## The MWT-3 Regenerative Tuner / Controller

Mark Connelly - WA1ION - 17 MAY 1993
The MWT-3 provides passive and active preselection, broadband amplification and attenuation, and control of remotely - tuned loops and active whips (RTL-1A, etc.). Its amplifier configuration, using the RFE-D and BUF-A cards, gives it improved dynamic range over earlier regenerative tuners such as MWT-1 and MWT-2. As with other tuners of this type, it is placed in the signal path ahead of the receiver's RF input.

PASSIVE TUNING is used when local station strengths are very high (as in an urban area). More often, though, ACTIVE TUNING will be the mode of choice: it can offer improvements to both sensitivity and selectivity. Tuning covers 140 kHz through 10 MHz . Many portable receivers and low- to medium-price communications receivers have mediocre selectivity, insufficient for serious foreign-split DXing. By the correct setting of the regeneration on the MWT-3, splits 1 kHz from comparable-strength domestics (e. g. Spain - 999 vs. CKBW / WLUP - 1000) can produce readable audio on most receivers.

BROADBAND AMPLIFICATION is usually used when a bandlimited input (e. g. a tuned loop's output) is not adequately above the receiver's noise floor. Broadband amplification of a wideband input source is to be used cautiously. Even if the MWT-3 itself doesn't overload, the receiver may.

The BYPASS function routes the input to the output through the attenuation control when amplification or preselection is unnecessary.

All of the above functions can be used to condition a variety of signal sources en route to the receiver. Conditioning, depending upon reception requirements, may be narrowing the received bandwidth, increasing signal level, or reducing signal level. The signal source may be a longwire, a phasing unit's output, a passive loop, or an active loop / active whip.

The MWT-3 can be used to enable an active, remotelytuned antenna to be its signal source. Such active antennas have the advantages of small physical size for the amount of signal produced and the ability to place the antenna at an optimum location for signal pickup or electrical noise suppression - e. g. on a tower, on a vehicle's roof, or a considerable distance out in a field or forest away from power lines. My previous articles on the RTU-1 modified MFJ 1024 Active Whip and the RTL-1 Remotely-Tuned Loop (and upgraded RTL-1A version) go into considerable detail on the value of such antennas on mobile "beach miniDXpeditions" and in motel-room DXing on business and vacation trips. Remotely-tuned active antennas require that the following are passed from the "shack" controller to the remote site: DC power for the remote antenna's amplifier, a control voltage for varactor tuning, and in most cases - a relay control voltage for switching frequency ranges (or switching between broadband and tuned modes) at the remote antenna. RF from the active antenna must be passed back to the receiving position through 50-ohm coaxial cable. In the MWT-3, RF is passed in through BNC jack J1 and banana jack J2. DC power (typically +12 VDC) is passed out through these same jacks when $S 4$ is set to the "Power to Active Antenna" position. Varactor and band-relay control voltages are passed out through stereo headphone jack J7. If Input Mode switch $S 4$ is set to "Spare", the control cable to the remote antenna can be used as an antenna itself; this could be useful if its directional properties differ considerably from those of the remote active antenna. S5 controls the relay at the remotely-tuned antenna and R3 controls the varactor tuning voltage.

Organization of article
Table 1: Controls and Input / Output Connectors
text: Operating the MWT-3
Bypass
Passive tuning
Active tuning
Broadband amplification
Control of remotely-tuned antenna systems
Building the MWT-3
Table 2: S1 Bandswitch Settings Chart
Table 3: hole-drilling list

```
    Table 4: "upper level" parts list
    Table 5: (A1) RFE-D regenerative front-end card parts list
    Table 6: (A2) BUF-A buffer amplifier card parts list
    Table 7: (TA1) 1:16 impedance transformer card parts list
    Table 8: small hardware parts list
    Table 9: wiring / component connections
Table 10: control orientation conventions
Figure 1: MWT-3 schematic (input section)
Figure 2: MWT-3 schematic (output section)
Figure 3: (A1) RFE-D regenerative front-end card schematic
Figure 4: (A1) RFE-D regenerative front-end card assembly
Figure 5: (A2) BUF-A buffer amplifier card schematic
Figure 6: (A2) BUF-A buffer amplifier card assembly
Figure 7: (TA1) 1:16 impedance transformer card assembly
Figure 8: MWT-3 switch details
Figure 9: C1 & vernier knob mounting details
*****************************************************************
```

Table 1: MWT-3 Controls and Input / Output Connectors

| Controls <br> location | designation | operational description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| left side | S6 | Input Select switch |
| top | C1 | Tuning capacitor |
| top | R1 | Input Attenuation pot |
| top | R2 | Regeneration Control pot |
| top | R3 | Remote Tuning pot |
| top | R4 | Regeneration Vernier pot |
| top | S1 | Bandswitch |
| top | S2 | Function switch |
| top | S3 | Length switch |
| top | S4 | Input Mode switch |
| top | S5 | Remote Relay switch (band 1 / 2) |


| Input / Output Connectors |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| location | designation | operational description | connector type |
| left side | J1 | Main RF input | BNC jack |
| left side | J2 | Main RF input | banana jack |
| left side | J3 | Earth Ground input | banana jack |
| left side | J7 | Remote Antenna Control | stereo phone jk |
| left side | J8 | Spare Antenna input | banana jack |
| right side | J4 | RF output | BNC jack |
| right side | J5 | $B+$ in | phono jack |
| right side | J6 | 9V battery holder | Keystone 1290 |

```
Operating the MWT-3
```

$================$

Connections

Before operating any of the four functions, connections to / from the MWT-3 must be made.

