aerial circuit MW trimmer     | 0.00009        |
| C261           | Ai-1 -iia Y XXZ 4 :           | 0.00006        |
|                | Aeriai circuit LW trimmer     | 0.00000        |



Circuit diagram of the Bush BA53. Note the alternative aerial arrangements. Inset on the right is an underneath view of the speaker plug, which also connects LT positive.

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Under - chassis view. **\$29** is operated by a push-pull action of the spindle of R12. There are eight trimmers at the bases of the coil units on the chassis deck. which are adjustable by screws beneath the chassis, and these screws are identified in this illustration.



|                                    | $Values \ (\mu F)$  |  |  |
|------------------------------------|---|--|--|
| C28‡ C29‡ C30‡ C31† C32‡ C33‡ C34‡ | Aerial circuit tuning Osc. circuit SW trimmer Osc. circuit IW trimmer Osc. circuit LW trimmer Osc. circuit LW trimmer Scillator circuit tuning sts IF trans. pri. tuning rst IF trans. pri. tuning rand IF trans. pri. tuning and IF trans. pri. tuning |  | 0.00003<br>0.00006<br>0.00006<br>0.00006<br>0.00006<br>0.00006 |

\* Electrolytic. † Variable. ‡ Pre-set.

|                | Approx.<br>Values<br>(ohms)                      |         |
|----------------|--|---------|
| Lī             | Aerial SW coupling coil                          | 0.2     |
| L2             | Aerial MW coupling coil                          | 1.7     |
| L <sub>3</sub> | Aerial LW coupling coil                          | 32.0    |
| L <sub>4</sub> | Aerial SW tuning coil                            | 0.05    |
| L <sub>5</sub> | Aerial MW tuning coil                            | 1.4     |
| L6             | Aerial LW tuning coil                            | 14.0    |
| L7             | Osc. SW grid reaction coil                       | 0.2     |
| L8             | Osc. MW grid reaction coil                       | 2.7     |
| L <sub>9</sub> | Osc. LW grid reaction coil                       | 6.0     |
| Lio            | Osc. circuit SW tuning coil                      | 0.05    |
| LII            | Osc. circuit MW tuning coil                      | 1.7     |
| L12            | Osc. circuit LW tuning coil                      | 3.0     |
| L13            | rst IF trans.                                    | 4.0     |
| LI4<br>LI5     | ( Sec  | 4.0     |
| L15            | and IF trans. { Pri. Sec.                        | 4.0     |
| Liz            | Cmaslana   | 4.0     |
| Ti             | Intervalve ( Pri.                                | 1.7     |
| 1 * *          |  | 360.0   |
| T <sub>2</sub> | trans. ( Sec., total Speaker input ( Pri., total | 6,000.0 |
| 1 ~~           | trans. Sec.                                      | 800.0   |
| S1-S24         |  | 0.2     |
| S25-28         | Scale lamp switches                              |         |
| S29            | Local-distant switch, ganged                     |         |
| 1 229          | R12  |         |
| S30            | LT circuit switch, ganged R17                    |         |

#### DISMANTLING THE SET

A detachable bottom is fitted to the cabinet and upon removal (six roundhead wood screws) gives access to most of the components which are beneath the chassis.

Removing Chassis.—Should it be necessary to remove the chassis, first remove the knobs (recessed screws) and felt washers from the three right-hand spindles. Unplug the speaker and tone control leads from the socket on the chassis, free the battery leads from the cleat on the top of the accumulator compartment (round-head wood screw) and then remove the four bolts (with washers) holding the chassis to the bottom of the cabinet.

The chassis can now be withdrawn from the cabinet and when replacing, do not forget to replace the felt washers on the control spindles before fixing the knobs.

Removing Speaker.—To remove the speaker, unsolder the leads and remove the nuts (and washers) from the four screws holding the speaker to the sub-

When replacing, make sure that the transformer is at the top and connect the leads as follows, numbering the tags from left to right:—Bottom row, 1, green to extension speaker panel; 2, black to speaker panel; 3, yellow to chassis; 4, yellow to chassis. Top row, 1, brown to speaker panel; 2, red to chassis.

#### **VALVE ANALYSIS**

Valve voltages and currents given in the table below are those measured in our receiver, when it was operating with a new HT battery reading 148 V, on The receiver was tuned to the lowest wavelength on the medium band and both the volume and local-distant controls were at maximum (the latter pushed in), but there was no signal input.

Voltages were measured on the 400 V scale of a model 7 Universal Avometer, chassis being negative.

| Valve                            | Anode<br>Voltage<br>(V) | Anode<br>Current<br>(mA) | Screen<br>Voltage<br>(V) | Screen<br>Current<br>(mA) |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| VI TP23                          | 135<br>Oscil            | 0.4<br>lator<br>1.8      | 46                       | 0.8                       |
| V2 VP210<br>V3 TDD2A             | 123                     | 0.8                      | 46,                      | 0.4                       |
| V <sub>4</sub> QP <sub>230</sub> | 133†                    | 1.8+                     | 135                      | 0.9                       |

† Each anode.

#### **GENERAL NOTES**

Switches.—S1-S24 are the waveband switches, and \$25-\$28 the scale lamp switches, ganged together in three rotary units beneath the chassis. They are indicated in our under-chassis view, and shown in detail in the diagrams on page VIII. The table (page VIII) gives the switch positions for the three control settings, starting from fully anti-clockwise. dash indicates open, and **C** closed.

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**\$29** is the QMB local-distant switch, operated by a push-pull movement of the volume control (**R12**) spindle. With the spindle in (distant), **\$29** is open, and with it out (local), **\$29** is closed.

