AtomaHawk Construction and Installation Instructions

Congratulations!

Congratulations on your purchase of the AtomaHawk retrofit kit. This kit provides your Poly 800 Mk1 or EX-800 with control over the three most common hardware hacks for this instrument. They are:

- 1. The "Moog Slayer" (or extreme resonance) modification.
- 2. The "FM-800" or DCO sourced VCF modulation.
- 3. The 12/24db filter slope switch.

The most important benefits of using this kit instead of the original hardware modification hacks are:

- 1. You don't have to drill holes in your synthesizer to obtain the benefits of these great modifications.
- 2. The settings of the new modifications are saved in patch memory for easy recall.
- 3. MIDI controller messages can be used to control the modifications.
- 4. The modifications can be influenced by LFO, EG etc.
- 5. If you have already carried out the original modifications, you can still install this kit and use the original controls in tandem with the AtomaHawk kit.

Prerequisites

You MUST have already installed the HAWK-800 before you can install this kit. This kit will NOT work without the HAWK-800 kit already installed.

To get further details on the Hawk-800 and AtomaHawk kits go to http://patrioticduo.tripod.com/hawk800/

WARNING and DISCLAIMER

You take full responsibility for any outcome, good, bad or ugly, when constructing, installing and using this retrofit kit. Do NOT attempt to construct, install or use this retrofit kit unless you understand and are willing to accept responsibility for any outcome that may result from your own attempts to construct, install and use this kit. **NOTE**: This kit requires the removal of one component from the main Poly 800 or EX 800 printed circuit boards (PCB's) and also requires soldering multiple wires into the main board of the instrument. This requires electronics technician skills. If you do not have the skills required to remove components and patch in hook up wire then you should have someone else do the job for you. Your local music store should be able to help you to find a qualified technician in your area.

Safety First

NOTE: Remember to approach your work with care and appropriate safety precautions.

Before you Begin

It is critically important to make sure that you received all of the components in the kit and that none of the components show any sign of physical damage. Check that you received all of the components in the quantities mentioned below. Also visually inspect each component and ensure that there is no sign of any physical damage.

Preparation

The basic steps involved in the successful completion of this project are:

- 1. Read these instructions and understand the steps and tasks required.
- 2. Check the kit for delivery of all components physically undamaged.
- 3. Obtain the needed tools and supplies.
- 4. Backup your Poly-800 Mk1 or EX-800 global, patch and sequencer data.
- 5. Construct the new retrofit board (AtomaHawk).
- 6. Open up the Poly-800 Mk1 or EX-800.
- 7. Remove the main board (KLM-596), remove capacitor C103 and then replace the main board.
- 8. Install capacitor C103 on the AtomaHawk board.
- 9. Remove the HAWK-800 board, install the new address decoder socket, install the address decoder and attach the wire pair to the HAWK-800 board then replace the HAWK-800 board (and test the synth).
- 10. Attach wire sets to the AtomaHawk board.
- 11. Attach the wire sets to the main board and install the AtomaHawk board on its mounting point.
- 12. Test the three new modifications and then begin using your upgraded synthesizer.

Read the Instructions

It is very important that you read these instructions through to the end first before beginning any work. This should give you a good understanding of the steps involved in the project. If you need assistance you can contact korgpolyex800@yahoo.com for additional explanation of any part of these instructions. This project requires patience and about 1 hour to complete. You should plan to set aside 2 hours so that you have plenty of time to focus on each task. Do NOT rush any step in this project. It is better to take extra time instead of ruining your synthesizer or the retrofit kit.

Check the Kit of Parts

Check that you have received all of the parts in the kit. Use the list below and check off each line in the "Received" column.

Description	Part No.	Quantity	Shipped
Printed Circuit Board	AtomaHawk	1	
Integrated circuit digital potentiometer	DS1666-10+	1	
Integrated circuit 6 bit latch	74HC174	1	
Integrated circuit digital switch	4053	1	
One of eight decoder	74HC138	1	
47Kohm ¼ watt resistor (marked with bands Yellow, Violet, Orange, Gold)	-	1	
10Kohm ¼ watt resistor (marked with bands Brown, Black, Orange, Gold)	-	1	
1Kohm ¼ watt resistor (marked with bands Brown, Black, Red, Gold)	-	1	

Signal diode (small glass devices marked with thin red band)	1N914	2	
.1uF ceramic capacitor	-	1	
14 pin DIP socket	-	1	
16 pin DIP socket	-	3	
Ribbon gray cable (two strands, length 15 inches)	-	2	
Ribbon gray cable (16 strands, length 5 inches)	-	1	
Jumper wire (24 gauge, length of about 12 inches)	-	1	
PCB standoff (½ inch)	-	1	
Nylon washer	-	1	
Screw (self tapping)	-	1	
Screw (M3 x 20mm)	-	1	

If you find any parts missing or damaged contact <u>korgpolyex800@yahoo.com</u> for assistance.

Required Tools and Supplies

To construct and install this kit will require (at minimum) the following tools:

- 1. Phillips screwdriver.
- 2. Small (2.5) flat blade screwdriver.
- 3. Small side cutter.
- 4. Small long nose pliers.
- 5. Suitable Soldering iron (around 20/40 watts with fine soldering tip).

