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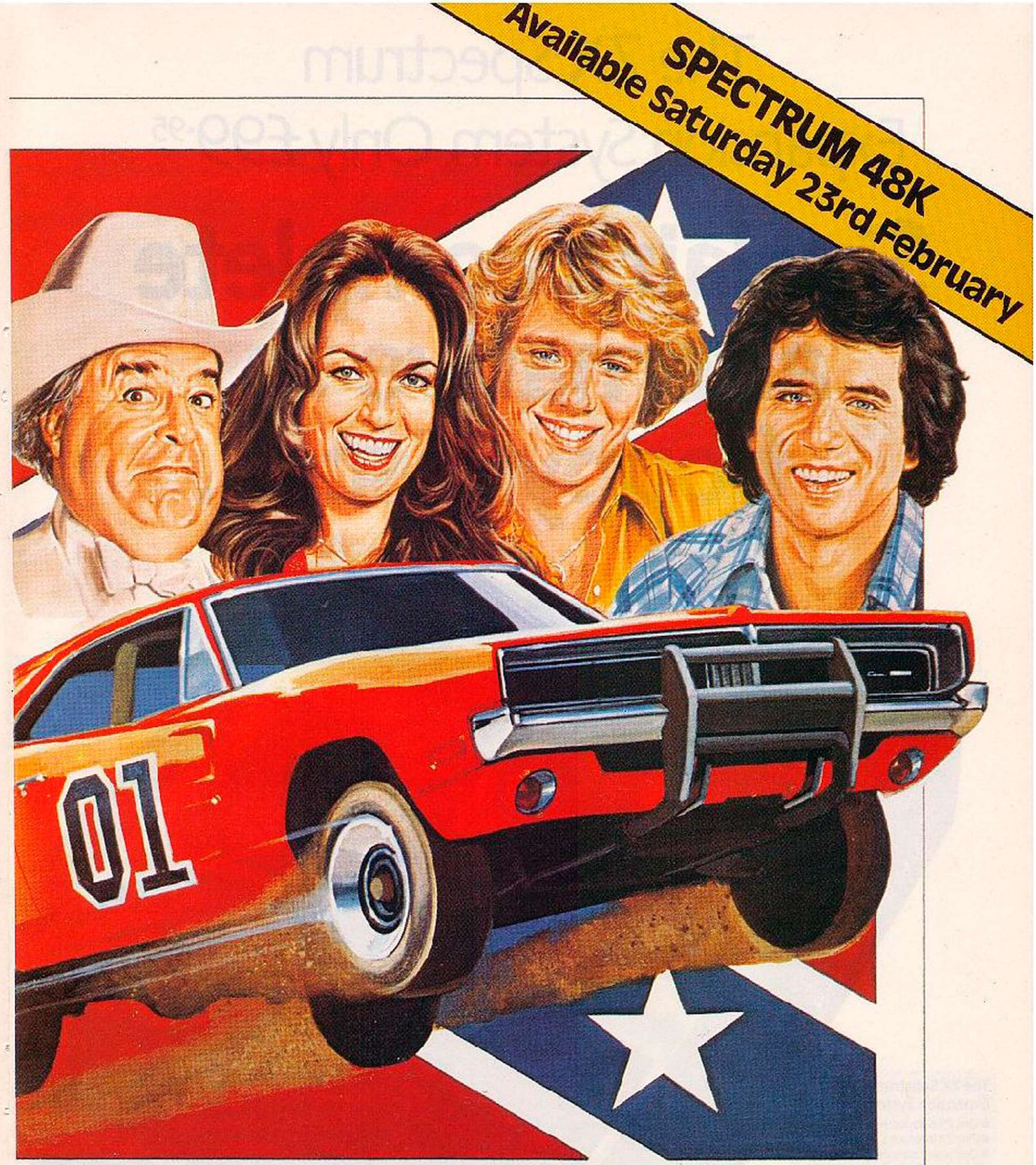

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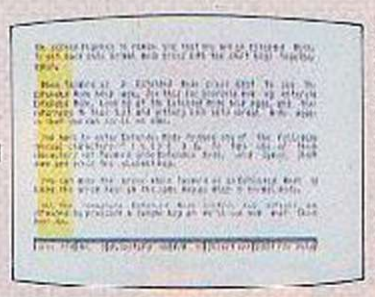

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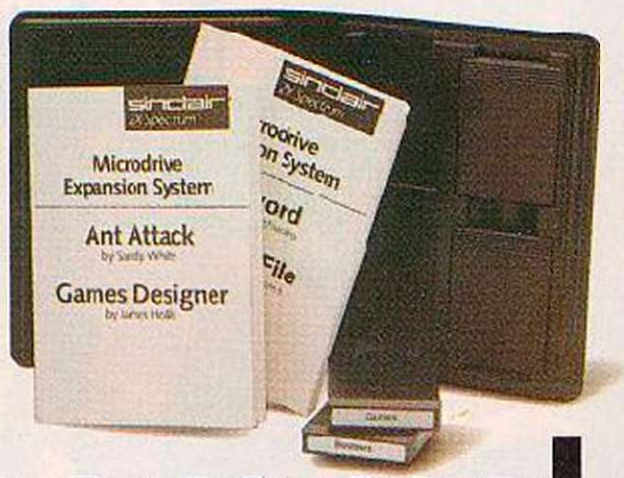

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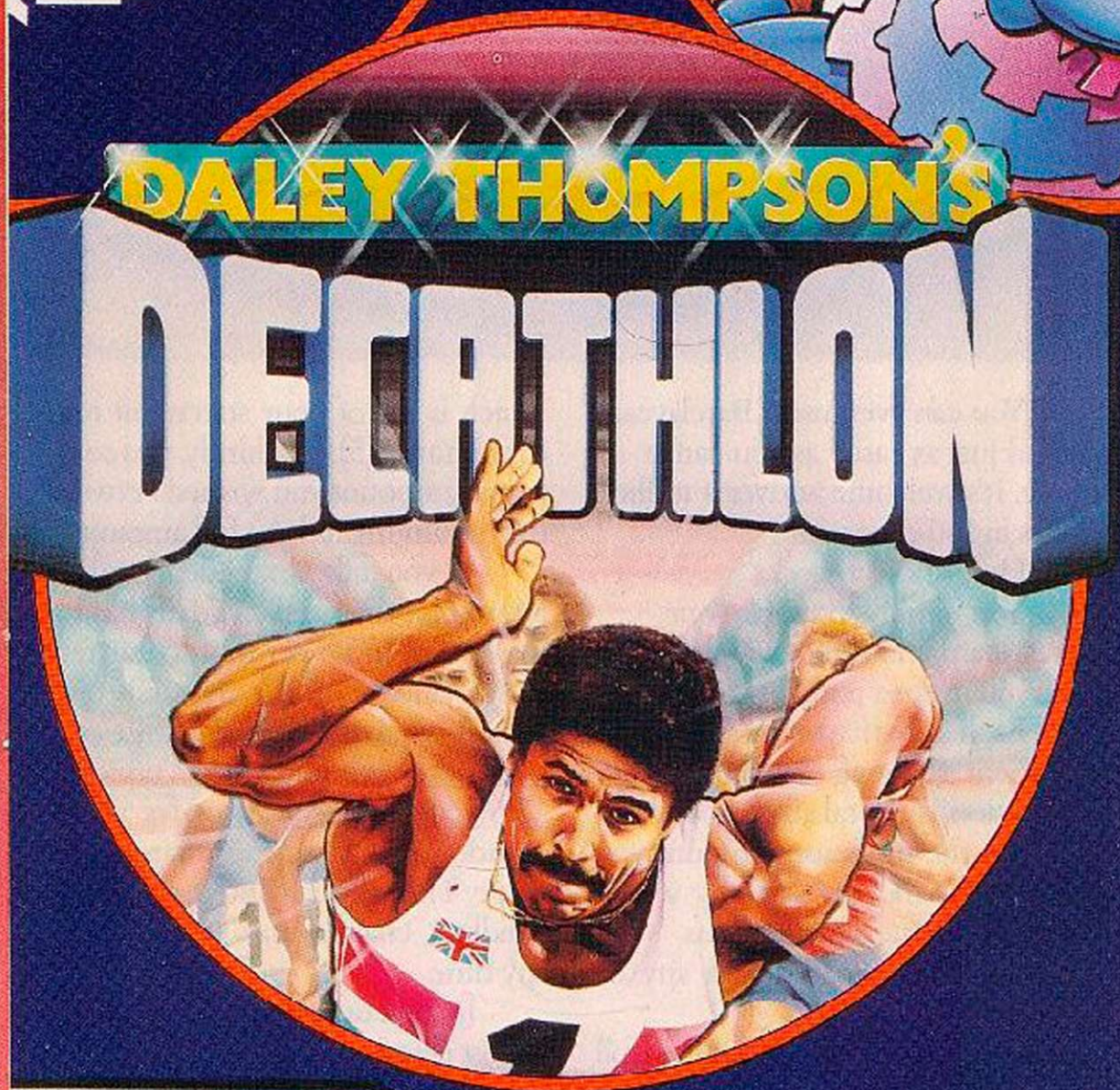

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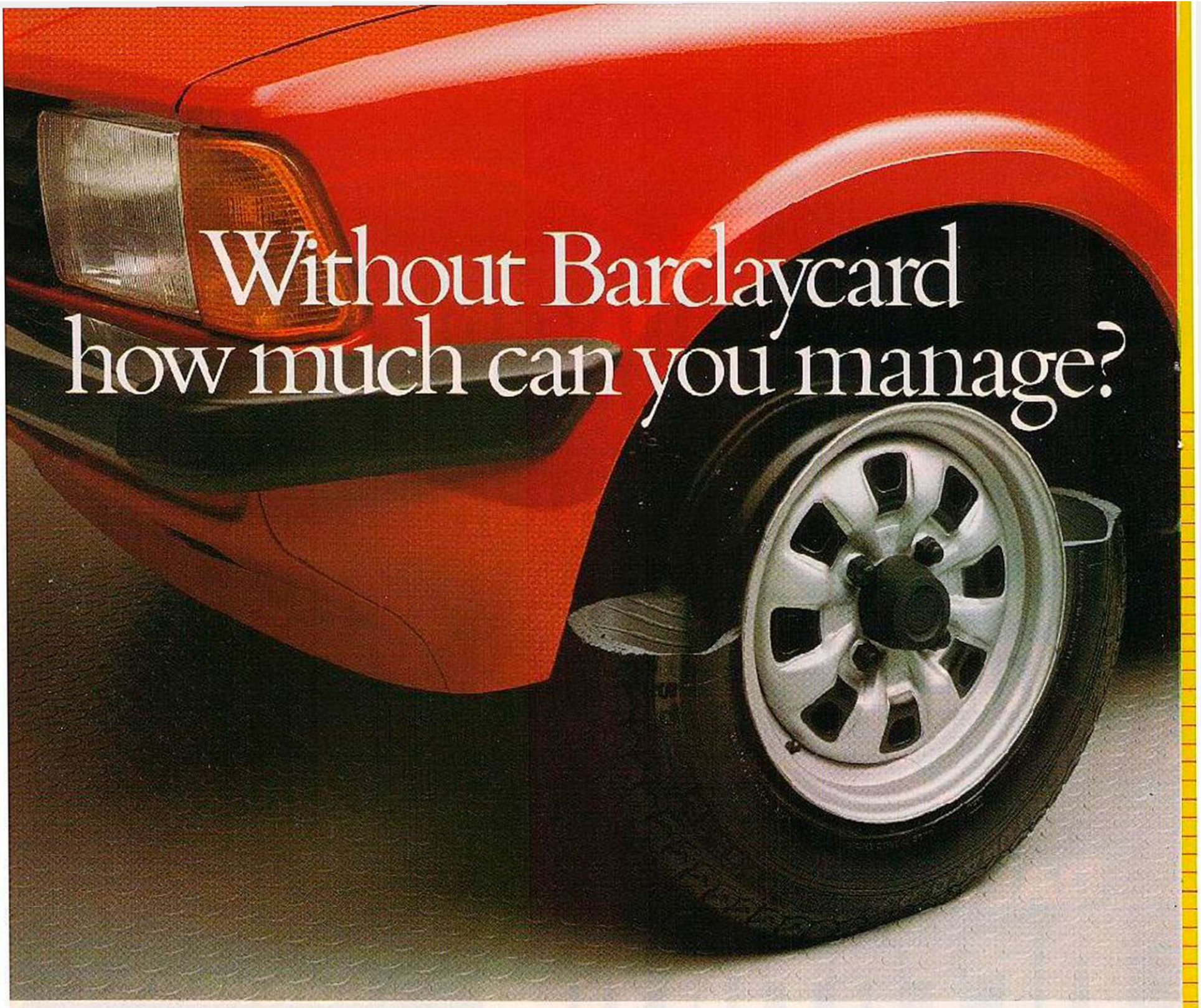

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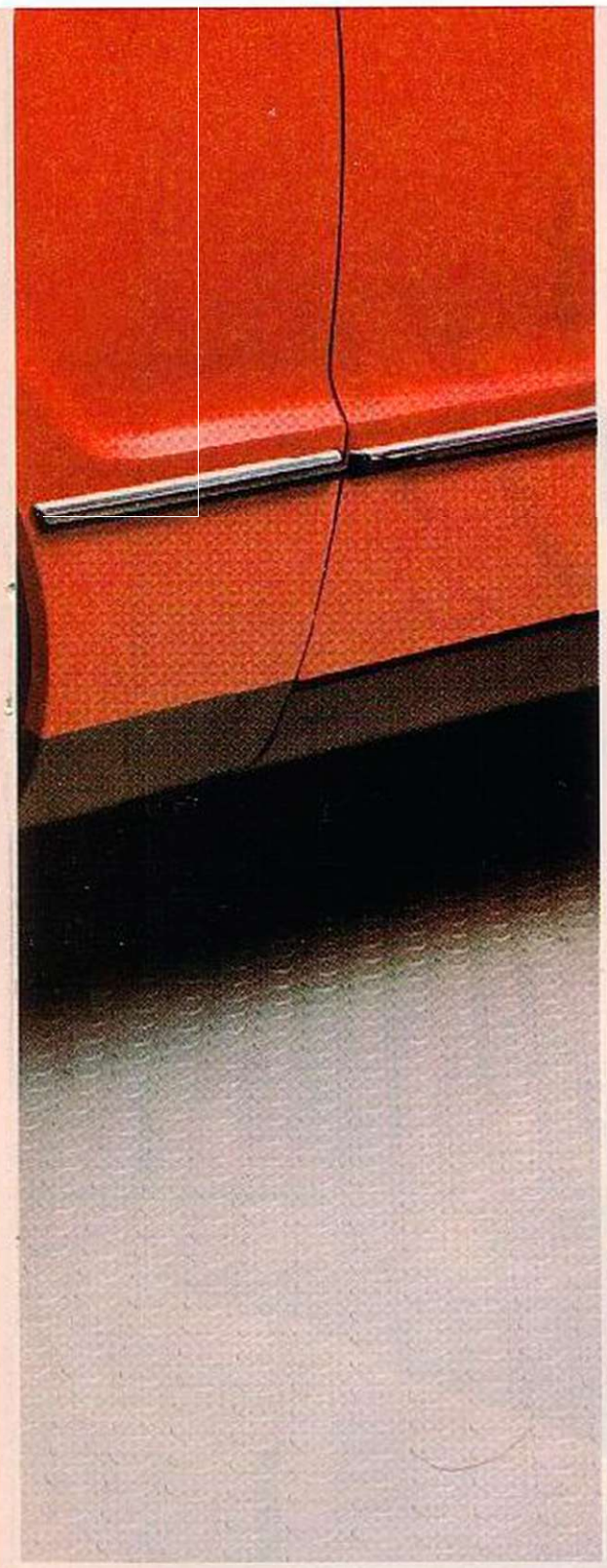

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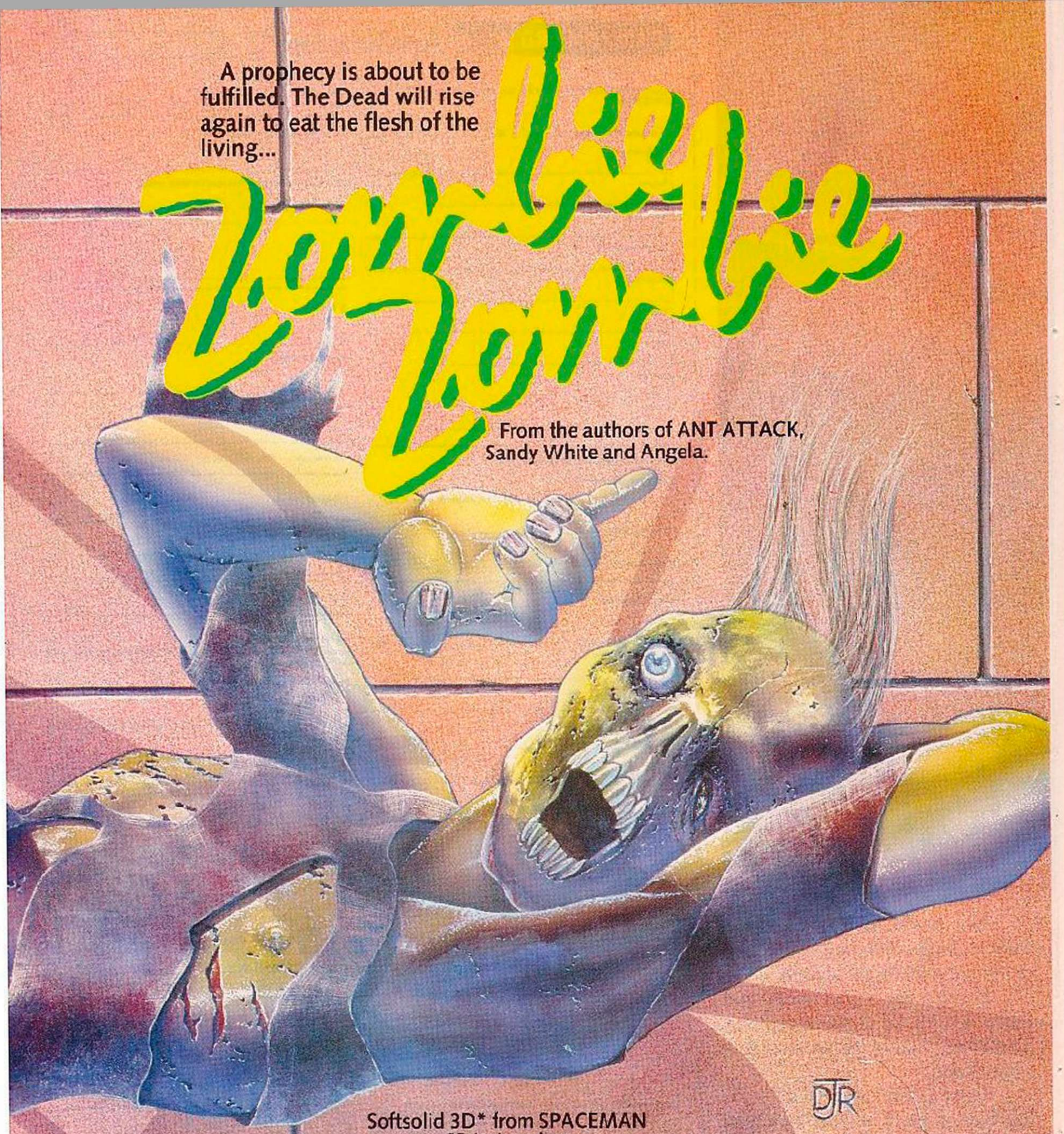

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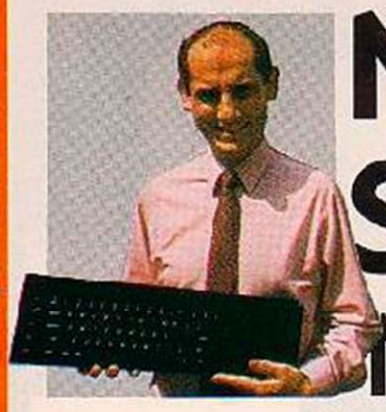

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Now it's the quantum leap for QL software and peripherals

Without doubt, the QL was the computer innovation of 1984. Launched to outstanding reviews, it soon gathered thousands of happy owners, and recognition from people like ICL, who have incorporated QL technology and its Microdrives into the new One Per Desk.

The quickest glance at the QL's specification shows what the fuss was all about... 128K RAM, 32-bit processor architecture, 200K built-in mass storage, bundled software. They're features that would normally cost you three or four times as much!

But that's only half the story, because the QL is now the heart of a computer system, with a growing library of software...

As you'll see from these pages, 1985 is the year of the quantum leap for software and peripherals. Already there are no less than five QL languages together with special programs for software developers, a world-beating chess game... and much more on the way!

On the hardware side, there's a special QL monitor to make the most of that high-resolution 512 x 256 pixel display. There are memory expansion boards, Winchester disk drives, printers, and low-cost Microdrive cartridges.

In fact, there's so much going on, we'll be running these regular Newsletters just to keep you in touch!

If you already own a QL, the next few pages will give you a taste of the exciting year ahead.

And if you don't . . . take a look at what you're missing. It should be all the persuasion you need!

Now read on... the quantum leap into serious computing starts here.

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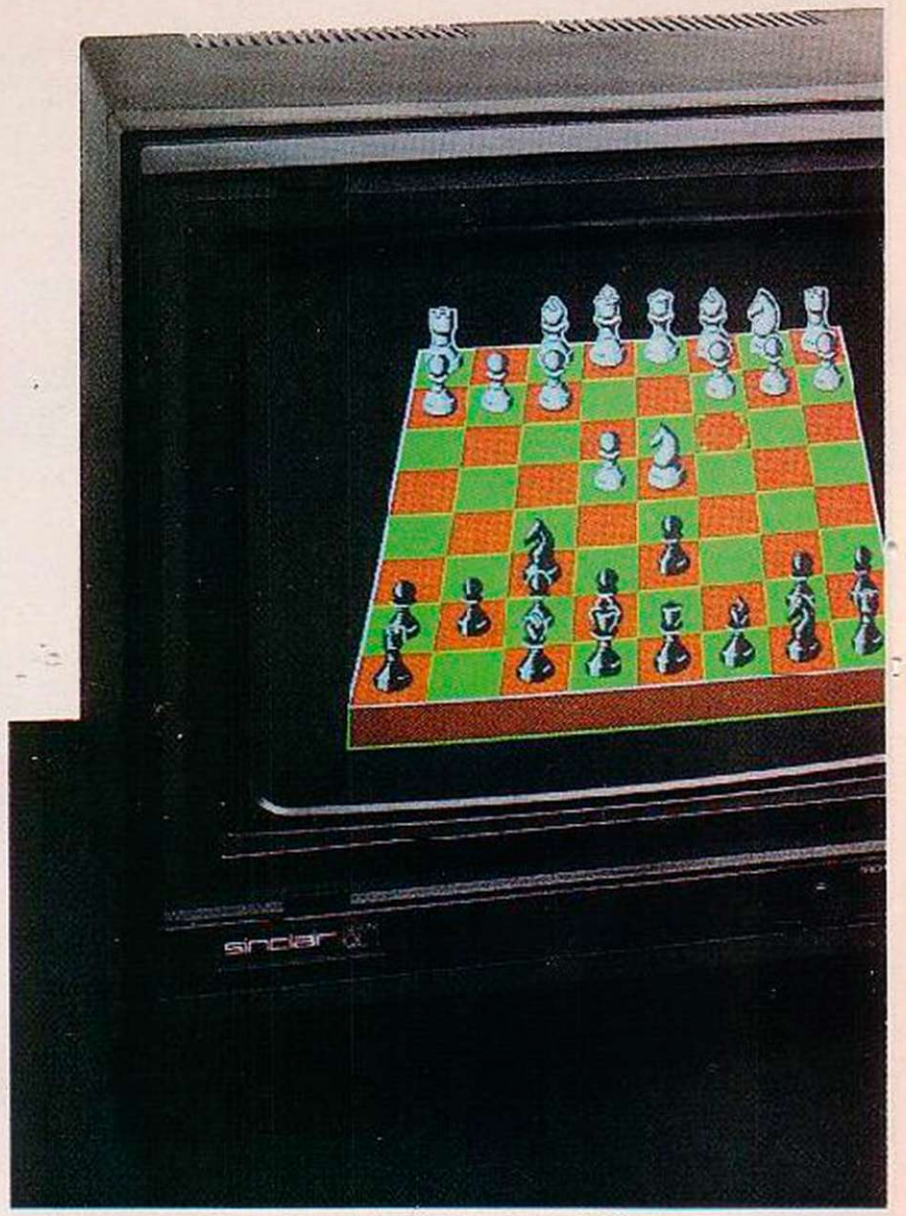

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QLUB: 10,000 members and growing!

QLUB is the special Users Bureau for Sinclair QL owners. There are now well over 10,000 QLUB members, and membership is growing all the time.

For their annual subscription of £35, QLUB members are enjoying a whole range of information and advisory services, exclusive offers and special discounts.

One of the most important QLUB benefits is the special news magazine, appearing six times a year. The magazine provides a forum for QL owners to exchange views and keep in touch with all the latest developments.

Each issue is packed with updates on QL hardware and software, tips on applying the four QL Programs, and news of how other people are using the QL. QLUB members also receive a range of special discounts, with savings of at least 20% on selected software products.

Current special offers include:
QL Chess for £14.95
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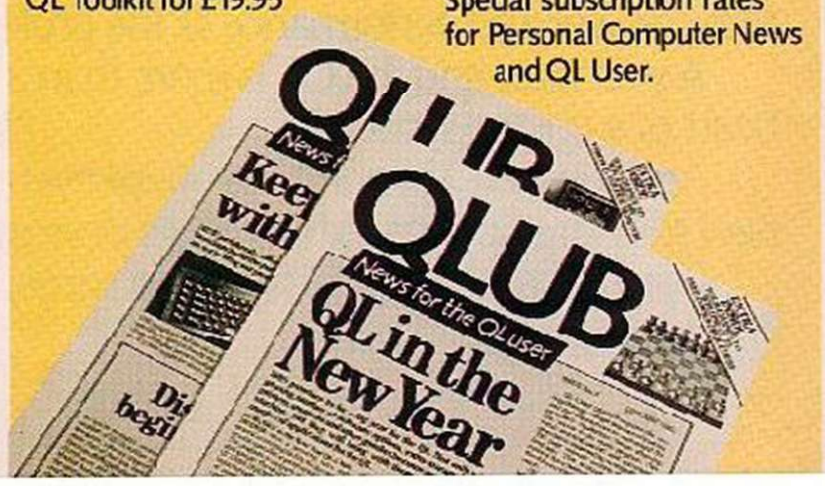
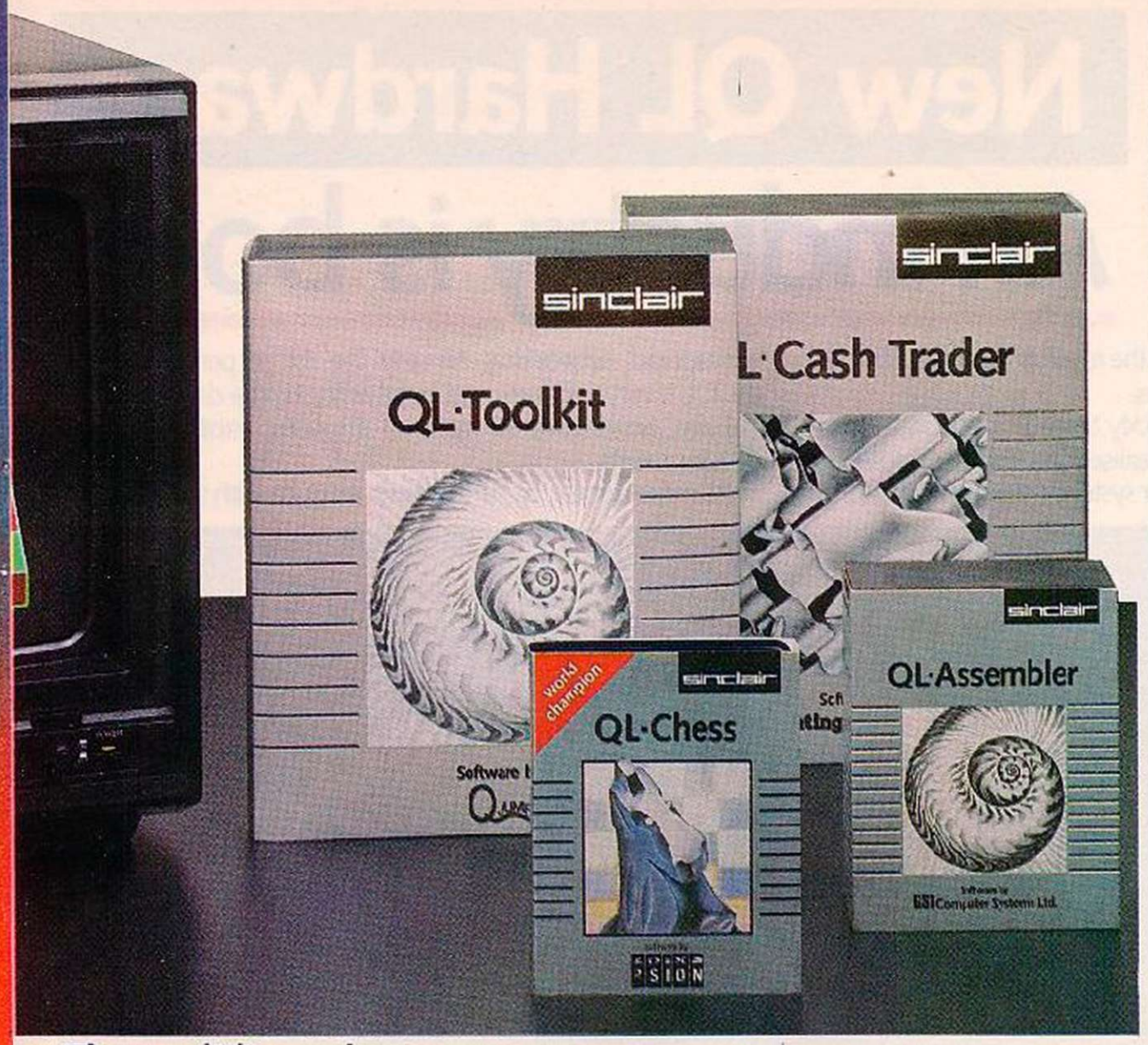
QL Cash Trader for £54.95
Special subscription rates for Personal Computer News and QL User.