J1/J2: The main antenna or signal source should be connected to J1 or J2.

J3: Earth ground can be connected to J3 if the cable to the receiver will be longer than $101 / 3 \mathrm{~m}$. or if the receiver is not grounded. Earth ground may be an actual ground connection or a "dummy" ground provided by a longwire on or near the ground.

J5 / J6 / P1: A 9V battery may be used for power if the MWT-3 is not being used with a remotely-tuned active antenna. The battery is to be installed in holder J6 and plug P1 connected to the J5 B+ input RCA jack. If the MWT-3 is being used to operate a remote active antenna, a power source of greater current and voltage capacity is required. A supply capable of 11 VDC minimum, 19 VDC maximum should be connected to J5 in that circumstance.

J4: The RF-output coaxial cable (to the receiver input) should be connected to J4.

J7: If a remotely-tuned active antenna is to be used, connect its control cable to J7. This cable should be wired so the tip of its stereo headphone plug (mating to J7) is used for the varactor control line (Figure 1: J7-A) and the center section for the relay control line (J7-B). If the control cable's length exceeds $10 \mathrm{~m} / 33^{\prime}$, a ground line should be connected to the remaining (base) section of the cable's plug which mates to J7. Note that actual DC power to the active antenna is sent out through the J1 connector also used for $R F$ input.

J8: If J7 is not used, a spare antenna can be connected to J8. When the 56 Input Select switch is set for the Spare (instead of the Main J1/J2) input, this spare antenna is used as the MWT-3 input signal source. When $J 7$ is used, as noted above, the control cable to the active antenna can be used as the spare antenna. Having Main and Spare signal sources available can allow diversity in directional pickup patterns.

```
Procedures
```

----------

Physical orientations of controls are as described in Table 10.

Controlling a remote active antenna involves S4, S5, and R3 settings. Steps to do this follow the discussion of the four MWT-3 S2-selected functions. Discussions of these four functions assume that the active antenna, if used, has already been set up to deliver signal at the desired frequency.

BYPASS function (direct feed of antenna to receiver)


Set-up: Set R1 initially to fully CCW (= maximum input: the switch on R1 takes the R1 // R5 attenuator out of the line). Set S2 to "Bypass". Set S4 to "Float" unless an active antenna is being used - in that case, set $S 4$ to "Power to Active Antenna".

Operate: With receiver on desired frequency, check that the wanted signal is of sufficient strength and has no spurious mixing signals or images from strong local stations. If spurs / images are present, adjust R1 until they go away. If the wanted station is now too weak, a different operating function is suggested.

PASSIVE TUNING function
$===================$

Set-up: Set R1 initially to fully CCW. Set $S 1$ for operating frequency range desired, in accordance with Table 2. Set $S 2$ to "Passive Tune". Set S3 to "Normal" length position. Set S4 to "Float" unless an active antenna is being used - in that case, set $S 4$ to "Power to Active Antenna".

Operate: Adjust C 1 for maximum strength of the desiredfrequency station. If overloading-caused spurious responses QRM the desired signal when C1 is properly peaked, set S3 to "Long" and re-peak C1. If, after having done that, spurs still exist; adjust R1 to make the spurs go away. Setting S4 to the "Terminated" position may also help (if it had been on "Float"). Slight re-peaking of C 1 may then be necessary.

If signal levels resulting from passive tuning are insufficient, Active Tuning will be required.

ACTIVE TUNING function
$==================$

Set-up: Set R1 initially to fully CCW = minimum attenuation. Set $R 2$ to fully $C W=$ minimum regeneration. Set $R 4$ (Regen. Vernier) to center. Set $S 1$ for operating frequency range desired, in accordance with Table 2. Set 52 to "Active Tune". Set S3 to "Normal" length position (wire length greater than $101 / 3 \mathrm{~m}$. or to "Short" length position (antenna shorter than 10'). Set S4 to "Float" unless an active antenna is being used in that case, set $S 4$ to "Power to Active Antenna".

Operate: Adjust C 1 for maximum strength of the desiredfrequency station. If overloading-caused spurious responses QRM the desired signal when $C 1$ is properly peaked, set $S 3$ to the next longest position (e. g. to "Long" if it had been on "Normal") and re-peak Cl. If, after having done that, spurs still exist; adjust $R 1$ to make the spurs go away. Setting S4 to "Terminated" may also help (if it had been on "Float"). Slight re-peaking of Cl may then be necessary.

To increase gain and to narrow the received bandwidth with regeneration:

Bring R2 gradually CCW in small steps; after each step re-peak Cl. An increase in signal level and tuning sharpness should soon be apparent. At the "regeneration threshold" the received audio gets muddy; beyond that threshold, oscillation occurs. When you're at this threshold, use R4 for a more precise adjustment of desired reception.