You will need to obtain the following supplies:

1. Rosin core solder standard 60/40 formula for electronics work. Approx. 0.032" diameter.

Backup your Poly-800 Mk1 or EX-800 Patch and Sequencer Data

You should not lose your global, patches or sequencer data but it is a good idea to back them up.

Constructing the AtomaHawk Printed Circuit Board

At this point, you should have obtained all of the needed tools and supplies to carry out the entire project. And you probably should have backed up your global, patch and sequencer data too (although it is not actually necessary). You are now ready to construct the AtomaHawk PCB.

Step 1 - Prepare a work space

First, you need to prepare a workspace. Find a flat surface (a kitchen table or work bench is recommended) to work on. You will need a flat area about 1 meter square (3 feet x 3 feet).

Step 2 – Installing all Wire Jumpers on the New PCB

We are ready to begin soldering the wire jumpers onto the new board.

- Use the diagram below to populate the board with all seven (7) wire jumpers.
- When installing the jumpers, solder one end first and then make sure that you firmly pull the other end of the jumper wire so that it is straight (long nose pliers are very useful for applying the necessary force to straighten the wire out by pulling on the non soldered end). It is important to ensure that the jumpers are installed straight so that they don't short out against each other.

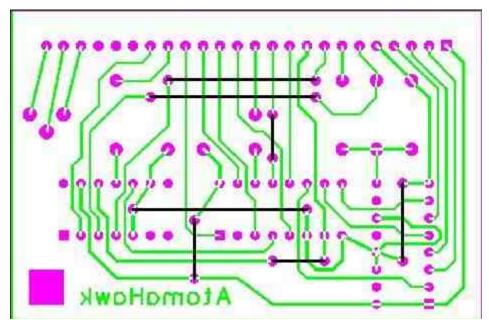


Illustration 1: Location of Seven Wire Jumpers

Step 3 - Installing the IC sockets

We are now ready to install and solder all of the IC sockets.

- Use the picture below as a guide to install the two 16 pin IC sockets and the one 14 pin IC socket.
- We recommend installing the sockets one at a time, solder two pins diagonally opposite. Ensure that the socket notches are oriented correctly (see the picture below) and that all pins are properly protruding through each PCB hole and make sure that the socket is seated correctly. Then solder all of the remaining pins.
- Double check to make sure that you have not accidentally bridged any pins and that all pins are soldered.

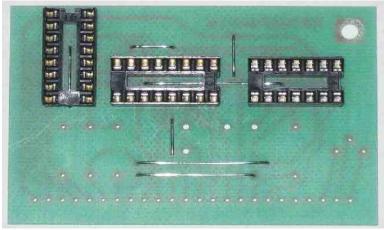


Illustration 2: IC Socket Location and Orientation (16 Pin sockets are at center and left, 14 Pin socket is on the right. Note location of notches.

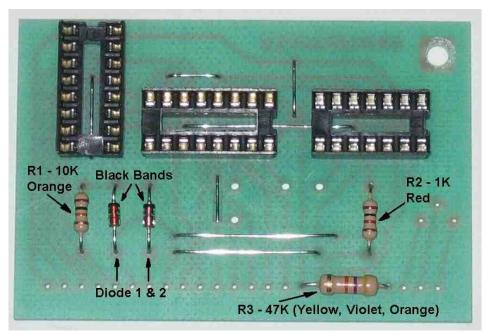
Step 4 – Installing Discrete Components

We are now ready to install the three resistors and two diodes.

• Use the picture below as a guide to install discrete components.

NOTE: Ensure that you install the diodes with the correct orientation as shown in the picture below. That is, ensure that the black stripes on the diodes are matched with the picture. If you printed out this document in black and white then the orientation of the diodes may not be obvious so refer back to the original PDF to determine the correct diode placement.

SPECIAL NOTE: Pay special attention to the location of each end of resistor R3. The first version of the AtomaHawk printed circuit board was missing a specific location for installation of resistor R3 (47K ohm). As a result it is installed into the board using a spare position on the row of pins that extend wires onto the main board.



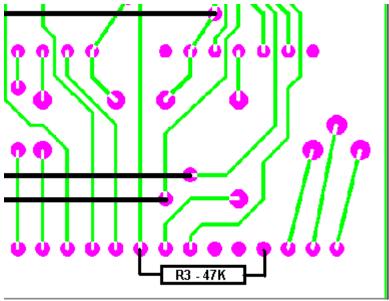


Illustration 3: Location of Resistor R3 (47K ohm)

Step 5 – Opening up your Poly-800

At this point, we are ready to begin the work inside your Poly-800 MK1 or EX-800. So we need to open them up to get access to the electronics inside.

If you are upgrading an EX-800 then skip to "Step 5(a) – Opening the EX-800".

• Place the Poly-800 face down (keyboard down) with the rear facing toward you. Use the picture below as a guide.

