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RP-168 troubleshooting hints

Here are a couple of situations I have run into with the rp168 record changer.

1- You push in the reject button and you hear the usual clunk or click to start the cycle but the machine does not reject. Now each time the turntable rotates for one cycle, you hear the click noise again. Once again it does not reject. This means the trip pawl is out of adjustment and the only way to adjust it is to carefully bend the part shown below.



Carefully bend this end piece so it engages with triangular piece shown below

The extrusion underneath the turntable must engage with the trip pawl. When you here the click it means the two parts are hitting each other but not engaging.



Bottom of turntable highlighting metal piece that triggers reject cycle

2- If the tonearm on the rp168 seems to have a mind of its own and will not adjust properly, make sure the clamp that holds the tonearm underneath the turntable is pushed up on the tonearm rod all the way. Refer to the picture below.



Avid phono and radio collector passes away



Ray Tyner from Columbus, Ohio died last month at his home. He was 66 years old. Ray was an avid collector of radios and phonographs, especially the RCA Victor 45 rpm phonographs. He has received this newsletter ever since it was started in July of 1995. He would also attend many of the swap meets and I had the pleasure of meeting with him at the AWA Rochester meets and the Dayton radio meet. Because of the Corona Virus Pandemic the funeral details were not available. If there are any details about a memorial for Ray I will pass that information along.

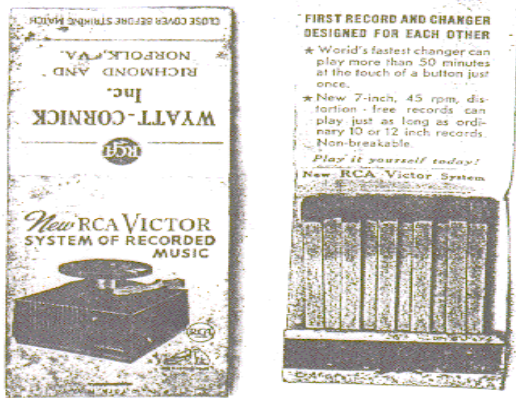
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Flashback!

Here is Ray Tyner's profile from the January 1997 issue of the gazette.

All the news that fits, we print

RCA VICTOR PROMOTES NEW SYSTEM ON MATCHBOOK



7EY1 SERIES (BACK ROW), 7EY2 SERIES (FRONT ROW)



DING DONG SCHOOL PLAYERS WITH CARRYING CASES



PROFILE

Ray Tyner from Columbus, Ohio

On Christmas Eve 1955 Ray was surprised to receive a two tone gray RCA 45 Player (7EY2JJ) equipped with carrying case. He also received nursery rhyme records, some classical selections, and "The First Christmas" by Perry Como. Ray was intrigued with the way the player handled the records, even at 2 years old!

When Stereo was the new rage in the late '50s Ray lost interest in the 45 player and enjoyed listening to "LP's" on the new multi speed phonograph the family had purchased.

During his High School years, Ray made sure he had one or two 45 players available to play his 45's and that's the way it remained until 1990, when he decided that he would collect these machines in earnest. Although Ray is still looking for a few elusive models, he has amassed quite a large collection. Among his favorites are the complete 7EY series shown here which comes in 5 different color combinations. These came out in 1955 and were the first colorful phonographs that RCA manufactured because of the change to plastic cabinets. Previously the cabinets were made out of bakelite which was only available in very dark colors (brown, black). The only exceptions were the kiddie players where the cabinets were painted white. Another favorite of Ray's are the Ding Dong School players. The carrying case for the player and records are even color coordinated. The slide-O-matic model was found "new in the box" a few years ago.