BROADBAND AMPLIFICATION function


Set-up: Set R1 initially to CW (maximum attenuation to protect from overload damage). Set $S 2$ to "Broadband". Set S4 to "Float" unless an active antenna is being used - in that case, set $S 4$ to "Power to Active Antenna".

Operate: With receiver on desired frequency, gradually adjust $R 1$ in a counterclockwise direction until the maximum wanted-frequency signals are heard with no interference from spurious overload-caused (intermodulation-distortion) responses. If the maximum achievable (spur-free) level of the wanted signal is insufficient, Active Tuning is suggested.

CONTROL OF A REMOTE ACTIVE ANTENNA


It is assumed that the $R F$ \& DC power connection has been made from the active antenna to MWT-3 J1 and that the control cable (if desired for remote tuning) has been connected to J7.

Set $S 2$ to "Bypass". Set R1 to fully CCW (minimum attenuation). Set S4 to "Power to Active Antenna" and set 56 to "Main" antenna input. If you are running a broadband active antenna (e. g. no control cable to J7), you may now proceed to the steps outlined in one of the four $S 2$-selected modes above.

For remote tuning, set $S 5$ to Band 1 or Band 2: this depends on the desired frequency of reception and the bandswitching ranges of your specific remotely-tuned active antenna. Some active antenna designs use the $S 5$-controlled relay to switch between a single tuned range and broadband operation. Adjust R3 to peak up the desired-frequency signal. R3 controls the voltage biasing the varactor diode in the tank-circuit of the remotelytuned antenna.

Once the active antenna has been set up correctly to deliver RF to the receiver via the MWT-3 in the Bypass mode, other MWT-3 functions (Passive Tuning, Active Tuning, Broadband Amplification) can be utilized, if desired, to optimize reception. The active antenna's input is then treated like any other RF source.

Building the MWT-3 Regenerative Tuner / Controller
The documentation (schematics, assembly drawings, parts lists, hole lists, etc.) serves as the starting point. The following procedure should serve as an outline for the builder.

1. Gather all necessary parts (see parts lists to follow). Prepare work area with appropriate tools.
2. Drill out chassis box, in accordance with Table 3.
3. Assemble the A1 (RFE-D) Regenerative Front-End Card subassembly, per Figures $3 \& 4$ and Table 5.
4. Mount the A1 (RFE-D) circuit card at the hole locations noted in Table 3.
5. Assemble the A2 (BUF-A) Buffer Card subassembly, per Figures 5 \& 6 and Table 6.
6. Mount the A2 (BUF-A) circuit card at the hole locations noted in Table 3.
7. Assemble the TA1 1:16 Impedance Transformer Card subassembly, per Figure 7 and Table 7.
8. Mount the TA1 circuit card at the hole locations in Table 3.
9. Install jacks, pots, and switches. Solder inductors onto S1 per Figure 2 and Table 2.
10. Install wiring and other components per Figures 1, 2, 8, 9 and Tables 1-4, 9-10. Install knobs on C1, R1, R2, R3, R4, S1, S2, and S3 per Tables 1-4, and 10. Place labels near controls and jacks.

Table 2: S1 Bandswitch Settings Chart
Ranges are usually a bit greater than those shown.

| S1 | S1 Knob | Min. | Max. |  | "Main" L | Tap" L] |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pos. | Pointer | Freq. | Freq. |  | Tank Inductor | Values |  |
| \# | "○'clock" | kHz | kHz | L\# | uH | Mouser P |  |
| 1 | 6:00 | 140 | 200 | L1 | 4700 | 434-1120 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L13 | 3 \| 1000 | 43LR103 |  |
| 2 | 7:00 | 200 | 280 | L2 | 2200 | 434-1120 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L14 | 470 | 43LR474 | ] |
| 3 | 8:00 | 280 | 400 | L3 | 1000 | 43LR103 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L15 | 年\| 220 | 43LR224 | ] |
| 4 | 9:00 | 400 | 600 | L4 | 470 | 43LR474 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L16 | - 100 | 43LR104 | ] |
| 5 | 10:00 | 600 | 900 | L5 | 220 | 43LR224 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L17 | 7 47 | 43LR475 | ] |
| 6 | 11:00 | 900 | 1250 | L6 | 100 | 43LR104 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L18 | - 22 | 43LR225 | ] |
| 7 | 12:00 | 1250 | 1850 | L7 | 47 | 43LR475 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L19 | \| 10 | 43LR105 | ] |
| 8 | 1:00 | 1850 | 2600 | L8 | 22 | 43LR225 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L20 | - 4.7 | 43LR476 | ] |
| 9 | 2:00 | 2600 | 3800 | L9 | 10 | 43LR105 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L21 | \| 2.2 | 43LR226 | ] |
| 10 | 3:00 | 3800 | 5200 | L10 | - 4.7 | 43LR476 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L22 | - 1 | 43LR106 | ] |
| 11 | 4:00 | 5200 | 7500 | L11 | \| 2.2 | 43LR226 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L23 | \| 0.47 | 43LR477 | ] |
| 12 | 5:00 | 7500 | 10000 | L12 | - 1 | 43LR106 |  |
| [ " | " | " | " | L2 | \| 0.22 | \| 43LR227 | ] |

Table 3: MWT-3 hole-drilling list
$\mathrm{X}=$ Horizontal distance, in inches, from the vertical centerline (VCL) on the side observed. Negative values of $X$ are left of VCL, positive values of $X$ are right of VCL.
$Y=$ Vertical distance, in inches, from the bottom horizontal edge of the side observed.