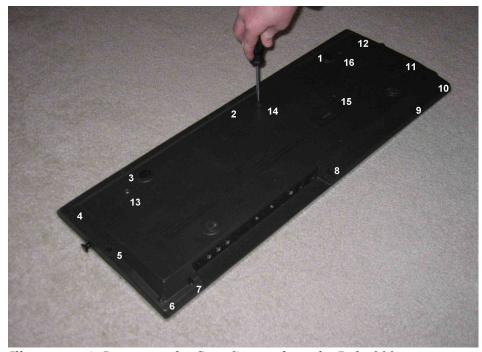


Illustration 4: Removing the Case Screws from the Poly-800

- Remove the 3 short screws from the front edge of the keyboard (numbered 1 to 3 in the picture).
- Remove the 9 medium length screws from the perimeter of the keyboard (numbered 4 to 12).
- Remove the 4 threaded screws from the bottom of the keyboard (numbered 13 to 16).
- Set the screws aside somewhere safe where they will not be lost or misplaced.
- Carefully hinge away the bottom section of the Poly-800 bringing it toward. Ensure that you do not strain the wire bundles that join the bottom section to the top section of the keyboard. See the picture below.

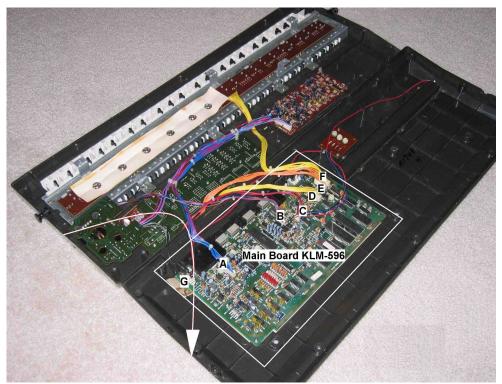


Illustration 5: Hinging Open the Two Halves of the Poly-800 MK1

• Remove the two guitar strap pegs and set them aside somewhere safe where they will not be lost or misplaced.

Step 5(a) - Opening the EX-800

If you are upgrading an EX-800 then do the following.

- Remove the four (4) small black screws from the rear of the unit.
- Remove the four (4) small black screws from the two sides of the unit.
- Set aside the screws in a safe location where they will not be lost or misplaced.

NOTE: No picture of the EX-800 is provided.

Step 6 - Removing the main board

• Locate the main board and disconnect cable assemblies shown in the picture below labeled as A,B,C,D,E, F and G. Use care as you remove the connectors so as to avoid bending any of the

rows of pins.

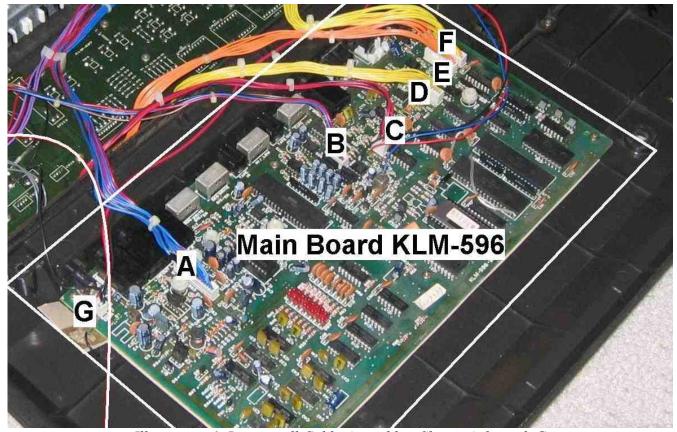
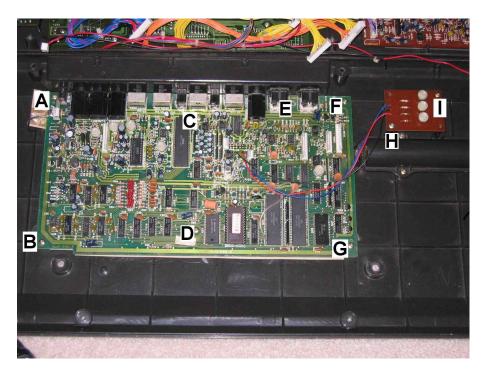


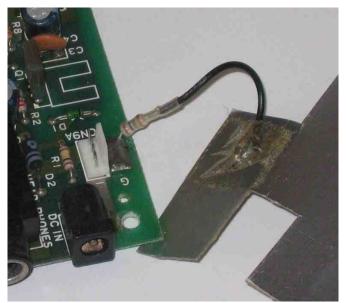
Illustration 6: Remove all Cable Assemblies Shown A through G

• Locate and remove the screws that secure the main board and secondary board (marked as A to I in the photo). Set aside the 9 screws in a safe place where they will not be lost or misplaced.



- Carefully remove the main board (along with the RFI shield) and secondary board all together. If you are working on an EX-800 then you will also need to unscrew and remove the MIDI thru board too.
- Set the Poly-800 Mk1 or EX-800 units aside in a safe location where they will not be damaged.
- Set the main and secondary board up in your work area.

• Desolder the connection from the main board to the RFI shield. Set aside the shield where it won't be lost or misplaced. Disconnect the shield by desoldering the resistor that connects to the main board tab (see picture below).



• Set the main board aside for the moment. We will come back to it as soon as we look after the HAWK-800 board.

Step 7 - Install the Additional IC Socket in the HAWK-800

The HAWK-800 board requires an additional socket installed.

