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Cover: Look ma, no wires! The 'big three' each approach the question of remote controlling your rigs in completely different ways. Here's Kenwood's solution — take a stock standard rig and add a piece or two... Cover photograph by Tony Watts.

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