D = Hole diameter in inches.
Hole loci are first marked on the box with a scriber and are then drilled with a .125" bit. Subsequently, as required, the holes are enlarged to the proper size by using progressively larger bits up to that corresponding to the final desired diameter.

```
Chassis Box = Mouser # 537-TF-782: 7" X 5" X 3"
```

L E F T S I D E

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Hole } \\ \# \end{gathered}$ | Comp. Desig. | Description | X | Y | D |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | J8 | Spare Ant.In-red banana jack | -1.75 | 0.875 | 0.3125 |
| 2 | S6 | Input Source switch - tab | -1.25 | 2.0 | 0.125 |
| 3 | S6 | Input Source switch - shaft | -1.0 | 2.0 | 0.25 |
| 4 | J3 | GND In - black banana jack | -1.0 | 1.25 | 0.3125 |
| 5 | J2 | RF Input - red banana jack | -1.0 | 0.5 | 0.3125 |
| 6 | G1 | grounding H/W - internal lug | 0.0 | 1.125 | 0.125 |
| 7 | J1 | Main RF Input - BNC jack | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.375 |
| 8 | J7 | Remote Ant. Ctrl.-stereojack | 1.0 | 0.75 | 0.375 |

$+++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++$

T O P S I D E
Mounting holes on C1 must be tapped to 6-32 thread.

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Hole } \\ \# \end{gathered}$ | Comp. Desig. | Description | X | Y | D |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | S5 | Remote Relay switch - tab | -2.75 | 4.25 | 0.125 |
| 2 | S5 | Remote Relay switch - shaft | -2.75 | 4.0 | 0.25 |
| 3 | R3 | Remote Tuning pot - tab | -3.1875 | 2.75 | 0.144 |
| 4 | R3 | Remote Tuning pot - shaft | -2.6875 | 2.75 | 0.375 |
| 5 | R1 | Input Atten. pot - tab | -3.125 | 1.25 | 0.144 |
| 6 | R1 | Input Atten. pot - shaft | -2.8125 | 1.25 | 0.3125 |
| 7 | (C1) | Vernier Knob - H/W 1 | -1.89 | 3.125 | 0.125 |
| 8 | C1 | \| Tuning Capacitor -Mtg.H/W 1 | -1.713 | 4.0 | 0.144 |

Table 3-TOP S I D E (continued)

| 9 | C1 | Tuning Capacitor - shaft | -1.25 | 3.75 | 0.5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10 | C1 | Tuning Capacitor -Mtg.H/W 2 | -0.787 | 4.0 | 0.144 |
| 11 | (C1) | Vernier Knob - H/W 2 | -0.61 | 3.125 | 0.125 |
| 12 | G2 | grounding H/W - internal lug | -1.5 | 2.25 | 0.125 |
| 13 | R2 | Regen. Control pot - shaft | -1.625 | 1.25 | 0.3125 |
| 14 | R2 | Regen. Control pot - tab | -1.3125 | 1.25 | 0.144 |
| 15 | TA1 | 1:16 Imped. Xfmr. card-H/W 1 | -0.625 | 2.25 | 0.125 |
| 16 | TA1 | 1:16 Imped. Xfmr. card-H/W 2 | -0.625 | 1.45 | 0.125 |
| 17 | S4 | Input Mode switch - shaft | -0.6875 | 0.5625 | 0.25 |
| 18 | S4 | Input Mode switch - tab | -0.4375 | 0.5625 | 0.125 |
| 19 | S3 | Length switch - shaft | 0.25 | 4.0 | 0.25 |
| 20 | S3 | Length switch - tab | 0.25 | 3.75 | 0.125 |
| 21 | S2 | Function switch - shaft | 0.5625 | 1.125 | 0.375 |
| 22 | S2 | Function switch - tab | 0.5625 | 0.625 | 0.144 |
| 23 | G3 | grounding H/W - internal lug | 2.25 | 3.75 | 0.125 |
| 24 | S1 | Bandswitch - shaft | 1.75 | 2.75 | 0.375 |
| 25 | S1 | Bandswitch - tab | 2.25 | 2.75 | 0.144 |
| 26 | R4 | Regen. Vernier pot - shaft | 2.25 | 0.75 | 0.3125 |
| 27 | R4 | \|Regen. Vernier pot - tab | 2.5625 | 0.75 | 0.144 |