- Remove the HAWK-800 board from your synthesizer by first removing the two header cable assemblies and then physically remove the HAWK-800
- Using the picture below as a guide, install the additional 16 pin IC socket.

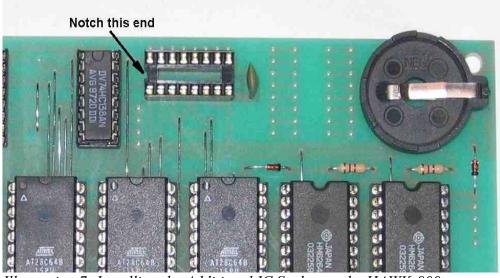


Illustration 7: Installing the Additional IC Socket on the HAWK-800

Step 8 - Install the Additional Address Decoder IC in the HAWK-800

We should now install the new address decoder chip in the HAWK-800.

• Use the picture below to install the additional address decoder (74HC138) into the HAWK-800 printed circuit board.

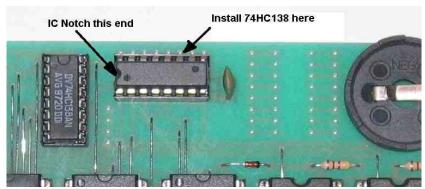


Illustration 8: Install the Additional Address Decoder

Step 9 – Attach the Address Decoder Wire Pairs

A pair of wires will connect the HAWK-800 device select signals to the AtomaHawk board.

- Find one of the 15 inch long gray wire pairs (hopefully, we will only need one pair).
- Strip both wires at both ends so that you have less than about one sixteenth of an inch (1-2mm's) of bare strands. The copper strands in the gray wire are very easily severed so it takes some real care to strip the insulation off while not damaging the copper strands inside. A second 15 inch length of paired gray wires has been provided in case you have difficulty with stripping these wires.
- Use a black marker to mark one wire at each corresponding wire end so that you can identify one wire from the other at each end. Make sure that you mark the same wire at each corresponding end (See picture below).

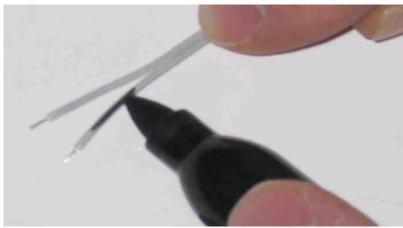


Illustration 9: Mark One Corresponding Wire at Each End

- Use the picture below to locate the proper location for connecting the pairs to the rear copper side of the HAWK-800 printed circuit board.
- Solder the wires onto the solder pads shown and pay particular attention to make sure that you connect the wire that was marked by the black marker to the square solder pad (shown in the picture below).

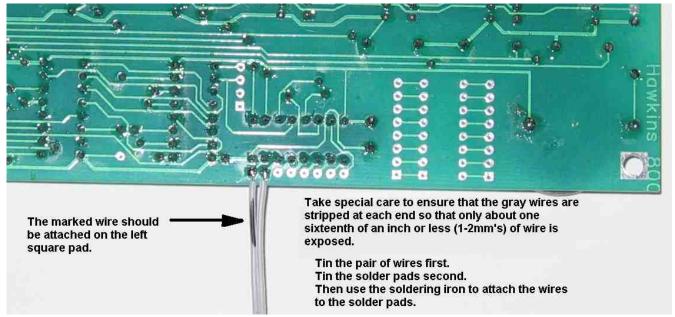


Illustration 10: Attach the Grey Pair of Wires to the Underside of the HAWK-800. Pay special attention to the location of the marked wire (attached to the left square solder pad).

Step 11 – Removing Capacitor C103 from the Main Board

We need to remove capacitor C103 from the main board (do not discard the capacitor).

• Using the picture below, locate and then remove capacitor C103 from the main board.

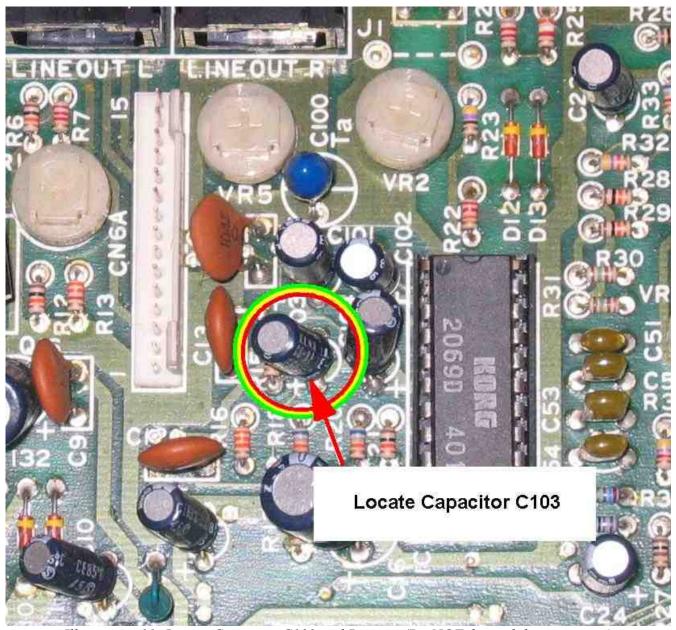


Illustration 11: Locate Capacitor C103 and Remove (Do NOT discard this capacitor)

Step 12– Install Capacitor C103 and Decoupling Capacitor

We need to install capacitor C103 and the .1uF decoupling capacitor in the AtomaHawk board.

