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If you want to tinker with your technology and have an interest for pinball, DIY Makerball Kit is something of a no-brainer. Described by its Swiss manufacturer as affordable, stable, mutable, pure and simple pinball machine, Makerball Kit lets you add a lot to the layout, and also lets you do digital upgrades with a few changes. The starter kit includes a set of wiring and conductive copper foil to create base, mechanical flippers, many basic obstacles, and sensors. With the help of microcontroller (not supplied) and free Make & Play app, you can link those sensors to your smartphone and start

playing for points. On our website, we will provide you with all the instructions you need to install electronics, said producer Ellen Shibli. It's no biggie, even if you have no prior experience. Makerball is also an easy way to enter the manufacturer universe and start experimenting with microcontrollers. For super-simple gameplay, you can discard technical bits and just have fun with flippers and build whatever it takes for the board. Check out the video above for some inspiration. While Makerball clearly has a few bells and whistles (in every sense of the word), the fun can be done as much as it's actually playing by designing and building your pinball machine. Parents with a bit of tech can know how to set up a blast with their kids, or maybe more off-the-littl'uns mom and dad one or two teach about tech. Zurich-based Schibli said it has been a long-held ambition to design its machine. I've always liked playing pinball and I wanted to own my pinball machine, but I never had the means to buy one, he explains on Makerball's Kickstarter page. The models used weren't an option either because I don't know how to repair them. And I couldn't decide what kind of machine I wanted anyway. So I came up with the idea of Makerball, an affordable, simple, and versatile DIY pinball machine. Makerball was born out of a master design project at the University of Zurich of art and morphed into the launch version through six prototypes built over the past two years. Makerball Kit is available for pre-order for $245, although this particular early bird option does not include feet. Another $100 costs for those as part of the package. If the project gets funded and everything goes to plan, shipping will begin in November, 2017. Editors' recommendations Hi I'm Graham Asker. I am a retired engineer and practice artist and I have built three pinball machines over the last five years and have video clips, showing them being played, pinballdesign.com on my website. The last two machines were controlled by solid-state Arduinos and having sound, light sequences and scoring. A comprehensive e-book is available as a download from the website showing how to create a solid state machine. The first machine that Created, Alice in Wonderland is, featuring, And thus not so complicated. That machine forms the basis of this directing. I describe the pinball mechanism and how to organize and mount them on the pinball playing field. I hope that, with the information that I am sharing here that will inspire you to design and build a pinball based on your favorite subject. Update May 2020: I recently published a new ebook called Animated Arduino, an interactive ebook that aims to provide a better understanding of some concepts, which will aim to cope when you learn to program Arduino, giving you the confidence to make progress in writing more ambitious code for your projects. It is now available to download from www.animatedarduino.comPinball machines are designed and built around the available mechanisms. The design of the mechanism hasn't really changed since the 1960's. I have discovered that they can only be obtained from certain suppliers all based in the US. They can also be found in the condition used on E Bay, again generally from the U.S. Buying single items could mean that postal costs are high. So I usually buy new from suppliers like pinballlife.com and marcospecialaties.com. I am sure I order all items for one machine at the same time so that I only pay the mail once. So let's have a look at some of the mechanisms. I'll just include the people used on the Alice machine. Pop bumpers, flippers, shooter and ball returns. On the two most recent machines I have also used catapult, target, ball eject, drop target and rollover switch (animations and information on these are in the e-book). Photo above is a pop bumper assembly and its spoon switch. The animation shows how the pop-bumper works. The mushroom (shown in black) is waiting to be hit by a ball. When it is hit, it is tipped at an angle and its lower point, which sits in the spoon switch, closes the switch. This action applies 30v on the coil. The solenoid then pulls down the cone ring that strikes the ball and sends it to the play-field. NB are two springs that are not shown in this animation (very difficult). One that raises the solenoid plunger and one that holds the mushroom. The photo shows a Williams flipper mechanism. They have a hand, a left hand and a right hand. The animation shows how the flipper mechanism operates. The solenoid coil consists of two curved chains attached to it. Being of primary winding, low resistance and drawing nearly 2 amps, provides strength for the bat to strike the ball hard and send it to the playing field at speed. The secondary coil of a higher resistance is initially shortened out. When the flipper button operates, the primary coil is activated by a 