R I G H T S I D E

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Hole } \\ \# \end{gathered}$ | Comp. Desig. | Description | X | Y | D |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | J6 | \| battery holder - H/W 1 | -1.5 | 2.625 | 0.125 |
| 2 | J6 | battery holder - H/W 2 | -1.5 | 1.75 | 0.125 |
| 3 | A1 | Regen. Front-End card -H/W 1 | -1.875 | 1.25 | 0.125 |
| 4 | A1 | Regen. Front-End card -H/W 2 | -1.875 | 0.45 | 0.125 |
| 5 | A1 | Regen. Front-End card -H/W 3 | -0.875 | 1.25 | 0.125 |
| 6 | A1 | Regen. Front-End card -H/W 4 | -0.875 | 0.45 | 0.125 |
| 7 | J5 | B+ input - phono jack | 0.0 | 1.125 | 0.25 |
| 8 | J4 | RF out - BNC jack | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.375 |
| 10 | A2 | Buffer Amp. card - H/W 1 | 1.5 | 2.2 | 0.125 |
| 11 | A2 | \|Buffer Amp. card - H/W 2 | 1.5 | 0.6 | 0.125 |

```
    Table 4: "upper level" parts list
    NOTE: For bandswitch inductors, see Table 2.
    *: Note follows parts list.
    Vendor codes for this and subsequent parts lists:
        AE = Antique Electronics /688 W. First St.
                            /Tempe, AZ 85281
                            /Tel. 1-602-894-9503
        DK = Digi-Key /P. O. Box 677
        /Thief River Falls, MN 56701-0677
                            /Tel. 1-800-344-4539
GER = Gerber Electronics / 128 Carnegie Row
    / Norwood, MA 02062
    /Tel. 1-617-769-4852, 769-6000
MCL = Mini-Circuits Lab. / P. O. Box 350166
    / Brooklyn, NY 11235-0003
    /Tel. 1-718-934-4500
MOU = Mouser Electronics / 11433 Woodside Ave.
    / Santee, CA 92071
    /Tel. 1-800-346-6873
    RS = Radio Shack / Many locations worldwide
    Schematic \(=\) Figures 1 \& 2.
\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Item & Designator & Description/Value & Vendor & Vendor Stock \# & QTY \\
\hline 1 & - & chassis box & MOU & 537-TF-782 & 1 \\
\hline 2 & A1 & RFE-D front-end & & (see Table 5) & 1 \\
\hline 3 & A2 & BUF-A buffer card & & (see Table 6) & 1 \\
\hline 4 & TA1 & 1:16 transformer & & (see Table 7) & 1 \\
\hline 5 & (C1) & knob & MOU & 45KN100 & 1 \\
\hline 6 & * & knob & RS & 274-416 & 6 \\
\hline 7 & B1 & 9V alkaline battery & RS & 23-553 & 1 \\
\hline 8 & C1 & var. cap., 10-365pF & AE & CV-235 & 1 \\
\hline 9 & C2 & capacitor, 0.001 uF & MOU & 539-CK05103K & 1 \\
\hline 10 & C3 & capacitor, 10 uF & MOU & 581-10K35 & 1 \\
\hline 11 & C4-9,13 & capacitor, 0.33 uF & DK & P4890 & 7 \\
\hline 12 & C10 & capacitor, 22 pF & MOU & 232-1000-022 & 1 \\
\hline 13 & C11 & capacitor, 30 pF & MOU & 232-1000-030 & 1 \\
\hline 14 & C12 & capacitor, 82 pF & MOU & 232-1500-082 & 1 \\
\hline 15 & D1 & zener diode, 9.1V & MOU & 333-1N4739A & 1 \\
\hline 16 & J1,4 & BNC jack & RS & 278-105 & 2 \\
\hline 17 & J2, 8 & red banana jack & RS & 274-662 & 2 \\
\hline 18 & J3 & black banana jack & RS & 274-662 & 1 \\
\hline
\end{tabular}
```

Table 4 (continued)

| 19 | J5 | phono jack | RS | 274-346 | 1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20 | J6 | battery holder | MOU | 534-1290 | 1 |
| 21 | J7 | stereo headphone jk | RS | 274-312 | 1 |
| 22 | P1 | phono plug | RS | 274-339 | 1 |
| 23 | R1, 3 | pot.,500 ohm, linear | MOU | 31CT205 | 2 |
| 24 | R2 | pot.,5K,linear | MOU | 31CT305 | 1 |
| 25 | R4 | pot.,10K,10-Turn | MOU | 594-53411103 | 1 |
| 26 | R5,14 | resistor, 200 ohm | MOU | 30BJ250-200 | 2 |
| 27 | R6,7,9 | resistor, 330 ohm | RS | 271-1315 | 3 |
| 28 | R8, 10,11 | resistor, 100 ohm | RS | 271-1311 | 3 |
| 29 | R12 | resistor, 1 ohm | MOU | 29SJ500-1.0 | 1 |
| 30 | R13 | resistor, 10 ohm | RS | 271-1301 | 1 |
| 31 | RFC1 | inductor, 2.2 mH | MOU | 434-05-222J | 1 |
| 32 | RFC2, 3 | inductor, 4.7 mH | MOU | 434-1120-473K | 2 |
| 33 | S1 | switch/2pole/12pos. | MOU | 10WR212 | 1 |
| 34 | S2 | switch/6pole/4pos. | MOU | 10WR064 | 1 |
| 35 | S3 | swch, SPDT, on/off/on | RS | 275-325 | 1 |
| 36 | S4 | swch, DPDT, on/off/on | RS | 275-620 | 1 |
| 37 | S5,6 | switch, SPDT, on-on | RS | 275-326 | 2 |
| ++++ | +++++++++ | +++++++++++++++++++++++ | +++++ | +++++++++++++++ |  |
| \|Misc. items: hook-up wire, buss wire, solder,labels "AS REQUIRED" <br> * Item 6 note: for $\mathrm{S} 1, \mathrm{~S} 2, \mathrm{R} 1, \mathrm{R} 2, \mathrm{R} 3, \mathrm{R} 4$ <br> * Item 20 note: Keystone 1290 or equivalent. |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 5: (A1) RFE-D Regenerative Front-End card parts list
Vendor codes per Table 4.
Schematic = Figure 3 / Assembly = Figure 4.


