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A 4470 4 Input / 8 Output Audio Switcher

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A 4472 Paging Console A 4475 Music Source Selector Wallplate A 4476 Preset Selector Wallplate A 4478 Local Input Wallplate

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## **1.0 OVERVIEW**

## **1.1 INTRODUCTION**

Designed to meet the demands of todays complex installations, this unit is a very versatile cost effective public address/background music control system.

In total there are 16 inputs:

- 1 emergency paging input
- 1 alert/evac input
- 4 auxiliary inputs
- · 2 zone paging inputs
- 8 local inputs

Operation is as follows:

**Emergency Paging** mutes all other inputs, including alert/evac signals and transmits to all zones. Note: the emergency paging input will accept either a low level balanced mic signal (3mV) or a high level balanced signal (700mV). This enables sources other than a microphone to be used. For example, the output of a building occupancy warning system could feed into this input and transmit either verbal messages from the microphone or the alert & evacuation tones. All on an "all call" basis.

Alert/Evac signals mutes all other inputs, except emergency paging and transmits to all zones.

**Zone Paging (via optional A 4472 paging station)** mutes auxiliary signals and transmits to selected zones. Zone paging may be prohibited for each zone from the front panel on the mic console.

Local Inputs (1-8 via optional A 4478 wall plate) mutes any auxiliary source selected to that zone. Local inputs can be configured for either balanced mic or line operation.

Aux inputs (1-4) can be switched to any zone or combination of zones.

Each of the four auxiliary inputs have tamper proof volume, treble and bass controls, plus a signal presence indicator.

Volume controls are provided for each zone output.

A programmable LCD indicates which input is selected to which outputs.

Tamper proof volume controls and signal presence indicators are provided for local microphone paging and emergency microphone paging.

Remote selection wallplate (A 4475) may be connected via Cat5e cable to each zone. This wallplate enables selection of any auxiliary input source, volume adjustment of that zone plus the option to connect a local input source (mic or line) via the optional A 4478 wallplate.

Memory presets are programmable to provide easy recall of certain system configurations including a default setting, last memory setting and 4 memory presets. This is selected from the front panel, or remotely via the optional A 4476 preset selector wallplate (see 5.4, page 28).

System lockout feature to prevent unauthorised adjustment of system settings.

# WARNING

System components are connected using standard "pin to pin" configuration RJ45 data cabling. When installing ensure all connections are verified before switching any system component on.

Failure to follow the correct wiring configuration may result in damage to system components.

For the correct wiring configuration, see section 6.0 "Troubleshooting".

## **1.2 FEATURES**

- 4 Stereo RCA line inputs (internally mono mixed).
- Adjustable line input sensitivity 0.3/0.7V.
- Individual bass, treble and volume controls of all line inputs.
- 8 Balanced 3 pin XLR line outputs.
- Individual volume controls of all 8 outputs.
- Alert/evacuation/pre chime tone generator included (alert/evac tones comply to AS1670.4).
- Emergency balanced input with selectable phantom power and input sensitivity.
- Programmable labelling of input sources and output zones via USB keyboard.
- Four programmable presets.
- Tampering lockout feature.
- 240V AC or 24V DC operation.
- 19" Rack Mount (2 unit).

## **Optional Features**

- Zone and emergency over-ride paging via A 4472 paging console.
- Remote zone control of volume and music sources via A 4475 wall plate.
- Preset selection via A 4476 preset wall plate.
- Local microphone or music input connection via A 4478 and A 4475 wall plates.

## **Priority Order**

Priority 1 is the highest priority and overrides all others priorities. Priority 2 is next, then priority 3 and so on.

- Priority 1 Emergency microphone.
- Priority 2 A 4472 paging consoles 1 & 2 (if fitted, in emergency paging mode).
- Priority 3 Alert/evacuation tones.
- Priority 4 A 4472 paging console (in normal mode).
- Priority 5 Local zone input, if being used.
- Priority 6 Line inputs.

## **1.3 WHAT'S IN THE BOX**

A 4470 Audio Switcher 240V AC power lead (suits Australian Standard) Instruction Booklet Warranty Replacement Card

### **1.4 FRONT PANEL GUIDE**

Fig 1.4A shows the layout of the A 4470 front panel.



- **Emergency microphone signal present indicator**This LED illuminates to indicate a signal is present at the emergency microphone input.
- 2 **Paging microphone signal present indicator** This LED illuminates to indicate a signal is present at the paging microphone input.
- 3 Inputs 1-4 signal present indicators

These LEDs illuminate to indicate a signal is present at the corresponding RCA inputs.

4 Inputs 1-4 bass and treble controls

Use these controls to adjust the bass and treble of the 4 input sources as desired.

5 Preset selector button

This button is used to select pre-programmed preset configurations. (See section 4.3 Presets).

6 Public address on/off button

This button is used to switch on or off the PA to a particular zone. This does not block emergency paging.

7 Program isolate button

This option is currently unavailable in this version of the A 4470.