- Using the picture below as a guide, install capacitor C103 and the supplied .1uF capacitor into the AtomaHawk board.
- IMPORTANT: If you are installing the AtomaHawk into a EX-800 then it is necessary to lean the C103 capacitor over as far as you can so that it does not interfere with the display board.
- Then install the three IC's. The 74HC174 at left, the CD4053 in center and the DS1666 at right. Pay special attention to make sure that you install the chips with their orientation as shown in the picture below.

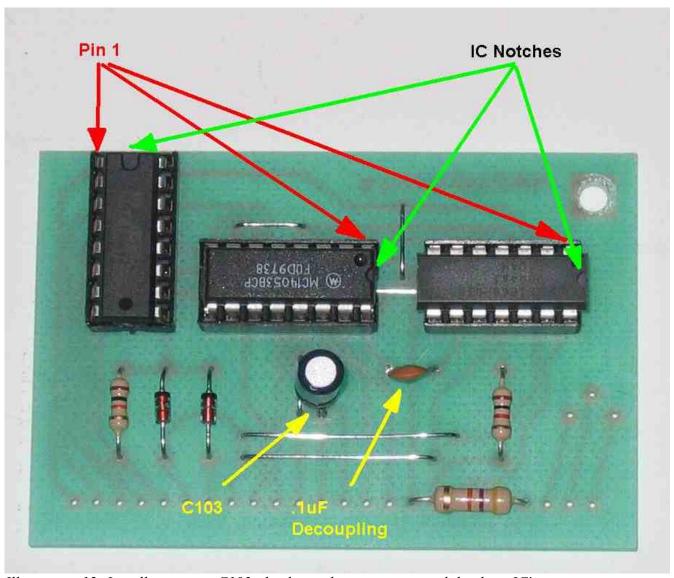


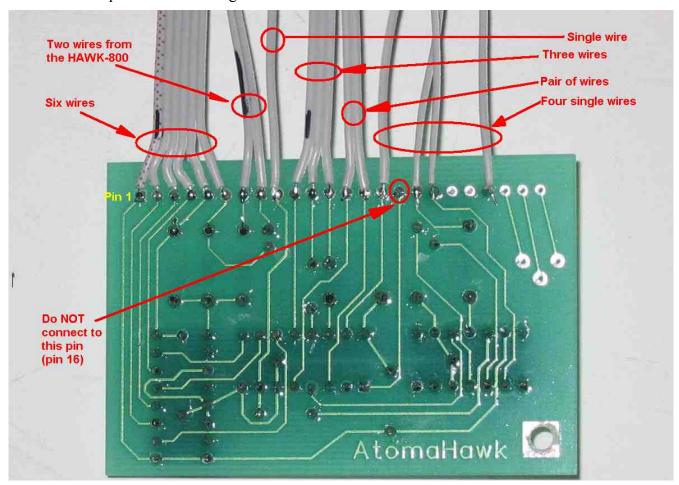
Illustration 12: Install capacitor C103, the decoupling capacitor and the three IC's

Step 13 - Attaching the AtomaHawk side of the Hook Up Wires

Now we must attach the hook up wires that will connect the AtomaHawk board to the main board.

- Use the five inch long group of gray wires.
- Split off a group of six (6) wires.
- Split off a single wire (1).
- Split off an additional group of three (3) wires.
- Split off a pair of wires (2).
- Split four single wires.
- Strip all of the wires at each end so that only a short one sixteenth (1-2mm's) is exposed at each end. Stripping these wires can be quite challenging. It is necessary to use a very light pressure on the plastic insulation so that as you pull the wire you do not end up cutting the copper

- strands off with the insulation. An extra pair of wires is supplied with the kit so that you can practice a little or use them if you have difficulty with the stripping.
- Tin all of the wires at both ends. Make sure that you trim the length of the strands after they have been tinned so that only about 1-2mm's of wire is exposed.
- Connect the wire groups and single wires as shown in the picture below. Note that the pair of wires shown connected at pins 7 and 8 are the two wires that you previously connected to the HAWK-800. Make sure that the previously black marked wire is connected to the left hand pad as shown in the picture.
- Use the picture below as a guide.



Step 14 - Arrange your workspace

Now we will attach the groups of wires to the main board. To do this, we will arrange our workspace to make it as easy as possible to make the connections. Bring all three boards into your workspace as the picture below shows.

