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QUOTE

by Jeremy » 11 Mar 2012, 09:21

Have been comapring and contrasting my Boss Overdrives

(all knobs at 12 oclock)

Have discovered that the difference between my 1979 OD-1 and my 84 OD-1 are discernable but not material to my broad-brush ears

and between the 84 OD-1 and my 81 SD-1 the same. This translates to a material difference beween the 79 OD-1 and the SD-1 (I think I prefer the SD-1)

Those three (the two OD-1s and the SD-1) stood apart from the next three (keeley '5-Star' SD-1, Keeley 'phat' BD-2 and bog-standard OD-3 which are much louder. The 5 Star SD-1 has a similar sound to the OD-3, although the OD-3 has more grit and level

The OD-3 and the phat BD-2 have similar sort of 'gain structure' but the BD-2 is a bit muddier than the OD-3 on the same settings

OD-3 is the loudest and most racous of all the modded and unmodded pedals

If I had to grab one and go, it would probably be the modded SD-1

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Re: Boss Overdrive Shoodout

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by The_Doc » 11 Mar 2012, 09:28

A clear and concise report Jeremy and thanks for that - you've saved me some work as I'm looking at putting a Boss OD on my live board (I don't currently have one) and I'm undecided what to go for. The Keeley modded (5-star germanium) SD-1 is looking the best bet for me as well.

Out of interest - what amp / amp settings did you use for the shootout? Ta.

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Re: Boss Overdrive Shoodout

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by Jeremy » 11 Mar 2012, 09:44

fender blues deluxe clean channel at the louderish end of the bedroom volume spectrum (like, on about 2)

(Sunday afternoon in a residential neighbourhood)

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Re: Boss Overdrive Shoodout

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by bob barcus » 17 Mar 2012, 02:03

Thats the problem you dont hear them at there best,I use a 1990 SD-1 that I modded just from ideas on the Old forum,into a 100 watt Marshall..My amp and pedals suck until I turn it up to 3-4 Them wow I am sure of it that Boss made there OD and SD-1 to use with marshalls

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