

Re: Technics SL-P101 Fixed!

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William R. Walsh wrote:

(snip)

- > *Given that it was picked up from a "high income" part of town and the fact*
- > *that it is in nice condition, I'd say it lived a very nice and calm life*
- > *until its owner found that it would no longer play CDs properly. Then out*
- > *the door it went. Happens more often in that part of town than I'd care to*
- > *talk about it. I've gotten a lot of really nice stuff just by waiting for*
- > *trash day and then picking up whatever I find interesting. TV*
- > *sets...Microwaves...whole computer systems (including some very modern*
- > *ones)...misc stuff...*

I think there was a thread on a subject like this in alt.dumpster-diving (or similar) a few years ago. amazing what you can find. More amazing (and worrying) is how people are prepared to just toss stuff, too.

- > *I think that fully 90% of what I pick up could be resold for profit, but*
- > *I've never done it that. What I can't use I give to others who need it more*
- > *than I do.*

My parents-in-law have a house in the country fully kitted out with lamps, stereos, microwaves, clock radios, TVs/VCRs in all rooms, etc. purely thru' my scavenging/repairing, from years back!

I find this kind of thing to be fun...and I think in my own

- > *little way that I'm saving the world from one more piece of equipment flying*
- > *into an already overburdened landfill.*

Hear hear. I think it's also a great way of learning if you approach

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the repair task with an open mind and try to understand as well as just "fix". I have made many a good find in the street, although I don't often have the time to go hunting as much these days.

regards, Ben