The multilingual Sinclair QL

BCPL – a forerunner of C, BCPL has been described as a systems programmer's delight. In the words of QL User, this compiler is a 'brilliant compromise between a high-level language and a low-level systems language'. Whilst not for beginners, this is an essential buy for anyone with a good knowledge of systems programming. Complete with manual.
Available from
Metacomco – £59.95.
Tel: 0272 428781.

LISP – already well-known for its artificial intelligence applications, LISP is a powerful and versatile language. This is a sophisticated implementation of LISP, by one of its leading exponents, Dr Arthur Norman. This package features full QL graphics, and a full manual is supplied.
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Pascal – probably the most popular high-level language of all. Pascal is particularly well-suited to structured programming, sophisticated data manipulation and algorithmic problems. Pascal interpreter complete with 87-page manual.
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Computer One – £39.95.
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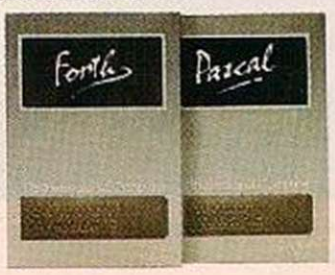

Forth – this 'new generation' language is proving both popular and easy to learn. The program provides a full implementation of the latest Forth 83 standard with graphics and sound extension.
Available from
Computer One – £29.95.
Tel: 0223 862616.

APL – the compact mathematics-based interpreted language designed for scientists and mathematicians.

APL keyword interpreter complete with manual.
Available from
MicroAPL – £99.95.
Tel: 01-622 0395.

Programmer's packs

QL Assembler – two programs operating in tandem. The first is a full-screen editor for creating and altering program files. The second, a Motorola-format compatible 68000 assembler which converts source files written in M68000 assembly language into machine code files which can run on the QL.

Both assembler and editor are written in machine code and can be multi-tasked with SuperBASIC, so you can switch between editor, assembler and SuperBASIC instantly.
Written by GST Computer Systems – £39.95.*

QL Toolkit – a programmer's toolkit with over 70 programs and extensions to SuperBASIC. Most are linked to SuperBASIC initially and can then be used from commands or from within a program. Enhancements include printer spooling (print a file while running a SuperBASIC program); improved file access (with full random input/output command); job control (allows management of multi-tasking programs including the ability to display, alter priorities, and delete jobs from the QL); and SuperBASIC screen editor.
Written by Q Jump – £24.95.*

World-beating chess!

QL Chess – fresh from its victory at the World Microcomputer Chess Championship. This program sets a completely new standard for games software.

There's a high resolution display, animated 3-D graphics, and 28 levels of play from novice to champion. Features include an openings book of nearly 4000 moves, HINT and TAKEBACK functions that help you learn from your mistakes, and the option to play a human opponent or the computer.
Written by Psion – £19.95.*

Software at work

QL Touch 'n' Go – a unique approach to learning touch-typing skills. The program is designed to give you mastery of the standard QWERTY keyboard in just 24 hours. With practice, you should soon reach 40 words per minute, with over 95% accuracy.
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QL Cash Trader – a unique computerised book-keeping system for small businesses. The program provides a complete course in the principles of accountancy, and goes on to become an essential aid in the day-to-day running of a business. Complete with comprehensive manual.
Written by Accountancy Software of Torquay – £69.95.*

*This title is available from Sinclair Research on 0276 686100, and selected Sinclair stockists nationwide.

Psion trouble-shooting service

All QLUB members can obtain special assistance from Psion on using the QL Quill, Abacus, Archive and Easel programs supplied with the computer. Psion will normally answer any queries within 48 hours.

New QL Hardware
An industry is born

From the moment of its launch, the revolutionary QL attracted massive interest from all quarters.

In one area, the interest quickly turned to action, as high-tech hardware manufacturers realised the immense potential of the QL for vast expansion, for system development and for widespread networking. Already the list of peripherals for the QL is very exciting – and lengthening by the day!

Here, we've covered many of the latest, most important developments.

As more appear, be sure to keep in touch with QL News!

The dedicated Sinclair Vision QL monitor

Once you see the incredible graphics capabilities of the QL you may decide an ordinary TV just can't do them justice.

If that's the case, a high-resolution monitor is needed. (And if you're creating presentation-quality charts, for example, it's quite essential.)

The new Vision QL monitor is specially designed for the computer by Kaga Electronics, with full support from Sinclair Research.

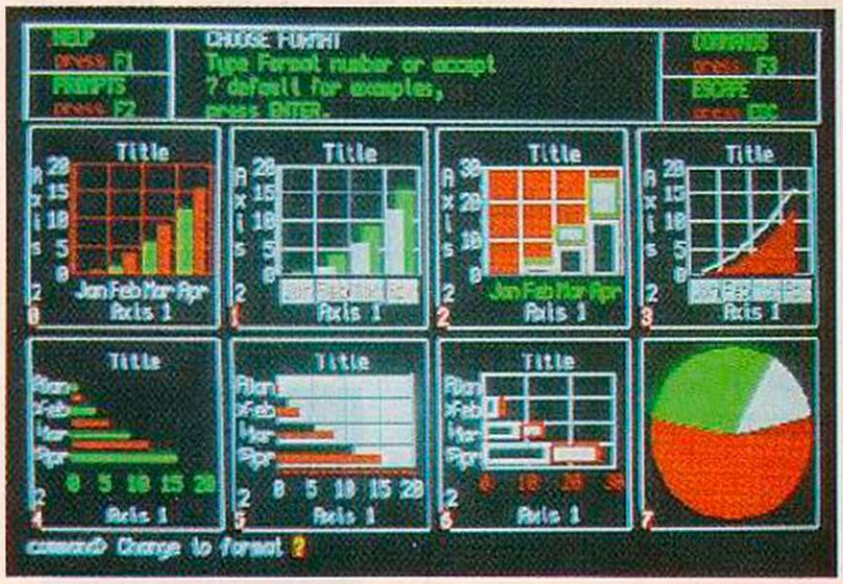
So it exploits the QL's maximum 512 x 256 pixel resolution to the full, with a pin-sharp 85 column display.

It's also specially styled to suit the QL – in looks, and in use. There's a 12" non-glare tube, and etched screen to diffuse reflections.

So the display is bright, sharp, *much* easier to look at . . . and invaluable for those late-night programming sessions.

And like the QL, the Vision monitor is designed with space in mind: it has a compact footprint of just 12½" by 15" – no more than a typical portable typewriter.

It's available from MBS Data Efficiency on 0442 60155 and selected Sinclair stockists.



The QLs superb graphics capabilities – as demonstrated by the Sinclair Vision QL monitor.

Microdrive cartridges. Now only £1.99!

Microdrive cartridges are the QL's own unique storage media. Each stores up to 100K of information, on a cartridge no bigger than a matchbox!

Over 500000 cartridges are now being used throughout Britain. And QL Microdrives themselves are standard equipment on the new ICL One Per Desk micro.

Now there's more good news for QL enthusiasts: from February 1, the cost of QL Microdrive cartridges are down from £4.95 to £1.99 each!

Sinclair Microdrive cartridges – up to 100K of programs and data on a medium so compact you can pop it into your pocket.

Powerful hard-disk system

For the QL business user, the new Firefly QL Winchester disk will boost the QL's power in one huge leap

Designed by Quest, it uses CP/M and offers all the benefits of Winchester technology: fast access, reliability, compact size and quiet operation.

With 7.5 Mb storage, the Quest Firefly is ideal for large databases such as stock or customer lists. And at under £1,200, it represents exceptional value for money.

The Firefly will be available very shortly from Quest on 04215 66488.

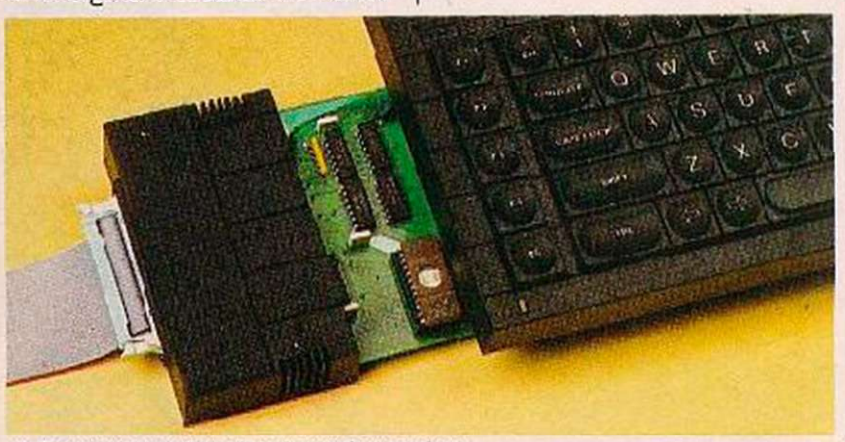
Winchester hard disk drives supplement your QLs built-in mass storage.

Interface options

The QL comes complete with two built-in RS-232C interfaces.

In addition, interfaces for Centronics printers are widely available from manufacturers such as CST, Miracle Systems and Sigma Research . . . with prices from only £35.

And that's just the beginning. For attaching scientific and laboratory instruments to the QL CST even offer an IEEE-488 interface, which can handle up to 16 connected devices simultaneously!



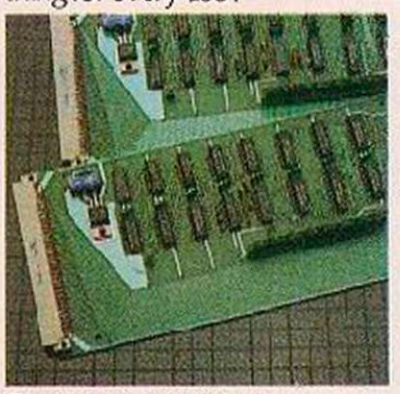
A Centronics interface slips discreetly into place.

Expansion boards for up to 4 times more memory!

Also from Quest, a simple and inexpensive way to expand the QL's RAM: with memory expansion boards.

These compact units connect to the standard QL expansion port, using the QL's internal power source or, for larger boards, an external power source.

The units range from 64K and 128K RAM boards to massively powerful 256K and 512K RAM boards, so there's something for every user.



Compact expansion boards

Prices start at £117, and the 512K board is a very cost-effective investment at just £537.

With affordable memory like this, the QL is more than a match for any other micro under £2,000!

The spec behind the spectacle

CPU – Central Processing Unit
Fast, powerful Motorola 68008 chip. A second processor, an Intel 8049, controls the keyboard, generates the sound, and acts as an RS-232C receiver.

RAM
128K. Now expandable to 640K

ROM
48K.

Operating system
Qdos – revolutionary single-user multi-tasking, windowing operating system

Storage
Twin built-in QL Microdrives. Up to 100K storage each – transfer rate, up to 15K per second.

Keyboard
Full moving 65-key QWERTY five function keys, four cursor keys.

Language
Sinclair structured SuperBASIC

Application software
QL Quill – word processor
QL Abacus – spreadsheet
QL Easel – graphics
QL Archive – database
All four packages supplied with the QL.

Interfaces
Two serial RS-232C interfaces, Microdrive expansion port (up to 6 may be added), ROM cartridge port, local area network, 2 joystick ports, RGB monitor and TV output.

Text screen
Various modes – up to 85 columns by 25 rows on monitor. On TV, up to 60 columns.

Graphics resolution
512 x 256 pixels (four colour), 256 x 256 pixels (eight colour).

Sinclair Research Ltd
Camberley, Surrey, GU15 3BR.
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Where to find the QL. The Sinclair QL is available at selected branches of Dixons, W H Smith, John Lewis Partnership, Currys, Greens in Debenhams and Ultimate, and larger branches of Boots, John Menzies and specialist computer stores nationwide.

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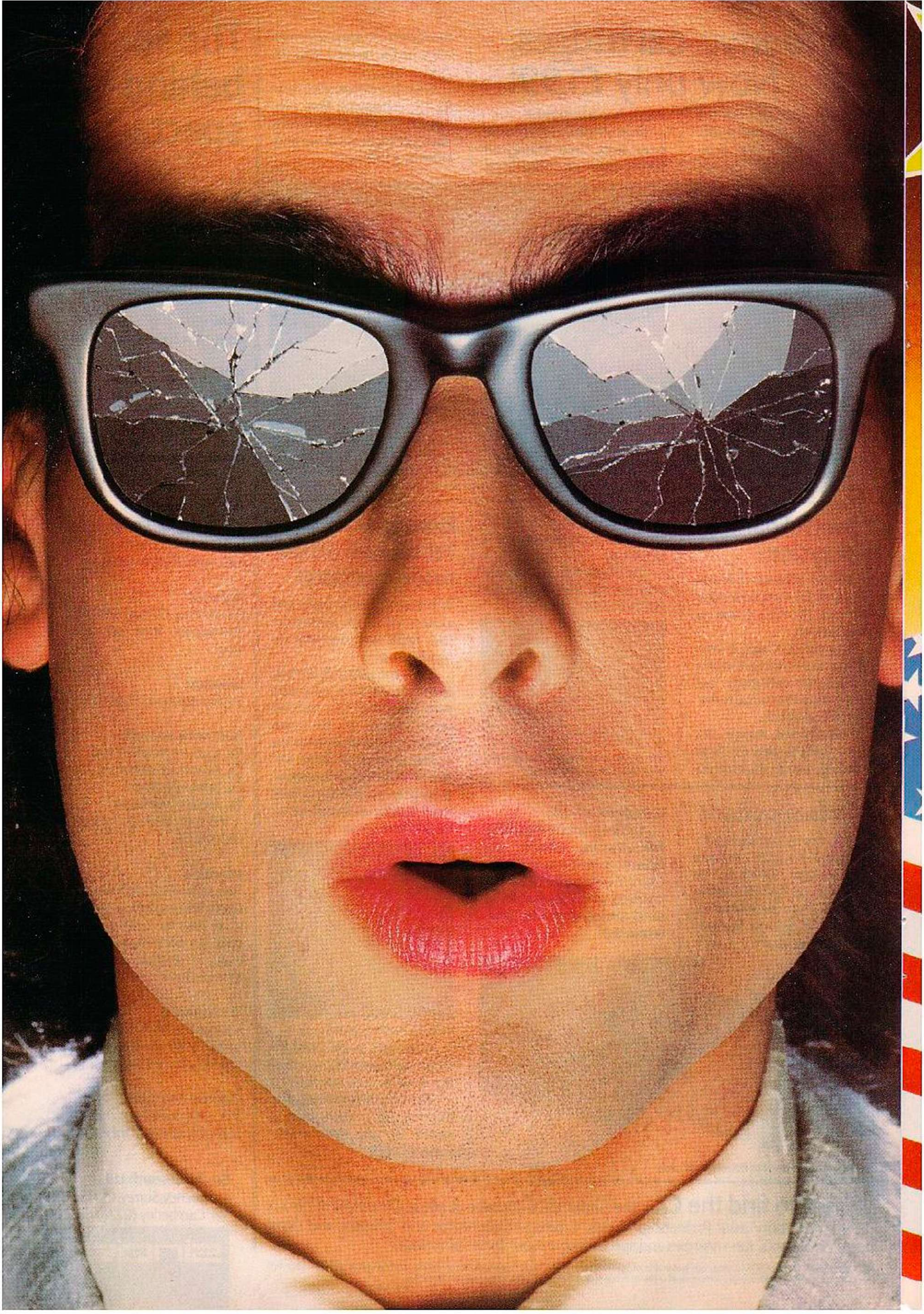

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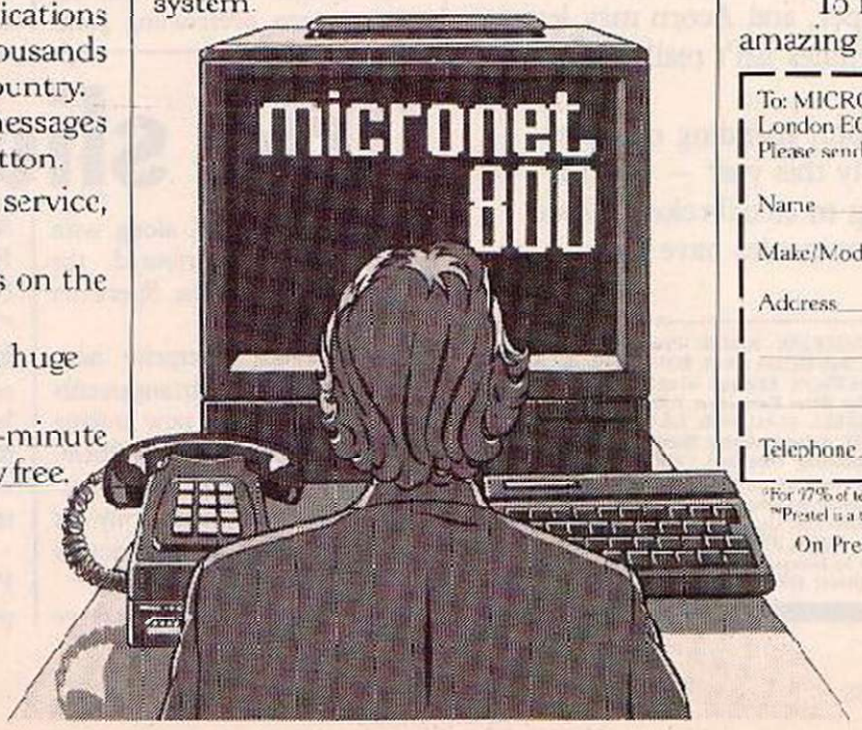

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DOUBTS FROM ACORNS GROW

THE FIRST SIGNS for Acorn's employees that Cambridge wasn't all growth and glittering prizes was when they opened the *Daily Mail* to find an exclusive interview with their boss Chris Curry. There, among the revelations about Curry's steamy sex life, fast cars and million-pound mansion was the first mention of redundancies.

Meanwhile, next door but one to Acorn's customer service department, the familiar sound of gently bursting bubbles could be heard as Oric sank beneath the waves.

Still within the city limits a surprisingly ruffled Sir Clive Sinclair launched an unprovoked attack on Atari's QL-bashing ST computers — claiming they were a figment of Jack Tramiel's imagination. Wishful thinking perhaps, given the QL's disappointing sales of 50,000 in a year which celebrated the production of the five-millionth Sinclair-designed micro.

Could the curtains be closing on the stars of the great British micro industry? So far 1985 has been a bad year for everybody, but don't expect to see Sir Clive trading in his Porsche for a C-5 quite yet.

Sinclair dominates the U.K. market as much today as he did in 1981. But gone are the innovations. Even the 1982 model of Clive Sinclair wouldn't have been content with reboxing an existing machine. However good the Spectrum and despite his commitment to the 68000, Sinclair now runs the risk of becoming a one-computer company. Yet whereas that could be a problem in the making, Acorn has an immediate and deep crisis on its hands.

Its shares had fallen from a high of 193p last year to 23p before they were temporarily suspended on the Stock Exchange at 28p. Job cuts and a major reorganisation are part of paying the price for a poor Christmas and the disastrous foray into the U.S. market. The abortive American project may have cost the company as much as £12million and its recent £20,000 sales to Russia won't make much of a dent in that. Apart from that, the BBC Micro isn't getting any younger or appreciably cheaper, and Acorn may learn that producing business machines isn't really as easy as ABC.

But despite the pall of gloom, spending on home computers should rise sharply this year — up to a record £590million according to stockbrokers Wood Mackenzie. All the British companies have to do is go out and grab their share.

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Creasey controlling Douglas Herd's muscle movement.

PLEA FOR DISABLED

DR GRAHAM CREASEY'S plea for government funding to "give the disabled as much access to micros as people in schools" is being ignored by the Department of Health and Social Security.

"A micro can be at least as useful as a wheelchair", says Creasey who uses BBC Micros in his spinal unit at Edinburgh's Edenhall Hospital to improve his patients' manual dexterity while entertaining them.

He is also using micros for research into overcoming paralysis by controlling a series of electrical shocks to stimulate the muscles.

The Department of Trade and Industry already makes £2million a year available from its information technology budget for schemes including functional electronic stimulation and remote work units for the disabled.

But the DHSS says it has "no plans" to extend this sort of scheme to make micros available to all the disabled who might benefit.

Oric slides

ORIC HAS CRASHED, along with Prism which distributed the Atmos as well as the Spectrum and the Enterprise.

Sinclair and Enterprise have made alternative arrangements and the receivers are now looking for buyers for Oric and Prism. Barry Moncaster of Oric is suggesting a management buy-out and a multinational company is also believed to be interested.

Oric's normally talkative Marketing Consultant Bruce Everiss, who last year jumped before Imagine fell, will only say: "If I had a crystal ball I wouldn't be sitting here now". But he admits that French Atmos sales have collapsed in the last couple of months — "the Amstrad is the cult machine in France at the moment".

In Britain Oric has blamed Prism for failing to distribute properly.

PRICE FIGHTS
Sinclair and Acorn war

Commodore 128: Can CBM duck the price war?

MASSIVE PRICE CUTS, £50 off the Spectrum Plus and £70 off the Electron, have left the two old rivals squaring up to each other at the £130 mark. The first casualty of the war has been the "dead flesh" keyboard of the old Spectrum which has been buried without ceremony — only the click keyboard Plus will continue.

A Plus upgrade from Sinclair for an old Spectrum will cost £30 — or £20 for a kit which may put other keyboard makers out of business. Sinclair, who celebrated the manufacture of the five millionth Sinclair designed micro last month, has also taken on Commodore by chopping the price of Microdrive cartridges to £2 and claiming that the Microdrive saves and loads faster than the notoriously slow CBM 1541 disc drive.

But Commodore insists it will not cut prices yet. Nevertheless expect a cheaper 64 to make room for the CBM 128 this summer. This may leave the C-16 and Plus-4 in no-man's land.

TOUCHING BYEBYE TO THE KEYBOARD

Touchtech turns screen into paper.

TOUCHSCREENS are the ultimate in megapriced accessories for the executive who has everything — except the ability to communicate with a micro through its keyboard.

Now Microvitec is introducing the first budget-priced touchscreen, the Touchtech 501, which will allow the idea to be used to teach youngsters and the disabled. The 501 is a frame which fits over the screen of an ordinary 14in. Microvitec monitor.

The frame contains a grid of 12x16 infra red beams and sensors which are interrupted if a finger is placed on the screen. To improve resolution each beam fans out across three receptors which can distinguish it from other beams — this gives up to millimetre resolution in the centre of the screen.

Touchtech comes with a package of programs ranging from noughts and crosses to an artist program which allows you to paint on screen with your finger using a palette of six colours.

Open the box for C4's telly software

TELLY SOFTWARE allows you to downloac programs straight from your television. All you need is a home made light pen to stick over the pulsating cursor square which will be appearing in the corner of the screen on Channel 4's new show, 4 Computer Buffs, every Monday night.

Mike Thorne of University College, Cardiff has produced a design for a pen which you could make yourself for less than £5. All you need to do is plug it into your computer — Spectrum and BBC programs will be broadcast initially — and attach the light cell end to the screen where it can pick up the binary code flashing through.

Because the speed of data transmission is limited by the scan rate of the television screen it can take five minutes to load each kilobyte of program.

Quickdisc takes on Microdrives

QUICK DISCS for the Spectrum should be available from April for around £100. The Crescent Quickies use a spiral disc like a record which cannot be randomly accessed like the concentric discs which make most disc drives so fast. However according to the Crescent's makers, Servicon Dynamics, it is up to 20 times faster than a Microdrive.

Commodore on Telsoft

NEXT MONTH our Telsoft service kicks off the new Commodore 64 facility with the Space Junk program which starts in this issue.

So far 12,000 calls have been made to the free downloading service since Telsoft opened up with BBC and Spectrum programs from our December issue. Details of transmission times for your machine on (0206) 8068.

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"THE GUY threatened to break my knees last week" jokes Bruce Everiss, well we hope it was a joke, after talking to Fireiron's new backer, scrap dealing millionaire Talbot Smith. Fireiron — home of Imagine refugees like Eugene Evans and Dave Lawson — has been plagued with practical jokes. One week six driving schools turned up to give one-time Lotus driver, now Beetle owner, Eugene his first driving lesson. For some reason frying pan to fire specialist Bruce — who moved from Imagine to Oric — fell under suspicion and was warned off by someone he describes as "Talbot Smith's gophe:". Mild-mannered Bruce replied by sending him a bunch of daffodils which provoked the call from the breaker's yard.

EYE PATCH firmly in place and parrot on shoulder I ring up a Mr Ramsden of Pye Greave Farm near Barnsley who is offering Commodore 64 software for sale "all copied but excellent" from tape, disc or cartridge. His "brother" answers, Mr Ramsden is not there. I identify myself and say I will be back in touch. "Just you be careful", the "brother" replies, "or I'll be back in touch with you good and proper".

AMSTRAD BOSS Alan Sugar has been stirring rumours of new Amstrads — essentially different versions of the current machine with built-in drives and more memory — but Amstrad is keeping mum about the details. Amsoft's William Poel — the man who offered to eat an Amstrad in Trafalgar Square if the machine was late — says Sugar's guiding principle is "don't stimulate until you can consummate".

I KNOW sales of the QL could be better but does Sinclair have to go to the extreme of giving away hundreds of them to Strathclyde University in order to win the lukewarm tribute that very few have gone wrong?

ACORNSOFT'S David Johnson Davies will be surprised to hear himself described as "a cross between Ivan Lendl and an Egyptian mummy", particularly by someone who is about to launch his Elite on the CBM-64. Allegedly David "is good at tennis, gets as far as the semi-finals and then trips over the bandages". What can this mean?

Elsie Dee

ANGRY ATARI

Jack's boys hit back

ATARI IS ACCUSING Sinclair of sour grapes after his attacks on the new ST micros. "Sir Clive tried with the QL and it hasn't succeeded", says Atari's U.K. marketing director Robert Harding.

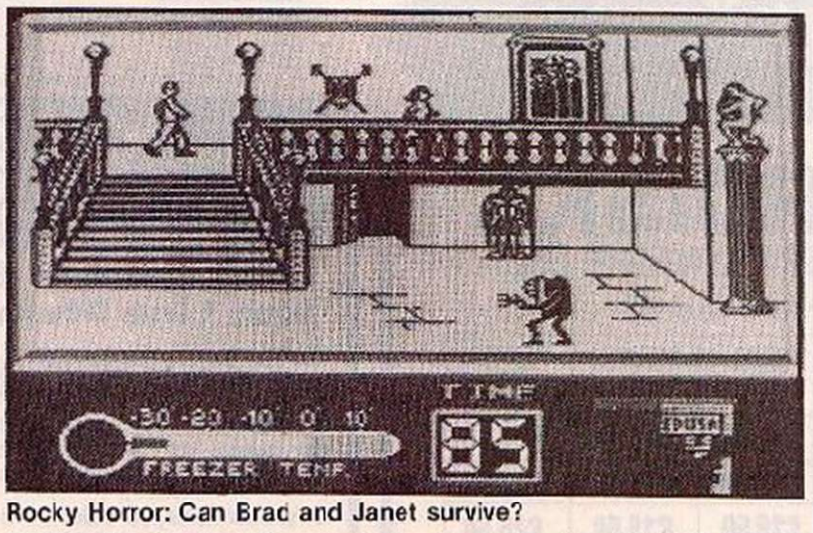
Sinclair admits that "'84 was a tough year for the QL" but insists that "'85 is going to be the year of the QL" rather than of the rival 68000-based Atari ST range which Sir Clive claims will be late and disappointing.

Harding's schedule for this year is to introduce the Infinity package on the 800 XL for around £100 this spring — this includes word processor, spelling checker, database and spreadsheet, launch the 16-bit STs in the summer and the 8-bit £170 128K XE replacement for the XL in the autumn.

The 128K 130ST will cost no more than a QL and the 520 ST with half megabyte Ram, TV monitor, 3.5in. drive, mouse, printer and Infinity less than £1,000. Whose machines will answer the 68000-based question — Jack Tramiel's or Sir Clive's — or will they settle it over 15 rounds in the Baron of Beef.

Tramiel's new Atari ST, and behind, XE micros.

ROCKY HORROR — A SMALL SCREAM



Rocky Horror: Can Brad and Janet survive?

BANNED in South Africa on the grounds that repeated showings would corrupt the nation's youth, and even more mysteriously deleted from Cliff Richard's memory the Rocky Horror Show is about to be unleased onto the small screens of a million Spectrums.

Richard O'Brien's camp, gothic, glam-rock, fantasy horror spoof musical which spun off the stage into films, records, books and parties in the mid 1970's will be a CRL computer game by March.

But writer Richard will not be playing much part in the project since he is "terrified of technology" — he does not use a word processor, nor even a typewriter. "I'd rather work with a pad and a pencil." He's leaving the programming to long-time Horror fan Ian Ellery.

You can be Brad or Janet, clean cut American teenagers as you roam the haunted and decidedly decadent house trying to free your companion who has been turned to stone, encountering such wacky characters as Eddy — the force from the freezer. While the Spectrum does not give full range to songs like *Science Fiction-Double Feature* CRL is already working on a Commodore 64 version with the declared aim of bettering Activision's rendering of Ghostbusters — but then CRL also claims that Rocky Horror is "good wholesome family fun."