#### 8 Help button

Pressing this button provides help on the selected option. (See section 7.0 Help).

#### 9 Confirm button

This button is used to confirm your selected changes. Push "confirm" and "cancel" buttons at the same time to lock and unlock the front panel controls.

#### 10 Cancel button

This button is used to exit from the current menu or cancel the selected option. Push "confirm" and "cancel" buttons at the same time to lock and unlock the front panel controls.

#### 11 Emergency microphone volume control

Use this control to adjust the volume of the emergency microphone input.

#### 12 Paging microphone volume control

Use this control to adjust the volume of the paging microphone input.

#### 13 Inputs 1-4 volume controls

Use these to adjust the volumes of the RCA input sources.

#### 14 Output volume controls

Use these to adjust the volumes of the outputs.

#### 15 Zone selection buttons

These buttons select the output zone.

#### 16 LCD

The LCD is used to indicate which inputs are selected to which outputs.

#### 17 On indicator

This led indicates the unit has power.

#### 18 Keyboard USB input

This USB connection is for a keyboard for programming the LCD.

#### 19 Power switch

Use this to switch to turn on mains power 220-240V AC.

### **1.5 REAR PANEL CONNECTIONS**

Fig 1.5A shows the layout of the A 4470 rear panel.



#### **1** Voice over volume

Use this trimpot adjustment to change the output level of the playback message.

#### 2 Chime volume

Use this trimpot adjustment to change the output level of the chime tone.

#### 3 Alert and evacuation volume

Use this trimpot adjustment to change the output level of the alert and evacuation tone.

#### 4 Alert, Evacuation, chime and cancel contacts

Use these contacts to trigger the chime tones, the alert tone, the evacuation tone and to cancel any of the tones once triggered. All tones & cancel function are operated by a closing contact to ground. This could be triggered via building fire indicator board, break glass alarm etc.



### 5 Male XLR balanced line output connectors

Connect these outputs (1-8) to the zone amplifiers. Use a 3 pin female XLR connector (pin 1 GND, pin 2 Cold, pin 3 Hot).

#### 6 Stereo RCA input connectors

Connect these inputs (1-4) to the input audio sources such as a CD player etc. These inputs are converted to mono internally.

#### 7 RCA input sensitivity DIP switches

These DIP switches are used to set the input sensitivity of the 4 input sources. See table 1.6A below.

#### 8 Emergency input settings DIP switches

Change the sensitivity of the 3 pin emergency XLR from balanced mic level to balanced line level. Also selectes phantom power on or off. See table 1.6B below.

#### 9 Emergency microphone female 3 pin XLR socket

Use this input for emergency or "all call" paging. This has overall priority and goes to all zones. This input is suitable for connection to the output of a building EWIS system allowing remote paging and alert/evac tones to be transmitted on an "all call" basis. Sensitivity can be set to mic (0.3V) or line level (0.7V) using the DIP switch. See table 1.6B below

#### 10 240V AC power socket (Australian standard)

Connects to 240V AC mains power with the included IEC lead.

#### 11 Earth Lift switch

This switch is used to isolate the input earth from the chassis to help eliminate earth loops or hum.

#### 12 2.1mm 24VDC power socket

Connects to 24V DC power source. Centre pin positive configuration. This runs parallel with connector 13.

#### 13 Pluggable 24VDC power socket

Connects to 24V DC power source via Euroblock screw terminals. Observe correct polarity when connecting.

#### 14 DC fuse (2A M205)

This fuse protects the internal power supply. Replace with 2A rated fuse only.

#### 15 USB keyboard connector

Connects to a standard USB keyboard for programming the front panel LCD.

#### 16 RJ45 connectors for zone wall plates

These RJ45 ports connect to the A 4475 remote zone wallplates, if used.

#### 17 RJ45 connectors for preset plate or paging consoles

These RJ45 ports connect to the A 4472 zone paging consoles or one A 4472 zone paging console & one A 4476 preset plate.

**NOTE:** A maximum of two A 4472 mic consoles and a single A 4476 preset plate may be used at a time. In this case only seven A 4475 zone wallplates can be used. The A 4476 will operate in any "Zone wall plate" or "Paging console" RJ45 port.

### **1.6 DIP SWITCH SETTINGS**

Table 1.6A & 1.6B show the DIP switch settings for item 7 & 8 on the rear panel.

Aux Input Sensitivity DIP Switch Settings			
S٧	N	ON	OFF
1	Input 3	0.3V	0.7V
2	Input 4	0.3V	0.7V
3	Input 1	0.3V	0.7V
4	Input 2	0.3V	0.7V

Emergency Input DIP Switch Settings			
SW	ON	OFF	
1	Phantom Power On	Phantom Power Off	
2	Mic Level	Line Level	
3	not used		
4	not used		

TABLE 1.6A

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TABLE 1.6B
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## **2.1 SETUP GUIDE**

This is intended to be a quick setup for a minimal install. Section 3.0 will build on the initial setup and cover the installation of peripheral connections and more in depth detail on programming the unit. In this basic configuration we will use a setup in a bar as an example. The install requires 2 audio sources, a tuner and a dvd player. This audio will be fed to 4 different zones, the main bar, the beer garden, the restaurant, and the kitchen. All adjustments will be made from the front panel of the A 4470.

