

'New' System: WÜRTH The logo on the two sets in the next column is that of the German Würth Group, a worldwide wholesaler of fasteners, fittings, tools, systems, etc, etc. Thank you to Urs Flammer for details of the Sets.

The W04 set right was a 'special edition' made by Eitech for Würth in 2006, and the model looks similar to one of those on the lid of the 2006 Eitech C16 outfit shown in 35/1062. The style of 'CONSTRUCTION' on it is the same too. There were 5 WÜRTH sets, 01-05, shown on the underside of the box. The 01 & 03 are like two on the C16 lid models, the 03 & 05 are in the same vein but the 03 is an artic with a large white cylindrical Tank on its trailer, and the 05 is a 6-Wheeler with a crane mounted on the load platform.

A 'Chinese' Set which probably predates the W01-05 outfits above. It is shown right with the manual lying on the box lid (it covers more dark blurry shapes).

The manual shows that the parts and manual models are almost identical to those of the STIHL set described in 32/961. The Tools differ but otherwise the only change is that the Strip parts & the A/G are black instead of blue. These changes are reflected throughout the manual and in the parts in the Set.

Comparing the WÜRTH & STIHL manuals, the differences are as follows. The front covers have different models, and of course different logos. The Intro has been slightly reworded to eliminate all mention of STIHL. The models are the same (they do not include the rather rudimentary Power Drill on the WÜRTH cover) except that the Strip parts & A/G are shown black. One of the 'black' models is shown below. Apart from the colour change, and the Tools being shown in a space on C3 that was blank in the STIHL, the Illustrated Parts are the same, with the same quantities. The wording on the back cover is 'Distributed by Würth Holding Switzerland'.

Of the 5 models on the WÜRTH lid, only 2, the Racing Car & Helicopter, are among the manual models. They were among the 5 small photos on the STIHL lid, all 5 of which were in its manual, and one wonders how the 3 'foreign' models ended up on the WÜRTH lid. Was there perhaps originally a leaflet with



FIG.1



FIG.2

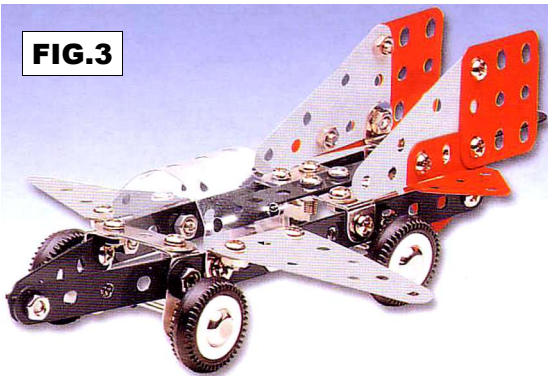


FIG.3

the set which had larger photos & parts lists for them.

The STIHL Tools were not shown in the manual but were described in OSN 32 – the WÜRTH ones are quite different and



FIG.4

are shown above – both look to be commercial items and 'Germany' can be seen on the Spanner. They look rather expensive items for a set of this calibre but perhaps they were Würth tools included to improve the image of the product.

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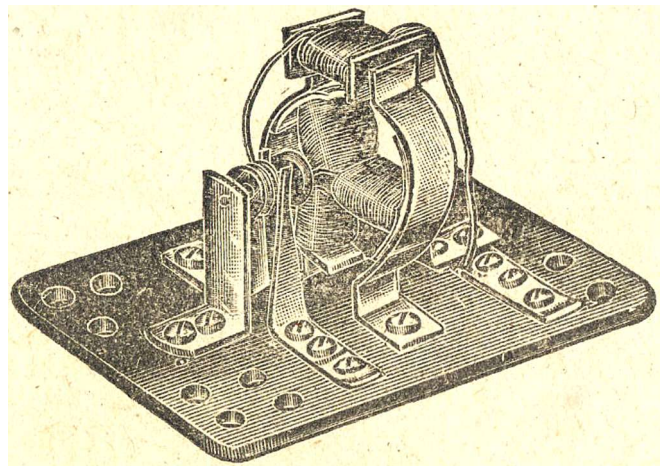
WÜRTH: S1

BESI Jean-Pierre Guibert kindly sent details of this German set from around 1960. One Ebay item suggested that BESI might date from the 1930s, perhaps because the instructions are mainly in the old Gothic script.

The box, 197*165*17mm, is red and marked Nr.1, but no others are known. The parts, and the N&B etc in a small fawn envelope, are tied to a green backing card. There are 12 different parts in all to build the 8v Electric Motor right.

The Base is red fibre, about 19*7cm, and most of the other parts are nickelled. Holes are 3 & 4mm, and the thread M3. The Shaft is 3.2mm Ø with its ends reduced to 2mm. The coils have to be wound by the builder with 220-230 turns on the Stator and 120 on each arm of the Rotor.

The lengthy instructions are pasted inside the lid. They are shown in J-P's *Encyclopédie* entry together with photos of the box lid, and the parts in the box.



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