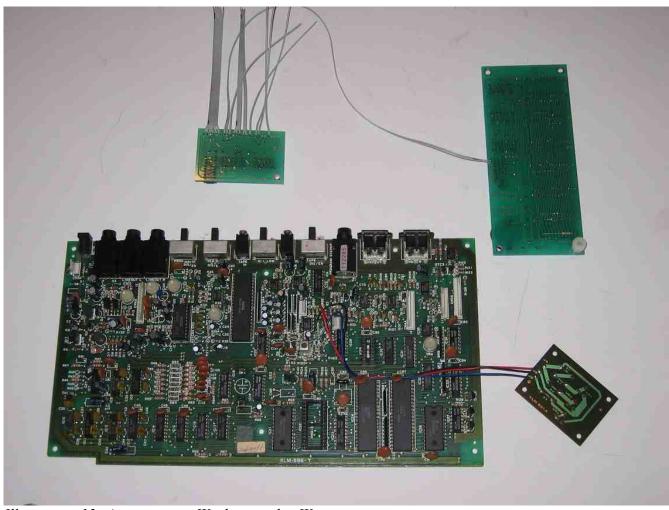


Illustration 13: Arrange your Workspace this Way

Step 15 - Attaching the First 6 Hook Up Wires to the Main Board

Now we will attach the groups of wires to the main board starting with the first six. For all patching into chips (IC's) you should tin the pin on the chip first before attempting to patch the wire onto the pin.

• Attach the first group of six wires as follows:

AtomaHawk	Main Board IC	Main Board Pin
Pin 1	IC21	Pin 24
Pin 2	IC21	Pin 9
Pin 3	IC21	Pin 10
Pin 4	IC21	Pin 11
Pin 5	IC21	Pin 12
Pin 6	IC21	Pin 21

Step 16 - Attaching the Fours Wires to the Main Board

The next two wires in order (pins 7 and 8) should already be connected to the AtomaHawk and HAWK-800 boards. So now we move on to the next single wire and three wires that need to be connected to the main board.

• Attach the next single wire and following three wires as follows:

AtomaHawk	Main Board IC	Main Board Pin
Pin 9	IC4	Pin 4
Pin 10	IC1	Pin 6
Pin 11	IC1	Pin 5
Pin 12	Capacitor 103 (see picture)	Negative pole position (upper)

NOTE: IC1 is installed in a socket. We recommend tinning the pins and attaching the hookup wires directly to the IC pins while the IC is installed in its socket. See picture below.

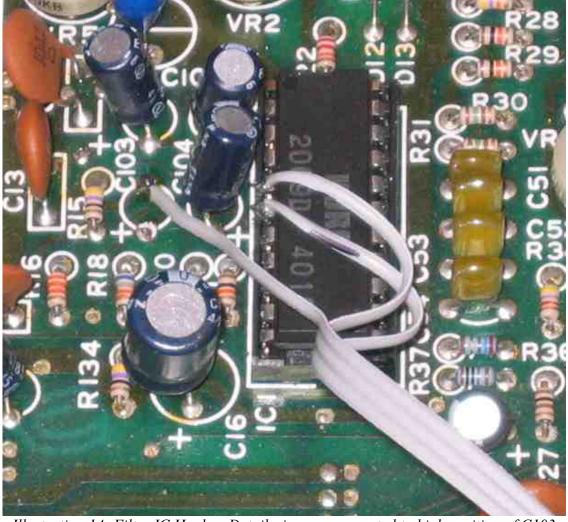


Illustration 14: Filter IC Hookup Detail - jumper connected to high position of C103

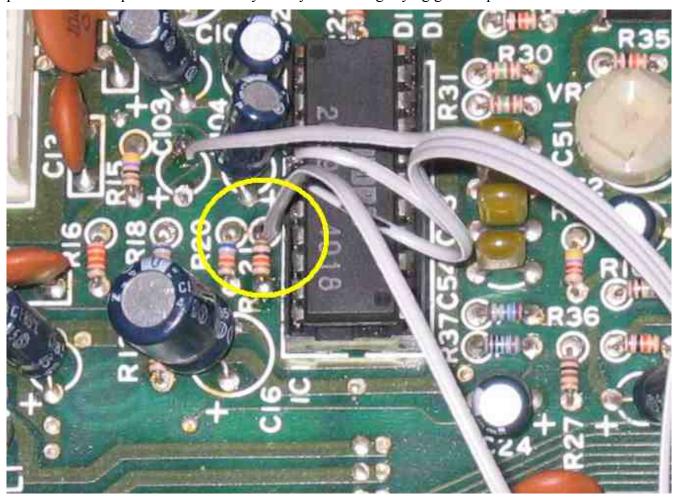
Step 17 - Attaching the Next Pair and Single Wires to the Main Board

Now we move on to the next pair of wires and single wire that need to be connected to the main board.

• Attach the next single pair and single wire as follows:

AtomaHawk	Main Board IC	Main Board Pin
Pin 13	IC4	Pin 7
Pin 14	IC5	Pin 7
Pin 15	Resistor R21	Upper side

The connection of pin 15 to Resistor R21 is quite difficult because R21 is a very small resistor. Use the picture below to spot the location and you may need a magnifying glass to patch in the wire.



Step 18 - Attaching the Last Three Single Wires to the Main Board

Now we move on to the last three wires that need to be connected to the main board.

• Attach the last three wires shown in the table below and refer to the pictures for details on the

precise location of the patch locations.