A programming template in PDF format is available to download from the Altronics website. This allows you to map your inputs, outputs, zone names, source names and presets before you commence programming. A printed copy is located within this operating manual.

## **2.2 CONNECTING AUDIO SOURCES**

Begin by connecting the audio sources. (see Fig 2.2A).

1 - Use a dual RCA lead to connect the INPUT 1 on the A 4470 to the audio output sockets of the source eg: tuner.

2 - Use a dual RCA lead to connect the INPUT 2 on the A 4470 to the audio output sockets of the source eg: DVD player.

If more audio sources are required, connect them to inputs 3 and 4 on the A 4470.





## **2.3 CONNECTING OUTPUTS**

The output sources are next to be connected. (see Fig 2.3A)

1 - Use a balanced XLR lead to connect OUTPUT 1 on the A 4470 to the line input socket of the zone 1 amplifier. In this example, zone 1 is labelled as "main bar".

2 - Use a balanced XLR lead to connect OUTPUT 2 on the A 4470 to the line input socket of the zone 2 amplifier. In this example, zone 1 is labelled as "beer garden".

3 - Use a balanced XLR lead to connect OUTPUT 3 on the A 4470 to the line input socket of the zone 3 amplifier. In this example, zone 1 is labelled as "restaurant".

4 - Use a balanced XLR lead to connect OUTPUT 4 on the A 4470 to the line input socket of the zone 4 amplifier. In this example, zone 1 is labelled as "kitchen".

If more output zones are required, connec them to outputs 5 to 8 on the A 4470.



### **FIG 2.3A**

## **2.4 CONNECTING POWER**

Next, connect power to the unit. (see Fig 2.4A)

The A 4470 can be powered from either a 24V DC rated source or mains rated 220-240V AC @ 50Hz.

24V DC can be suppled via either a 2.1mm DC Jack or via a 2 way pluggable terminal. The supply would need to be able to deliver a continuous 24V DC @ 2A. It is not recommended that the unit is continually powered in this manner. Rather the unit should be run of 220-240V AC via the supplied 3 pin mains lead. The 24V DC input should be connected to a backup supply which switches on in the event of mains power failure.



## **2.5 CONFIGURING THE INPUTS TO OUTPUTS/ZONES**

Once the unit is switched on the title screen with the product version will momentarily appear. The unit will then go into a self check mode and search for any externally connected wall plates & paging consoles. Once the check is complete, the main screen appears. Before commencing any programming, ensure the A 4470 is unlocked. To unlock, press "confirm" and "cancel" buttons at the same time. The main screen is shown below in Fig 2.5A. The left side of the screen shows the output zones 1-8, while the input sources are displayed on the top of the screen. There is also a local audio and paging console option shown which will not be discussed in this quick setup section. This will be covered in section 3.





Zone 1 refers to the zone 1 output which in our example was the main bar. Zone 2 refers to the beer garden and so on. To make these easier to remember the zone names can be labelled via the use of a keyboard. However this will not be covered here. Please refer to section 4.2 for more details.

The inputs work in the same manner. Input 1 in our example was the tuner and input 2 was the DVD player. Once again these can also be labelled.

#### 2.5.1 Routing audio to a zone

In our example we have 2 input sources and 4 zones we wish to supply with audio. Selecting which zone gets which audio is very simple. The buttons on the left side of the LCD are the zone selection buttons.(see Fig 2.5B)





For each zone there are 4 possible inputs to select and the off position which is the default. Each time one of these zone selection buttons is pressed the next input source is routed to that particular zone. This is displayed on the screen by an " $\star$ ". For instance in our example we want to route the DVD player (input 2) to the main bar (zone 1). Pressing zone selection button 1 twice will move the " $\star$ " 2 positions from the off position to input 2, thus routing the DVD player to zone 1. Continuing to press the zone 1 button will move the " $\star$ " through all the inputs and then to the off position where the " $\star$ " will no longer be visible.

By pressing the zone 2 selection button twice we can also route the DVD player to zone 2 and so on.

In the example below in Fig 2.5C (input 2) is routed to the main bar (zone 1), the beer garden (zone 2) and the restaurant (zone 3). While the tuner (input 1) is routed to the kitchen (zone 4).





## 2.6 ADJUSTING THE BASS, TREBLE AND INPUT VOLUMES

The system is now setup and ready to run.

The four audio inputs all have separate bass, treble and volume controls, which are accessible on the front panel as shown in Fig 2.6A. These tamper proof controls need to be adjusted with a screwdriver and set to your desired levels. A signal present LED on each input provides instant feedback on the presence of audio from the input sources.

The emergency microphone and paging microphone controls are also shown below but will be discussed in section 3.