Cliff Richard? — O'Brien was watching TV the other day when he heard Cliff talking about Boy George, "No-one would have thought ten years ago that a man dressed up as a girl would be a hit". "Wrong, Cliff" was O'Brien's reaction — in 1975 Rocky Horror's show stopper Tim Curry in his high heels and fishnet stockings was the talk of the town.

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		Game	Company	Machine
†	1	Ghostbusters	Activision	Sp
†	2	Daley Thompson's Decathlon	Ocean	Sp
·	3	Match Day	Ocean	Sp
†	4	Booty	Firebird	Sp
·	5	Gift from the Gods	Ocean	Sp
·	6	Select 1	Computer Records	Sp
·	7	Airwulf	Elite	Sp
↓	8	Knight Lore	Ultimate	Sp
†	9	Combat Lynx	Martech	Sp
↓	10	Underwurlde	Ultimate	Sp
↓	11	Elite	Acorn	Bc
·	12	Starter Pack	Tynesoft	16
·	13	Savage Pond	Argus	El
↓	14	Fall Guy	Elite	Sp
↓	15	Wild Bunch	Firebird	Sp
·	16	Hunchback II	Ocean	Sp
·	17	Overdrive	Superior	El
↓	18	Skooldaze	Microsphere	Sp
↓	19	Steve Davis Snooker	CDS	Sp
↓	20	Danger Mouse in Double Trouble	Creative Sparks	Sp

So = Spectrum/Bc = BBC/15 = C16
El = Electron/Vc = Vic 20
Dr = Dragon/64 = CBM 64
Am = Amstrad/Or = Oric/At = Atari
* = New release/— = Same position
Source: WH SMITH

SOFTWARE TOP 3 BY MACHINE

		Game	Company	Machine
—	1	Snooker	Visions	Vc
—	2	Max	Anirog	Vc
↓	3	Duck Shoot	M. Tronic	Vc
—	1	Kong Strikes Back	Ocean	64
	2	Hunchback II	Ocean	64
	3	Ghostbusters	Activision	64
—	1	Match Day	Ocean	Sp
†	2	Gift from the Gods	Ocean	Sp
↓	3	Hunchbank II	Ocean	Sp
†	1	Chuckie Egg	A&F	Dr
†	2	Hunchback	Ocean	Dr
—	3	Cuthbert in Space	Microdeal	Dr
	1	747 Simulator	Doctorsoft	Bc
—	2	Mr EE	Micropower	Bc
—	3	Horse Lord	Century	Bc
†	1	Encounter	Hi-Tech	At
—	2	Zaxxon	Centresoft	At
↓	3	Solo Flight	Centresoft	At
†	1	Crazy Golf	Commodore	16
†	2	Stellar War/ Blitz	Commodore	16
†	3	Flight 015	Crag Comm	16
†	1	Care Devil Dennis	Melbourne House	El
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M E Hodges,
Shipham,
Somerset.

DATACALC BUGS

THANK YOU for publishing my article Datacalc. There are two or three errors pointed out to me since the publication, and perhaps you would be kind enough to publish the following amendments.

- If DFS is fitted then line 100 should read: 100 N1 = 45: etc.
- To use trigometrical functions in the formulae the line 1725 should be added,
  1725 IF MID $ (B$, x, 3) = "SIN" OR MID $ (B$, x, 3) = "COS" THEN C$ = C$ + MID$ (B$, x, 3) : x = x + 3 : GOTO 1720.
- In line 1770 I have used the function VAL to evaluate the value of f, I should of course have used EVAL, therefore Line 1770
  C$ = C$ – EVAL MID$ (F$(" + x $ + "),'' + STR$ EVAL "(F)" + ", 8)".
- I have omitted to return the printing width to its default value after a printing operation, therefore line 4875 should be: 4875 VDU3 : WIDTH0.

Brian Law,
Leicester.

YOUR Letters

SCREEN STORE

I HAVE SEEN many programs for the Spectrum which store the screen in memory and then reprint it on request very quickly. The following program will do the same thing on the Amstrad CPC 464 computer. I advise that you only use the routine to store one screen as these screens, being more complex than their Spectrum counterparts, require more memory. Do not be fooled by the size of the routine as it uses one of the powerful features of the Z-80, that being its ability to move blocks of memory about. The routine will save any screen in any mode including colours if they are used.

To use the routine simply Call (ad+9) to store a screen and then Call (ad) to reprint it. The routine is especially useful when changing mode after drawing a complex screen, knowing that returning to that same screen will require tedious redrawing of it. Care should be taken not to get the Call number mixed up as calling the store routine instead of the draw routine will result in the precious screen being replaced with whatever is on the screen at the time of the Call.

Type in the program as below but when you have tested it you may save it in the method described on page 42 of the manual. Once the routine has been saved in the form of bytes it can be loaded and added to your program on its own.

```
10 LET ad = 24550.
20 FOR n = 0 TO 24:READ a:POKE
   n + ad,a:NEXT
30 REM Print = ad * Store
   = ad + 10
40 DATA &f3,33,00,96,17,00,192,
   &18 8,&f3,33,00,192,17,00,96,
   0,0,1,00 64,&ed,&bc,&fb,201
```

David Channon,
Welton Park,
C'Field.

ERROR NEWS

THERE HAS been an error in the article with my program Newsmonger. An important Poke command has been omitted and there was a misprint. After the sentence Poke 16511,66 N/L there should be printed:

POKE 16512,2 N/L

and you have created line 0 with a Rem containing 576 bytes.

Frans Zym,
Holland.

"BBC IS BEST"

I READ WITH some amusement Steven Hill's answer to a reader's letter concerning the QL and BBC. Having used both machines where I work I feel I can set the record straight.

For a start the claim that the QL's graphics are four times faster than the BBC's is nonsense. Perhaps Mr Hill made an error and read his time in days instead of seconds, because the BBC's graphics and Basic in general are much faster than the QL's. The scrolling is a case in point. Although the QL's Pan and Scroll commands are easier to use than the BBC's VDU23, the latter's scrolling is instantaneous due to its hardware nature. The QL scrolling is very sluggish and in order to achieve some semblance of smoothness the user has to resort to machine code.

How do you do that? Easy on a BBC, the excellent built-in assembler allows assembly mnemonics to be mixed with Basic. QL users will have problems.

As for the "outstanding technical achievement" line, Mr Hill has

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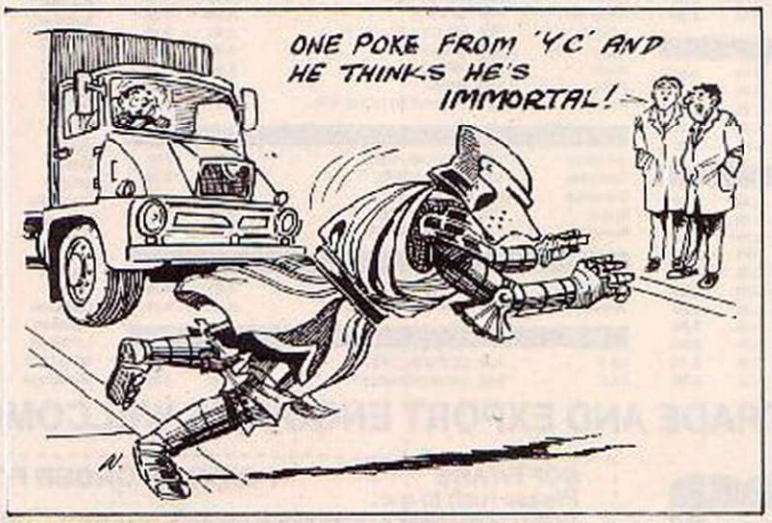
KNIGHT LORE—UNLIMITED LIVES



I'M WRITING to you because after spending two hours totally isolated hacking my way through over 10K of machine code I can finally reveal a way of making Ultimate's masterpiece Knight Lore easier.

Just load the code from tape, enter Poke 53567,0 and run it using USR. Now play the game and — surprise! — you won't lose any lives.

I can also reveal how to finish Jet Set Willy easily. Load the code using Clear 32767:Load""Code and enter Poke 41983,255: Print USR 33792. There will be just one object in the house — in the bathroom — so pick it up and go to bed.

Pedro Fernandes,
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Graham Walkden,
Banchory,
Kincardine.

YOUR Letters

DIGGER DIG

IN MONSTER DIGGER — *Your Computer*, December 1984 — the author, Michael Pike, warns against typing in the line number of the line immediately after the Rem as this will cause line 0 to be listed over and over again. He ascribes this to a "bug in the Rom". It is nothing of the sort and is, in fact, the normal response of the ZX-81 when you Poke an incorrect line length into a program line.

The nine Rem statements as described for lines 1 to 9 — 10 full lines of zeroes — would each consist of Rem followed by 314 — not 320 — zeroes, and each line would contain a *total* of 320 bytes made up of line number, line length, Rem, 314 zeroes and Newline. Combining these nine lines into a single Rem statement will produce a line containing 2876 bytes — not 2816 as stated in the article — and this will be achieved by Poke 16511,60; Poke 16512,11.

If an invalid line length is Poked into 16511/12, then repetitive listing of the sort described will occur on attempting to delete the following line. It is probably worth checking, when combining lines in this way, that:

```
PRINT PEEK (16512 + PEEK 16511
+ 256 * PEEK 16512)
```

does give the correct answer 118 for the Newline character at the end of the line.

N F Cunningham,
Ripley,
Surrey.

ASCII FILES

I RECENTLY HAD contact with Sinclar Research regarding a particular phenomenon with the QL and Microdrives. I had created and saved a program onto Microdrive and, on reading the number of sectors used — namely 42, assumed that the program was 21K in length. However, when the program was loaded back, the Basic pointer had moved half as much again, some 31K. The explanation was given as follows:

"A program is saved on Microdrive as an ASCII file, therefore when it is loaded it is tokenised and routine addressed appended. For example, the word Print (five bytes) is tokenised into two bytes, plus a four byte address means an extra byte is used. In fact, it appears that the user has 86K bytes available for program size as long as no new channels are used and certain print options not used."

You can build a program as a data file, and if no line numbers are used and the file is LRun, the program runs, but cannot be listed — nothing to list. To do this create the following program:

```
1 INPUT 'NAME', file$
2 OPEN-NEW #5;'mdv1-' &file$
4 REPeat build
5 INPUT L$:IF LS = = 'STOP':EXIT
build
6 PRINT #5;L$
7 END REPeat build
8 Close #5
```

Note line 5, two points, the first is the double =, this make the entry case independent, and secondly, a colon can be used instead of Then. If you run the program and for example input the following:

```
Paper 0: INK 6: cls
Fill 1: circle 100,50,50.fill 0
Stop
```

and you called the file "test": if you Lrun mdv1-test a filled circle will appear. This idea can be extended:

```
1 INPUT 'NAME', file$
2 OPEN-NEW #5;'mdv1-' &file$
3 lno=10
4 REPeat build
5 INPUT(lno);' ';L$:if L$ = = 'STOP':
  EXIT build
6 PRINT #5;lno" ";L$:
  lno=lno+10
7 END REPeat build
8 Close #5
9 MRUN'mdv1-' &file$
```

Your program is tacked onto the end of this one.

B G Cornhill,
Aylesbury.

CORRECTIONS

Lines 2266 to 2294 and line 2185 we left out of the listing for Mars Buggy in the February issue. They are given below. Enter the letters in upper case.

```
2266 dataff,ff,ff,ff,ff,ff,ff,ff
2267 data7c,fe,c6,fe,c6,c6,c6,00
2268 datafc,e6,c6,fc,c6,e6,fc,00
2269 data7c,e6,c0,c0,c0,e6,7c,00
2270 data78,ec,c6,c6,c6,ec,78,00
2271 data7e,e0,c0,f8,c0,e0,7e,00
2272 data7e,e0,c0,f8,c0,c0,c0,00
2273 data7c,e6,c0,ce,c6,e6,7c,00
2274 datac6,c6,c6,fe,c6,c6,c6,00
2275 datafc,30,30,30,30,30,fc,00
2276 data7e,3c,0c,0c,0c,6c,38,00
2277 datac6,ec,f8,f0,f8,ec,c6,00
2278 datac0,c0,c0,e0,e0,e0,7e,00
2279 data44,ee,fe,d6,c6,c6,c6,00
2280 data46,f6,fe,fe,ee,e6,46,00
2281 data7c,f6,e6,e6,e6,e6,7c,00
2282 data7c,f6,e6,fc,e0,e0,60,00
2283 data7c,c6,c6,c6,66,3c,0e,00
2284 data7c,c6,c6,fc,f8,dc,46,00
2285 data7c,c6,c0,fc,06,e6,7c,00
2286 datafe,98,18,18,18,18,18,00
2287 data44,c6,c6,c6,c6,c6,7c,00
2288 data00,00,00,00,00,00,00,00
2289 datac6,c6,c6,c6,e6,7c,38,00
2290 datac6,c6,d6,d6,fe,d6,82,00
2291 data66,66,3c,18,3c,66,66,00
2292 data44,ff,00,ff,00,ff,00,ff
2293 data00,ff,00,ff,81,4c,44,41
2294 data00,00,00,00,00,00,00,00

2185 data3e,03,ac,56,03,b9,00,40
```

In the same issue the hex loader for Spectrum Synsounds and Spraymania contains a few errors. To correct it insert lines 75 and 115, and change line 100:

```
75  LET x=0
100 POKE i+x,z
115 LET x=x-1
```

"THE DRAGON ISN'T PUFFED OUT".

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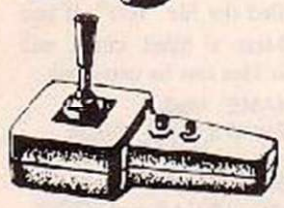

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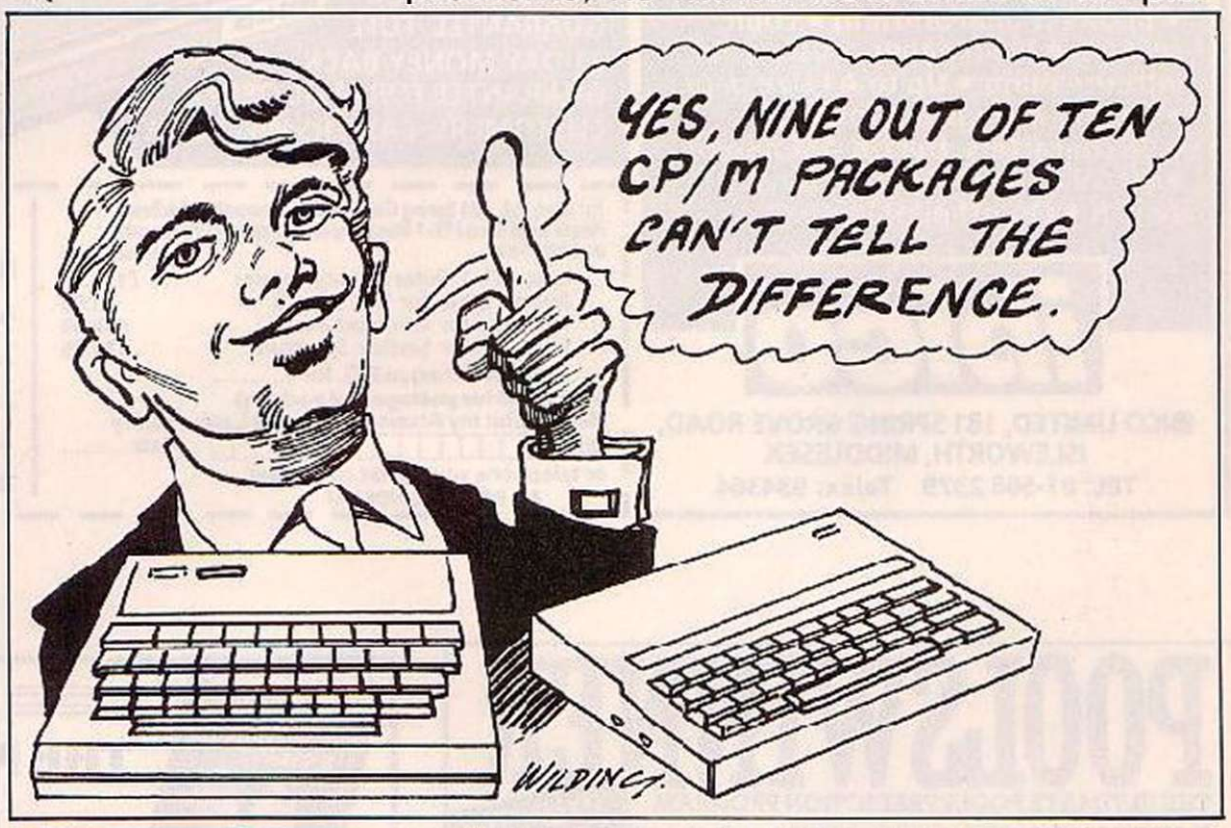

I could do that...

January's problem asked you to write a 10 line program which created an interesting or artistic pattern. We awarded the £15 prize to P. Duyvesteyn, Wijnruitgaarde 30, 3436 HR Nieuwegein, The Netherlands. His program is written in Simons Basic for the Commodore 64.

It allows you to create a variety of different patterns by altering a few parameters. Adapting it to run other machines should not prove too difficult. You will need to change line 170 which takes two pairs of coordinates and draws a line between them. The Commodore 64 has a resolution of 320 by 200 so the figures 160 and 100 position the pattern in the centre of the screen.

For this month's competition we would like you to write a program which modifies itself. To do this you will need to find out how your version of Basic stores its program lines, and you will undoubtedly have to use Peeks and Pokes.

Programming purists will tell you that self-modifying code is a "dirty" programming technique. But it can produce some entertaining effects such as a program that extends itself by a given number of lines every time it is run. Your program should not have more than 20 single statement lines.

```
100 INPUT"LENGTH                ";L
    INPUT"GROWTH OF LENGTH      ";GL
110 INPUT"ANGLE                 ";A
    INPUT"GROWTH OF ANGLE       ";GA
120 INPUT"NUMBER OF SIDES       ";S
    INPUT"ROTATION ANGLE        ";RA
130 P=π/180:A=A*P:GA=GA*P:RA=RA*P:?"⌂"
    :H=L*SIN(A/2):HABS(RA))>0THENH=1.939S*H
140 :
    :HIRES1,0
150 :::::FORJ=0TOP STEP RA      :FORI=1TOS
160 :X1=X0+L*COS(N*(2*π/S)+A):Y1=Y0+L*SIN(N*(2*π/S)+A)
    :Y1=Y0+L*SIN(N*(2*π/S)+A)*HXRA)
170 :LINEX0+160.5,Y0+100.5,X1+160.5,
    Y1+100.5,1
180 :X0=X1:Y0=Y1:L=L+GL:A=A+GA:N=N+1
190 :::::NEXT:A=A+J:L=L+H:A=A:X0=0:Y0=0
    :::::N=0                    :NEXT
200 GOTO200
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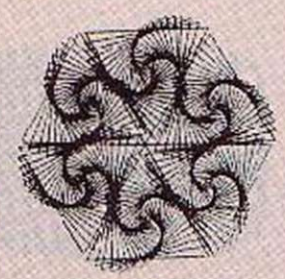

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L= 95 :GL=-1.5 ;A= 62.5
GA= 0 :S= 65 ;RA= 60
```

What does CP/M do?

OPERATING SYSTEMS were discussed in January's First Bytes, where it was explained how they carried out all the boring housekeeping functions on a micro. One of the most widely-used operating systems is CP/M. And for eight-bit home and business micros it definitely rules the roost.

CP/M stands for Control Program for Microcomputers — which sums up neatly just what it and other operating systems do. The story of its development is one of those fairy tales that seem so common in the magic world of micros.

CP/M was written because its inventor, Gary Kildall, wanted to hook up some early floppy disc drives to an equally early eight-bit microprocessor system. In those far-off early days of micros — that is about 10 years ago — if you wanted something like this you had to write it yourself. Which is what young Gary did, in his garden shed in fact. The resulting product was not very elegant, but it worked.

It occurred to Kildall that other micro enthusiasts might be interested, so he told the big semiconductor firm Intel, who he was working for at the time, about his little idea. They scoffed at the preposterous suggestion of bothering to write an operating system for a mere micro. After all, IBM itself had let it be known that it thought micros were merely a passing fad.

But like all good fairy stories, the CP/M story has a happy ending — though not for Intel. Kildall first put a few ads in computer magazines, and sold increasing numbers of his system.

In fact he started selling so many that he set up his own firm, Digital Research, just to market and sell CP/M. Today he is a multi-millionaire, and his firm produces a whole range of software products.

So why did everyone — apart from Intel — get so excited about CP/M? Mostly because it happened to be in the right place at the right time. It certainly wasn't a stunningly beautiful piece of programming: even today, the product is not very user-friendly, and can be bafflingly obscure. And it certainly wasn't simply because of hype and brilliant marketing: to begin with, Kildall almost had to be coaxed into selling it at all.

But CP/M offered first the possibility of using disc-drives with one of the new processors. As January's article explained, looking after the discs and input and output of information is one of the prime jobs of an operating system, sometimes also known as a disc operating system.

But the second big advantage was that CP/M offered for the first time a general standard that everyone could use to swap discs and therefore programs. Before CP/M, everybody and every manufacturer concocted their own weird and wonderful disc operating systems.

Unfortunately, this meant that the user was very much locked in to that particular system. Today only giants like Apple can still use their own non-standard operating system and get away with it. Practically everyone else uses one like CP/M.

In this way a huge library of software running under CP/M has been built up; it currently stands at something over 3000 packages. Running "under" CP/M simply means that while the software contains all the interesting parts that make it a shoot-'em-up or a word-processor, it leaves the actual details of getting data in and out of the micro to the operating system.

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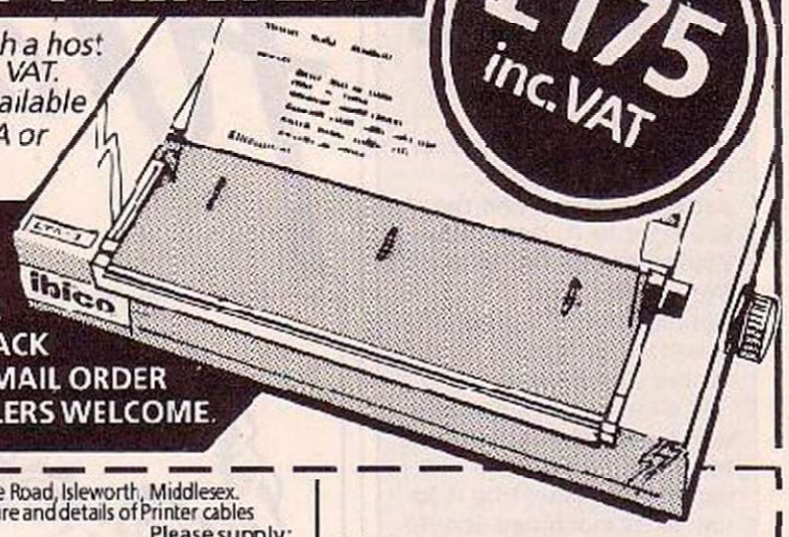

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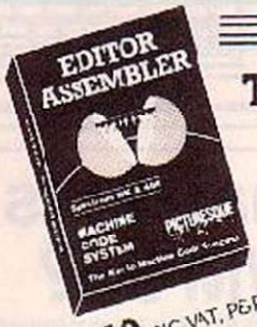

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of this software straightaway. As ever, though, life is not quite that simple. CP/M was first developed on the now almost extinct 8 in. discs. Later the standard 5.25 in. floppies were used. Now of course, we have 3.5 in. and 3 in. discs. Obviously you cannot run programs from the wrong-sized discs. But you also have to check that the format of the discs are the same. This can vary from machine to machine, even if they all run CP/M.

You normally boot, that is load up, CP/M from a disc. As the drive whirrs, the operating system program is being loaded into the main working memory of the micro, the Ram — random access memory. Booting — short for bootstrapping — requires some very simple program already in the micro to carry out this first operation. It is only after CP/M itself has been loaded that it can be used for more complex operations. This processing is called bootstrapping by analogy with someone pulling him or herself up by their own bootstraps.

CP/M signals that it is ready to accept your commands by means of the simple prompt a>.

The a refers to the disc drive you are currently using. If you have a second drive it would be called b, and so on.

There is a certain class of commands that are always available, and can be run immediately. A second class, called rather grandly "transients", have to be pulled in off the CP/M master disc to Ram before they can be run.

One of the most useful of the first class is DIR. Entering this command produces a directory of all the files on the current disc. You can copy files from disc to disc using copy, which is a transient command, and has to be loaded each time you wish to use it. This cannot, however, be used to copy the CP/M program itself. This has to be located right at the outside of a disc, and requires a special command SYSGEN, short for System Generator, another transient.

BEGINNERS first bytes

CP/M is mainly used with micros based on the Z-80 processor. Popular machines which are built around this chip include the Sinclair Spectrum and the MSX machines. As yet, however, these do not run under CP/M.

The Amstrad, which also uses a Z-80, does plan to offer CP/M when its disc drive appears. For other machines you normally have to buy an add-on which contains a Z-80 as a second processor running in parallel with the main chip. This is the technique used with the BBC micro and its Z-80 second processor unit.

As well as offering CP/M for more advanced 16-bit machines, Digital Research has also produced something called Concurrent CP/M. As its name suggests, this allows you to run several programs under CP/M concurrently, that is at the same time. Obviously, you need much more internal memory for this to hold all the programs simultaneously.

Even if it is unlikely therefore to filter down to the cheapest home micros, it is still an exciting development, and shows that there is life in CP/M yet.

Recording, storing and retrieving program data

THE VERY EARLIEST computers had programs laboriously entered by hand, machine code bit by machine code bit. The program was stored simply by existing physically as a series of small pegs inserted in holes on a board.

Later, technology progressed to allow streams of bits to be held in what was called a delay line — which did exactly that. A long tube was filled with fluid, and crystal oscillators and receivers used to send pulses along its length. An amplifier could keep a set of digits flowing around the tube for later use. Unfortunately, when you switched that power off, the information was lost. In this respect, these early storage devices were rather like the modern day Ram that dies when the micro is turned off.

True storage of programs began with the punched cards and streams of paper tape. Series of holes in them were read, first mechanically, and later optically, to produce corresponding electrical digits — a binary 1 for a hole, and a binary 0 for no hole. Ultimately magnetic media were developed, that allowed much higher storage densities and far swifter retrieval times.

The commonest form of data storage found in home micros is the audio cassette tape. Programs are simply converted into a series of audio signals that can be recorded onto the magnetic tape like any other noise. A beep is used to represent a binary 1 and the absence of a beep a binary 0.

When a program is loaded from a tape a similar process of translation is used to convert these audio signals back a series of electrical impulses which the micro can deal with.

There are obvious problems with this technique. First, the audio cassette is hardly a high-precision piece of equipment. Tiny faults that would be unnoticeable in audio playbacks could cause changes in single bits that would be fatal in a program.

The medium is also slow. Ordinary cassette recorders just cannot handle very fast changes between beep and non-beep.

Finally, and in some ways most inconveniently, to find a particular item on a tape you may have to run through nearly all of it. Similarly, you cannot go back to a particular spot without rewinding the whole tape. The Microdrives from Sinclair try to get round this by using a continuous loop of tape, rather like the old tape cartridge.

This type of medium is called sequential, because you must go through the information stored in it in sequence. You cannot jump from one part to another. The latter type are called random access, and are both faster and generally more expensive than sequential systems.

The most familiar type of random access storage is Ram, which gets its name from random access memory. But like the delay lines, it is volatile — that is, its contents are lost as soon as you switch off the machine. However, the floppy disc is also random access, and retains its data.

Floppy discs use the same basic kind of recording technology found in audio cassettes, but instead of having a long thin strip they spread the magnetic coating over the surface of a plastic disc. The disc rotates at high speed — typically 300 rpm — underneath the reading and writing head of the unit. This is very similar to the head of a cassette deck.

But the high speed of rotation, and the precision tooling which allow the head to touch lightly the disc's surface mean that about 10 times as much information can be stored on a typical disc. It is also possible to up

ard download programs from it very much faster.

The discs are divided up into concentric tracks, and the tracks into sectors. These tracks are not physically visible on a record, but are determined by the process of formatting.

Before using discs, you normally have to use a formatting program which places small magnetic markers on its surface setting out the possible positions for data to be stored. Most discs nowadays are soft-sectored in this way, though a few are hard-sectored: they have small physically marks that divide up the surface into regions.

Many different manufacturers lay down the marks on their discs in different ways. This means that although the micro could theoretically run a program written in say Basic, it might not be able to read from the disc because the formats are different. Another factor to be considered in this area of compatibility is whether a disc is single or double sided, and what the density is.

These are the new 3.5in. floppies. Older versions were 5.25in. and before that even 8in. Even though the physical size has come down this dramatically, capacities for floppies are well up into the Megabyte region.

There is a more expensive version of floppies that is just beginning to filter down to the home computer market. This is the hard disc. Whereas floppies allow you to remove and replace the disc system, which means that the whole design must be that much more robust, hard disc systems are completely enclosed in airtight containers. Far higher rotation speeds can be employed, allowing faster access and much higher densities. Hard discs — or Winchesters as they are sometimes known — can store 100 Megabytes and over.

Looking into the future, there is a technology just beginning to come through which promises even more fantastic storage capacities than those of hard discs. This is the optical disc.

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Local news

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Blackburn

Blackburn Computer Club meets on alternate Mondays at the Fernhurst Hotel, Bolton Road, Blackburn, at 7.30 in the evening. All machines welcome. Membership is about £5 for adults and £3 for juniors. For more details contact John Schofield on 0254 28127.