30volt supply and the plunger enters the coil and forcefully rotates the mechanism. At the end of your journey a switch is opened which removes less than the secondary coil. It reduces the current through two coils, but holds the mechanism in position The flipper button has been released. The above sequence prevents the coil from overheating and probably burns if the flipper button is turned off. This electro-mechanical arrangement reduces the need for any computer control of this device. These mechanisms are very reliable and robust and easy to install. Although the bat shaft is attached to the rotating hand by a clamp and the shaft is smooth as the clamping bolt should be tightened very strongly so that the bat does not get out of position when the ball hits. Of course we need something to send the ball up the pinball playing field. The shooter is the first date of the pinball machine. It was a feature on bagatelle machines. Unfortunately, with modern motorbikes where kick starter has been replaced with start button, some machines have dispensed with the shooter. We'll be the next virtual pinball machines! This is a ball return mechanism. It is mounted on the top surface of the playing field. It requires a rectangular hole in the playing field to be at the bottom end, where the ball rests, allowing the playing field to be below the surface in order to leave that ball in position. After passing between flippers or losing drains on the edges of the play-field, the ball is directed under the ball return mechanism via the guide rail. When the new ball button is pressed, the coil is activated and the ball operates on the hump of the ramp and ends in the entry lane ready to be hit by the shooter. Williams mechanisms such as pop bumpers and flippers are designed to operate at about 30 volts. I chose the TDK-Lambda LS150-36 power supply. It has a rated output of 36V on 4A and is adjustable between 32V - 40V. As you can see the main input terminals are similar to low voltage output terminals and there are no clamps for main leads. There was a wire-clear plastic hinges cover on terminals, but it got knocked off and I lost it. It is also easy to leave screws, nuts, etc. through the case of open traps. Because of these features I recommend that you attach it to a non-conductive box with clamp for the main lead. Because the mechanisms only require full strength for a fraction of a second every time they fire, the power supply doesn't get heated and requires little ventilation. Here's the enclosure that I built. Now we need to consider the design of the playing field of the pinball machine. This is a picture of the playing field for Alice. At this stage it has three pop bumpers and two flippers installed. Much of it is made of plywood, which is the traditional material used for playgrounds. Rubber bands under the triangular islands (approximately 6mm diameter.) are spread around the plastic post. They make bumpers. Pinball parts stockists also hold many sizes and posts of these bands. This drawing shows the dimensions I usually use for pinball machines. They are not going to be used for Alice, but they are very similar. Those dimensions are I used a later machine for, the Galapagos. The width of the playing field is a standard sheet of plywood (in the UK). The thickness is 12 mm. The diagram shows the main holes and slots that I drilled and routed through the thickness of the game area board. This view is from the top of the play area, when mechanisms and electronics are fitted to the rear many more holes are needed and will be deployed when components are placed in position. Care is needed to ensure that these rear holes do not enter the front surface. The top sets of holes and slots are for guide positions and roll-over switches. The lower sets (circled) are for pop-bumpers. Dimensions for a set of holes for pop-bumper are given later. Lower triangles represent rubber rings that make bumpers, and position holes for their support positions. The most important is probably the position of the hole for flipper bats that are for the slot catapult mechanism within the triangle. It is very easy to loosen the ball if the holes are too far away as it falls into the groove between them. Very close and can't call or rarely fall between them. On the next machine I slightly reduced this 150mm dimension so that it is not very easy to loosen the ball. This picture show the play area dimension drawing that I had produced I being drilled out of the hole and slot position by a long rule, marked using a set square and pencil. I used a small column drill to drill holes. It's advantage over a hand-held drill, that the holes are always vertical. As can be seen I came from the drill head base around 180 degrees and counterbalanced it with a weight placed on the base. I used the router to cut slots in the playing field. I found it easy to make mistakes with routers as it's hard to see where the cutter is when being operated. I used a guide fence clamp for the play area board. I made pencil marks on it to show where to stop at the ends of the slot. It is necessary to increase the cutter depth when using the router and make several runs instead of cutting the full depth at once (which will lead to overheating and smoking!) the example shows the dimensions I used to fix the pop bumper and its spoon switch. The cross section at the top shows the dimensions of the spacers that I had to use to get the correct position of the pop bumper and its switch. I understand that the pop bumper is used to mount in