FIG 2.6A

## **2.7 ADJUSTING THE OUTPUT VOLUMES**

The 8 outputs also each have volume controls which can be set to the desired levels on the front of the unit (see Fig 2.7A)





## **3.0 LOCAL AUDIO & PAGING CONSOLE OPTIONS**

## **3.1 LOCAL AUDIO CONFIGURATION**

The local audio configuration on the LCD displays zones that have a local audio source connected via the A 4478 local audio wall plate and the A 4475 zone wall plate (see section 5.2 and 5.4 for connection details).

If a local audio source is detected on a zone wall plate it is displayed on the LCD via an asterisk ( $\star$ ) in the local section. For example, if zone 1 had an A 4478 fitted with a live audio source connected, the system would detect the presence and display an " $\star$ " in zone 1 as shown in fig 3.1A. This automatically overrides any input source selected via the front panel.



FIG 3.1A

## **3.2 PAGING CONSOLE CONFIGURATION**

The paging console configuration on the LCD is used to display which zones are currently accessible by the paging consoles. All output zones can be programmed to be "locked out" from paging. If a zone is locked out, general paging will not be routed to that zone. However emergency paging will override locked out zones and page all output zones. An example may be an output zone such as a carpark. General paging may not be required but emergency paging would still be required.

## **3.3 CONFIGURING THE PAGING CONSOLE LOCKOUT ON THE LCD**

To configure a zone to be locked out from general paging return to the main screen, if not already there. Press the PA on/off button. The screen shown below in fig 3.1B should appear.





To lock a zone out from the general paging, use the buttons labelled 1-8 left of the LCD. Pressing button 1 will toggle zone 1 ON or OFF depending on its current status. Pressing button 2 will toggle zone 2 ON or OFF etc. If the zone is left in the OFF state, paging to this zone will now be locked out. Note: this lock out will be overriden by emergency paging.

## **4.0 EMERGENCY OVERRIDES & PRIORITIES**

## **4.1 PRIORITIES**

There are 5 levels of priority in the A 4470.

- **1.** The emergency microphone is a hard wired microphone which connects to the 3 pin XLR connection as shown in fig 1.4A. This has top priority and will override all other inputs. The gain of this microphone is set by the screwdriver adjust controls on the front of the A 4470. A signal presence LED indicates signal being received from the microphone.
- **2.** The A 4472 paging console (optional) has an emergency paging function which will override all other inputs except the emergency microphone. See section 5.1 for details. The gain of this microphone is set by the screwdriver adjust controls on the front of the A 4470. A signal presence LED indicates signal being received from the microphone.
- **3.** The alert/evacuation tones provide the next level of priority and will override all inputs except the emergency paging microphone and the paging consoles (if fitted) when used in emergency paging mode.
- **4.** The A 4472 paging console when operating in standard paging mode has the next level or priority and will override all local zone inputs and line inputs.
- 5. The A 4478 local input wallplate (optional) will override audio routed to the same zone the A 4478 is connected to.
- 6. Input audio sources 1-4 have the lowest priority and will not override anything.

## 4.2 LABELLING OF INPUT SOURCES, ZONES & PRESETS

The input audio sources and the output zones can all be labelled using a USB keyboard. Audio source examples might include CD Player, Radio, etc. Output zone examples might include Beer Garden, Foyer, Conf. Room etc. A maximum of ten characters is available for each label.

#### 4.2.1 How to label input sources and zones via USB keyboard

Plug a standard USB keyboard into the USB socket on either the front or rear of the A 4470. The keyboard will be automatically detected and navigate the user to the label input screen.

There are 3 options available, labelling the input sources, labelling the output zones and labelling the presets. All labels have a maximum of 10 characters consisting of the numbers 0-9 and the letters a-z. To use capital letters hold down the shift key when typing.

#### To label the input sources

Press the letter "i" on the keyboard. This will navigate the user to the "**label inputs screen**". Press the numbers 1-4 on the keyboard to select the input to label. Type in the label required and press return. Press escape to exit back to the main label input screen.

#### To label the output zones

Press the letter "z" on the keyboard. This will navigate the user to the "**label zones screen**". Press the numbers 1-8 on the keyboard to select the zone to label. Type in the label required and press return. Press escape to exit back to the main label input screen.

#### To label the presets

Press the letter "p" on the keyboard. This will navigate the user to the **"label presets screen"**. Press the numbers 1-4 on the keyboard to select the preset to label. Type in the label required and press return. Press escape to exit back to the main label input screen.

Press escape on the keyboard or the confirm or cancel buttons on the front of the A 4470 to exit the labelling menu.

Once the label input screen is exited the unit will perform a system update. This will update all connected wall plates and paging consoles with the new labels. Should you make a mistake or wish to re-label a source, zone or preset, repeat the steps above. Once in the respective labelling screen, the original name may be overwritten.