Lincoln

Lincoln Computer Club is part of Lincolnshire Microprocessor Society and has some interesting evenings billed for the future including "Music and Computers" and a visit to the Computer Control Unit at the NatWest Bank. The club meets at the Cardinal's Hat, 268 High Street, Lincoln. More details from Douglas Griffiths, 659 Newark Road, Swallowbeck, Lincoln LN6 8SA. Telephone: 0522 680578.

Colwyn

Colwyn Computer Club meets at the Greens Hotel, Colwyn Bay. Contact D Bevan, c/o Abergele Road, Colwyn Bay, Clwyd LL29 7PA.

COMPUTER *club*

Paul Bond discovers one of the great grandaddies of computer clubs with modern ideas in Harrow.

THE HARROW COMPUTER Group must surely be one of the great grandaddies of the fraternal programming pheromenon. It can claim to have started meeting informally in late 1968 — yes, 1968 — and was formally constituted in early 1969. Some of our younger readers may imagine that the biggest problem the original members had to contend with was dodging pterodactyls on the way back home — but the pioneering home computer of this time was the Nascom I.

"Machines seem to go in phases here," opined one club member. "First there was the Nascom, then the Commodore PET, then the BBC. I don't know what'll be next". Many major computer industry figures almost certainly share this uncertainty.

Wednesday night — or at least the alternate Wednesday night — is robot night at Harrow, at least in theory. Bazyle Butcher, self-styled ex-chairman of the club, had brought along a prototype turtle-oid device that he was working on, and on previous evenings various types of robots had been known to make an appearance.

Mr Butcher was at pains to point out that while he himself is a microwave engineer, membership of the club is drawn from all walks of life. This was certainly evident on the night *Your Computer* attended the club. One member, a British Telecom manager, had acquired a 3BC to learn Basic. Other members included a gentleman who worked for a builder's firm and maintained that he used it for running the company golf club, a member of the Metropolitan police force, and a lady who displayed such a remarkable reluctance to reveal her name or occupation to the press that she must be assumed to work for some secret department of government. One would have thought we were going to make fun of her.

Some of the younger members of the club were engaged in a game entitled "BMX on the Moon", but criticism of games software for the BBC machine was not restrained — certain companies, like Aardvark Software, however, were considered to have produced some quality material.

Recent club lectures have included a talk on telesoftware by Bob Tidy, and a discussion of Commodore programming techniques led by Peter Calver of Supersoft. Doubtless this will attract members of the PET group, who currently meet in a member's house. The Harrow Computer Group has plans for a stand as usual at the London Festival of Computing to be held April 9-21. Inquiries about the Festival should be directed to 3IPR on 01-734 2907.

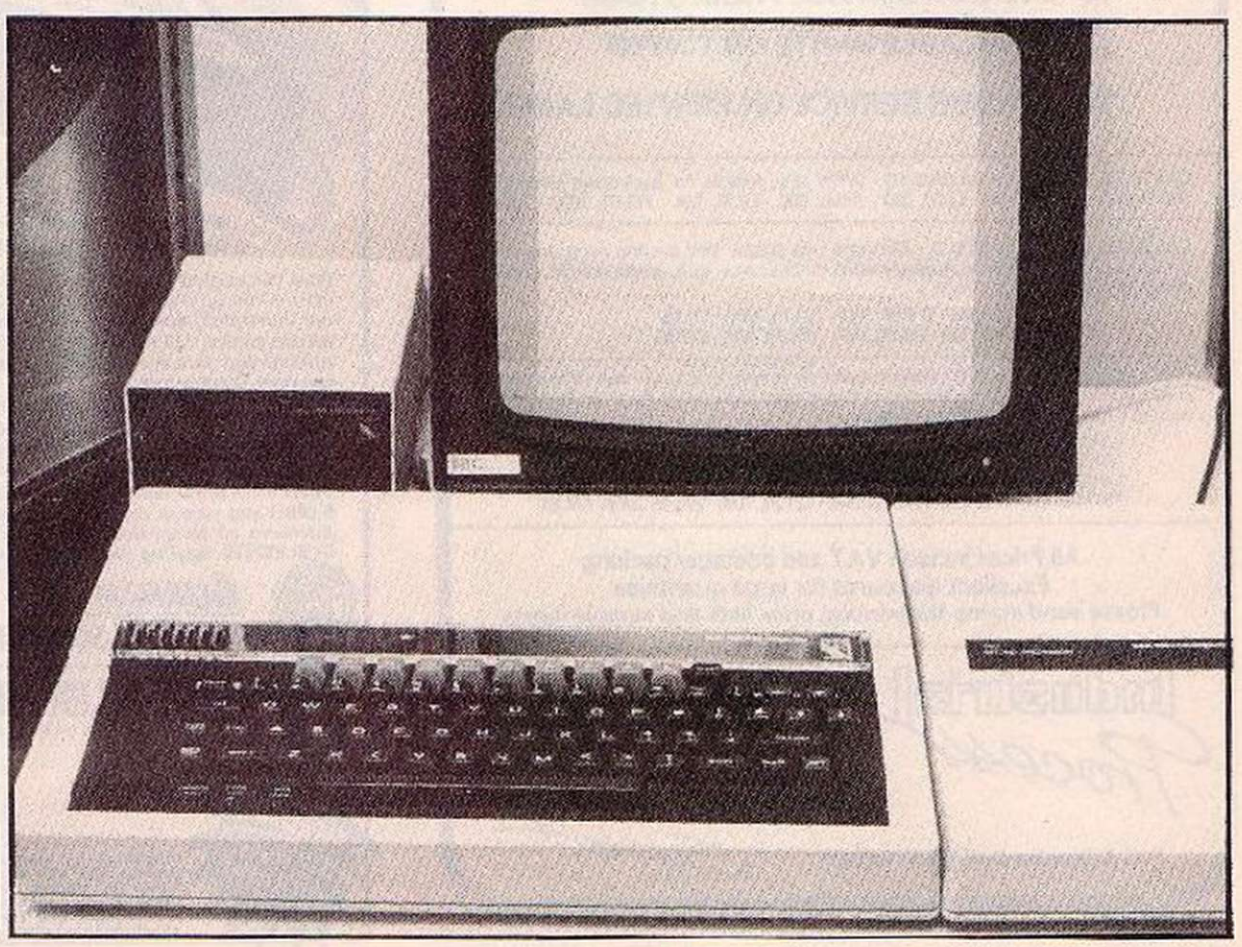
Apart from lectures, hardware evenings, and attendance at exhibitions, the club operates a members' library. This contains British and American magazines, technical books and also a Buzzbox modem.

The Harrow Computer Group is a member of the Association of London Computer Clubs — Bazyle Butcher is an ex-treasurer of the ALCC — as well as being affiliated to the Association of Computer Clubs national group.

Membership of the club also entitles you to visit Croydon Micro Club, the Independent Commodore Products User Group clubs, Sutton Library Club, North Kent Amateur Computer Club — and this is to name but a few.

HCG meets at 7.30 pm on Wednesdays in the Kenton Room at the Harrow Arts Centre, opposite the Alma Public House in Harrow Weald. Membership is £5 per year or you can visit for 50p a meeting. BBC users should contact E Londy on 01-907 7430, PET users should contact P Butson on 01-907 5355.

For information about main group meetings telephone N Merton on 01-204 9127 or A Diston on 01-904 2559. Club Secretary is Norman Campbell, reachable on 01-863 5241.



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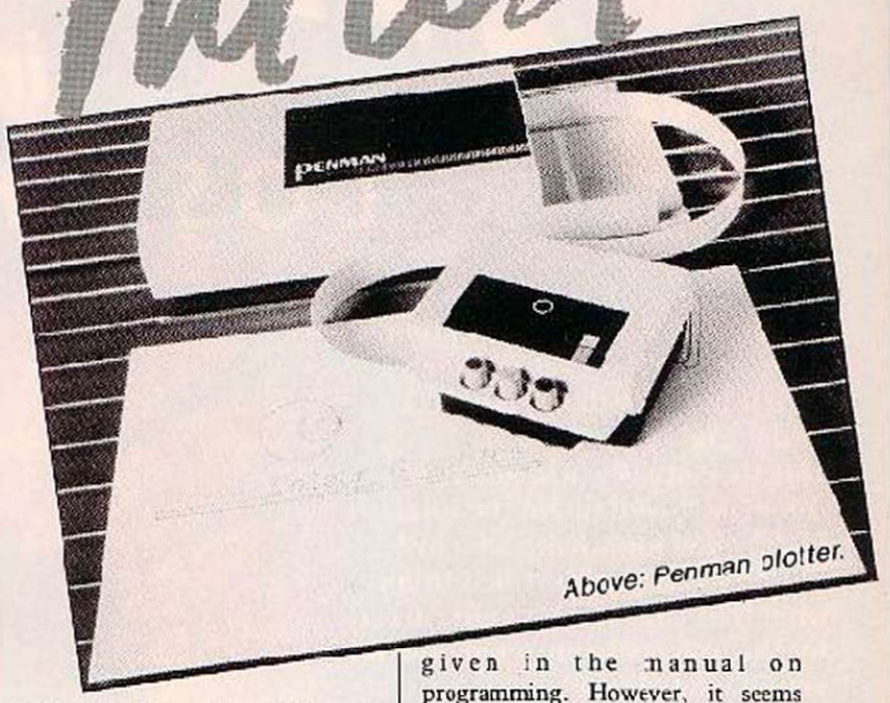
Not content with this, the Penman can be used like a "mouse", or a "rat" to be exact as it has no actuate button. Two light sensors are built-in to enable the unit to find the edge of the paper and these can be used to digitise pictures although the resolution is rather low.

The software is only available on disc and has a number of demonstration routines and utilities. The utilities show you how to incorporate commands to the Penman into a Basic program, as well as using direct single letter instructions. The software can also be used with the Acornsoft Logo language.

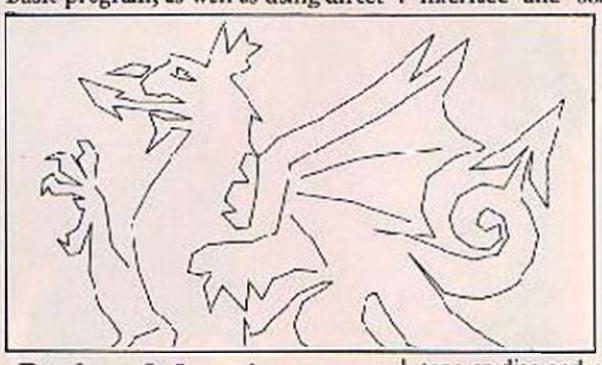
Standard plotter pens are used which are widely available in a variety of widths and colours. You can even use a humble Pentel!

In theory, Penman could be used with any computer with a serial interface and some information is given in the manual on programming. However, it seems likely that the machine's big market will be in schools where it can demonstrate the simple principles of robotics, and might come in handy for plotting results or charts. The unit appears rugged and should stand up well to the classroom environment.



Above: Penman plotter.

Below and left: Examples of Penman's work.



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Winner of the "coming soon" award for late arrival two years running, the Oric modem, announced at the launch of the Oric-1 has finally arrived. Oric have stuck with their policy of badging-up a tried and tested product and designing a custom interface. The modem is plugged into a new-style BT phone socket and the phone is plugged in to the modem. The phone can still be used normally.

A short piece of ribbon cable connects the expansion port to the small, slim box containing the interface which is connected to the modem by an RS432 cable. This interface will be built-in to Oric's new IQ164 computer which can be connected to a wide range of modems.

The system software is available on tape or disc and contains all the software necessary to use the computer as a Prestel terminal. Although a half-duplex 1200 baud mode is available this is not used by the software, and insufficient technical detail is given for the user to attempt to write such software himself. Oric do say that some communications software is under development. The Prestel software is pleasant to use with the keyboard conveniently redefined for Prestel commands.

The computer's memory is used as a buffer so that pages the user wants to store are filed, and then dumped to tape or disc offline.

For business users, a separate company, Cytel is also marketing the modem. For an extra £45 you get the same hardware but with the Cytel software. This is an improvement on the Oric software, although it is only available for the Atmos. It features auto I/D and password transmission and has an offline message buffer, allowing mailbox messages to be prepared before logging on.

This software is obviously only worth it if you plan to use Prestel very extensively. One gripe is that you can't view a catalogue of programs stored on disc. However, Cytel do say that users will get software upgrades when these become available.

Both sets of software allow pages to be recalled and printed on an Epson-type printer, double size. The modem was completely reliable during testing and the software performed competantly, occasionally getting tied up with hamfisted treatment. But for the price, it looks bad value for money beside some new releases. However, this is the only modem with software designed for the Oric, although Protek have one in the pipeline which will have communications software as well. Micronet has no plans to support the Oric at the moment, but much depends on the demand from Oric owners.

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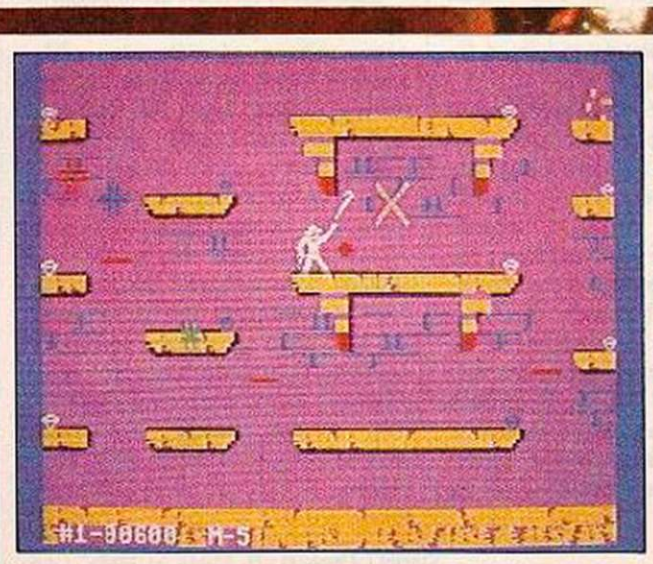

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★ ★ ★

Roam seven levels of a labyrinth in search of the extraordinary seventh crystal. On route you can shoot or crush a variety of exotic creatures, or replenish yourself by eating fruit. The idea behind the game is far from novel but the way it is executed — smooth scrolling, superb animation — lifts it out of the ordinary: another confirmation of Acornsoft's return to form.

Break Fever
CBM-64
Interceptor Software
Educational
£7

★ ★ ★

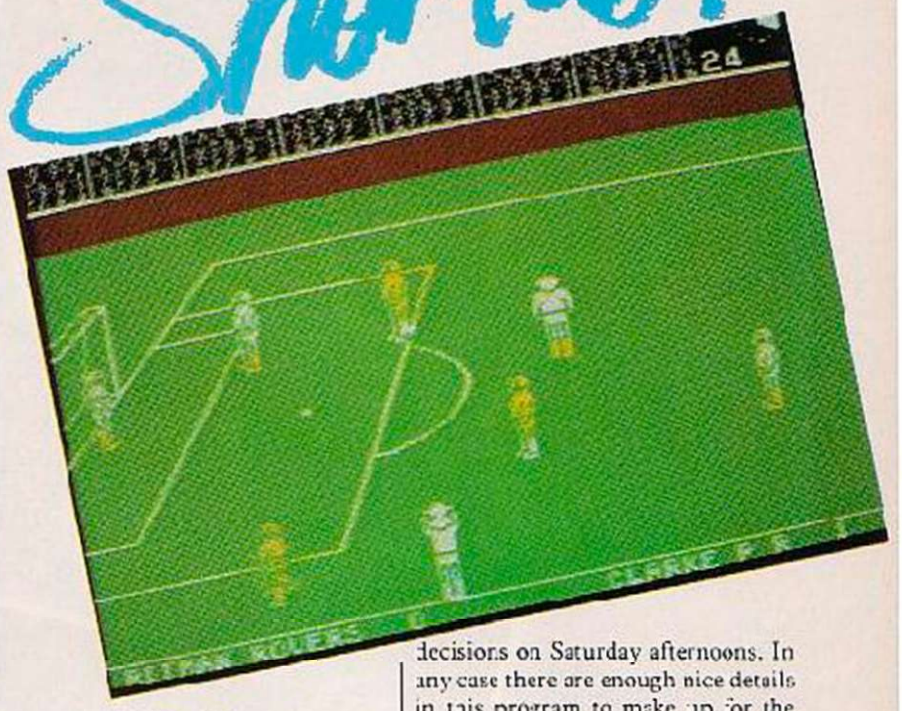
Hey you! No matter what your crew this is the plastic with a program for you. Break dancing on computer with a pre-recorded track — are you bad news or just slack? Crucial, well hard, cronic man too styley, murder — maybe that's you.

Stylo, wacked, they've got all the terms; try some wild style and burn baby burn. Written by Hardip Mothada and Dennis Reilly, this game consists of manipulating a break dancing figure using a joystick. You can do donkey kicks, space shuttles, headspins, flips, back slams and backspins.

Match Day

- *Spectrum 48K*
- *Football Action*
- *Ocean*
- *£7.95*

★ ★ ★ ★



THE THRILLS of *Match of the Day* and — no Jimmy Hill. To some extent Ocean has realised that football fans' dream with Match Day. For well over a year International Soccer for the Commodore 64 has been unchallenged as the top football action game for any computer. Now the Spectrum is back in the running.

Of course the limitations of the Spectrum's screen handling makes Match Day's graphics inferior to the CBM-64 game. But Ocean's program compensates for the poorer graphics with subtler controls which allow you to develop a whole variety of ball-playing skills.

Imagine watching a match from the TV camera's gantry high up in the main stand. That's the view you have of the action which scrolls smoothly as the play moves from one end of the field to the other.

Match Day is a two-player game or if you want some really tough opposition try out your own brand of total football on the computer's International level. It's the top level of three and it never puts a foot wrong.

The program's Amateur and Professional games are also very good but beatable, and they are the only place to start if you've never played before — especially when you are trying to perfect the penetrating throughball.

Set pieces like corners, throw-ins and goal kicks can be very finely timed and crushingly effective. In situations like these, as in the normal run of play, you can vary the angle and the pace of the ball. Probably one of the most difficult techniques to master using the joystick is the diagonal crossfield pass along the ground. But once you have got the hang of it, it really can cut the computer's defences to shreds.

Control passes from one team to another according to whichever is closest to the ball. Although that may sound simple, trapping and controlling the ball itself is another matter. The only way to do that effectively is to watch the ball's shadow and move your man to where you expect it to land.

As the slightly arthritic-looking players troop out on to the pitch to a rendering of the *Match of the Day* music, you might wonder what Jimmy Hill would make of some of the refereeing decisions the computer allows. The goals scored directly from throw-ins would certainly make that famous chin drop in disbelief. And most commentators would soon run out of clichés if in real matches the ball were to stick unmovably behind the goalkeeper for a whole half at a time.

But you soon get used to that — just as you learn to live with bad decisions on Saturday afternoons. In any case there are enough nice details in this program to make up for the shortcomings. It's good to be able to name your own teams, choose the colours they'll be wearing as well as the competition they are playing in. All in all, a credit to the game.

Toby Wolpe

1985 The Day After

- *CBM-64*
- *Mastertronic*
- *Tunnel twister*
- *£1.99*

★ ★ ★ ★

THIS GAME GETS four stars because it's value for money (cheap). Compared to other Mastertronic programs, this one shows great style — so much so that I thought they would have it on a different price scale. But no, it's still good bargain basement stuff. The game itself has nothing to do with Anthony Burgess, George Orwell or American TV movies about the third world war.

You fly a lunar module lookalike off its launch pad, sideways along a tunnel, then up and out into outer space. Position the lunar bug over one of the brightly coloured moons hanging in the sky and you instantly tesseract into a different landscape.

Here your job is to collect little pink dots or nuclear plasma, as the technically-minded term this phenomenon. Passing UFOs — exactly like the ones in the classic Gerry Anderson TV series "UFO" — hinder the garnering process.

Using the lunar teleports you can jaunt off to 12 alien landscapes according to the inlay — I only managed three that looked radically different. If you are an ace spacer, you qualify to collect the fusion core from the last most difficult cavern. The main problem for the novice space trucker is getting out of the hanger. Once you've mastered attitude and thruster control, together with the use of the tractor

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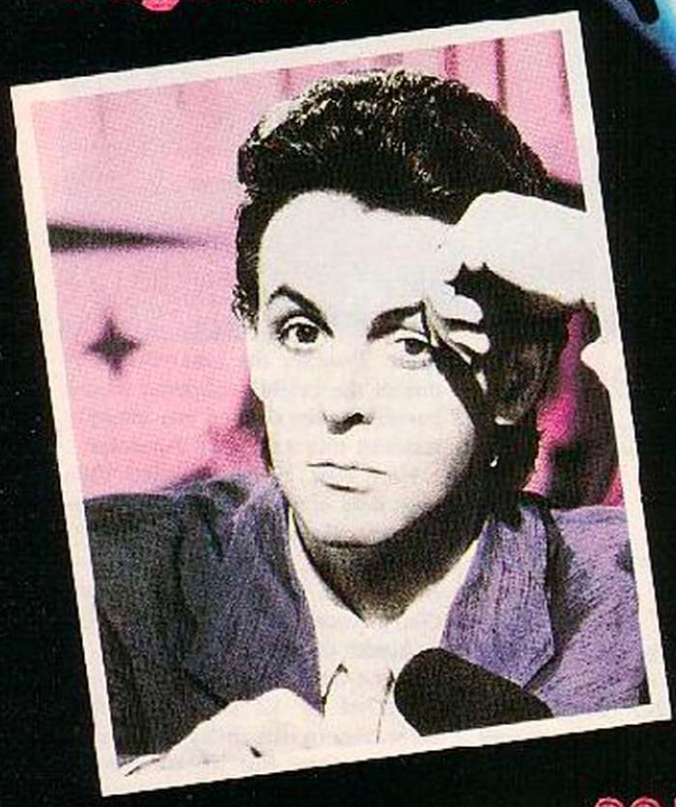

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Star chart

Penetrator

CBM-64
Melbourne
Arcade
£6.95

★ ★

Hailed as the best version of Skramble for the Spectrum, Penetrator now makes a belated appearance on the CBM 64 a machine already well catered for Skramble-wise. Not one of the great CBM Skrambles perhaps but deserves a place in the top 10 for its excellent graphics, rousing soundtrack, training mode, and — a new feature — an option for redesigning the landscape.

Pyjamarama

Amstrad CPC-464
Amsoft/Mikro-Gen
Arcade adventure
£12.95

★ ★ ★ ★

Excellent graphics, a reincarnation of the game that attracted so much praise when it first appeared on the Spectrum. Find the alarm clock and wind it up to end Wally's nightmare. You have to pick up objects to achieve this goal, and an interesting feature is the way you can change the objects by passing over them. Makes some software houses look like wallies by comparison.

Finders Keeepers

Spectrum 48K
Mastertronic
Platform
£1.99

★ ★ ★

If you've never played a platform game, then this one might be worth a try. Your quest is to travel round the castle of Spriteland, collecting up treasures which the king has carelessly left scattered around his castle.

There are the usual collection of baddies trying to kill you, a maze and a large number of screens. You can only carry five objects at a time, and you can then trade them for cash, or be a good fellow and return them to the king.

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beam, the game becomes a real tooth-clencher — an orginal approach to the Lunar Lander stereotype. This game puts substance in the image that Mastertronic tried so hard to create in their first days; that of being a real threat to the established pricing structure of the home computer software market.

Paul Bond

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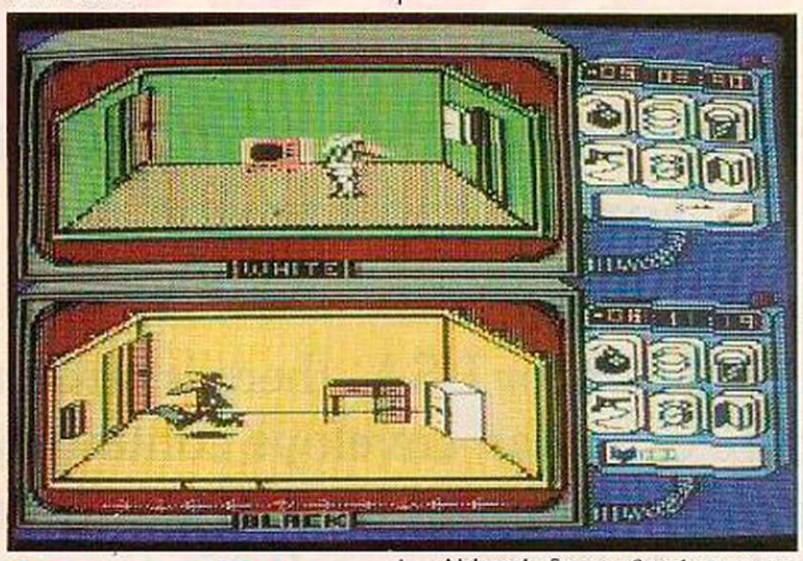


Spy vs Spy

- *CBM-64*
- *Beyond*
- *Arcade Adventure*
- *£9.95*

★ ★ ★

ESPIONAGE HAS COME on a long way since the cartoon strip Spy vs Spy first went undercover in a 1960 edition of *Mad* magazine. Buckets of water, metal springs and guns attached to pieces of string are hardly the tools of the cloak-and-dagger trade that Smiley or any of his people would recognise.

But together with anarchist-type bombs with fuses and exploding alarm clocks they make up the armoury you use to outwit your opposite number and to escape from the embassy with a briefcase full of secret documents.

Two players can play this maze game or you can try your luck against the black spy controlled by the computer. You can even stack the odds in favour of your spy's mission by giving the computer a low IQ. Game options also include maze difficulty as well as keeping the door leading to the get-away plane hidden until all the objects have been collected.

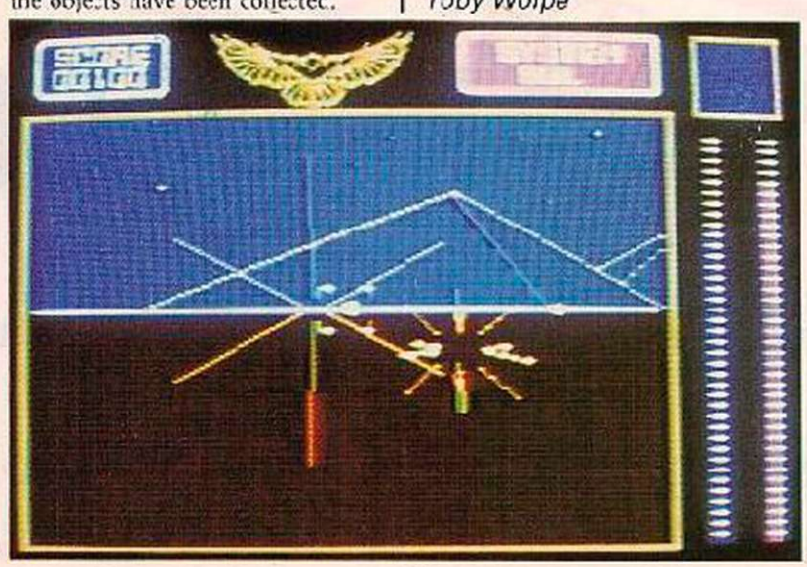
Although Spy vs Spy is no more than a maze adventure of the collect-the-objects-and-escape variety, the split-screen graphics and animation are very good. You can watch what nasty surprises your opponent is preparing for you on his screen and take evasive action by collecting the right object to protect you from it — umbrellas hidden behind coatracks are the only answer to the old bucket-behind-the-door trick.

To the right of the two screens are the Trapulators. Spies switch over to them to select the booby-trap they need or to look at the map. They also show the objects you are carrying, and the time left to complete the mission.

When you stumble across your rival secret agent searching for objects, it's hand-to-hand combat time. The only other option is to run and if you do, you risk losing items.

These combat sequences are fought out with wooden clubs, and the joystick movement you adopt determines whether you are going for a jab to the stomach or the head-smash. The loser dies and not only has the indignity of fluttering off to heaven in the form of an angel but also loses precious time.

Toby Wolpe



Stellar 7

- *CBM-64*
- *US Gold*
- *3D Matchstick Tanks*
- *£9.95*

★ ★ ★

I WAS A LITTLE surprised to find myself earthbound in an Atariesque Battle Zone scenario when the program eventually loaded — from the cover picture I deduced that I would be thrown headlong into some three-dimensional outer space shoot-'em-up, wreaking chaos in the vastness of the cosmos. But getting around between the seven star systems in the game is achieved by driving your XCV Agl-2 Raven vehicle straight into a Warplink. You only get to see one of these when you have vanquished everybody locally.

Grabbing a statistic out of the air, only three original games have been written for the Commodore 64 — and this is obviously not one of them. But then most machines, except for the proud and haughty BBC Micro, now have a commonalty of software that extends far beyond the ubiquitous Space Invaders. This is a stylish implementation with some nice touches. The casserte contains a Raven Manual — an essential prop to those intent on living out the delusion that they are an inter-planetary tank commander. Quite mad and so young.

Once you have got your code nine security clearance you'll be able to appreciate some of the finer control features. There is a zoom lens option on the viewscreen which enables you to identify distant objects. Naturally, you have protonic shields whose current strength is indicated on the blue gauge located on the right side of your viewscreen in the leftmost position. You can also render the Raven invisible — a well known spin-off of protonic shield technology. Once you've got the hang of all this, you can go in for the advanced driving test.

Tips and hints are provided: don't refuel at a fuel-bay until it is time to warp out, fuel-bays can only be used once. There are lots of tactical manoeuvres to master like "the move" and "firing in the interim".