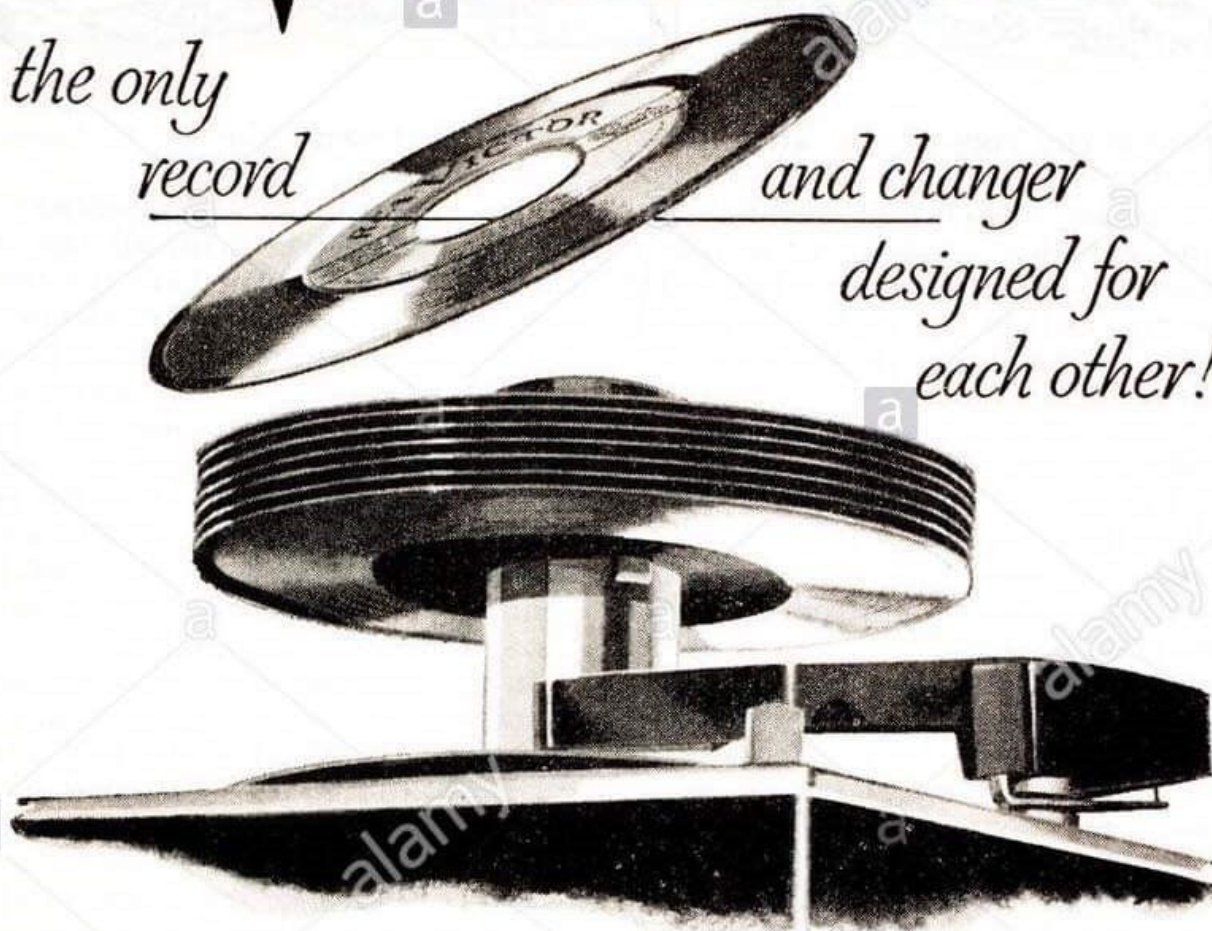
Ray also likes to collect other RCA memorabilia. The matchbook cover shown on this page is pretty rare. He also has boxer shorts featuring the RCA Victor line of radios and phonographs from 1949 including model 9EY3 in color.

Ray loves to chat about his hobby and has some interesting techniques for salvaging parts. To revitalize hardened rubber parts like idler wheels and cycling cams, Ray fills an ultrasonic cleaner used to clean dentures with brake fluid, and lets the rubber vibrate in there for 20 or 30 minutes. Then he cleans the rubber parts with alcohol and finds the rubber is much more pliable.

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