## 4.3 PRESETS

The configurations of the input/output matrix can be saved into memory as presets which can be called up at any time. There are 4 user defined presets, a default preset and last setting preset. Before commencing preset programming, ensure the A 4470 is unlocked. To unlock, press "confirm" and "cancel" buttons at the same time.

#### 4.3.1 User defined presets (1-4)

The A 4470 has 4 user defined presets which the user programs to save frequently used configurations. The user defined presets can be labelled via the use of a USB keyboard. This is covered in section 4.2. For instance you may set up the matrix for a wedding. Labelling a preset as "Wedding" would provide an easily recognisable label to be recalled for any wedding functions. Presets numbered 1-4 can be labelled but preset 5 which is the default preset cannot.

#### 4.3.2 Default preset

The default preset is designed to be used as the "fall back" setting. For example, if the staff have been making changes to the unit and you need to return it to its standard setting, then the default setting could be used. This might be used as your everyday setup eg: the unit may be setup in a bar which caters to functions. The 4 presets may be all used for 1- "Tues Bingo", 2- "Sat Night", 3- "Weddings", 4- "Band night" and a preset is required for the usual everyday setting of the venue. The default setting could be set to this everyday configuration.

#### 4.3.3 Last setting preset

The "last setting" preset or "previous" preset is an automatically saved preset which saves the current configuration before loading a preset i.e. any time a preset is loaded, the settings before it was loaded will be saved into the "last setting" preset. This is particularly useful if the user wants to return to the setup before a preset was loaded, eg: maybe Tuesday night is Bingo night and this has been saved into one of the 4 user defined presets. Before the bingo begins the venue could be setup in any sort of configuration, which is not necessarily going to be known. Tuesday night comes around and the Bingo preset would be loaded for the bingo. Without the "last setting" preset the previous setup would be lost. The bingo night comes and goes and the previous setup can now be loaded by selecting the "previous" preset in the preset screen.

#### 4.3.4 Setting up a user defined preset

To set up a user defined preset, configure the audio sources and output zones as per section 2.5. Once you are satisfied with your selections, press the "preset" button. The "preset save and retrieve" screen will be displayed. To save the preset, hold down one of the buttons numbered 1 to 5 for 2-3 seconds until the unit confirms your selection. Remember, presets 1-4 are user defined (these can be custom labelled), whilst preset 5 is the initial default setting.

#### 4.3.4 Retrieving/loading a preset

To retrieve a preset from the main screen. Press the preset button and then one of the buttons numbered 1 to 6. Presets 1 to 4 being "user defined", 5 being "default" and 6 being "last setting". Once the preset is loaded the label will appear on the LCD in the lower left corner. Presets may also be loaded remotely via the A 4476 wall plate. For more details see section 5.4.

#### 4.3.5 Modifying a preset

If you wish to change the configuration of a preset, firstly load the preset you wish to change (as per 4.3.4). Modify any source & output zone selections you require. Once you are satisfied with your selections, press the "preset" button. The "preset save and retrieve" screen will be displayed. To save the new settings, hold down one of the preset buttons (1 to 5) for 2-3 seconds until the unit confirms your selection. Any settings previously stored in the selected preset will be overwritten with the new settings.

## **4.4 BUTTON LOCKOUT FEATURE**

The buttons on the front of the unit can be locked out to stop tampering. To activate or de-activate this feature hold down the "confirm" and "cancel" buttons simultaneously. Please note: When a preset is selected the unit will automatically enable the button lockout feature. Preset button is not affected by the button lockout feature.

## **4.5 MASTER RESET FUNCTION**

To reset all settings to factory default plug in a USB keyboard. Press "R" on the keyboard, this will navigate to the "reset" screen. The screen will prompt you with "Are you sure you wish to erase ALL settings?". Select "Y" for Yes, "N" for No. **This will erase all settings, including input labels, zone labels, input source settings and presets.** 

## 5.0 A 4472 PAGING CONSOLE

The A 4472 paging console is an extremely flexible addition to the A 4470 audio switcher.

The consoles can be used for multi zone paging with the facitily to store and recall multiple zones to a single button. The recall functions can also be labelled via a USB keyboard which can be plugged into the rear of the unit. (see section 5.1.4) The labels will then be displayed on the highly functional and attractive LCD. An example might be a label "sales".

An emergency paging over-ride facility is accessed by a combination of an illuminated push button switch and a PTT (push to talk) switch. This combination removes the possibliity of accidentally activating the emergency over-ride facility. When activated, emergency paging will be forced through to all zones regardless of any zones which were set to be locked out.

A maximum of 2 paging consoles can be connected to the A 4470 at the same time. These work in a "first in, best dressed" arrangement. The consoles can be cascaded together or both wired back to the A 4470 (see section 5.1.3 to 5.1.5 for details).

Each unit must be assigned a ID number through DIP switch settings on the rear of the unit.

A pre-announcement chime is available at the paging console and through the PA system. Both of these are set by DIP switches on the rear of the unit.