Why all this technology is necessary when the enemy is plainly reduced to constructing its hardware out of matchsticks has always been beyond me. Still they pack a nasty punch, and as it says in the manual, the guiding principle of all these manoeuvres is simple: hit your target without getting hit. Receiving you loud and clear. Over and out.

Paul Bond

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Star chart

Mr Wong's Loopy Laundry

Amstrad CPC 464
Artic
Platform game
£8.00
★ ★
Average game in which Mr Wong has to collect his laundry whilst being pursued by a flying iron a sack of laundry and soap suds that are definitely not soft. The hardpressed Chinaman moves right and left and up and down the ladders dodging the hazards and collecting the washing. A platform game is a platform game is a platform game.

Brian Bloodaxe

Spectrum 48K
The Edge
Arcade adventure
£7.95
★ ★
Over-hyped little number from the cutting Edge of Softek. Features over 100 screens, with more than 300 foes weapons and surprises. Every screen presents a logical problem — but what computer game doesn't? Graphically pedestrian, should have been released on the Softek label at a more reasonable price. Plays Sousa march, as per Monty Python — an old BBC TV comedy series, apparently.

Sentinal

CBM-64
U.S. Gold
Arcade/Strategy
£9.95
★ ★ ★
Star Raiders is widely regarded as a classic. Until now only available for the Atari, Sentinal is a conversion to the Commodore. Your job is to destroy the alien bases whilst stopping the ships from attacking your bases and home planet — their ultimate goal.

This requires a nice balance of defence and attack, as well as speed and reflexes. Despite being a classic in its time, it does look a little dated next to some more recent releases

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Zaga Mission

■ *CBM-64*
■ *Anirog*
■ *Chopper hopper*
■ *£7.95*
★ ★ ★

THERE ARE so many helicopter games on the market now that software reviewers leaving their offices adopt the crouching run peculiar to heavily-armed people disembarking from Bell Hueys in open country.

Zaga Mission, slicing two quid off your average Commodore cassette software price, hovers somewhere between the genre of Choplifter and Zaxxon, but owes more to the latter, the screen display being a three-quarter 3D scrolling view of a Bomb Alley cluttered with convoluted brickwalls guaranteed to wreck your cyclic pitch.

Main carps about this program? You can't fly backwards — unlike a real rotorcraft — and it's kind of slow: you'd expect the inhabitants of planet Zaga to come up with something a little more nifty. For those with a destructive bent there are no fuel dumps to torch; nor can you do your soul good by winching distraught matchastick figures out of hostile territory.

Plusses? Great sound — turn the volume up and put your ear defenders on. The graphics are great too, but it is sometimes hard to figure out exactly where you are in relation to obstacles — the 'copter casts a shadow on the ground though, and this helps a bit. The aerial manouevring faithfully reflects the tendency of early helicopters to swing or torque — so watch you don't bash your tail-rotor against a wall as you go round corners, or else it's DIK-DIK-DIK-KA-BOOM-SPLAT! (Technical term used by mature adult computer journalists while relaxing with a glass of Lucozade after picking over the finer points of a nice juicy piece of machine code.)

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No saving, no slaughter — what then? The reason you are attempting these mazes is maybe to keep up your flight pay? No way, Jose — your goal is to reach the malfunctioning power plant that keeps planet Zaga 1 safe from harmful cosmic bombardment. As a result of the fault, security doors are opening and closing erratically — another hazard. You can gas up after each maze — but the limitations of your operational range are a further handicap in your attempt to save your world. A helicopter of a game.

Paul Bond

Drive-in

■ *Spectrum*
■ *Fantasy*
■ *Arcade adventure*
■ *£5.50*
★ ★

GOOD STOCK Fantasy stuff — 189 screens, 28 different aliens and various objects to be collected. If this software house were a movie star it would be Clint Eastwood — there is a strict unvarying formula to all their products which must presumably be popular with the user.

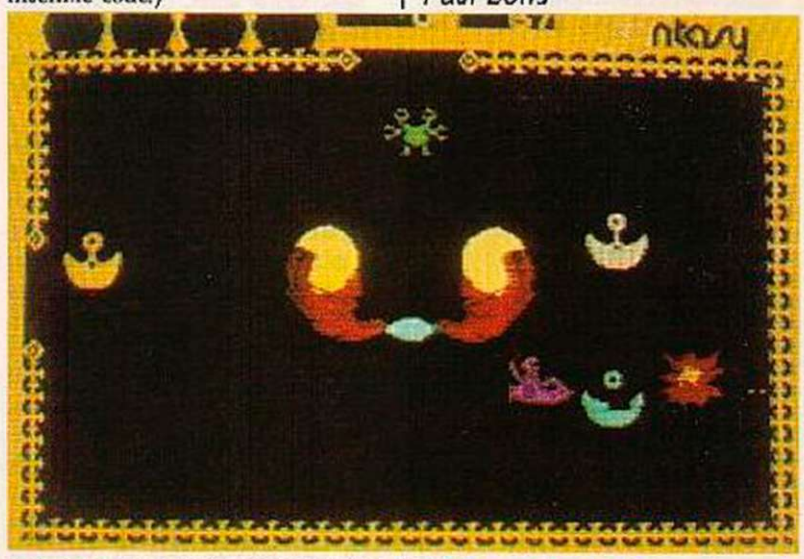
This is one of those games where you have to reassemble your spaceship by collecting all the various bits. A slight twist is added by the fact that the central character — the one doing all the zipping about and zapping is a superheroine called Dezzy. Beautiful she may be but a big space suit and only a few pixels make it hard to tell.

What happened to Ziggy, the customary star of Fantasy games? Well, Dezzy is on her way to help him. Lured into an abandoned drive in by the villain of the piece she has to piece together an old starship to escape. This must be assembled in the correct sequence inside room 189.

You can use a joystick or keyboard to control the character and there is a keyboard redefining option. You use keys 1-4 to pick up and drop objects when Dezzy is directly over them.

You can also score by shooting the aliens, of course, but when the points score reaches 10,000 it resets to zero and the percentage completed of the game increases. You don't just collect objects — you can also trade them for other objects and some of the rooms have automatic garages, banks and time machines. These can all be used to assist you complete the game. It's a little bit like a poor man's Atic Atac, but for people who like compiling maps and puzzling over functions of gadgets, I'm sure it'll be a great hit.

Paul Bond



Monty is innocent

■ *Spectrum 48K*
■ *Gremlin Graphics*
■ *Arcade adventure*
■ *£6.95*
★ ★

GREMLIN Graphics' character Monty first came to prominence in Monty Mole — a game which trod on a few nerves with its references to the miners' strike — especially in view of the fact that the author was the son of a pit safety officer.

In an attempt to redress the balance, we find Monty has been

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Star chart

Automan

CBM-64
Bug-byte
Platform and maze
£9.50

★ ★

One of a series of average games being boosted by a link with a TV series.

Below average quality graphics on the opening screen — a tedious platform game — dulled any enthusiasm aroused by the packaging. Quality of programs must improve, or home computers in the UK will go the way of the hula hoop.

Dam Buster

Oric-1/Atmos
IJK
Simulator
£8.50

★ ★ ★ ★

No micro can be considered complete without its very own flight simulator. This is the first program for the Oric/Atmos worthy of the name. While not up to the Spectrum/Commodore standards, it has all the usual features of maps instruments and out-of-the-cockpit view.

The scenario is interesting, precision bombing, requiring tricky co-ordination of speed, height and position. Perhaps Oric/Atmos owners can look forward to further refinements of this. Aerobatics are out, and the landing process is rather abstract, instruments only.

Therbo

Spectrum 48K
Arcade
Shoot-'em-up
£5.50

★ ★ ★

A sort of cross between rollerball and American football, Therbo consists of protecting a ball from the computer which is trying to knock it into touch.

You have a large armoury — for a ball game at least — of missiles, mesmos and thrustas to help you guice the therbo up the field, and frustrate the computer's efforts to do the same. Nice graphics with sideways scrolling, and a tricky game to master.

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reduced to stealing coal and has been imprisoned for this.

The aim of the game is for Monty to get the key from the prison governor's office and escape. He rushes around various screens being pursued by prison officers, ghosts and so on. He can move from screen to screen by rushing off the side sliding up and down ropes or by falling down holes.

Plenty of imagination has been used to create the backdrops — there are a couple of good 3D mazes and an ingenious sequence in a gymnasium. Money received from sales of Monty Mole was destined for donation to the Miner's Welfare Fund — though at the time of going to press, this body still had not made up its mind to accept the gift. The Miner's Welfare Fund is an established charity which existed prior to the strike. No such donations are planned this time.

A competent and graphically inventive game.

Paul Bond

Gandalf

- *CBM-64*
- *Tymac*
- *Shoot 'em-up*
- *£9.95*

★ ★ ★

ONE WOULD have thought that a name like Gandalf would create a lot of copyright problems — upsetting the administrators of the Tolkien estate, makes a visit from the Ringwraiths seem pleasurable by comparison.

Speculation apart, this is an ingenious game with very nice graphics. It has nothing whatsoever to do with the Lord of the Rings, apart from hijacking the old sorcerer's name.

The screen display shows a castle wall with two turrets. In the distance large T. Rex-style saurians are wifling through the tulgey woods. These are in fact scaly-tailed lizard men keen to augment their schemes for financial investment by relieving you, Gandalf, of your treasure which is protected by the customary ancient spell, third party, fire and theft. In other words, it's wizards versus lizards.

The slimy reptiles intend to achieve their aim by abducting your apprentices and holding them for ransom. You can prevent this by directing lightning bolts down on the vile kidnappers. The joystick controls the movement of the wizard and the direction of his power. To direct the wizard's power you just move the cross-hairs around the screen and then press the firebutton. To move the wizard himself around you have to hold down the button and waggle the joystick. If your power drains you have to shift the necromancer up the shining tower snarpish and replenish his batteries from the shining star. There is a deadly spider knocking around behind the battlements and like most giant arachnids it leaves you feeling pretty sick if you bump into it.

Zapping the lizards turns them into gold coins. This is of crucial importance to the second screen since the waves of reptiles are so inexorable that sooner or later they are bound to get past the gate and make off with a member of your youth opportunities scheme.

Being a good employer you give chase, and set a power bolt trap in the path of the lizard man. When the trap destroys the lizard you can retrieve the apprentice by brushing against him and returning to the castle. Then you have to retrieve the trap. You can also collect the gold coins lying around. But as always — remember to watch out for the yellow ostrich — it will steal the coins. The best computer games always have a moral of some sort, and it's true that you won't go far wrong in life if you watch out for the yellow ostrich.

Paul Bond

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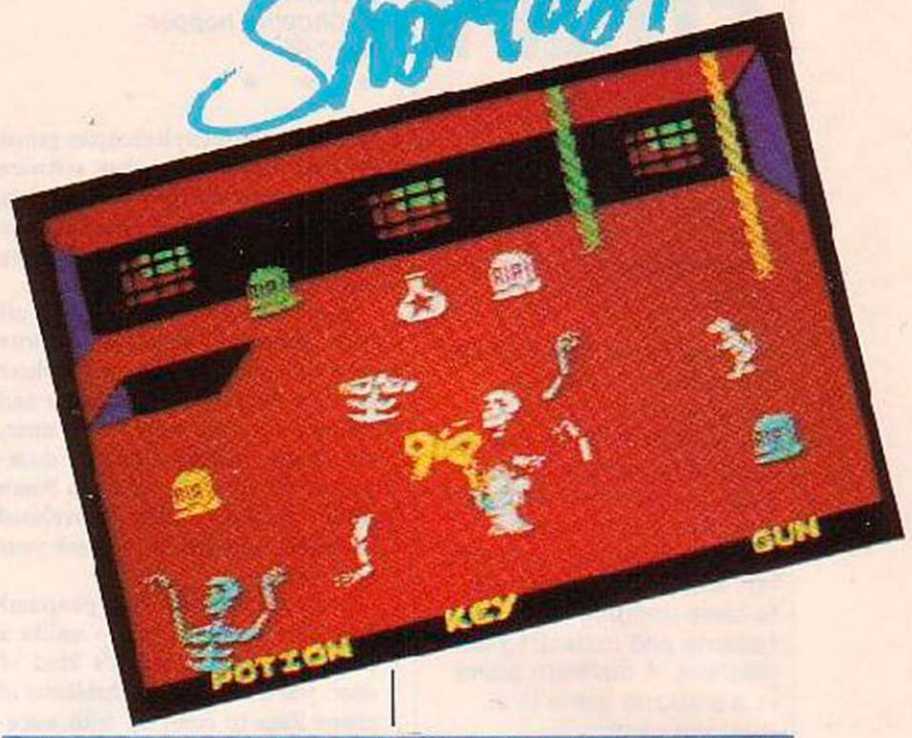

Back Track

- *Dragon 32*
- *Incentive Software*
- *3D Maze Game*
- *£6.50*

★ ★ ★ ★

No, we haven't forgotten about the Dragon, but a lot of the software companies have.

This really does take the Dragon 32 to its limits. You are given an overhead view of one of the rooms with Eddie in the middle.

It transpires that Eddie is held captive by the mad professor who is cruelly plumbing the innermost depths of the human psyche. As a worse torture than watching endless re-runs of the Paul Daniels show, the professor has designed a series of five labyrinthine tests of increasing complexity to see if Eddie's will to live can be broken — his will to live is shown as a barometer on the left of the screen. Objects are automatically picked up as Eddie enters a room and his willpower is boosted. Eddie has to reach the exit, finding keys in the correct order before he can get out.

Pressing the M key displays a map — if Eddie has found it — and pressing any other key returns you to the main display.

Watch out for somewhat sleepy serpents and the prof's pet genetically-mutated rug, which objects to being walked on too much.

All in all, an enterprising effort by Chris Andrew and what a pity software companies didn't produce more of this kind of quality software before the Dragon had the rug pulled from under it.

Paul Bond

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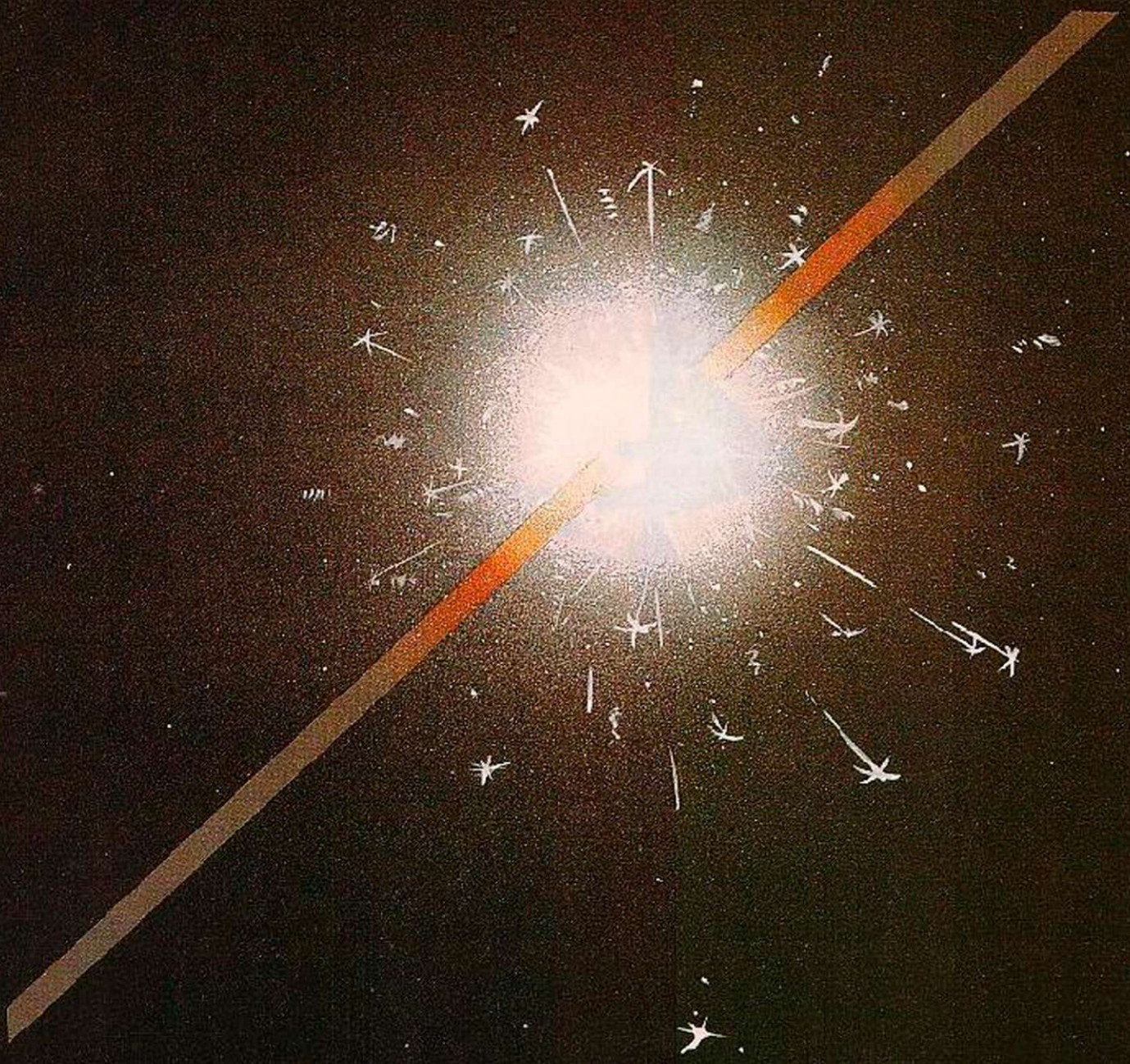

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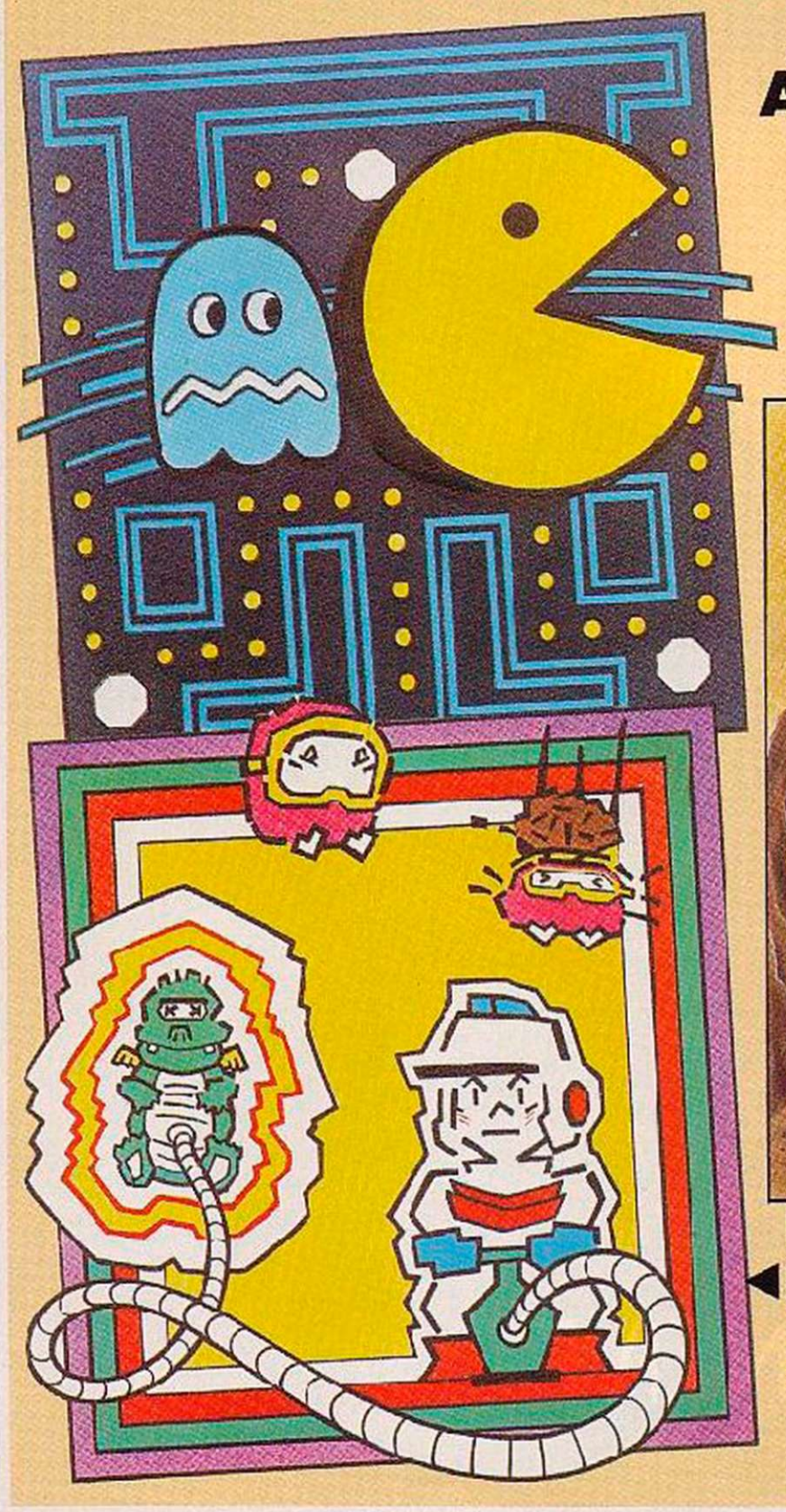

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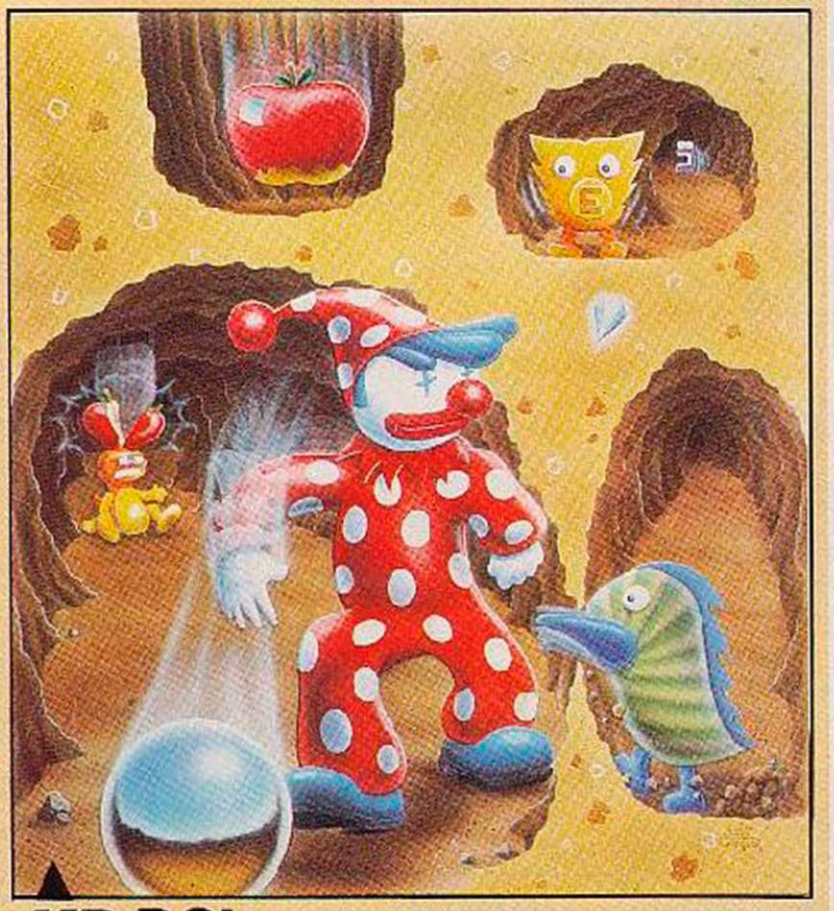

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Adventure International's Sorcerer of Claymorgue Castle is obviously giving quite a few of you adventurers a lot to think about. Once again, Scott Adams' mischievous mind has caused the heavens to ring with pleas for help. Here's a morsel of assistance:

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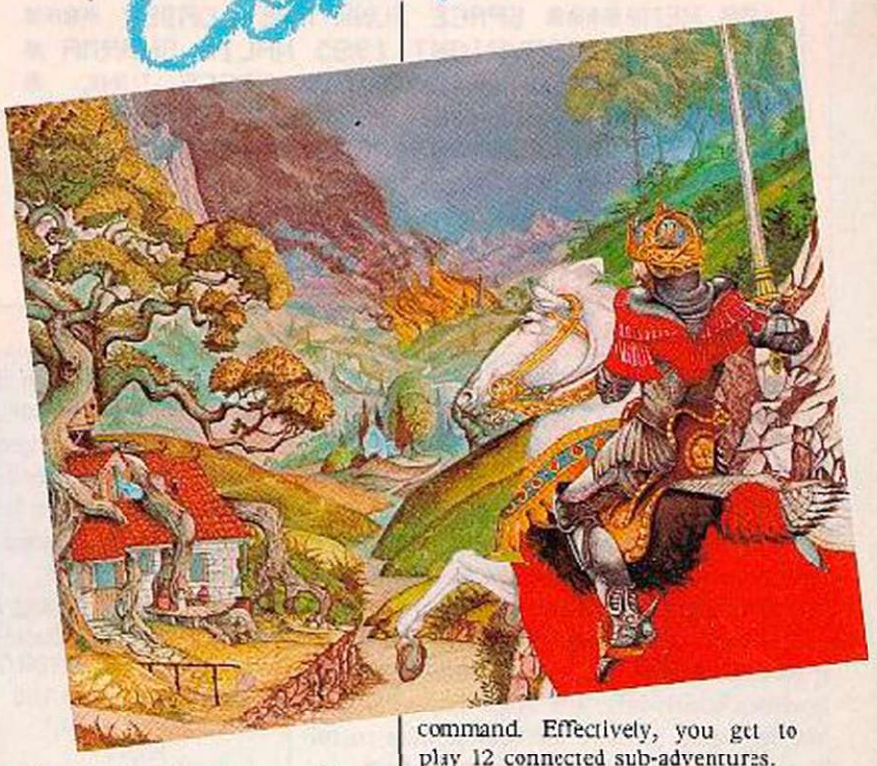
Haven't met the dragon yet?
NWOD HSUP DNA MOOR NIALP OT OG
Yours in castles and caverns.
HUGO NORTH

QUEST

Our man with the brass lamp and the key to a thousand mysteries sheds light on new adventure programs. Lost? Never fear, Hugo North is here.



King Arthur's Quest

48K Spectrum
£7.95
Hill MacGibbon

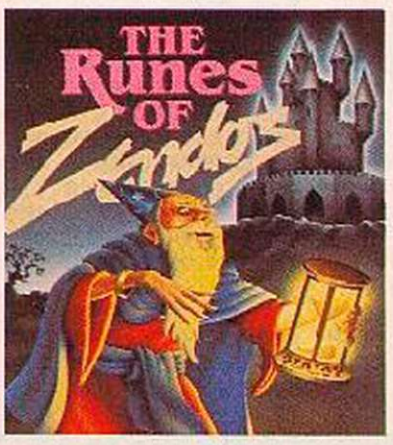
KING ARTHUR'S QUEST is a graphics and text adventure that takes you through Camelot, currently under Morgana's wintry spell.

The land is split into eight areas: Merlin's Tower — where you start, the wilderness, enchanted forest, keep, chapel, crypt, cavern and Morgana's Castle. Each area is based on a grid of 10 by 10 squares.

Every time you move, you progress one square and are presented with a forward view of the surrounding area. Permanently on view are Excalibur which slowly turns red as your life-force diminishes and a picture of every object in your possession.

The bottom of the screen is used as a scrolling text window recording your commands and allowing Grymalkin the cat, your faithful companion, to furnish information on objects, incidents, etc.

Commands are given by single-key entries. You don't have to memorise them — a keyboard overlay is provided. There are only eight actions you can perform: turn left or right, move forward, take, leave or use an object, eat/drink and cast a spell. You can also repeat a description, cancel a command, save and restore a game.



Among the characters you'll encounter are a jester, grillin, and owl. Characters may help you — if you help them. The graphics are simple but effective and the text character-set has been designed to look like authentic manuscript. Some sound effects have been included. An enjoyable game of exploration and discovery for the younger adventurer.

Runes of Zendos

48K Spectrum
£7.95
Dorcas Software

ZENDOS IS AN animated graphics and text adventure with some similarities to its predecessor, Oracle's Cave. If you liked that, then chances are you will enjoy this one.

The screen is divided into two, the top half displaying a side-on view of part of a room which scrolls horizontally or vertically in response to your chosen movement. The lower half is used for textual commands and responses. Commands can range from the terse — l for go left — to the verbose — attack the guard with the mighty axe.

You are shown as a small white-clad figure whose mission it is to seek out and destroy the wicked wizard Zendos. He has separately imprisoned the spirit of each month — you must find and release all 12 spirits. Each section of the castle is split into several chambers.

Since each of the spirits is located in a different section, the program kindly lets you move instantaneously from section to section with a single command. Effectively, you get to play 12 connected sub-adventures.

Apart from your own walkabouts, the animation mostly comes from simply stylised battles with many of the characters you meet. These characters, as in Oracle's Cave, are solidly presented and imaginatively designed. As well as fighting, cracking runic codes and casting spells are other major activities.

As an animated adventure, Zendos works out very well. If you want a change from text only adventures, this should fill the bill.

Project-X the micro man

48K Spectrum
£3.25
Compass Software

A NOVEL and enjoyable Quilled adventure. An accident has miniaturised you and the quest concerns your attempts to return to normal. You'll battle with a mole — but what, given your diminutive dimensions, will you use for weapons? Over 150 locations, 80 objects and original puzzles ensure good value for money.