a play area that is half an inch thick and it is usually a thin printed plastic sheet, game area graphics, stuck to it. The standard thickness for a uniform sheet of plywood in the UK is 12mm and I do not use plastic sheets because I paint the graphics directly on the play-field. All this may seem a bit pessian, although the position of the switch is important for the correct operation of the pop bumper. Cups of switches (on the end of the spoon!) should be centered on the tip of the mushroom stalk Don't quite touch it. It's not all so a mass-produced machine because the hole will be drilled correctly by an NC machine. In order to get my pop bumper positioned right I created a drilling template out of a sheet of light steel (shown in illustration). I used it to drill 3mm holes and then open them up to the listed hole size. I'm thinking for the machines of the future that I can design some adjustment device for the switch. Ideally the switch needs to operate if the ball nudges the skirt of just a little mushroom. However there should be no danger that the switch sticks to the closed position. This photo hole for the pop bumper and those for the upper lane, a theme that I'll cover next. The example shows the 3rd upper lane at the top of the playing field. They have plastic lane guides with rubber bumper rings and are each illuminated by a lead which is mounted on a post. In the center of each lane there is a slot in the playing field. A roll-over switch is placed under each slot with your hand through the slot. Here the lane guides are of the Stern/Sega type. And the posts are Williams/Bally types. As can be seen in the section (lower left) positions, 4 of them are fitted into two rectangles that are sandwiched together. The holes in the top pieces are shaped so that the posts fit the push into them. An LED is mounted on top of each column with its legs with clues attached inside the column. This assembly is fixed to the bottom of the playing field with wood screws and the pillars are thus inserted through the clearance holes in the playing field and appear inside the lane guide to illuminate them. I realise that I have now strayed onto the subject of switches and lighting. With an electromechanical machine it is difficult to do a lot with lights other than the machine they turn on all the time. When the ball passes on a rollover switch it closes the switch for only a fraction of a second so that a light connected will only flash for that time. Any light sequence with a computer controlled i.e. solid state (ST) machine is possible. (Details in my e-book). I will talk about the next LED though. I have chosen to use LEDs in my pinball machines. They are brighter for their size than filament lamps, are not warm and are long-lasting. As leds diodes they will only pass the current in one direction. They have different length legs and now have a positive one. When using a filament bulb (which is briefly a resistor that gets too hot) you need to worry that it has to be supplied with voltage. However an LED is a bit more complicated. To achieve the correct voltage and therefore the correct current should be added to the chain with each suitable resistor each LED. A series of LEDs can then be added in parallel, each with its own resistant, if they all need to be operated from the same switch. To calculate the necessary resistor, simply subtract of the diode Apply OMS law to calculate the value of supply voltage and resistor (see LED data sheet). So if the Vf is 2V and my power supply is 5v then the resistor needs to use 3v. In order that 25mA flows through the lead-resistant then the resistant value should be divided by 3 .025 i.e. 120 ohm. I have standardized on this value of resistant regardless of the color of leadership and its has been cured. All bright and no failure. As mentioned earlier, each LED requires a resistor in the chain with it. The example shows how I have acted on this. The left lead shows how I have lowered both LED legs but left for a long time to indicate that it is an anode (+) connection. I then soldered on a resistor to the foot. The middle parable shows that the foot and resistive small diameter are engulfed in heat so that it shrinks to protect it from the cathode (-) leg. The correct example shows two legs and the larger diameter would attach to the heat shrink sleeving. There's not much to say about the circuit on a simple electromechanical pinball machine. It's just adding power to the lighting through the basic coil and relevant switches. The only slightly more complex example is the flipper mechanism. I've talked about that in relation to animation before. As you can see from this example, I built a very simple but rigid cabinet. For example, there is no protection and no provision for coin-operated mechanisms. It can be assembled and eliminated very quickly. This simplicity was possible because the machine is only used as an art exhibition in a gallery or in my house. The legs are made of 68mm x 33mm hardwood and are fixed for 8mm thick plywood side panels with M8 coach bolts. An 8mm thick plywood base panel is screwed up for tracks on side panels. (The power supply does sit on this panel as does a 13 amp multi socket in which they are plugged). The playing field rests on the tracks on side panels at an angle of horizontal of seven degrees. It's a rail that stretches between the panels backwards to be pinned. Thanks for taking the time to read my instructive, I hope you found it useful. 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