## **5.1 PERIPHERAL CONNECTIONS**

#### **FIG 5.1A** 24VDC Connect to A 4470 paging USB Keyboard ole input or ca conso to and /OLUMES In -(• paging co CHIME MIC $| \odot$ -----1 2 3 4 5 6 7

#### **1 USB keyboard input.**

Use the keyboard to record labels for saved store functions.

#### 2 DIP switch options

These switches set the chime and emergency paging on or off and also assign a location number to the console.

- 3 Chime volume Use this volume to adjust the chime level.
- 4 Microphone volume

Use this volume to adjust the microphone level.

- 5 24V DC connector 2.1mm DC jack (centre pin positive).
- 6 Cascade paging connector Secondary RJ45 socket for cascading a second console.

#### 7 RJ45 connector

For connection back to the A 4470.

### 5.1.1 Features

- Multi zone paging.
- Zone lock out facility.
- Recall multiple zones with a single button press.
- Keyboard entry labelling of recall zones.
- LCD for indicating zone selections.
- Pre-announcement chime.
- Emergency override paging to all zones.

### 5.1.2 DIP Switch Settings

A series of DIP switches which are accessed on the rear of the unit provide a number of options. Table 5.1A shows the settings available.

DIP switch 1 sets the PA system chime on or off.

DIP switch 2 sets the internal chime on or off.

DIP switch 3 turns the emergency paging on or off.

DIP switch 4 is used to select the ID number for the console. A maximum number of 2 consoles can be connected to the A 4470 audio switcher. For console 1 this DIP switch is set to 'off'. For console 2 this DIP switch is set to 'on'.

### TABLE 5.1A

A 4472 DIP Switch		
SW	ON	OFF
1	PA System	PA System
	Chime On Chime Off	
2	Internal	Internal
	Chime On	Chime Off
3	Emergency	Emergency
	Paging On	Paging Off
4	Console 2	Console 1

#### **5.1.3 Connecting the paging consoles**



### FIG 5.1B

The consoles are connected to the A 4470 via standard Cat5e cabling as shown above. The maximum distance between the A 4470 and a paging console is 300m. Note that each paging console must be assigned an ID number before operation (see 5.1.2 DIP switch 4). Maximum of two consoles per system.

#### 5.1.5 Cascading the paging consoles



#### FIG 5.1C

The situation may arise where all 8 zone wall plates, a preset wallplate and two paging consoles are required. In this case the above configuration may be used. The A 4476 preset wallplate may be connected to either paging console input or any zone wallplate input. Note that each paging console must be assigned an ID number before operation (see 5.1.2 DIP switch 4). In cascade operation, each A 4475 paging console must be powered by individual 24VDC power supplies (Altronics part: M 9391A).

#### 5.1.6 Multi-zone paging

Paging is achieved by pressing the numbered button of the zone required. The button will illuminate. Hold down the page switch and speak into the microphone. Note: a zone with a fast flashing LED has general paging blocked. To page to multiple zones, press the buttons for the desired zones. Multiple buttons will illuminate. Hold down the page switch and speak into the microphone.

#### 5.1.7 Zone lock out

General paging can be blocked to any zones either at the A 4470 main unit or via the paging consoles. To block paging to a zone from the A 4472, hold down the desired zone button until a message on the LCD indicates the zone is blocked out. Release the button to resume. To unlock the zone, repeat the procedure.

#### 5.1.8 Store & recall groups of zones

Two function keys labelled store and recall may be used to program groups of zones into a single number recall, just as your telephone might have a "quick dial" memory function.

#### To store a group of zones

First press the store button on the paging console. Then select the zones you wish to group together. Once the desired zones are selected, press store again. You can now assign a group number using the numbered buttons (1 to 8). If you have previously stored a group of zones in the memory, these buttons will illuminate. Press store to complete the process.

Note that you may select one of the previously stored group numbers, however this will overwrite the existing stored zone selections.

The screen will now prompt you to label your stored group of zones. This allows quick visual feedback to the user when selecting

groups of zones, examples of labels might include: All W/house, Bar&Lobby, Sales&Yard etc. Plug in a standard USB keyboard into the rear of the A 4472 paging console and type in your desired label. The maximum label length is 10 characters. Press backspace to delete letters. Hold down the shift key for capital letters. Press return (enter) when finished.

If a zone label is not required, press cancel to complete the process of storing a group of zones.

Note: if the keyboard is not operational, it may need to be unplugged and connected again.

#### **To recall zones**

Press the recall button. Any buttons which are programmed with groups of zones will illuminate. If any of these groups were given a label then these will show on the LCD.

Select one of the illuminated buttons to recall. The zones stored in this group will then illuminate automatically.

Hold down the page (PTT) switch and speak into the microphone. Press cancel when finished or the unit will time out automatically after  $\approx$ 15 seconds.

#### 5.1.9 Emergency Override

The A 4472 is fitted with an emergency paging override which routes paging to all zones even those which are blocked.

To initiate the emergency paging press the red emergency paging button. The LCD will display the image shown below and all the zone buttons will illuminate to show that all zones will be paged.