**S30** is the QMB LT circuit switch, ganged with the tone control **R17**, which is fitted to a bracket on the floor of the cabinet. These two components are not shown in our chassis illustrations.

Coils.—L1, L4 and L7, L10 are in two unscreened tubular units beneath the chassis, the thick wire windings being L4 and L10 respectively. L2, L3, L5, L6; L8, L9, L11, L12 and the IF transformers L13, L14 and L15, L16 are in four screened units on the chassis deck. These units also contain their associated trimmers (adjustable by screws beneath the chassis) and several other condensers.

Scale Lamps.—These are three Osram MES types, rated at 3.5 V, o.15 A. They are switched by S25-S28. Actually S25 is an "accidental" switch, and is not really necessary.

**External Speaker.**—Two sockets are provided on a panel at the rear of the cabinet for a low impedance (2O) external speaker. A plug and socket arrangement permits the internal speaker speech coil to be disconnected when desired.

Speaker Plug and Socket.—A 5-pin plug and socket arrangement is used for connecting the speaker and LT+ lead, via S30, to the chassis. The socket is mounted on the chassis deck. The individual connections are indicated by numbered arrows and circles in the circuit diagram, and an underneath view of the connector, with the individual sockets numbered, is inset to the right of the diagram.

Condenser C22.—This, being associated with R17 and S30, is not seen in the chassis illustrations.

Aerial Sockets.—A1 in our diagram gives maximum sensitivity, and A2, maximum selectivity, and they are

| TABLE A | ND | DIAGRAMS | OF THE | SWITCH | UNITS |
|---------|----|----------|--------|--------|-------|
|---------|----|----------|--------|--------|-------|

| LW | MW                                    | SW                                    |
|----|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| -  |                                       | C                                     |
| -  | C                                     |                                       |
| C  |                                       | <u> </u>                              |
| -  |                                       | C                                     |
| C  | C                                     |                                       |
|    |                                       | C                                     |
|    | Agent co                              | C                                     |
|    | C                                     |                                       |
|    |                                       | C                                     |
|    | C                                     |                                       |
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thus indicated by the makers on the back of the receiver. They both have the same effect on SW, however.

Batteries.—LT, Exide CZH<sub>3</sub> 2V 30AH celluloid cased cell. HT, Drydex 144 V dry battery, tapped at 60 V, type S<sub>54</sub>. GB is automatic.

Battery Leads and Voltages.—Black lead, spade tag, LT negative; brown lead, spade tag, LT positive 2V; blue lead, black plug, HT negative; green lead and plug, HT positive 1, +6oV; red lead and plug, HT positive 2, +144V.

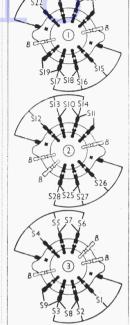
#### **CIRCUIT ALIGNMENT**

When aligning, the volume control must be at maximum, and the tone control at "low."

**IF Stages.**—A damping circuit of a 30,000 O resistor in series with a 0·1 μF condenser must be used where indicated. Switch set to MW, and turn gang to 300 m.

Connect signal generator between control grid of **V2** and chassis, and damping circuit from AVC diode of **V3** to chassis. Feed in a 465 KC/S signal, and adjust

Diagrams of the wave-band and scale lamp switches, as seen from the rear of the underside of the chassis.



C35 for maximum output. Connect damping circuit to signal diode of V3 (pin to which is connected the green lead from second IF transformer) and chassis. Adjust C34 for maximum output.

Connect signal generator to control grid (top cap) of **V1** and chassis, connect damping circuit from anode of **V1** to chassis. Feed in a 465 KC/S signal, and adjust **C33** for maximum output. Connect damping circuit from control grid of **V2** to chassis, and adjust **C32** for maximum output.

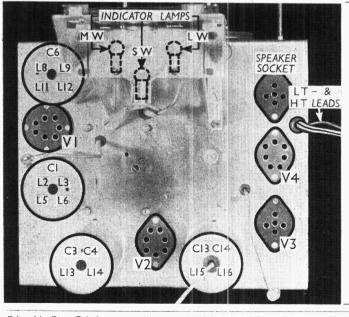
**RF** and Oscillator Stages.—With the gang fully meshed, the black line on the pointer should coincide with the top lines of the wavelength scales.

**SW.**—Connect signal generator to **A1** and **E** sockets, and switch set to SW. Tune to 18 m on scale, feed in an 18 m (16.67 MC/S) signal, and adjust **C28**, then **C24** for maximum output. Check calibration at 50 m.

**MW.**—When adjusting on MW and LW, connect a r MO damping resistance between LT+ and the junction of **R8**, **C10**, and a similar resistance between LT+ and the junction of **R11** and **C17**.

Connect signal generator to control grid (top cap) of **V1** and **E**, switch set to MW, tune to 300 m on scale, and feed in a 300 m (1,000 KC/S) signal. Adjust **C29** for maximum output. Transfer generator to **A1** socket, via a dummy aerial, and adjust **C25**, also at 300 m. Check calibration at 500 m.

LW.—Connect generator to top cap of V1 and E again, switch set to LW, and tune to 1,400 m on scale. Feed in a 1,400 m (214 KC/S) signal, and adjust C30 for maximum output. Transfer generator to A1 socket (via dummy aerial), and adjust C26 for maximum output, at 1,400 m. Check calibration at 1,900 m.



Plan view of the chassis. Note socket which takes the speaker plug. Thetrimmers are reached from beneath the chassis. and hence are not indicated on the coil units.

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