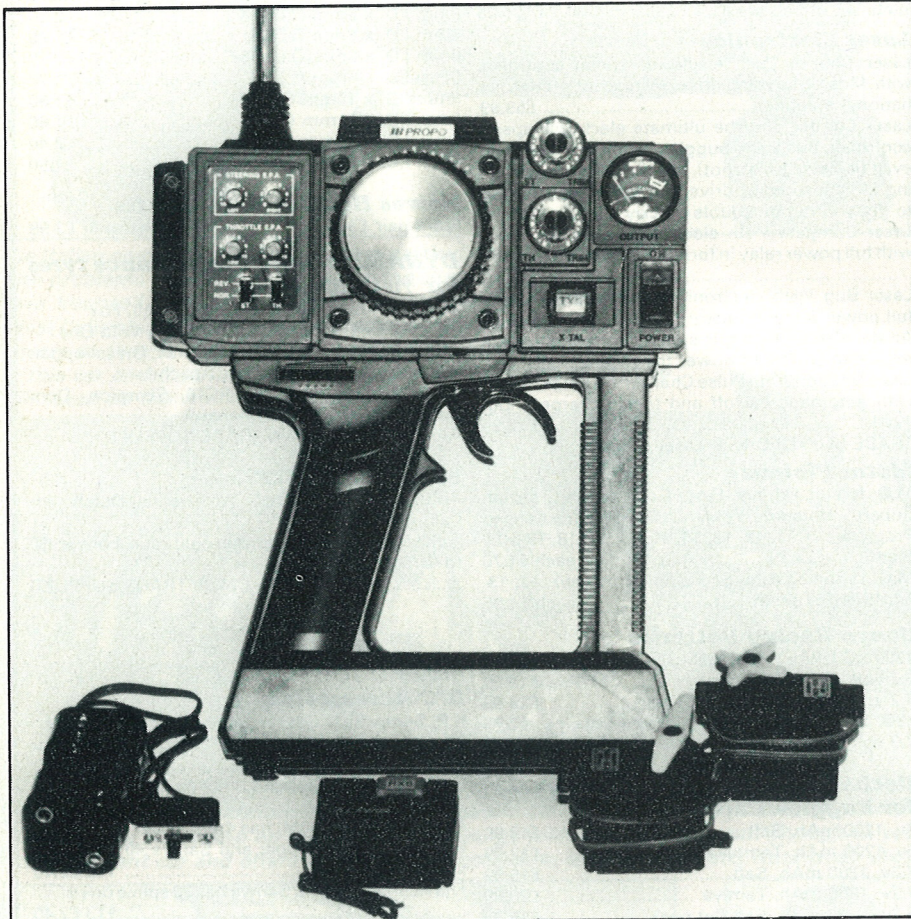


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Radio Race Car examines the latest R/C car radio system from JR.



With radio sets getting more and more comprehensively equipped these days the choice for all R/C people is larger and larger. Now, to add to the range, JR have brought out the Alpina.

Basically it's a two function R/C system with steering wheel and trigger throttle. Initially it looks rather bulky but nevertheless it is very well thought out. Cased in sturdy black plastic, it should prove to stand up to the toughest race meetings.

A standard size steering wheel, situated centrally, is moulded from plastic with chunky ridges for better grip.

Many drivers find that a steering wheel improves their driving for they can rotate their wrist faster than waggle their thumbs. The pistol grip is smoothly shaped to fit comfortably into your hand with no effort required to reach and use the throttle trigger. The trigger itself may take some getting used to if it's your first radio of this type.

The weight of the radio makes holding it very easy as it rests nicely in your palm.

As well as these main functions the radio set has the usual throttle and steering trim in the form of knobs. The end points of the servo reversing servo movement can be adjusted, switches are fitted, and also a power level indicator. All these are easily accessible and clearly marked for simple use.

The aerial can screw out from the radio and is clipped into the back of the transmitter when not in use.

Two NES-505 servos and a standard receiver with the set, are standard type and useful for most applications.

Although we have not actually given it a track test we are confident it will follow suit with the JR radio control equipment, giving it a long and trouble free life.

The JR Alpina is available from your local JR stockist priced £89.95.

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