FIG 5.1.9A

At this stage paging override hasn't been activated. To activate emergency paging hold down the page (PTT) switch and speak into the microphone. If the pre-annoucement chime DIP switch is set on the chime will sound. The LCD will display the image shown below.



FIG 5.1.9B

#### 5.1.10 Paging Console Busy

If the system has two A 4472 paging consoles connected there will be times when both units may be needed at the same time. If one of the paging consoles is in use the second console will be notified and the busy LED will illuminate and the LCD will display the image shown below.



FIG 5.1.10A

## 5.2 A 4475 MUSIC SOURCE SELECTOR WALL PLATE

The A 4475 wall plate provides a local means of adjusting the volume and selecting the desired audio input to a zone. The LCD shows the zone name (eg: Bar, Sales, Kitchen) and the current selected input source. A rotary BCD switch which is accessed on the rear of the unit is used to set the ID number of the wall plate. Only one wallplate may be used per zone. A trimpot on the rear sets the VOX sensitivity for the A 4478 wall plate if fitted.

**Note:** Level control only adjusts the volume of the 4 aux input sources, plus local input (when used). General and emergency paging overrides this setting.



**10 RJ45 connection.** Cat5e provides power to the wallplate and routes local audio (fed from A 4478) back to the A 4470.

### 5.2.1 Features

- Remote selection of input audio source
- Volume control of local zone
- Provision for input of local microphone or line level audio via A 4478 wall plate
- Cat5e connection to A 4470
- Powered from the A 4470.

### 5.2.2 Rotary BCD Switch Settings

Use this switch to set the ID number of the wallplate. If this wallplate is connected to the zone 1 port on the rear of the A 4470 then this switch must be set to position 1. If connected to port 2 the switch must be set to position 2, and so on. Failure to connect port 1 to position 1 and port 2 to position 2 etc will result in the wallplate controlling the incorrect input/output.

## Peripheral Connections

## 5.3 A 4478 LOCAL MICROPHONE/LINE INPUT WALL PLATE

The A 4478 connects to the A 4475 audio source selector plate to provide the facility to access a local microphone or audio source in the same zone. Examples might include a handheld microphone, laptop or MP3 player. This audio signal is fed into the A 4475 wallplate where it overrides the wallplates current audio source selection from the A 4470 via a VOX circuit.

This new status is displayed on the main screen of the A 4470 by an " $\star$ " in the local input brackets.





FIG 5.4A

- 1 Microphone ground connection
- 2 Microphpone negative connection
- 3 Microphone positive connection



For more information on how A 4478 connects to A 4475, see main connection diagram at rear of this manual.

#### 5.3.1 Features

- Microphone XLR input
- Dual RCA input
- 3.5mm jack input. Note: The RCA and 3.5mm jack input are mixed together internally.

#### 5.3.2 Connections

Audio is routed back to the A 4475 zone wallplate by connection of twin shielded audio cable (such as Altronics W 3028) to the euroblocks on the rear of both wall plates.





- 1 DIP switch settings. Do not adjust. Leave in default setting.
- 2 RJ45 connection.

Cat5e provides power to the wallplate and routes preset information to the A 4470.



For more information on how A 4476 connects to A 4470, see main connection diagram at rear of this manual..

3 Do not adjust.

## 5.4 A 4476 PRESET SELECTOR WALL PLATE

The A 4476 wallplate is used to provide local access to presets programmed into the A 4470. The presets are displayed on the LCD and can be cycled through by pressing the program preset button. The A 4476 may be connected to either paging console input or any zone wallplate input on the A 4470.

### 5.4.1 Features

- Remote preset selection
- Cat5e connection
- LCD indicates presets available

### 5.4.2 DIP Switch Settings

In the current version of the A 4476, the DIP settings are not required for setup. Leave in default setting.

## **6.0 TROUBLE SHOOTING**

### **6.1 SYMPTOMS AND REMEDIES**

SYMPTOMS	REMEDIES
Signal presence leds all come on	Check internal fuses
Keyboard not detected	Remove & reinsert keyboard Try another keyboard Turn A 4470 off and repeat setup
None of the buttons work	The unit may be locked Hold down confirm & cancel buttons to unlock (and lock) the unit. See section 4.4.

#### 6.1.2 Installation of replacement microprocessor card

There may come a time when software updates are required and this will require the replacement of the microprocessor card which is located inside the unit. The card can be replaced by observing the following procedure.

- 1. Remove power from the unit.
- 2. Remove the lid.

3. The microprocessor card is located on the main board as shown in fig 6.1A (shown by the dotted line). Remove the board, taking care not to touch the microprocessor itself. Note: the board may be difficult to pull out.



FIG 6.1A

- 4. Insert the new microprocessor card taking note of the orientation.
- 5. Send the replaced card back to your nearest Altronics branch.

#### 6.1.3 RJ45 cabling configuration for system components (586A 'Straight through')

System components are connected using "pin to pin" configuration RJ45 data cabling as shown in fig 6.1B. When installing ensure all connections are verified with a LAN cable tester before switching any system component on.