Table 6: (A2) BUF-A Buffer Amplifier card parts list Vendor codes per Table 4. Schematic $=$ Figure $5 /$ Assembly $=$ Figure 6.

| Item | Designator | Description/Value | Vendor | Vendor Stock \# | QTY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | BD | perfboard:1.2"X2.0" | RS | 276-1396 (cut) | 1 |
| 2 | C1 | capacitor, 0.01 uF | MOU | 539-CK05103K | 1 |
| 3 | C2 | capacitor, 10uF tant | MOU | 581-10K35 | 1 |
| 4 | C3 | capacitor, 0.001 uF | MOU | 539-CK05102K | 1 |
| 5 | C4, 5 | capacitor, 0.1 uF | MOU | 539-CK05104K | 2 |
| 6 | H1, 2 | screw, 4-40 X .25" | MOU | 572-01880 | 2 |
| 7 | H1, 2 | spacer, 4-40 X .5" | MOU | 534-1450C | 2 |
| 8 | H1, 2 | solder lug, \#4 | MOU | 534-7311 | 2 |
| 9 | P1-7 | flea-clip/.042 hole | MOU | 574-T42-1/C | 7 |
| 10 | R1, 2 | resistor, 680K | MOU | 271-680K | 2 |
| 11 | R3 | resistor, 100 ohm | MOU | 271-100 | 1 |
| 12 | R4, 5 | resistor, 4.7 ohm | MOU | 295-4.7 | 2 |
| 13 | T1 | RF transformer 4:1\| | MCL | T4-6T-X65 | 1 |
| 14 | U1 | buffer amplifier IC | GER | (National) LH0033CG | 1 |

Table 7: TA1 1:16 impedance transformer card / parts list Vendor codes per Table 4.
Assembly $=$ Figure 7 .

| Item | Designator | Description/Value | \|Vendor | Vendor Stock \# | QTY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | - | perfboard:0.6"X1.2" | RS | 276-1396 (cut) | 1 |
| 2 | H1, 2 | screw, 4-40 X .25" | MOU | 572-01880 | 2 |
| 3 | H1, 2 | spacer, 4-40 X .5" | MOU | 534-1450C | 2 |
| 4 | H1 | \|split lockwasher,\#4| | MOU | 572-00649 | 1 |
| 5 | H2 | solder lug, \#4 | MOU | 534-7311 | 1 |
| 6 | in, out | flea-clip/.042 hole | MOU | 574-T42-1/C | 2 |
| 7 | T1 | \|RF transformer, 1:16| | MCL | T16-6T-X65 | 1 |
| +++ | +++++++++++ | +++++++++++++++++++++ | +++++ | +++++++++++++++ | ++++ |

Table 8: small hardware parts list, comprised of tables 8A - 8F See Table 4 for vendor codes.

Note: Mounting hardware is supplied with the following components: J1 through J5, J7, J8, R1 through R4, S1 through S6.

*** Table $8 \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C} 1$ mounting hardware (see Figure 9) ***
[ ] designators refer to hole locations from Table 3
Hardware is divided equally for each hole listed with each item.

| Item | Designator | Description/Value | Vendor | Vendor Stock \# | QTY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | [8], [10] | screw, 6-32 X.4375" | DK | H157 | 2 |
| 2 | [8], [10] | split lockwasher,\#6 | MOU | 572-00650 | 2 |
| 3 | [7], [11] | screw, 4-40 X.25" | MOU | 572-01880 | 2 |
| 4 | [7], [11] | spacer, 4-40 X .5" | MOU | 534-1450C | 2 |

** Table $8 \mathrm{D}=$ hardware for TA 1 card mounting (excl. Table 7 items) ** $+++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++$

| Item | Designator | Description/Value | Vendor | Vendor Stock \# | QTY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | - | screw, 4-40 X.25" | MOU | 572-01880 | 2 |
| 2 | - | split lockwasher,\#4 | MOU | 572-00649 | 2 |
| 3 | - | hex nut, 4-40 | MOU | 572-00484 | 2 |

$++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++{ }^{2}$



Table 9: wiring / component connections
Notes:

1. Wire types: $\mathrm{D}=$ direct connection using component's own lead (When assembling, install Wire \#1, then the direct connections, then wires \#2 through \#52.)
I = insulated wire, approx. \#22 AWG
B = bare solid (buss) wire $T P=$ twisted-pair (insulated)
2. Lengths specified are the maximum amount typically required; in actual practice, use the shortest length possible to minimize stray coupling.
3. Inductors L1 through L24 are wired directly to switch S 1 in accordance with Figure 2 and Table 2. The designator "S1 Common" in the following list refers to the the common connection (junction) of the L1 through L24 sides that are not connected to the S1 switch contacts.
4. J7-C (Figure 1) is tied to chassis ground via direct mechanical connection.
5. GB (Ground Buss) = Wire \#1 (bare buss wire from S4B "Terminated" to the ground lug on the TA1 card).
6. Switch position abbreviations - S2 positions: PT = Passive Tune, $\mathrm{BP}=$ Bypass, $\mathrm{AT}=$ Active Tune, $\mathrm{BB}=$ Broadband Amplification. S4 positions: TERM. = Terminated, PAA = Power to Active Antenna.