The Legacy

48K Spectrum
£7.95
Tamsoft

ANOTHER QUILL-BASED adventure, your eccentric grandfather has died and named you as sole beneficiary. To claim your inheritance, you must first find the secret vault by following a treasure trail of clues left by grandpa. A non-violent, pleasantly stretching text adventure.

SPACE JUNK

Listing 1.

```
100 REM***** SPACE JUNK PRE-LOADER ****
110 REM** COPYRIGHT 1985 NALIN SHARMA *
120 REM**  ALL RIGHTS FOR SPACE JUNK  *
130 REM**  RESERVED BY NALIN SHARMA   *
140 REM*********************************
5000 FORX=0TO35
5010 READA
5020 POKE49152+X,A
5030 NEXT
5040 SYS49152
5990 REM**M/C DATA TO LOAD MAIN FILE**
6000 DATA169,1,162
6010 DATA1:REM**CHANGE TO 8 FOR DISK**
6020 DATA160,1,32,186,255,169,10,162,26
6030 DATA160,192,32,189,255,169,0,32
6040 DATA213,255,76,0,64,83,80,65,67
6050 DATA69,32,74,85,78,75
```

Nalin Sharma with the first part of a joystick-only game.

SPACE JUNK is a fast, all action, machine-code game for the Commodore 64. It features ultra-smooth movement of all graphics, including the fine scrolling of the planet surface.

The basic idea of the game is to move your spaceship across the planet and retrieve 32 satellites which litter the skies. However, it is not very easy as there are four junkies patrolling the planet and touching them is fatal

The game is 30K long so it is being published in three parts. To enter the program you will need to type in three listings — listing 3 being the first block of object code for Space Junk. It would be sensible to use three different cassettes — call them X, Y and Z. It is imperative that cassettes Y and Z are C30.

If you are working with disc, change the following:

Line 6010 in listing 1 as instructed.

Lines 2015 and 3015 as instructed, in listing 2.

If you do not feel up to typing the program in, then if you send me £3.25 — cheques/P.O.s payable to Nalin Sharma — together with your name and address I will be happy to send you a copy of Space Junk on a fast loader. Send to: Nalin Sharma, 35 Kitchener Road, Walthamstow, London E17 4LJ.

First of all, type in listing 1 and save it on cassette Z, but after saving it do not rewind the tape, as later the object code must follow it. Listing 1 is the pre-loader for Space Junk. So all it does is set up the kernal to load the object code file — once loaded it will be executed and the game will begin.

Now, before typing in listing 2, you must move the start of Basic upwards as follows:

```
POKE 32768,0    (RETURN)
POKE 44,128     (RETURN)
POKE 43,1       (RETURN)
NEW             (RETURN)
```

Now type in listing 2 and save it on cassette X. Listing 2 is the code-aid which will allow you to enter the object code. It is important that before loading or using listing 2, the start of Basic is moved as shown above.

Once you have checked listing 2 and you have saved it, you can begin to enter the object code — listing 3. So type Run and press Return and you should see a three-option menu, provided that listing 2 has been entered correctly. The menu is as follows:

```
1 = ENTER CODE
2 = LOAD CODE
3 = SAVE CODE
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After pressing 1 you will be asked from which hex address you wish to start entering the code. This means that you don't have to enter all the code at once — you would be better off typing in only a few hundred lines a day. So if you haven't entered any Space Junk code previously, type in 0800 and press Return. Now the computer will print "0800?" and will await the entry of the line of code. You *don't* have to type in the hex address every time you enter a line.

When entering a line of code, type in the first 16 characters which represent eight bytes of code, then a space, and then the last three characters which represent a checksum of those eight bytes of code. Once you have typed in the line, press Return and provided that the line has been entered correctly, the computer will print "OK" and will go on to the next hex address automatically. If the line has not been entered correctly, the computer will print "TRY AGAIN" and you'll have to re-enter the line.

This system of checking the code as it is entered is very efficient, and it will vastly improve the chances of the program running first time. If at any time you wish to return to the menu, to save the code so you can return to it at a later date, instead of entering a line of code press "*" and then Return.

Option 2 allows you to load in previously saved code. Make sure that your disc/cassette is ready and then press "2". The code will now be loaded. Option 3 allows you to save the object code. Just make sure that your disc/

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Listing 3.