Failure to follow the correct wiring configuration may result in damage to system components.





## **7.0 HELP**

## 7.1 HELP SCREENS

Pressing the help button on any screen will provide a quick guide to the selected option/screen. The following is a transcript of each help option available on the A 4470.

### 7.1.1 Main Screen Help Page

This screen sets the input/output matrix. Labels on the left are the output zones. Labels on the top are the input sources. Pressing the zone buttons will change the input to that zone eg: pressing button 1 will change the input to zone 1. Continuing to press button 1 will cycle through all the inputs to the OFF position, then back to input 1 and so on.

The paging console settings shown on the right of the LCD are covered in the PA ON/OFF help page.

#### 7.1.2 Preset Help Page

#### CREATE A PRESET

To create a preset, set your input to output configuration on the main screen. Press preset button to enter preset page. To save your settings into preset 1 hold button 1 on the left until told to let go. To save preset 2, repeat with button 2 etc.

#### LOAD A PRESET

To load a preset, press button 1 to load preset 1. Press button 2 to load preset 2.

#### LABEL A PRESET

To label a preset, exit this screen and plug in keyboard. Follow the prompts.

#### 7.1.3 PA ON/OFF Help Page

The PA microphone can be disabled from a zone ie: paging will be blocked to that zone if it is set to OFF.

To toggle the PA ON or OFF to a zone, press the button number for the zone eg: if you want to toggle zone 1 ON or OFF, press button 1.

## **8.0 SPECIFICATIONS**

## A 4470 Control Unit

Wallplate / paging console	e inputs: RJ45 8P8C
Data transmission:	Cat5e cabling max 300m
Front panel controls:	Individual output level controls,
	input bass, treble & level controls,
paging mic	c level control emergency mic level control, zone selection buttons
Rear panel controls:	Voiceover output level, chime output level,
	alert & evac output level, earth lift switch
Auxiliary inputs (1-4):	Dual stereo RCA's 0.3/0.7V
Outputs (1-8):	3 pin XLR balanced line
Emergency mic input:	3 pin XLR balanced line
Other inputs:	USB keyboard (type A socket front & rear)
Power:	240V AC / 24V DC
Power connection (240V AC):	
Power connection (24V DC	C): 2.1mm DC socket / Euroblock terminal
Protection (AC):	500mA M205
Protection (DC):	2A M205
Dimensions:	482W x 152D x 88H mm
Weight:	4kg

## A 4472 Paging Console

Output connection:		2 x RJ45 8P8C
Data transmission:		Cat5e cabling max 300m
Front panel controls	:	Zone selection (1-8), store, recall,
	all call	, cancel, emergency paging, PTT switch
Rear panel controls:		Chime output level, mic output level
Other inputs:		USB keyboard (type A)
Mic frequency respo	onse:	100Hz - 10kHz
Mic Sensitivity:		-76dB ±3dB
Mic Polar pattern:		Cardioid (unidirectional)
Power connection (2	24VDC):	2.1mm DC socket
Mic gooseneck:		≈325mm
Dimensions:	235W x	110D x 55H mm (excluding gooseneck)
Weight:		0.6kg

### A 4475 Music Source Selector Wallplate

Output connection:	RJ45 8P8C
Data transmission:	Cat5e cabling max 300m
Front panel controls:	Local level control, source selector,
	confirm button
Wallplate:	HPM <sup>®</sup> Excel
Power:	Powered by A 4470 over Cat5e cable.

#### A 4476 Preset $\pi$ Selector Wallplate

Output connection:	RJ45 8P8C
Data transmission:	Cat5e cabling max 300m
Front panel controls:	Program preset, confirm button
Wallplate:	HPM <sup>®</sup> Excel
Power:	Powered by A 4470 over Cat5e cable.

## A 4478 Local Mic/Line Input Wallplate

Inputs:	3 pin XLR balanced line,
	Dual stereo RCA's, 3.5mm stereo jack
Output connection:	Screw terminal connection
Signal transmission:	2 x twin shielded audio cables
	(connects to A 4475)
Wallplate:	HPM <sup>®</sup> Excel
Power:	Powered by A 4470 over Cat5e cable.

## **9.0 PROGRAMMING SHEETS**

### 9.1 A 4470 Programming Sheet

Enter your preset configurations, zone names and source names. Note that zone and audio source names must be the same on all presets. Max 10 characters per zone/source name. Retain for your records. A PDF form version of this is available for download on the A 4470 product page at www.altronics.com.au.









### 9.2 A 4472 Programming Sheet

Each A 4472 can store 8 groups of zones using the store & recall function. This permits quick selection of multiple paging zones. Use the set up sheet below to select the groups of zones. Group names have a maximum of 10 characters. A PDF form version of this is available for download on the A 4472 product page at www.altronics.com.au.

### ZONE NAMES



NOTE: Both microphones can be programmed with different recalls and labelling.



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