AtomaHawk	Main Board Location	Position
Pin 17	R23	Low side (see 1st picture below)
Pin 18	IC21	Pin 8
Pin 21	Resistor R21	Low side (see 2 nd picture below)

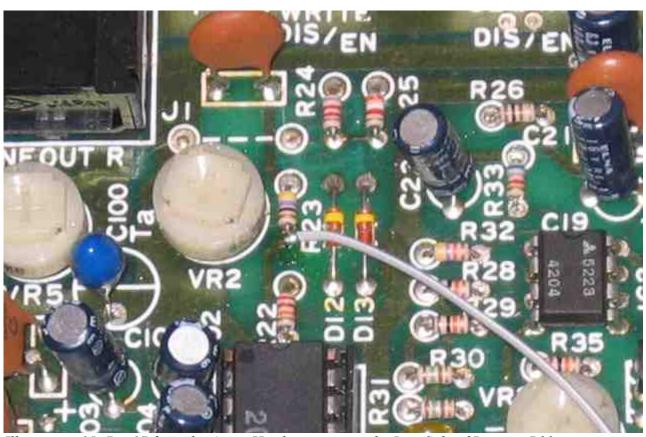


Illustration 15: Pin 17 from the AtomaHawk connects to the Low Side of Resistor R23

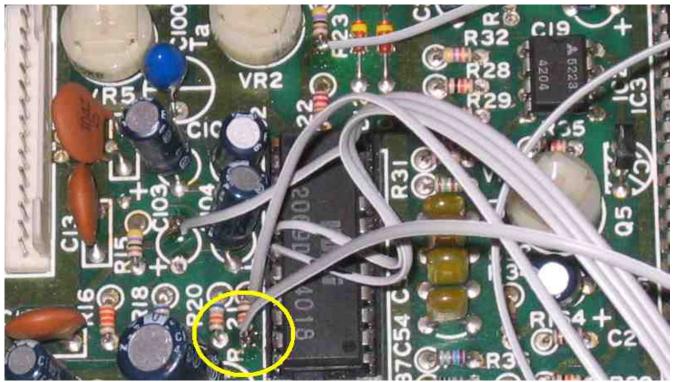


Illustration 16: The Connection from Pin 21 on the AtomaHawk to Resistor R21 (lower side)

Step 19 - Replace the Main Board into your Synthesizer

First, double check your work. We recommend that you go back over all of the steps and double check that you have built the AtomaHawk board correctly, that you have installed the two wire connection to the HAWK-800 board correctly and that you have correctly patched all wires between the AtomaHawk and the Main Board.

- Reinstall the Main Board back into your synthesizer.
- Refer to the picture below when installing the AtomaHawk board into a Poly-800MK1. Using the nylon washer, the supplied self tapping screw and nylon standoff, install the AtomaHawk board.
- IMPORTANT: If you are installing the AtomaHawk into an EX-800 then you will use the M3 x 20 mm screw and PCB nylon stand off but DO NOT use the nylon washer.

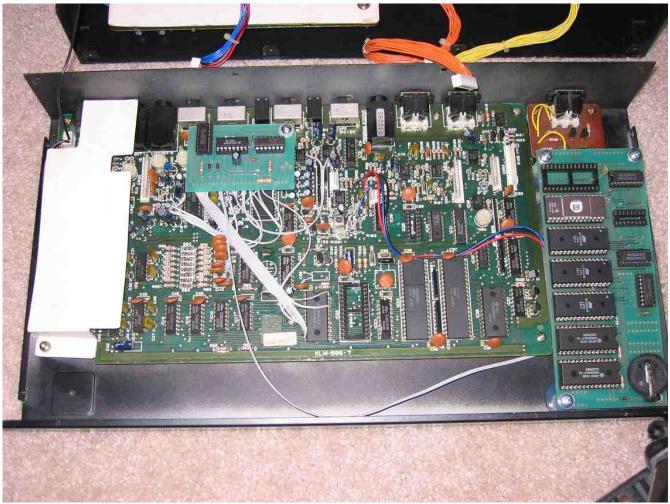


Illustration 17: Use the Plastic Standoff, Supplied Screw and Washer to Install the AtomaHawk. NOTE: (this picture is actually wrong since the washer should NOT be used in the EX-800. Also, C103 has NOT yet been leaned over to the right. If you were to put the cover on with C103 sticking up as it is shown then the EX-800 would not close properly.

Step 20 - Replace all Cable Assemblies, Close Up and Test

- Replace the two ribbon cable assemblies between the main board and the HAWK-800.
- Replace all of the cable assemblies between the upper and lower sections of your synthesizer and then close up the synthesizer.
- Solder the RFI shield connection back to the main board.
- Power on the synthesizer and test for correct operation.

Step 21 - Test the New Modifications

We now need to test that each modification feature works as it should.

WARNING: Before testing the Moog Slayer modification, you should turn your speakers or head phones down low. The Moog Slayer is capable of producing loud resonant tones that could damage your equipment. Set the volume low first before testing the Moog Slayer.

- You can check that the Moog Slayer (extreme resonance) modification operates correctly by setting extended parameter 58 to 1 and setting extended parameter 51 to 99. Setting extended parameter 58 to zero (0) turns the extreme resonance off, setting extended parameter 58 to one (1) turns Moog Slayer on.
- You can check that the FM-800 function operates correctly by setting extended parameter 61 to maximum (99) and press and hold at least 2 notes. The sound should be highly distorted while two notes are sounding. It may also be necessary to set parameter 68 to zero (0) to get the correct operation.
- You can check that the 12/24db per octave filter switch operates correctly by changing extended parameter 48 from 1 to 2 and back again. The filter slope should change between the two different filter slope modes.