```
0800: 007CE6F6DECEC67C 546
0808: 001878181818187E 16E
0810: 007CC63C7CC0C6FE 448
0818: 007CC6063C06C67C 2CC
0820: 00C6C667E0606606 2E2
0828: 00FEC0C0FCC0C67C 4C2
0830: 007CC60C0CC6C67C 506
0838: 00FE0630183030301 188
0840: 007CC6C67CC6C67C 48C
0848: 007CC6C67E06C67C 3CE
0850: 0000000FE000000 0FE
0858: 000000FEFEFE0000 2FA
0860: 0000FEFEFEFEFE00 4F6
0868: 00FEFEFEFEFEFEFE 6F2
0870: 007CC6DEC6F6C67C 51E
0878: 0000C0F8FEF8C000 45E
0880: FFFDF5DDFDFDD5FF 79C
0888: FF7F7F7F7F7F57FF 4D0
0890: FFF5DFFFF5DFD5FF 770
0898: FF5FF7F75FFF57FF 600
08A0: 000000FFFF000000 1FE
08A8: 3C3C3CFFFF000000 2B2
08B0: 3C3C3C3C3C3C3C3C 1E0
08B8: FFEFEBEEEEFEFFFC 7B0
08C0: FFEEEEEEAFEEFF00 665
08C8: FFAAFFAAFEAAFF00 5F9
08D0: FFFFFFFFCFCFFF00 699
08D8: FF033F03F303FF00 339
08E0: FF0333033F3FFF00 2B5
08E8: FF0333033333FF00 23D
08F0: FF033F3F3F03FE0A 2CA
08F8: FF033F0F3F03AAAA 2E6
0900: 0000000000000000 000
0908: FF03CFCFCF0FBFA0 4DD
0910: FF3333333303FF00 2CD
0918: FF0333333333FF00 2CD
0920: FF33330F3333FF00 2D9
0928: FFFEFEFECECEFF00 694
0930: FFFEBEEEFAFEFF00 6A0
0938: FFEAEFEAFFEAFF00 6AA
0940: FFAFFFAFEFAFFF3F 638
0948: 00020AFFFF000000 20A
0950: 00AAAAAFFFF000000 352
0958: 0080A0FFFF000000 31E
0960: FFFFFFFFFFFFAAAA 74E
0968: FFFFFFFFFFFFFFFF 7F8
0970: 0000000000001818 030
0978: 7E9999FFFF99997E 55E
0980: 7EF3939FF9C9CF7E 5B2
0988: 7EE7E79999E7E77E 5CA
0990: 7ECFC9F99F93F37E 5B2
0998: 7EE7E79F9FFFFF7F 606
09A0: 7EFFFF9F9FE7E77E 606
09A8: 7EFFFFF9FSE7E77E 6BA
09B0: 7EE7E7F9FSFFFF7E 6BA
09B8: 7EFFE7C7CFFFFF7E 676
09C0: 7EFFFFE7E7FFFF7E 6C6
09C8: 7EFFFFF3E3E7FF7E 6B6
09D0: 0000:818002181800 060
09D8: 3818C3003003003810 138
09E0: 0070381818183870 198
09E8: 0000007E007E0000 0FC
09F0: 0000000000000000 000
09F8: 0000000000000000 000
0A00: 7EC3DBDFDFDBC37E 5F6
0A08: 007CC6C6FFC6C6C6 558
0A10: 00FC66667C6666FC 40C
0A18: 007CC6C0C0C0C67C 4C4
0A20: 00FC6666666666FC 3F6
0A28: 007EC0C0FCC0C07E 4F8
0A30: 007EC0C0FCC0C0C0 53A
0A38: 007CC6C0DEC6C67C 4E8
0A40: 00C6C6C6FEC6C6C6 5A2
0A48: 00FC30303030303FC 2E8
0A50: 007E181818D8D870 2E6
0A58: 00C6CCD8F0D8CCC6 5A8
0A60: 00C0C0C0C0C0C0FE 51E
0A68: 00C6EEFED6C6C6C6 5DA
0A70: 00C6E6F6FEDECEC6 612
0A78: 007CC6C6C6C6C67C 4D6
0A80: 00FCC6C6FCC0C0C0 5C4
0A88: 007CC6C6C6D67C06 426
0A90: 00FCC6C6FCD8CCC6 5EE
0A98: 007CC6C07C06C67C 3C6
0AA0: 00FC303030303030 21C
0AA8: 00C6C6C6C6C6C67C 520
0AB0: 00C6C6C6C6C67C38 492
0AB8: 00C6C6C6D6FEEEC6 5DA
0AC0: 00C6EE7C387CEEC6 498
0AC8: 00C6C6C67C06C67C 418
0AD0: 00FEC61C3870E6FE 474
0AD8: FFFEFEFEFCFCFEFF00 695
0AE0: FFAAFFAFFEAAFF00 5F9
0AE8: FFEFEFEFEFEFAFFF00 6A4
0AF0: FFFFFFFFEFAFFF3F 6D8
0AF8: 000000C0C0000000 180
0B00: 0000003030000000 060
0B08: 0000000C0C000000 018
0B10: 0000003030300000 060
0B18: 0000000000000FFF 1FF
0B20: 0000000FFFF00000 1FF
0B28: 0000FFFF00000000 1FF
0B30: FFFF0000000000FF 1FF
0B38: 006CFEFEFE7C3810 42A
0B40: 7EC78D9999F1F37E 52E
0B48: 7EC3879FF9E1C37E 582
0B50: 7EC381FFFF81C37E 582
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Listing 2.

```
10 REM*** SPACE JUNK CODE-AID ***
20 REM*** COPYRIGHT 1985 NALIN SHARMA ***
90 GOSUB64000
100 POKE53280,3:POKE53281,1
110 PRINT"{CLR}          # SPACE JUNK CODE AID #"
115 PRINT"{DOWN}                 # O P T I O N S #"
120 PRINT"{DOWN}                 {RVS} = ENTER CODE"
130 PRINT"{DOWN}                 {SHIFT-S} = LOAD CODE"
140 PRINT"{DOWN}                 {SHIFT-S} = SAVE CODE"
150 GETV$:IFV$=""THEN150
160 V=VAL(V$):IFV<10RV>3THEN150
170 ONVGOSUB300,2000,3000
180 GOTO100
300 REM *** ENTER CODE ***
305 INPUT"{CLR}PLEASE ENTER START IN HEX";H$
320 IFLEN(H$)<>4THEN310
330 GOSUB1200
340 DA=DT:PRINT"{CLR}{DOWN}"
350 D=DA:GOSUB1000:REM********PRINT HEX ADDRESS*
360 PRINT#3,;:INPUT#3,X$:REM******GET HEX INPUT
365 IFHX$="*"THENRETURN:REM****TO EXIT**
370 IFLEN(HX$)<>20THEN360:REM*CHECK LENGTH
380 LNT=0:FORP=1TO15STEP2:REM*BREAK DOWN*
390 H$=MID$(HX$,P,2):REM********GET BYTE*
400 GOSUB1200:LNT=LNT+IT:REM*****ADD TO CHECKSUM*
410 POKEDF,DT:DA=DA+1:REM*******POKE& NEXT LOC *
420 NEXTP
430 H$="0"+MID$(HX$,18,3):REM*****FIND CHECKSUM
440 GOSUB1200
450 IFDT<>LNTTHENPRINTTAB(29)"{DOWN}TRY AGAIN":DA=DA-8:GOTO350:REM*LINE CHECKSUM*
460 PRINTTAB(29)"{DOWN}OK":IFIF=31000THENPRINT"{DOWN}FINISHED!!!":FORJE=1TO500:NEXT:RETURN
470 GOTO350:REM***END OF LOOP***
1000 REM *** DEC-HEX ***
1010 DD=D:H$=""
1020 IFD=0THENRETURN
1030 IFD>65535ORD<0THENRETURN
1040 FORI=3TO0STEP-1
1050 Z=D/(16^I)
1060 IFZ<1THENH(I)=0:GOTO1080
1070 H(I)=INT(Z):D=D-(H(I)*(16^I))
1080 IFH(I)>9THEN1110
1090 H$=H$+CHR$(H(I)+48)
1100 GOTO1120
1110 H$=H$+CHR$(H(I)+55)
1120 NEXT
1130 RETURN
1200 REM *** HEX-DEC ***
1210 IT=0
1220 IFH$="Z"THENPRINT"FINISHED":RETURN
1230 HL=LEN(H$)
1240 IFHL>4THEN12.0
1250 FORI=HLTO1STEP-1
1260 A=ASC(MID$(H$,I,1))
1270 IFA>60THEN1300
1280 A=A-48
1290 GOTO.310
1300 A=A-55
1310 IT=IT+(A*(16^(HL-I)))
1320 NEXT:
1330 RETURN
2000 REM*****LOAD CODE***
2005 PRINT"{RVS}LOADING CODE{OFF}"
2010 POKE780,1:POKE782,1
2015 POKE781,1:REM**CHANGE TO [ POKE 781,8 ] FOR DISK**
2020 SYS65466
2030 POKE780,13:POKE781,0:POKE782,192
2040 SYS65469
2050 POKE780,0:POKE781,0:POKE782,8
2060 SYS65493
2070 RETURN
3000 REM***SAVE CODE***
3005 PRINT"{RVS}SAVING CODE{OFF}"
3010 POKE780,1:POKE782,1
3015 POKE781,1:REM**CHANGE TO [ POKE 781,8 ] FOR DISK**
3020 SYS65466
3030 POKE780,13:POKE781,0:POKE782,192
3040 SYS65469
3050 POKE251,0:POKE252,8:POKE780,251
3060 POKE781,220:POKE782,123
3070 SYS65496
3080 RETURN
3090 REM***PUT DOWN FILE NAME IN MEM***
4000 N$="SPACE JUNK"
4010 FORN=1TOLEN(N$)
4020 POKE49151+N,ASC(MID$(N$,N,1))
4030 NEXT
4040 RETURN
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0B58: 7EC3E1F95F87C37E 582
0B60: 7EF3B139598DCF7E 52E
0B68: 7E0B999999990B7E 516
0B70: 0000000000000000 000
0B78: 0000000000000020 000
0B80: 0000000000000000 000
0B88: 0000000000000000 000
0B90: 0000000000000000 000
0B98: 0000000000000000 000
0BA0: 0000000000000000 000
0BA8: 0000000000000000 000
0BB0: 1010101010101010 080
0BB8: 000000FF00000000 0FF
0BC0: 000000F010101010 130
0BC8: 0000001F10101010 05F
0BD0: 1010101F00000000 120
0BD8: 1010101F00000000 04F
0BE0: 00663CFF3C660000 243
0BE8: 0000000000000000 000
0BF0: FF818181818181FF 504
0BF8: FFC3A599999A5C3FF 600
0C00: FF83312109193983 2B2
0C08: FFE787E7E7E7E781 68H
0C10: FF8339F9833F3901 3B0
0C18: FF8339F9C3F93983 52C
0C20: FF39393981F9F9F9 516
0C28: FF013F3F03F93983 336
0C30: FF83393F03393983 2F2
0C38: FF01F9F3E7CFCFCF 640
0C40: FF8339398339398 36C
0C48: FF83393981F93983 42A
0C50: 0F3FF0F0F0A0AA2A 492
0C58: C0F0CC3C0000000B 340
0C60: 0A0000505015050 0C4
0C68: A828141414504000 19C
0C70: FFFFF0F0F0A0AAAA 6C2
0C78: F0FC3C3C3C28A8A0 410
0C80: A0A0505050505000 2D8
0C88: 0F3FF0F0F0A0AAAA 512
0C90: C0F03C3C3C28A8A8 3DC
0C98: A0A0505050505000 2D0
0CA0: 2828141414141400 2B4
0CA8: 0F3FF0F0F0A0A0A0 4FE
0CB0: C0F03C3C00000000 228
0CB8: A0A0505050150500 24F
0CC0: 0000001414504000 2B8
0CC8: 3FFFF0F0F0A0AAAA 502
0CD0: F0FC0000000A0A0 32C
0CD8: A0A0505050551500 29F
0CE0: 0000000000545000 3A4
0CE8: 0F3F3F0F0A000000 39C
0CF0: FFFFFFFF03020202 405
0CF8: FFFFFFFF3A0A0A0 5CC
0D00: F0FCFCF000000000 3D8
0D08: 0202010101010103 00C
0D10: A0A0505050505F0 3C0
0D18: 0303030302020202 014
0D20: F0F0F0F3A0A0A0A0 640
0D28: 2F1515151505010 084
0D30: 0201015555555500 158
0D38: A0505050505040 270
0D40: F0F0F0F0F0A0A0A0 690
0D48: 3C3C3C3C3C282828 1A4
0D50: A0A0505050551500 29A
0D58: 2E2814141454500 130
0D60: F0F0F0FCFCAAAAAA 6C6
0D68: 3C3C3C3C3C2828A8 224
0D70: A2A2505050505000 2D4
0D78: A6A8545414141400 234
0D80: F0F0F0F0F0A2AAAA 6A6
0D88: 3C3C3C3C78A08000 288
0D90: AFA2505050505000 2DC
0D98: 5EA0541414141400 1C4
0DA0: 0F3FF0F0FFFFF0F0 60C
0DA8: FFFF0000FFFF0000 3FC
0DB0: C0F03C3CFCFC3C3C 499
0DB8: F0F0F0F0F0F03F0F 5EE
0DC0: 000000000000FFFF 1FE
0DC8: 3C3C3C3C3C3CF0C0 318
0DD0: FFFFF0F0FFFFF0F0 7BC
0DD8: FFFF0000FFFF0000 3FC
0DE0: C0F03C3CF0F03C3C 480
0DE8: 0F3FF0F0FFFFF0F0 60C
0DF0: FFFF0000FFFF0000 3FC
0DF8: C0F03C3CFCFC3C3C 498
0E00: 000000FFFF000000 1FE
0E08: FF83393901393939 2A0
0E10: FF0399998399990 3EC
0E18: FF83393F3F3F3983 334
0E20: FF0399999999903 402
0E28: FF813F3F033F3F81 300
0E30: FF813F3F033F3F3F 2BE
0E38: FF83393F21393983 310
0E40: FF3939390139393939 256
0E48: FF03CFCFCFCF03 500
0E50: FF81E7E7E727278F 5C2
0E58: FF3939390739393939 250
0E60: FF3F3F3F3F3F1F81 2DA
0E68: FF39110129393939 2CE
0E70: FF39190901213139 1E6
0E78: FF8339393993983 322
0E80: FF0339390339F3F 234
0E88: FF8339393992983F9 3D2
0E90: FF0339390327339 20A
0E98: FF83393F83F93983 432
0EA0: FF03CFCFCFCFCF 5DC
0EA8: FF39393939393983 2D8
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cassette is ready and then press "3". The code will now be saved.

Use cassette Y to save the object code until you have finished typing all of it in. Then you can save it after listing 1 on cassette Z. This should then give you a complete copy of Space Junk. It can now be loaded in the normal Shift and Run/Stop way, and hopefully it should load and run perfectly. ■

See next month's issue for the second part of Space Junk.

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0EB0: FF3939393939B3C7 366   1150: .0007000700070007 01C
0EB8: FF3939392911139 21E    1158: 0080008000080080 200
0EC0: FF391183C7831139 360   1160: FFD7D7D7D7D7FFFF 730
0EC8: FF393939B1F93983 3E0.  1168: F-FFD7D7D7D7D7FF 730
0ED0: FF0131E3C78F1901 384   1170: 8F8F0000000000000 11E
0ED8: 0000000000000000 000   1178: F1F1000000300000 1E2
0EE0: 0000000000000000 000   1180: FFCAC0E8E3E3E8FF 71E
0EE8: 0000000000000000 000   1188: FC0C0C0C0C0C0CFC 240
0EF0: 0000000000000000 000   1190: FFFFE77EF-9FFFF9 6F9
0EF8: 0000000000000000 000   1198: FF7CFFE3F-78FFFF 6D2
0F00: 0000000000000000 000   11A0: FF1CFFFFF-E0FFFF 6F6
0F08: 0003000000000000 000   11A8: 0303000000000000 00E
0F1P: AAAA0A00FFFFFFFF 3FC   11B0: C0C0000000300000 180
0F1E: FF0000000000000 0FF    11B8: 0000000F-0000000 0FF
0F20: 0003000000000FF 0FF    11C0: FFFF0000000000000 1FE
0F2E: C0C3C0C0C0C0C0C0 600   11C8: 00FFFFFF00000000 2FD
0F30: CCCC3333CCCC3333 3FC   11D0: FFC1C1C1C1C1FF00 5C3
0F38: 0303030303030303 018   11D8: FF8383838383FF00 48D
0F40: 0000000CCCC33333 1FE   11E0: 0000000000000000 000
0F4E: FFFFFCF8F0E0C080 701   11E8: 0000000000000000 000
0F50: 0303030303030303 018   11F0: 0000000000000000 000
0F58: 1813181F:F181818 0CE   11F8: 0000000000000000 000
0F60: 0003000000F0F0F0F 03C  1200: 0000FFFFFF1F1F1 5D0
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0F70: 0003000F8F8181818 233  1210: 8F8F3FFFFFFFFFFF 6A8
0F78: 0003000000003FFFF 1FE  1218: FFFF-FFFF1F1F1FFF 558
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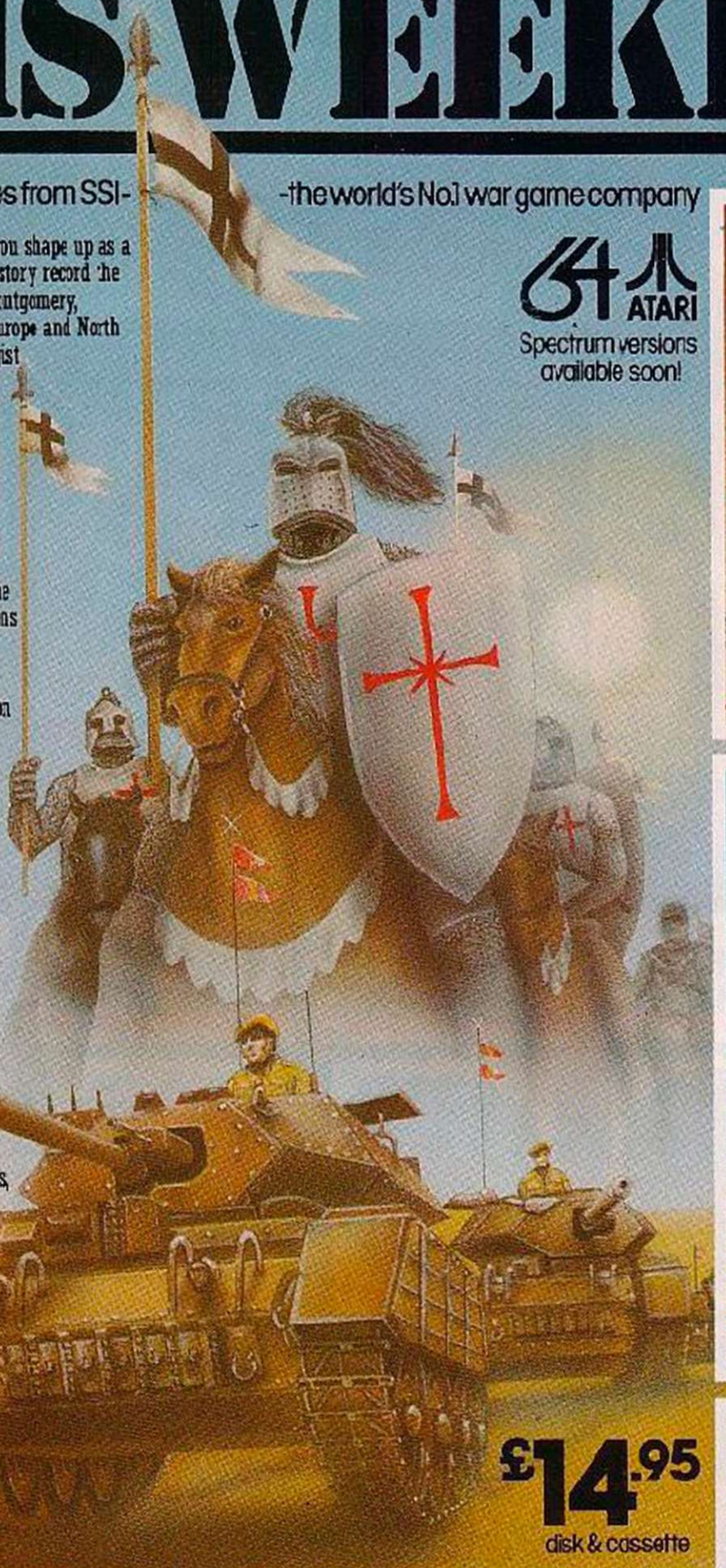

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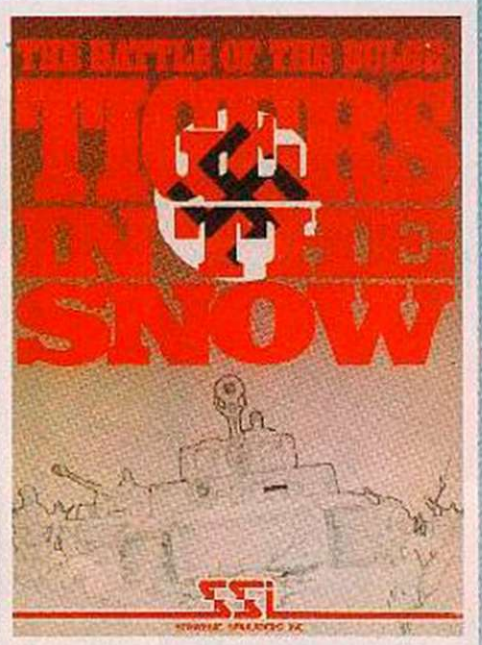

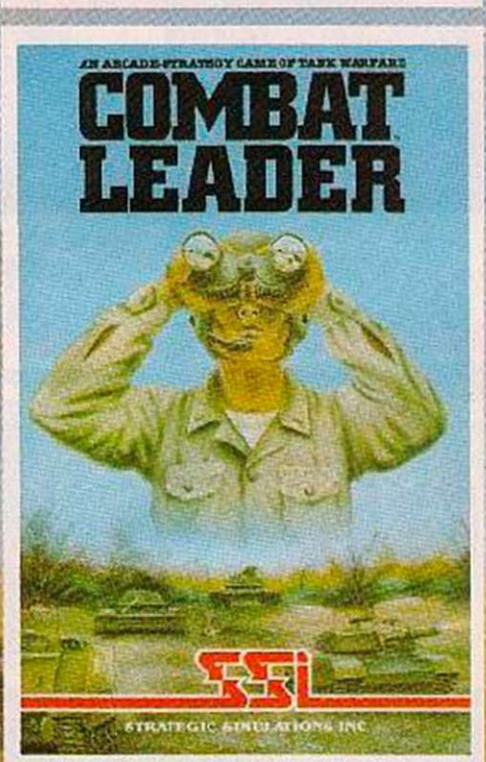

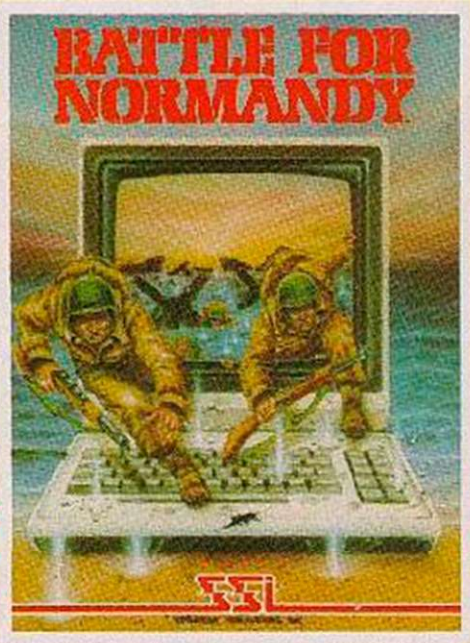

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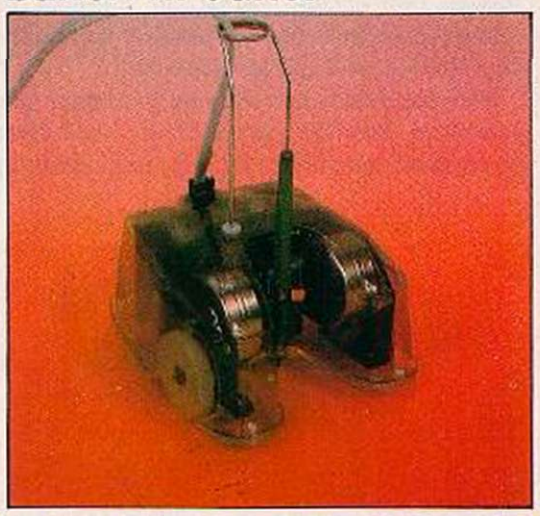

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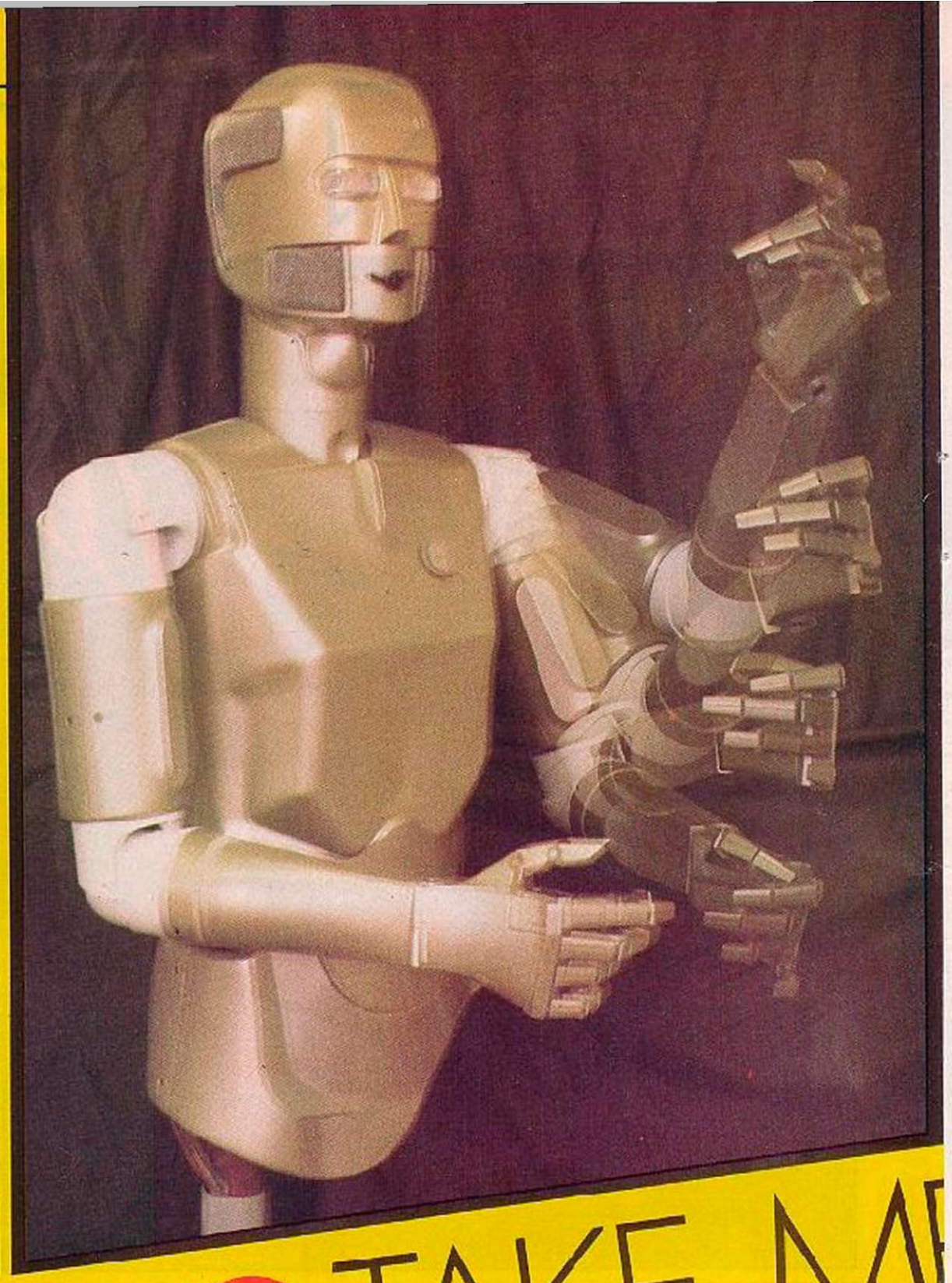

ROBOTS TAKE M

Nigel Clark shows you how to join the robot revolution for as little as £10 or as much as £1,000.

FOLLOWING IN THE footsteps of the micro revolution another branch of high technology is preparing to invade the home — personal robots.

There are growing numbers of people on both sides of the Atlantic who believe that a BBC B should never be seen without its Buggy or Beasty arm, that the best use for an Apple IIe is to control Topo or that a ZX-81 is useless without a Hebot II.

It is often said that the personal robot market is at the same stage as the personal computer market was six years ago. It would be a mistake, however, to assume that it will follow the same growth path.

Computers are a relatively recent development and people have had little time to get fixed ideas about how they should look and of what they should be capable. Robots have existed in people's imaginations for centuries as humanoids who can do all these menial tasks we would rather not do. Anything that does not meet those requirements is seen as a failure.

Two American companies tried to meet the specifications halfway. Androbot built Topo which was imported into Britain for a short time by Prism Microproducts, costing £1,549.95, and RB Robots built the RB5X.

Both were capable of movement and speech and the RB5X was able to detect obstacles and avoid them. Both companies have had to apply for the American version of receivership.

The experience has not deterred them though. Both are still trading and Androbot has released another robot and another more complex version of Topo is due soon.

And one American company has been quite successful. Heathkit makes Hero 1 and Hero Jr and both are sold in Britain, in kit form by Maplin Electronic Supplies and ready built by Zerith Data Systems.

Heathkit followed a different course to the others by emphasising the educational aspects of Hero rather than the fun robot image of the others. Costing about £1,600 in kit and £2,500 ready-built, Hero provides a single arm and single wheel driving system and the ability to control these in response to its five senses.

Hero Jr was launched towards the end of last year. It is being sold as a companion robot which can speak, sing, recite poetry and guard the house. All this comes for a price of £1,100.

While America was following the highly expensive personal robot route British developers saw a different way — one that has proved more successful and given us a world lead.

Robots as computer peripherals can add a further dimension to computer-based education. Instead of writing a program and only seeing the results displayed on the screen it is possible now to see the physical effects by way of an arm or turtle.

Courses on robotics

Arms come in a variety of forms and complexities. As a good guide it is usually the case that you get what you pay for, but it is possible to get some quite sophisticated equipment at a relatively low price.

The Beasty Arm from Commotion costs only £39.95 for which you get three axes of movement and a hook for picking up things. At the other end of the personal robot scale about £3,200 will buy the Open University Rebot made by TecQuipment.

It is being used by the Open University as the basis for two courses in robotics and had to meet an exacting specification. It has six axes, a gripper, can lift 1kg and is said to be accurate to 3mm. In between there are a growing number and variety of arms.

Although the uses to which arms can be put are the same, there are different ways in which the same effect can be achieved. The more axes an arm has the more complicated movements it can perform.

The Beasty Arm can only rotate its base and move the two sections of the arm up and down. The TecQuipment MA2000 can also do that as well as having a wrist on the gripper which can rotate, pitch and yaw.

Five axes are more usual, however, with the wrist only having the ability to rotate and move up and down — examples are the Armdroid from Colne Robotics, the Genesis series from Powertran Cybernetics and the Atlas from LJ Electronics.

There are almost 20 arms on the market in Britain, the majority of which are British

"Do the washing up, hit the kids, strangle the cat" — that's the sort of robot promised by most of the automaton manufacturers riding on the back of the micro boom according to Jon Barron of McAndroids.

When he isn't making parts for old Harley Davidsons or inventing special effects for film and TV like a ten foot treadmill for a Bronski Beat video, Jon builds androids like the one on the left. Together with sculptors Alan Dun and Richard Glassborow and an electronics engineer, Jon's been in the McAndroids business for a year.

The first McAndroid is 5ft 7in tall because "a very big figure is threatening" and the McAs are trying to make robots friendly. The androids are built out of glass fibre and chromed epoxy resin joints, powered by model aircraft servo motors connected to a new patented valve design, and controlled by a Zilog controller board.

The McAndroids are way beyond the price bracket of even expensive robots like the Heros but the ideas that the team are working on now could be used for cheap units which would plug into a home computer. At times Alan is amazed at how slow the outside world has been in catching up with developments in robotics — Yellow Pages still refuses to open up a category for robots "it took them seven years to get round to videos".

developments.

Movement is usually provided by stepper motors or servos and can be controlled by a variety of micros with the BBC B being the most popular.

The area in which they tend to differ is in the drive mechanisms. Most use a transmission system to take the power from the motor to the joint with varying degrees of sophistication. The Armdroid, costing about £500, uses non-stretch nylon cords, the Atlas, at £1,950, has a toothed belt and the latest machine from Cybernetics Applications, Neptune, £1,250, uses hydraulics Pneumatic systems are being assessed by other companies.

Accuracy and cost are the two factors to be taken into account when deciding on the transmission system. Hydraulic and pneumatic systems are usually more accurate than cord or belt systems but they are also more expensive. LJ Electronics however has achieved a high degree of accuracy with the belts on its Atlas.

All the manufacturers see education as their major market with small, light industrial uses coming second and home sales a poor third. This is probably due to the lack of software. What is available is usually concerned with putting the arms through their paces and simulating the larger arms to be found on the production lines.

Cyber Robotics has launched a package which illustrates that. Most of the programs for the Cyber 310 simulated other types of arm, although it did contain a program which solved the Towers of Hanoi puzzle.

It is a market which is profitable for many small companies and there is a growing number of them seeking to enter.

Whereas arms are mainly used as smaller versions of industrial equipment, turtles were developed to expand children's ability to learn. They are based on the theories of Seymour Papert, who wrote Logo as a high level educational language. One of its capabilities was to allow children, using simple commands, to control a character on the screen known as a turtle.

From that were developed peripherals called turtles which were mobile devices with a pen attached which could draw designs under the control of the compouter. They were similar to plotters but with far greater freedom of movement.

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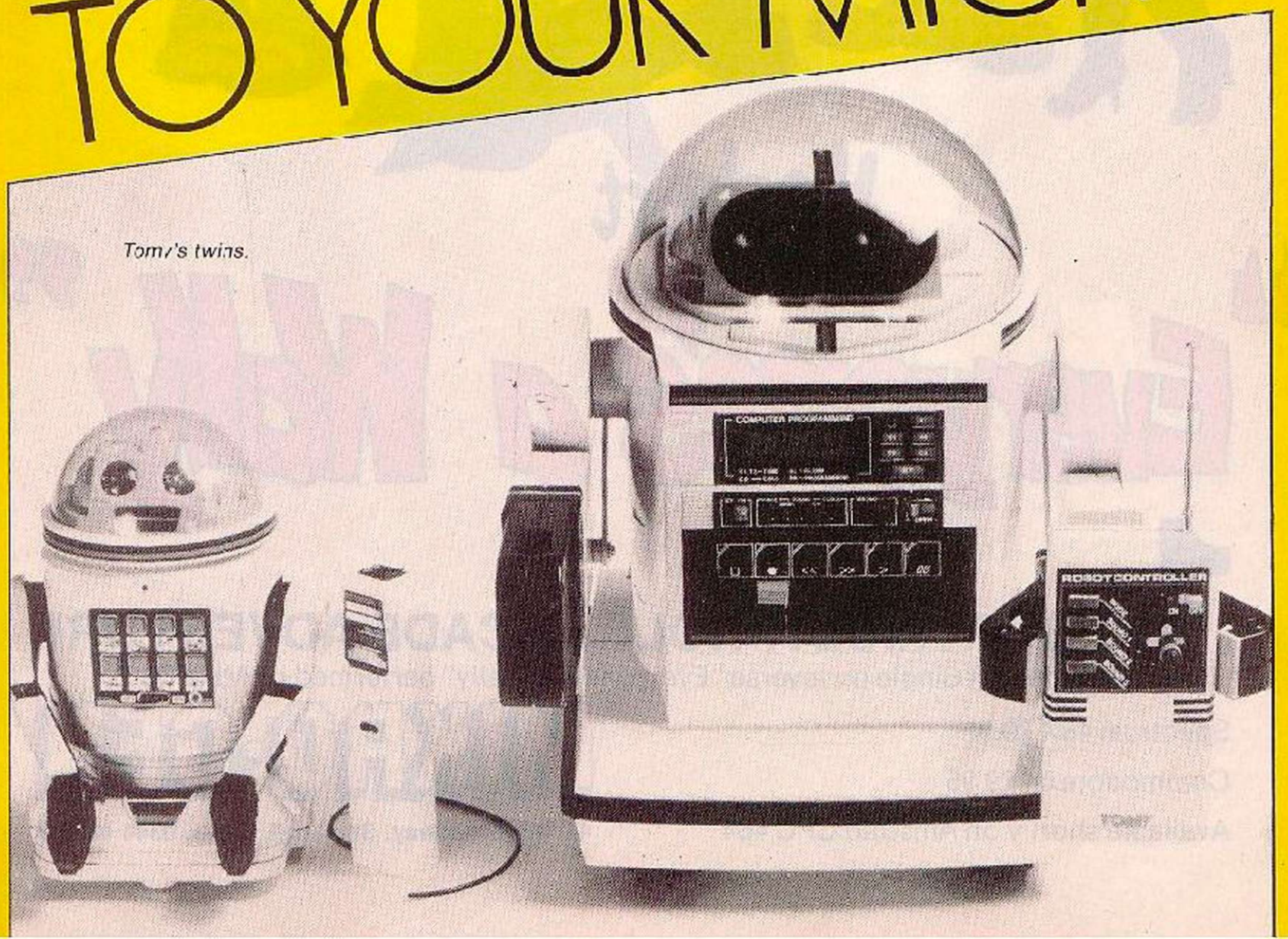

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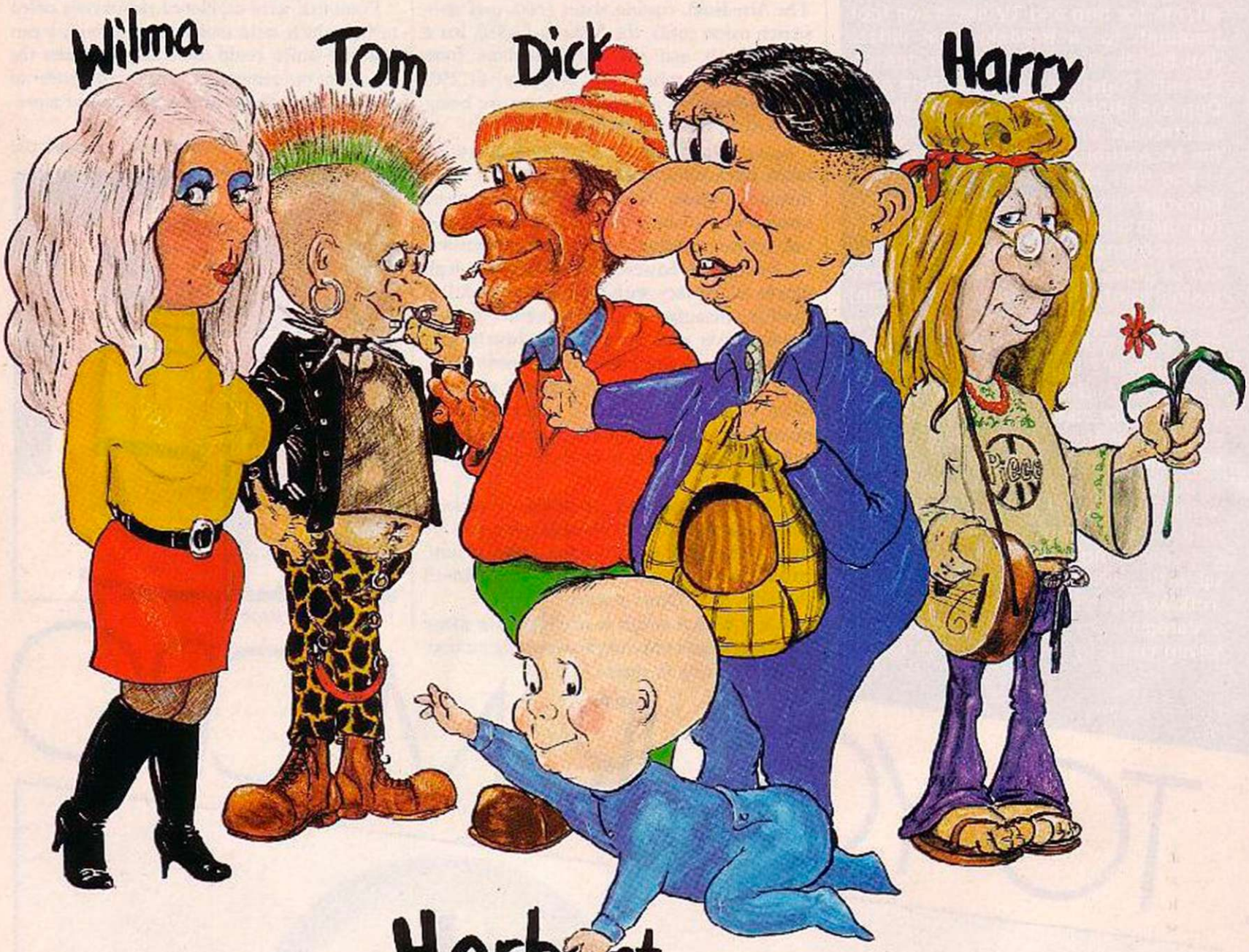

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There are four British turtles on the market with the addition of the Penman plotter which is designed similar to a turtle and can be used as one.

The most traditional is the Jessop or Edinburgh turtle. Looking like an upturned mixing bowl with two drive wheels and a pen holder inside it closely resembles the original design. It can be controlled from most of the popular micros via an umbilical cord.

Hebot II from Powertran is a similar design but only available in kit. The most famous at the moment is probably the BBC Buggy due to its appearances on television in the series *Making the Most of the Micro*. Like Hebot it is less to do with the encouraging of different forms of education than with teaching people about computer control and robotic sensing.

Valiant Designs has gone for the same Papert route as the Jessop and the company's Valiant can be controlled by the various dialects of Logo which are available for the usual micros. It is the only one which has been designed to look like a turtle although it has the same basic two-wheel drive and retractable pen holder of the others.

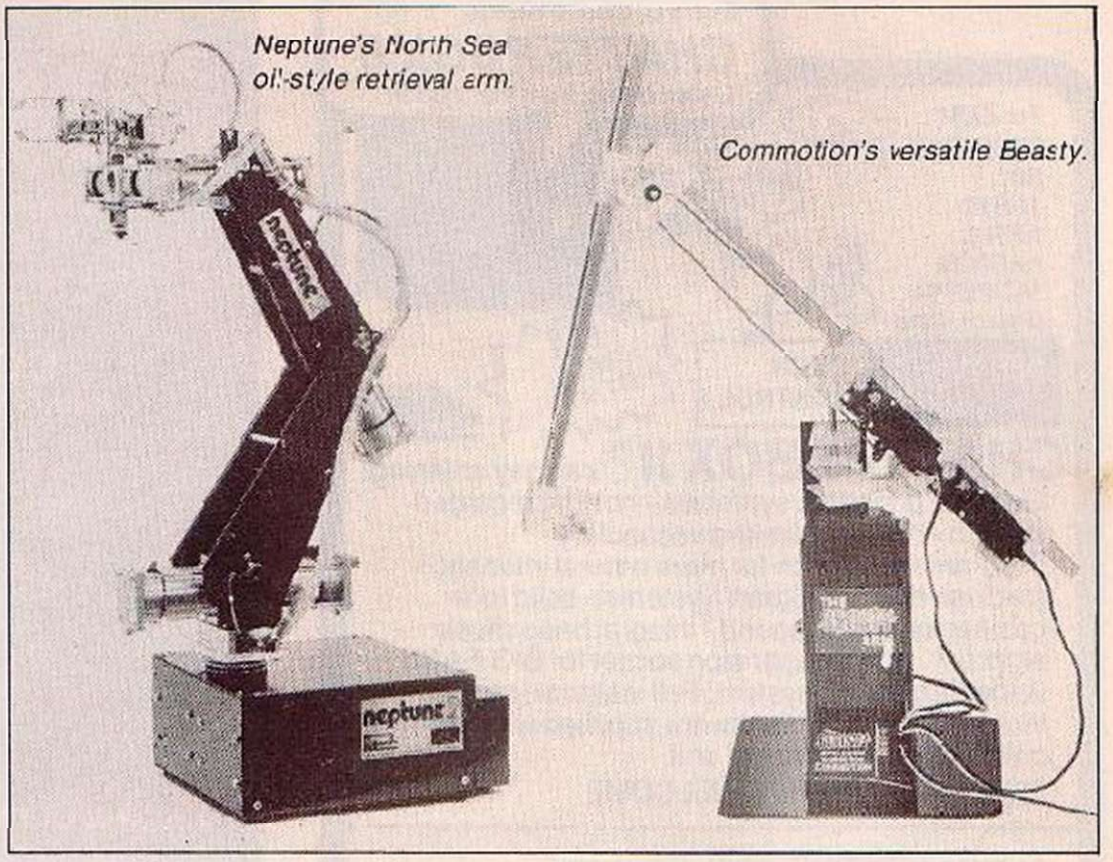
Little applications software

It is expected that these will be joined by other versions later this year. The Zeaker, which worked with a ZX-81 and was sold by Colne Robotics, is being redesigned by IGR and should be on sale soon. From the United States there is news that Androbot has finally got Fred into production and looking at the possibility of sending some to Britain.

In common with the arms there is little applications software available for the turtles. One of the exciting prospects for 1985 is the launch of Trekker and a suite of 30 programs. It has been developed by a secondary school in North Wales and is being produced in conjunction with the ITV program, *The Micro at Work*. The software covers a whole range of applications in maths and robotics.

One area that has not as yet concerned British manufacturers is toys. That has been left to the Japanese and Americans. They have not produced anything which is very complicated but they are cheap and have some approximation to robots.

One of the first was the Big Trak from Milton Bradley. It is a large tank-like vehicle which has a keypad on its top which is used to give directions and costs £30. A similar product



Neptune's North Sea oil-style retrieval arm.

Commotion's versatile Beasty.

was launched last year. It is called George the Computobot and costs just under £25.

Tomy Toys aimed for the Christmas market with the launch of three new robots in November. They have been producing a toy arm, the Armatron for some time and now have the Dingbot at £5.99, the Verbot at £39.95 and the Omnibot at £149.95.

The success of last year though was probably the Movits. Imported from Japan they ranged in price from £9.99 to £34.99. The most expensive was a simple turtle which could be programmed using a small controller. There are now interfaces available which allow it to be connected to a Spectrum. A further robot, the Wizerd, has recently been added to the range.

There is undoubtedly a great deal of interest in robots. They can be guaranteed to attract a crowd wherever they go and a number of companies use them in promotional work. They are only radio-controlled models but they fit people's views of what robots should look like, views which have been conditioned by fiction such as *Star Wars* or the *Hitchhikers' Guide to the Galaxy*.

Those views are being further developed by people such as Jim Whiting whose wonderful mobile sculptures, controlled by a Spectrum, never fail to astonish large numbers of people. Reality is more mundane. The arms, turtles and toys represent the limits of what can be achieved in personal robots at the moment. While they perform a useful function, particularly in education, they fall far short of the expectations of the general public.

There are problems in meeting these expectations which are concerned with information gathering and processing. Walking across a room avoiding obstacles such as tables and chairs is beyond the capabilities of any robot which could be produced at a cost which would make it attractive for use in the home.

The robot needs to have senses such as touch or sight to locate the obstacles and then intelligence to react in such a way that it makes progress across the room. A fairly simple device could avoid the obstacles but would react like a pinball machine without any guarantee that it would reach its goal.

The Robat competition

To help it decide which way to move it would need to store in memory the overall direction in which it should be going and detailed description of all the obstacles it may meet on the way. For example, if it came across the settee it would need to know where it had hit the settee by comparing the information it could gather with that in its memory so it would know to alter course to ensure getting round the settee in the simplest way. Anything more complex and a huge memory would be needed with some form of artificial intelligence to sort through it.

There is no lack of enthusiasm for tackling these difficulties. John Billingsley of Portsmouth Polytechnic, who began the micromouse contests, has now launched a new problem — the Robat competition. The aim is to create a machine which can play a form of robot table tennis.

There has been a huge amount of interest throughout the world and prototypes are already taking shape. Solutions found in this contest might provide the basis for more commercial applications later. ■

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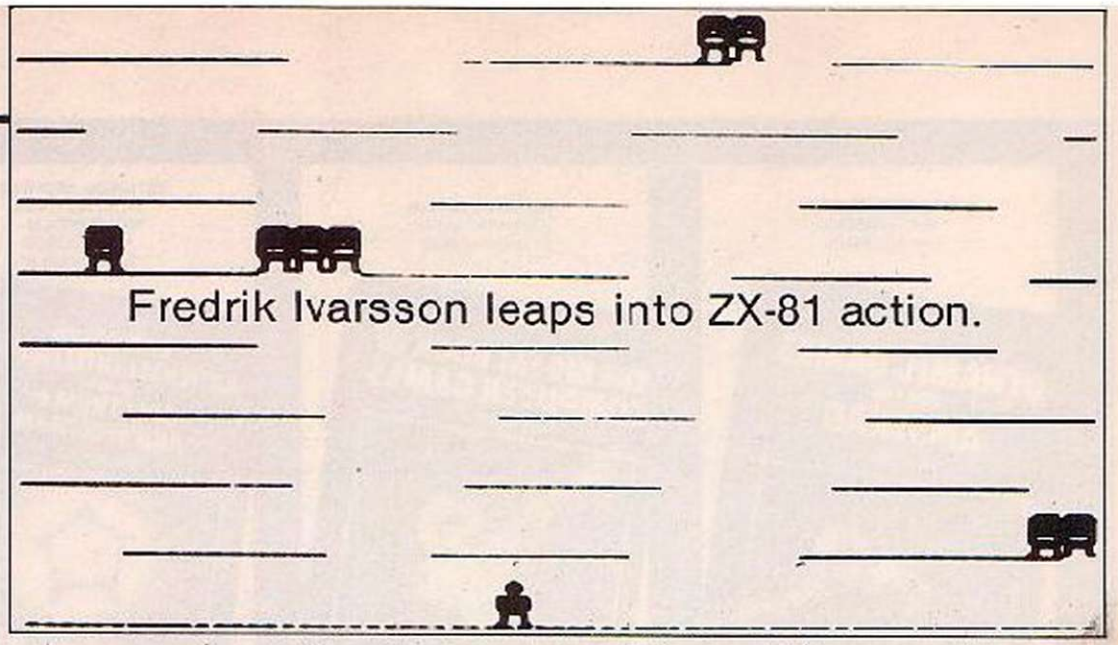

MAD JUMP

A FRIEND OF MINE had an Oric program in the September issue of *Your Computer*. I have invented a similar game for the ZX-81 16K. You move Matt on platforms and try to jump up to the top of the screen but watch out for the monsters. If you are on the second platform and fall down to the first platform you will die. You score 10 points every time you jump and, if you reach the top, 500 points in bonus.

Now, to enter the program, first set Ramtop to 26368 by typing:

```
POKE 16389,103                    N/L
NEW                               N/L
```

Now make a 946 bytes long Rem statement by making line 1 to 10 89 characters. Then Poke as direct commands:

```
POKE 16514,118
POKE 16515,118
POKE 16511,178
POKE 16512,3
POKE 16510,0
```

You will now have an empty Rem statement. Now enter the hexloader in listing 1. If you don't want to see line 0 every time you enter a line you can type:

```
LIST 1
POKE 16419,1
```

Run the hexloader and type in all the machine code in listing 2. When that is ready, delete the hexloader and enter the Basic program in listing 3. When you have done that save the program by typing: GOTO 450 ■

Listing 1.

```
  5 REM HEXLOADER
 10 PRINT "START ADDRESS"
 20 INPUT S
 30 PRINT "FINISH ADDRESS"
 40 INPUT F
 50 FOR N=S TO F STEP 8
 60 LET T=0
 70 PRINT N;": ";
 80 INPUT A$
 90 PRINT A$;" = ";
100 INPUT TOT
110 PRINT TOT
115 IF PEEK 16442=2 THEN SCROLL
120 LET Z=0
130 FOR K=1 TO LEN A$ STEP 2
140 LET C=(CODE A$(K)-28)*16+CO
DE A$(K+1)-28
150 LET T=T+C
160 POKE N+Z,C
170 LET Z=Z+1
180 NEXT K
190 IF TOT=T THEN GOTO 220
200 PRINT "ERROR - PLEASE INPUT
AGAIN"
205 IF PEEK 16442=2 THEN SCROLL
210 GOTO 60
220 NEXT N
```

Listing 2.

```
  2 LET HI=100
  3 LET A$="ZX81"
  4 CLS
  5 LET L=5
 10 PRINT TAB 10;"MADJUMP II"
 20 PRINT AT 21,0;"MADE BY FRED
RIK IVARSSON"
 25 GOSUB 320
 30 PRINT AT 2,0;"Z TO V : MOVE
 LEFT"
 40 PRINT "B TO £ : MOVE RIGHT"
 50 PRINT "M TO NL: JUMP"
 60 PRINT
 70 PRINT "PRESS ANY KEY TO STA
RT THE GAME"
 80 IF INKEY$="" THEN GOTO 80
 85 CLS
 90 RAND USR 17383
100 PRINT TAB 10;"MADJUMP II"
102 PRINT AT 21,0;"MADE BY FRED
RIK IVARSSON"
103 PRINT AT 1,0;
110 PRINT
115 IF L=1 THEN GOTO 210
120 PRINT "LIVES ";L-1
125 PRINT
130 PRINT "SCORE:";PEEK 16528+2
56*PEEK 16529
140 PRINT
160 LET L=L-1
170 PRINT "PRESS A KEY TO CONTI
NUE THE GAME"
180 IF INKEY$="" THEN GOTO 180
185 CLS
190 RAND USR 17390
200 GOTO 100
210 PRINT "ALL LIVES LOST"
220 PRINT
230 PRINT "YOU SCORED:",PEEK 16
528+256*PEEK 16529
240 PRINT
250 GOSUB 370
251 PRINT A$;" HAVE THE HI-SCOR
E:";HI
252 PRINT
255 PRINT "DO YOU WANT TO PLAY
AGAIN ?"
260 IF INKEY$="" THEN GOTO 260
270 IF INKEY$="Y" THEN GOTO 4
280 IF INKEY$<>"N" THEN GOTO 26
0
290 CLS
295 STOP
320 PRINT AT 2,0;"INPUT SPEED 1
(FAST)-100(SLOW)"
330 INPUT S
340 IF S<1 OR S>100 THEN GOTO 3
30
350 POKE 17337,S
352 POKE 17254,200-S
354 POKE 17165,200/S
355 PRINT AT 2,0;"
                  ";AT 2,0;
360 RETURN
370 IF PEEK 16528+256*PEEK 1652
9<=HI THEN RETURN
380 PRINT "GOOD,A NEW [illegible]"
390 LET HI=PEEK 16528+256*PEEK
16529
395 PRINT
400 PRINT "WHAT IS YOUR NAME?"
410 INPUT A$
420 IF LEN A$>10 THEN GOTO 410
430 PRINT AT 8,0;
440 RETURN
450 SAVE "MADJUMP T■"
460 RUN
```

Listing 3.