Table 9 (continued)

| INSIDE wire \# | From | To | Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | S4B 'TERM.' | TA1 GND lug (SeeNote5) | 2.5 " B $=\mathrm{GB}$ |
| 2 | J1 | J2 | 1.5" B |
| 3 | J2 | S6 "Main Ant." | 2" I |
| - | C4 side 1 | J8 | D |
| - | C4 side 2 | S6 "Spare Ant." | D |
| - | C5 side 1 | J7-A | D |
| - | C6 side 1 | J7-B | D |
| - | C5 side 2 | C6 side 2 | D |
| 4 | S6 "Spare Ant." | C5 side 2 | 2.5" I |
| - | RFC2 side 1 | J7-A | D |
| - | RFC3 side 1 | J7-B | D |
| - | R6 side 1 | RFC2 side 2 | D |
| - | R8 side 1 | RFC3 side 2 | D |
| 5 | R8 side 2 | S5 arm | 2.5" I |
| 6 | R6 side 2 | C7 side 1 | 1" I |
| - | C7 side 2 | G2 | D |
| - | R7 side 1 | C7 side 1 | D |
| - | R7 side 2 | R3 arm | D |
| 7 | G1 | J3 | 1.5" B |
| 8 | J3 | S5 "Band 1" | 1.5" I |
| 9 | S6 arm | C8 side 1 | 3.5" I |
| 10 | C8 side 1 | S4A arm | 2.5" I |
| - | C8 side 2 | R1 CCW | D |
| 11 | S5 "Band 2" | R9 side 1 | 2" I |
| 12 | R9 side 1 | S4B arm | 3" I |
| - | R9 side 2 | R3 CCW | D |
| - | D1 cathode | R3 CCW | D |
| - | C9 side 1 | R3 CCW | D |
| - | D1 anode | R3 CW | D |
| - | C9 side 2 | R3 CW | D |
| 13 | R3 CW | G2 | 1" B |
| 14 | R1 arm | S2B arm | 4" I |
| - | R1 arm | R5 side 1 | D |
| 15 | R1 CW | R1 switch nr. CW pin | 0.5 B B |
| - | R5 side 2 | R1 switch nr. CW pin | D |
| 16 | R1 switch nr. CCW pin | G2 | 2" I |
| 17 | R2 CW | G2 | 1" B |
| 18 | R2 arm | R4 CW | 5" I |
| 19 | R4 CW | R4 arm | 0.5 " B |
| 20 | R2 CCW | S1 Common (see Note 3) | 4" I |
| 21 | C1 stator | S1A arm | 2.5" I |
| 22 | C1 stator | C10 side 1 | 1" B |

Table 9 (continued)

| - | C11 side 2 | S3 "Normal" | D |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - | C10 side 2 | S3 arm | D |
| - | C12 side 2 | S3 "Short" | D |
| - | C10 side 1 | C11 side 1 | D |
| - | C11 side 1 | C12 side 1 | D |
| 23 | S3 arm | S2B 'At' | 3.5" I |
| 24 | S2B 'AT' | S2B 'PT' | 1" I |
| - | RFC1 side 1 | S4A 'PAA' | D |
| - | R11 side 1 | RFC1 side 1 | D |
| - | C2 side 2 | GB (see Note 5) | D |
| - | C2 side 1 | RFC1 side 2 | D |
| - | RFC1 side 2 | R11 side 2 | D |
| 25 | RFC1 side 2 | S2A 'BB' | 2" I |
| 26 | S2A 'BB' | S2A 'AT' | 0.5" B |
| - | R12 side 2 | J5 | D |
| - | C3 " + " | R12 side 1 | D |
| - | C3 " - " | GND lug on J5 | D |
| 27 | S2A 'AT' | R12 side 1 | 4" I |
| 28 | S2A 'BP' | GB (see Note 5) | 2" I |
| 29 | S2A 'BP' | S2A 'PT' | 0.5" B |
| 30 | S4B 'PAA' | RFC1 side 2 | 1" I |
| - | R10 side 1 | S4A 'TERM.' | D |
| - | R10 side 2 | GB (see Note 5) | D |
| 31 | S2E 'PT' | S1 Common(see Note 3) | 3" I |
| 32 | S1A arm | S2C 'AT' | 2.5" I |
| 33 | S1B arm | G3 | 1.5" B |
| 34 | R4 CCW | S2D 'AT' | 2.5" I |
| - | C13 side 2 | J4 | D |
| 35 | C13 side 1 | S2E arm | 4" I |
| 36a | S2E 'BB' | A2-P5 | 5" TP |
| 36 b | GB (See Note 5) | A2-P7 | 5" TP |
| 37 | S2E 'BB' | S2E 'At' | 0.5" B |
| 38 | S2E 'BP' | S2B arm | 2" I |
| 39a | A1-P5 | A2-P1 | 5" TP |
| 39b | A1-P6 | A2-P2 | 5" TP |
| 40 | A1-P3 | A2-P3 | 3.5" I |
| 41 | A1-P3 | S2A arm | 3" I |
| 42 | A1-P1 | S2C arm | 3" I |
| 43 | A1-P7 | S2D arm | 3" I |
| 44 | S2D 'BB' | S2D 'BP' | 1.5" I |
| 45 | S2D 'BP' | S2D 'PT' | 0.5" B |
| 46 | S2D 'PT' | S2C 'PT' | 1" B |
| 47 | S2C 'PT' | S2C 'BP' | 0.5" B |
| 48 | S2C 'PT' | TA1 GND lug | 2" I |
| - | R13 side 2 | TA1-in ( $=$ T1 pin 1) | D |
| 49 | S2B 'BB' | R13 side 1 | 2" I |
| - | R14 side 1 | TA1-out (= T1 pin 6) | D |
| 50 | S2C 'BB' | R14 side 2 | 2.51 I |