Troubleshooting

- If your Poly-800 or EX-800 does not operate at all then immediately switch off your synthesizer and immediately check the following:
 - 1. Make sure that the orientation of the chips is correct.
 - 2. Check the AtomaHawk PCB again. Look for any solder bridges or any pins or components that are not soldered.
 - 3. Check for solder bridges or incorrect patching of the following patch wires.
 - 4. Make sure that the two signal diodes are oriented correctly.

AtomaHawk	Main Board IC	Main Board Pin
Pin 1	IC21	Pin 24 (+5V)
Pin 5	IC21	Pin 12 (GND)
Pin 9	IC4	Pin 4 (-5V)

- If the synthesizer powers up OK but *none* of the modifications operate then check the following:
 - 1. Make sure that resistor R1 is 10K ohms (brown, black, orange bands).
 - 2. Make sure that the orientation of the IC1 (74HC174) is correct.
 - 3. Check for solder bridges or incorrect patching of the following patch wires.

AtomaHawk	Main Board IC	Main Board Pin
Pin 2	IC21	Pin 9
Pin 3	IC21	Pin 10
Pin 4	IC21	Pin 11
Pin 6	IC21	Pin 21
Pin 18	IC21	Pin 8

4. Check for solder bridges or incorrect patching of the two wires that run from the HAWK-800 to the AtomaHawk. Double check to make sure that the wires correspond at

each end.

Atomahawk	HAWK-800 board	Function
Pin 7	HAWK-800 IO Device Select 0	74HC174 latch device select
Pin 8	HAWK-800 IO Device Select 1	Digital POT device select

- If the synthesizer powers up OK but the Moog Slayer modification does not operate then check the following:
 - 1. Make sure that the orientation of IC2 (4053) is correct.
 - 2. Make sure that resistor R3 is installed on the AtomaHawk board in pins 16 and 21.
 - 3. Make sure that the following patch wires are connected correctly.

Atomahawk	Main Board	Position
Pin 15	Resistor R21	Upper side
Pin 21	Resistor R21	Low side

- If the synthesizer powers up OK but the FM-800 modification does not operate then check the following:
 - 1. Make sure that the orientation of IC3 (DS1666) is correct.
 - 2. Make sure that resistor R2 is 1K ohm (brown, black, red bands).
 - 3. Make sure that the following patch wires are connected correctly.

AtomaHawk	Main Board	Position
Pin 13	IC4	Pin 7
Pin 14	IC5	Pin 7
Pin 17	R23	Low side

- If the synthesizer powers up OK but the 12/24db/octave filter switch does not operate then check the following:
 - 1. Make sure that the orientation of IC2 (4053) is correct.
 - 2. Make sure that C103 is installed on the AtomaHawk board.

AtomaHawk	Main Board	Main Board Pin
Pin 10	IC1	Pin 6
Pin 11	IC1	Pin 5
Pin 12	Capacitor 103 (see picture)	Negative pole position (upper)

• If none of the above provides a way for you to correct the problem then some limited additional technical assistance can contact be obtained by contacting us at korgpolyex800@yahoo.com.

The assistance we can offer is limited but we will do the best we can to assist you in the installation and operation of the AtomaHawk kit.

What's Next

Now that you have successfully constructed and installed the AtomaHawk kit you can download the latest User Manual from http://patrioticduo.tripod.com/hawk800. The user manual provides instruction on how to make the most of your AtomaHawk kit.

Appendix 1 – AtomaHawk Pin Allocation and Function

AtomaHawk	Main Board	Main Board Pin	Function
Pin 1	IC21	Pin 24	+5 Volt power
Pin 2	IC21	Pin 9	Data bus D0
Pin 3	IC21	Pin 10	Data bus D1
Pin 4	IC21	Pin 11	Data bus D2
Pin 5	IC21	Pin 12	0V - ground
Pin 6	IC21	Pin 21	Write

Atomahawk	HAWK-800 board	Function
Pin 7	HAWK-800 IO Device Select 0	74HC174 latch device select
Pin 8	HAWK-800 IO Device Select 1	Digital POT device select

AtomaHawk	Main Board	Main Board Pin	Function
Pin 9	IC4	Pin 4	-5 Volt power
Pin 10	IC1	Pin 6	24db/octave filter tap
Pin 11	IC1	Pin 5	12db/octave filter tap
Pin 12	Capacitor 103 (see picture)	Negative pole position (upper)	Filter in tap

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Pin 13	IC4	Pin 7	DCO1 waveform tap
Pin 14	IC5	Pin 7	DCO2 waveform tap
Pin 15	Resistor R21	Upper side	Moog Slayer tap (1 of 2)

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Pin 17	R23	Low side	DCO into VCF
Pin 18	IC21	Pin 8	Address Bus A0
Pin 21	Resistor R21	Low side	Moog Slayer tap (2 of 2)