Table 9 (continued)

OUTSIDE BOX

| ire \# | From | To | \| Description |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 51 | J6 + terminal pin | P1 plug - center pin | 2" I |
| 52 | J6 - terminal pin | \|P1 plug - shield pin | 2" I |
|  | [P1 connects to J5 for | attery operation] |  |

Table 10: control orientation conventions
Ensure that components are mounted and wired in accordance with this table; align knob pointers to clock positions indicated. Orientations are as viewed from outside the chassis box assembly.


FIGURE 1: MWT-3 REGEN. TUNER / CONTROLLER [CONTROL / INPUT SECTION]

figure 1 above

FIGURE 2: MWT-3 REGEN. TUNER / CONTROLLER [TUNER / AMPLIFIER / OUTPUT SECTION]


FIGURE 3: MWT-3 REGEN. TUNER / CONTROLLER [SCHEMATIC: RFE-D REGEN. FRONT-END CARD]


FIGURE 4: MWT-3 REGEN. TUNER / CONTROLLER (ASSEMBLY: RFE-D REGEN. FRONT-END CARD)


FIGURE 5: MWT-3 REGEN. TUNER / CONTROLLER ( SCHEMATIC: BUF-A BUFFER AMPLIFIER CARD)


## FIGURE 6: MWT-3 REGEN. TUNER / CONTROLLER (ASSEMBLY: BUF-A BUFFER AMPLIFIER CARD)



Notes
For schematic, see Figure 5.
For parts list, see Table 6.
$\uparrow=$ Long lead side of vertically-mounted component

-     - = Buss wire on solder side of board
- = Buss wire on component side of board
= "Flea clip" terminal pin
OPEN SIDE

FIGURE 7: MWT-3 REGEN. TUNER / CONTROLLER (ASSEMBLY: TA1 IMPEDANCE TRANSFORMER CARD)


Notes
For connections, see Figure 2.
For parts list, see Table 7.
Each screw mates to a 4-40 X 0.5" spacer on reverse of board.

-     -         - = Buss wire on solder side of board
- = Buss wire on component side of board
$K_{\text {K }}=$ "Flea clip" terminal pin
OPEN SIDE
MCL T36-1-X65 or TT25-1-X65 may be substituted for T1.

FIGURE 8: MWT-3 REGEN. TUNER / CONTROLLER (SWITCH DETAILS: SKETCH OF INTERIOR VIEW OF COMPONENTS, BOTTOM COVER REMOVED]
NOTE: POSITIONS, SIZES ARE APPROXIMATE; NOT TO SCALE
RIGHT, LEFT SIDE CONNECTORS / CONTROLS NOT SHOWN


FIGURE 9: MWT-3 REGEN. TUNER / CONTROLLER [C1 VARIABLE CAPACITOR / VERNIER KNOB MOUNTING]

STEP 1 : MOUNT SPACERS FOR VERNIER KNOB TO CHASSIS AT TOP SIDE HOLES 7, 11.
(EXPLODED VIEW)


STEP 2 : TAP MOUNTING HOLES ON VARIABLE CAPACITOR TO 6-32 THREADS


STEP 3: MOUNT VARIABLE CAPACITOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH HOLE LIST (EXPLODED VIEW) (2 LOCATIONS:
HOLES 8, 10)
 STEP 2)
USE NEEDLE-NOSE PLIERS
TO KEEP LOCKWASHERS FROM
FALLING OFF SCREW DURING MATING TO HOLES ON CAP.
WHEN DONE, ENSURE THAT SCREW


END IS FLUSH WITH INNER SURFACE OF
CAP. : SCREW END SHOULD NOT TOUCH MOVING PLATES (ROTOR)
STEP 4: MOUNT VERNIER KNOB ON SPACERS INSTALLED IN STEP 1 AND ON SHAFT OF TUNING CAP. - INITIALLY, KNOB SETSCREW MUST BE LOOSENED.

figure 9 above
/* end */