```
16514: 7E7600020204010 1 = 246
16522: 0E0401C77A4A1400 = 426
16530: 3E01328F40210000 = 353
16538: 229040CD6E43CD84 = 901
16546: 43210B7D06203694 = 476
16554: 2B10FB0620C5CDAD = 915
16562: 41C10520F8218D7B = 840
16570: 228D40CDAB42FE0A = 945
16578: C8CDAD41C3D143CD = 1319
16586: FE432A8D40118001 = 726
16594: 197EFE142A8D4020 = 704
16602: 0CFE1FC8CDCDCDCC = 988
16610: 41CDB643000000002A = 563
16618: 8D403A2540FEBF28 = 849
16626: 0FFE7F285AFEFE28 = 1069
16634: 6618C1CDF84211C5 = 1055
16642: 0037ED52CDAB42E5 = 1045
16650: CDAD41CD2142E1CD = 1177
16658: CF4311200037ED52 = 692
16666: 7EFE14C000001186 = 748
16674: 0137CDF543FE6720 = 962
16682: 17E52A904011F401 = 764
16690: 1922904CE13A6643 = 719
16698: 3D3DDDC343C39040 = 1005
16706: EE2A9040110A0019 = 531
16714: 229040E1C3BD40CD = 1120
16722: FE42237EFEC92007 = 969
16730: 111F0037ED5200C3 = 617
16738: BD40CDF8422B7EFE = 1195
16746: C92005:120001900 = 312
16754: C3BD403A3440E61F = 883
16762: 4710FE0000000000 = 341
16770: 210B7D5FAF571936 = 605
16778: 17C9CDE04311AD01 = 911
16786: 19E5CDAB42CD2244 = 1003
16794: C31644E1CDCA4311 = 1001
16802: C600197EFE1FC8C3 = 1029
16810: 054400AF328C4021 = 535
16818: 7469118440061F7E = 597
16826: 2B77232310F92B1F = 566
16834: FE0028043D121824 = 437
16842: 7EFE1428073E0232 = 561
16850: E1411003E0532E1 = 661
16858: 413A3440E602C602 = 671
16866: 127EFE1428043614 = 536
16874: 18023694017202 3F = 403
16882: 0040FC0120030174 = 611
16890: 0209137BFE8CC83F = 805
16898: 8C401F3F17328C4C = 575
16906: FE00CAB741061F7E = 867
16914: 23772B2B10F923C3 = 735
16922: C141000000000000AF = 433
16930: 328C40210C79062C = 458
16938: 7EFE0A28052310F8 = 734
16946: 1626CDF842267E23 = 787
16954: FEC9280C00000000 = 507
16962: 002BCDD7422318E2 = 812
16970: 1173027DFE0C28DD = 786
16978: 19CDD7421B37ED5E = 912
16986: 18D37CFE67C83A8C = 1114
16994: 401F3F17328C4011 = 452
17002: 7302FE0020031171 = 536
17010: 0237ED52FE0028HE = 844
17018: 06207EFE0A28052E = 516
17026: 10F818D6CDF84223 = 1056
17034: 7EFEC9280B000000 = 632
17042: 0000CDD7422B18E2 = 779
17050: 11720219CDD74211 = 661
17058: 710237ED5218D800 = 729
17066: 00119A437EF5060E = 626
17074: 1A7713C50121000S = 404
17082: C110F5F1016A01FE = 1057
17090: 0A28017E360537ED = 528
17098: 42228D40C9000000 = 506
17106: 0000000000D5C57E = 536
17114: 000000000011A643 = 250
17122: 060C1A7713C50121 = 413
17130: 0009C110F5018B01 = 604
17138: 37ED42D1D1C9C511 = 1175
17146: 2100060C36141910 = 166
17154: FB118B2137ED52C1 = 975
17162: C900060878ED47C5 = 1032
17170: CDB843C110F60000 = 911
17178: 0000000000000D8F = 348
17186: 43C9000021DFE611 = 771
17194: 2100F32EFE060610 = 572
17202: FE06C0ED78D3FF19 = 1300
17210: CD4E4325C23543CD = 874
17218: 9202CD2002DD2126 = 679
17226: 43C3A402E9C90000 = 862
17234: 3A8F403D328F40FE = 837
17242: FFC021E767CDD742 = 1300
17250: 3A3440E6C7328F40 = 860
17258: C900000021006708 = 351
17266: C0062036142310FE = 606
17274: 36C9230D20F3C900 = 779
17282: 00003E00ED47DD21 = 624
17290: 2643C900003E1EED = 635
17298: 47DD213102C90000 = 657
17306: 151111159A9E9E9E = 698
17314: 0A1E1E000A949E9E = 544
17322: 95941F940A1E1E05 = 551
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17362: 21422A3D407EFE0F = 736
17370: C80000C3C940CDB8 = 1049
17378: 43CDF842C9CD9240 = 1202
17386: CD0C43C9CD9D40C3 = 1106
17394: 0C4300ED527CFE68 = 880
17402: C03E67C9CD5243CD = 1117
17410: 7541C9CDAB421180 = 982
17418: 01197F3A8D40FE17 = 676
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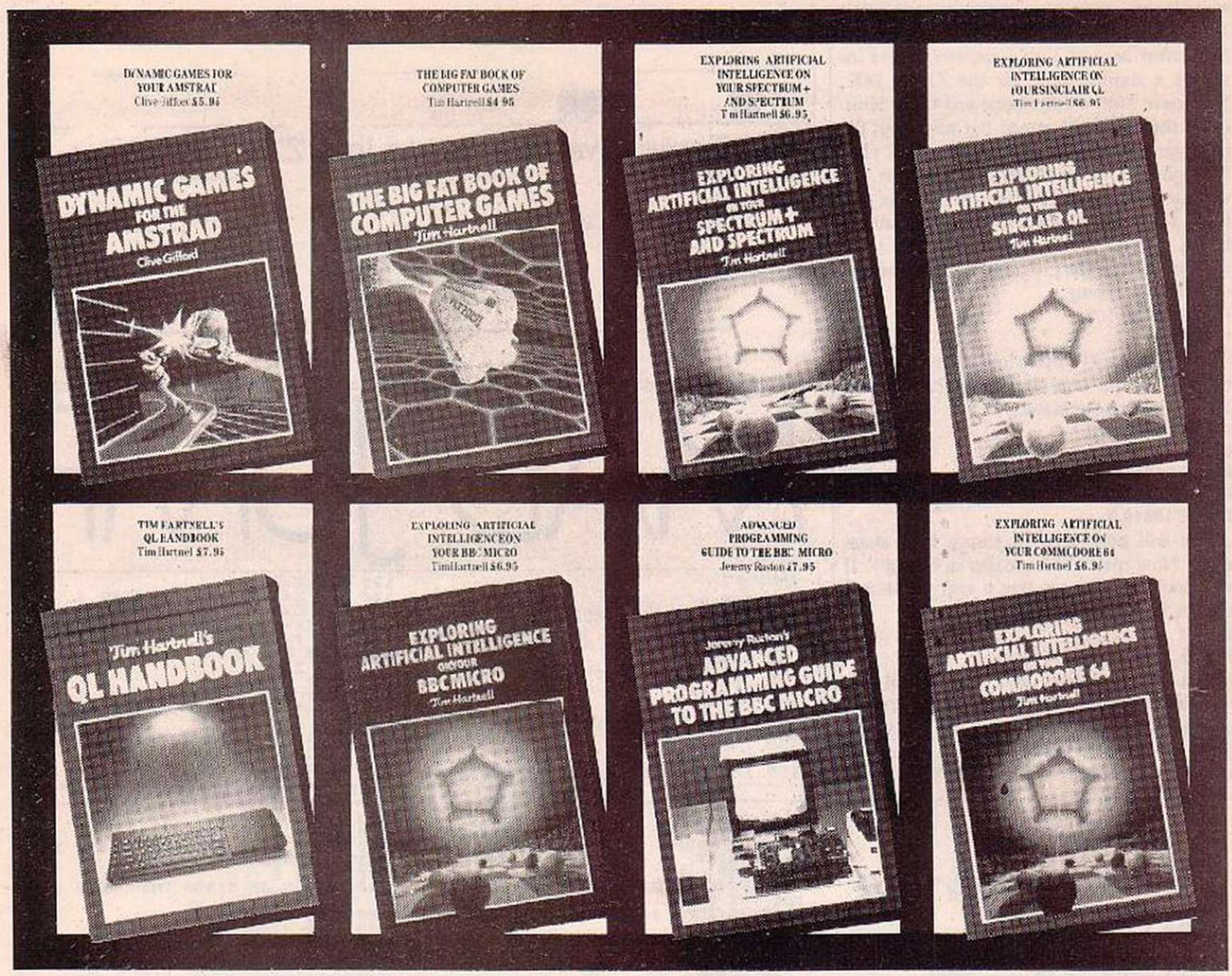

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Run completed version

Enter the second program and Run it in the same way, then save it. Type New again and enter the shorter Basic listing. The whole program can now be saved by Run 9000. It will almost certainly be error-free because of the checksum.

You can now Run the completed version. If you switched off at any time between typing, Load and Run the machine-code listings

(continued on next page)

Program 1.

```
  10 DATA "241924021d1ddd7e09942
80330021515d516000100007ba7c4527
7d178b1c01e007aa7c4527778b1c0cdc
577573e0acd167a3cdd77107a1101f1f
5af9257feff200511ff"
  20 DATA "29762300180efe00200aa
f935ffe01280311007fff1cd937730dff
5dd7e103d281cf578ed44ba200679ed4
4bb2808f13d3dfefa3008f5f1dd7710f
110bcf1d5c1c36477c5"
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b405bcd5d7a3e30d72424ed4b445b060
0cd5d7a3e06d72424ed"
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6d77cd77dd7cd2b2dcde32de17cfe0bc
0f1c1d1e1c9005f0021405f0001805f0
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  50 DATA "00000000000000000000
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  60 DATA "253293e3d5c5f5dde5e9e
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 260 RESTORE : LET z=31125
 270 FOR x=10 TO 250 STEP 10: RE
AD a$: IF LEN a$<>135 THEN PRINT
 "Length error in line ";x: BEEP
 .1,30: STOP
 280 LET t=VAL a$( TO 6): LET a$
=a$(7 TO )
 290 FOR y=1 TO 65: LET a=CODE a
$: LET b=CODE a$(2)
 300 LET a=(a-48-39*(a>96))*16+b
-48-(b>96)*39: LET t=t-a*y: POKE
 z,a: LET z=z+1
 310 LET a$=a$(3 TO ): NEXT y
 320 IF t THEN PRINT "Sumcheck e
rror in line ";x'" Difference=";
t: BEEP .1,25: STOP
 330 PRINT "Line ";x;" OK": NEXT
 x
 340 SAVE "CODE 2"CODE 31125,162
5: VERIFY ""CODE
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before typing in and saving the completed version.

The control options will appear on the screen. The keyboard option uses keys QWER and T — left, right, up and down and bomb respectively — which is perhaps a little awkward, but was easier to program and you may be in practice already from using other programs. If you wish to use the cursor keys, press 2 and get the Cursor joystick option. When you are ready press 0 to start. The object of the game is to stay away from the red bugs and to save as many baby terrapins as possible. You do this by entering a question mark.

Go on to next level

A baby terrapin will probably climb onto your back. You must take it home by passing through the house which appears. However if you are unlucky, another bug will emerge and you have to get away as quickly as possible. In the eight question marks there are two bugs and six babies. When you have helped all six, you go on to the next level, which is the same, but a little more difficult and a different colour.

You get 100 points for entering a question mark containing a baby, 150 points for taking the baby back home, 50 points for stunning a bug and 80 points for entering a question mark containing a bug. If you get a high score you are asked to enter your name.

The levels differ in the method of controlling the bugs. They start off random and become more attracted to you as you finish each level.

The Basic program.

```
  10 BRIGHT 1: CLS
  30 POKE 23675,239: POKE 23676,
125: REM Udg 2:Enter
  35 LET kr=30460: LET kb=255: L
ET ke=60-255: LET cu=64-255
  40 DIM a$(8,20): DIM a(8)
  50 DIM b$(3,18): RESTORE : REA
D b$: FOR i=1 TO 3: READ b$(i): N
EXT i
  60 DATA "  KEYBOARD","CURSOR J
OYSTICK","  KEMPSTON JOYSTICK",1
  70 CLS : FOR x=1 TO 3: PRINT A
T x+2+6,5;x;b$(x): NEXT x: PRINT
 AT 14,5;"0 START GAME";AT 0,0;
```

TERRAPIN

```
  75 PRINT "  INK 6;"  @      By I
.M.Collier"
  76 LET o=0
  80 PRINT FLASH 1;AT b+2+6,5;b;
b$(b)
  90 PAUSE 300: IF INKEY$="" THE
N GO TO 120
  95 LET s=0
 100 LET i$=INKEY$: IF (i$="1"
AND i$<"4") OR i$="0" THEN LET a
=VAL i$: IF NOT a THEN GO TO 200
 110 IF a THEN PRINT AT b+2+6,5;
b;b$(b): LET b=a: GO TO 80-o
 120 CLS : PRINT "      TERRAPI
N HIGH SCORES": FOR x=1 TO 5: NE
XT x
 125 LET o=10
 130 PAUSE 200: IF INKEY$>"0" A
ND INKEY$<"4" THEN GO TO 95
 140 GO TO 70
 200 POKE kr+2,118+(b>1): POKE (
kr+1,kb+(ke AND b=3)+(cu AND b=2)
 205 RANDOMIZE USR 29500: PAUSE
 1: BEEP .2,-15: BEEP .2,-22: PAU
SE 1: PAUSE 150
 210 LET s=(PEEK 23360+256*PEEK
 23361)+10: BORDER 0
 215 LET y=1
 220 IF s=a(y) THEN LET y=y+1:
GO TO 70+150+(y<9)
 230 CLS : PRINT "  CONGRATULATI
ONS! YOU HAVE THE ";(STR$
 y) AND y=1;"ND" AND y=2;"RD" AN
D y=3;"TH" AND y>3;" HIGHEST SCO
RE": ENTER YOUR NAME: L
ET n$=""
 240 PRINT AT 5,6;"<__________
_>"
 245 PRINT AT 5,7;n$;"_": AND LEN
 n$<20
 250 PAUSE 0: BEEP .01,34: LET i
$=INKEY$: IF i$=CHR$ 12 AND LEN
n$ THEN LET n$=n$( TO LEN n$-1)
 255 IF (i$="" OR i$="©" OR i$=" ") AND i
$<>CHR$ 13 THEN GO TO 245
 260 IF i$<>CHR$ 13 AND LEN n$<2
0 THEN LET n$=n$+i$: GO TO 245
 265 IF i$<>CHR$ 13 THEN GO TO 2
45
 270 FOR x=7 TO y STEP -1: LET a
(x+1)=a(x): LET a$(x+1)=a$(x):
 280 NEXT x: LET a(y)=o: LET a$(
y)=n$
 290 GO TO 70
1000 BORDER 0: PAPER 0: INK 7: C
LEAR 29499: LOAD ""CODE : RUN
9000 REM RUN 9000 TO SAVE
9010 SAVE "TERRAPIN" LINE 1000:
SAVE "CODE "CODE 29500,3268: VER
IFY "": VERIFY ""CODE : CLS : PR
INT "Verified OK": STOP
```

Program 2

```
  10 DATA "179136dd21045b2100002
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00a01435c16063e80cd007ddd7e0cfe0
0280bed4b115b16073e"
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e0012cdad762a405b11"
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5151c1c7323723360022 4a5bcde97ac
d2b7a060521225bc54e"
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 260:
 270 CLEAR 29499: RESTORE : LET
z=29500
 280 FOR x=10 TO 250 STEP 10
 290 READ a$: IF LEN a$<>136 THE
N PRINT "Length error in line ";
x: BEEP .1,30: STOP
 300 LET t=VAL a$( TO 6): LET a$
=a$(7 TO )
 310 FOR y=1 TO 65: LET a=CODE a
$: LET b=CODE a$(2): LET a=(a-48
-39*(a>96))*16+b-48-39*(b>96)
 320 LET t=t-a*y: POKE z,a: LET
z=z+1
 330 LET a$=a$(3 TO ): NEXT y
 340 IF t THEN PRINT "Sumcheck e
rror in line ";x'" Difference=";
t: BEEP .1,25: STOP
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 360 SAVE "CODE 1"CODE 29500,162
5: VERIFY ""CODE
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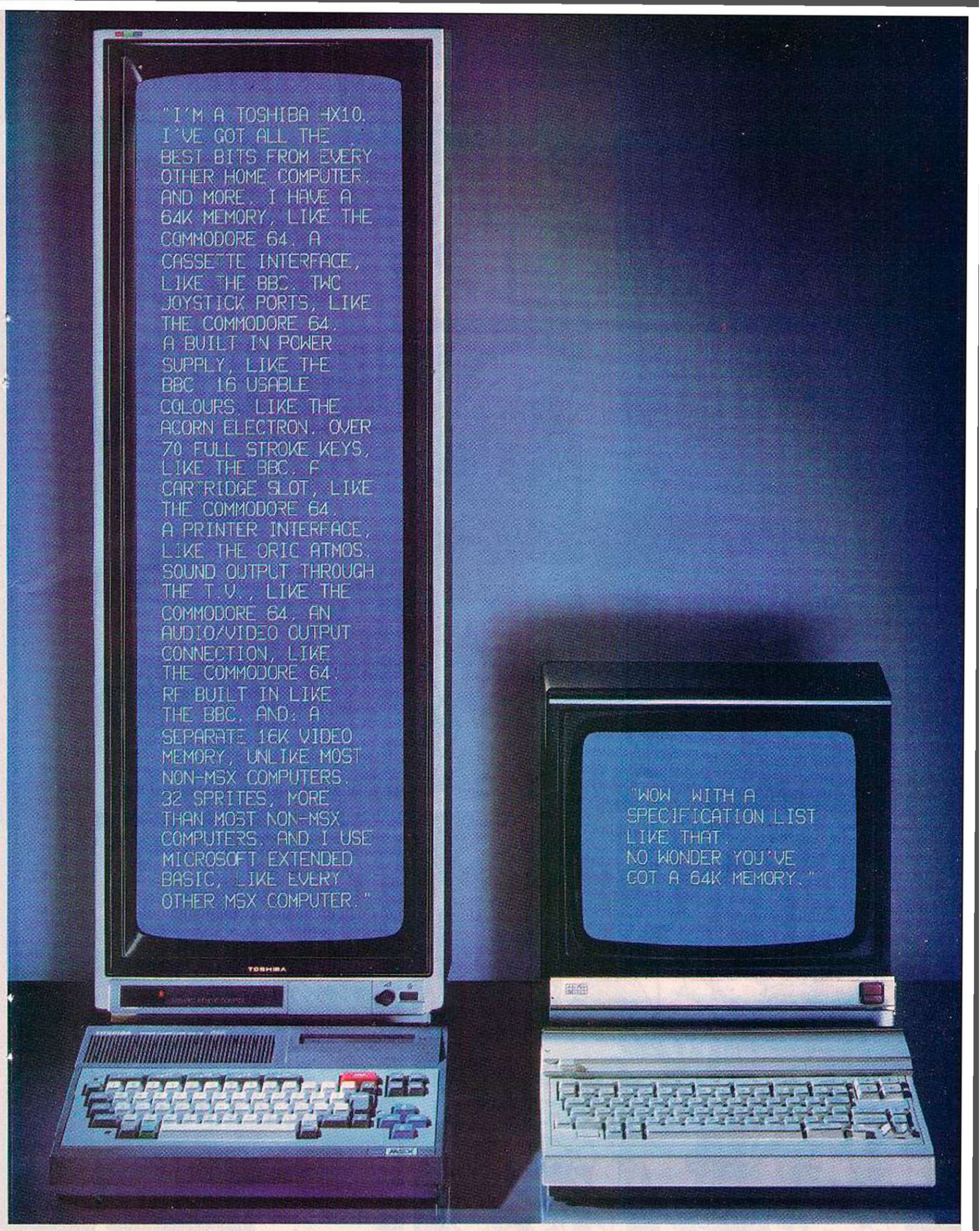

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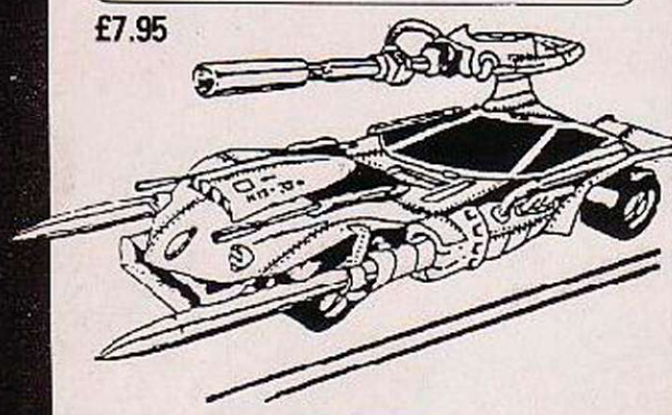

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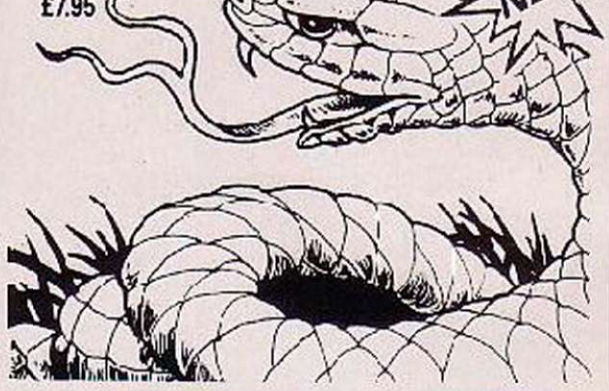

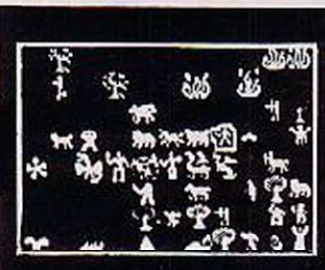

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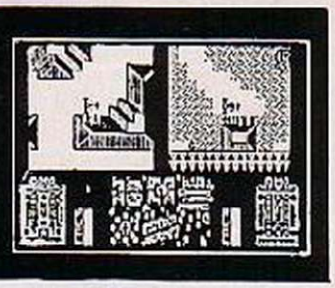

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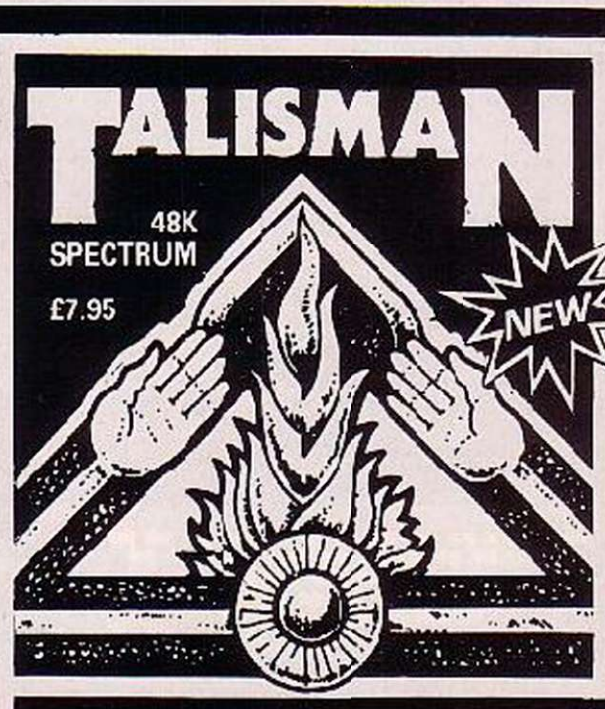

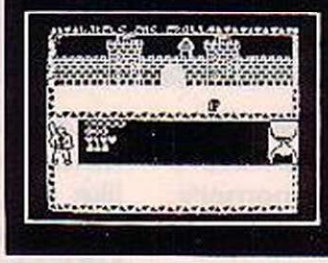

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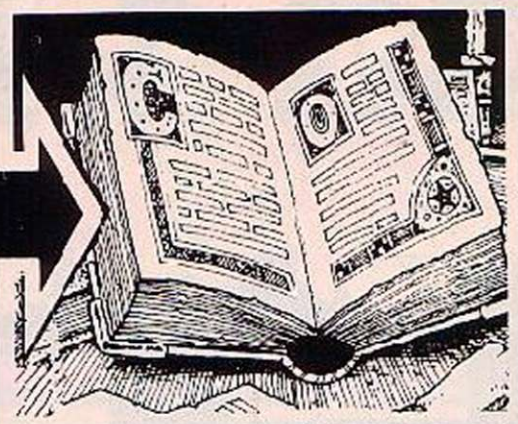

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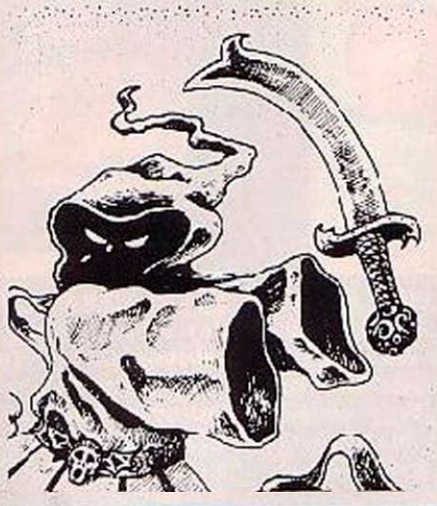

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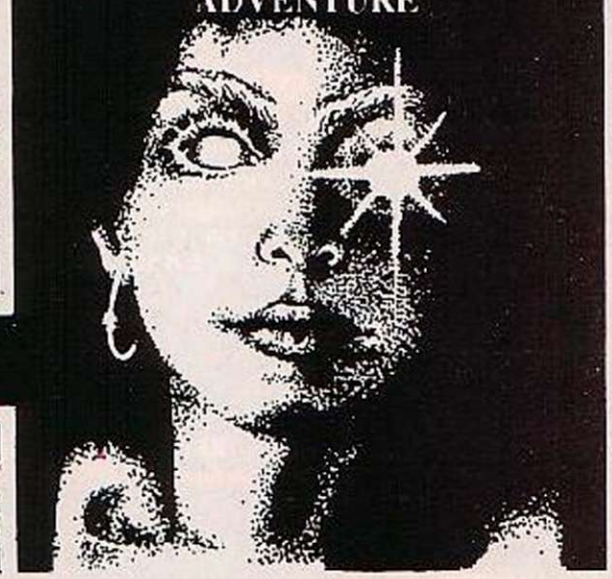

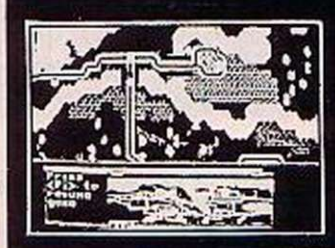

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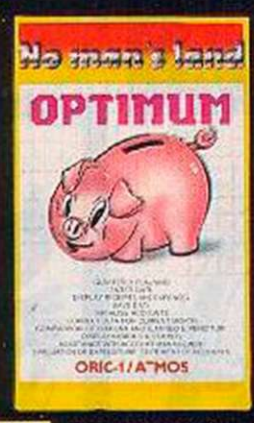

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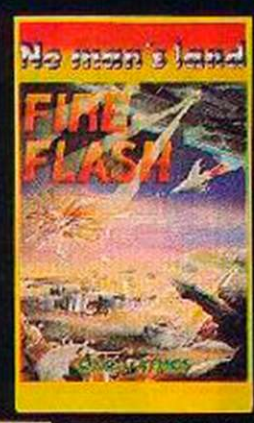

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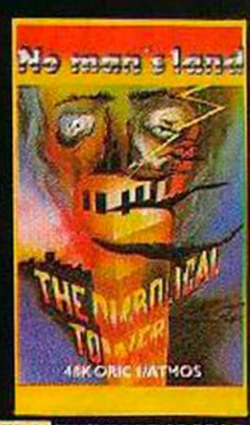

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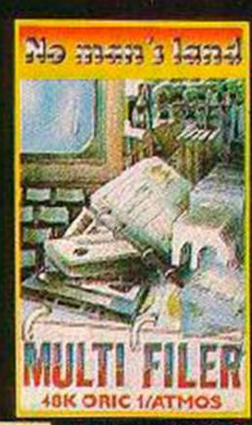

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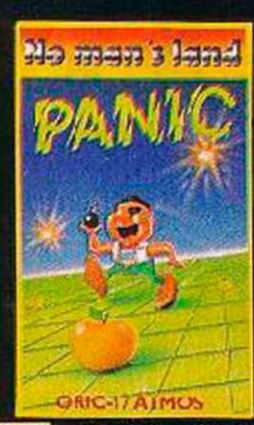

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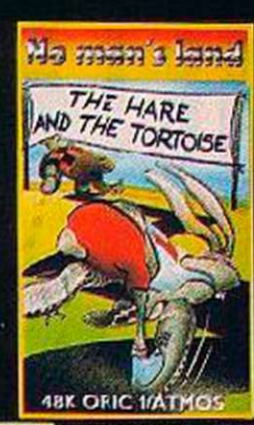

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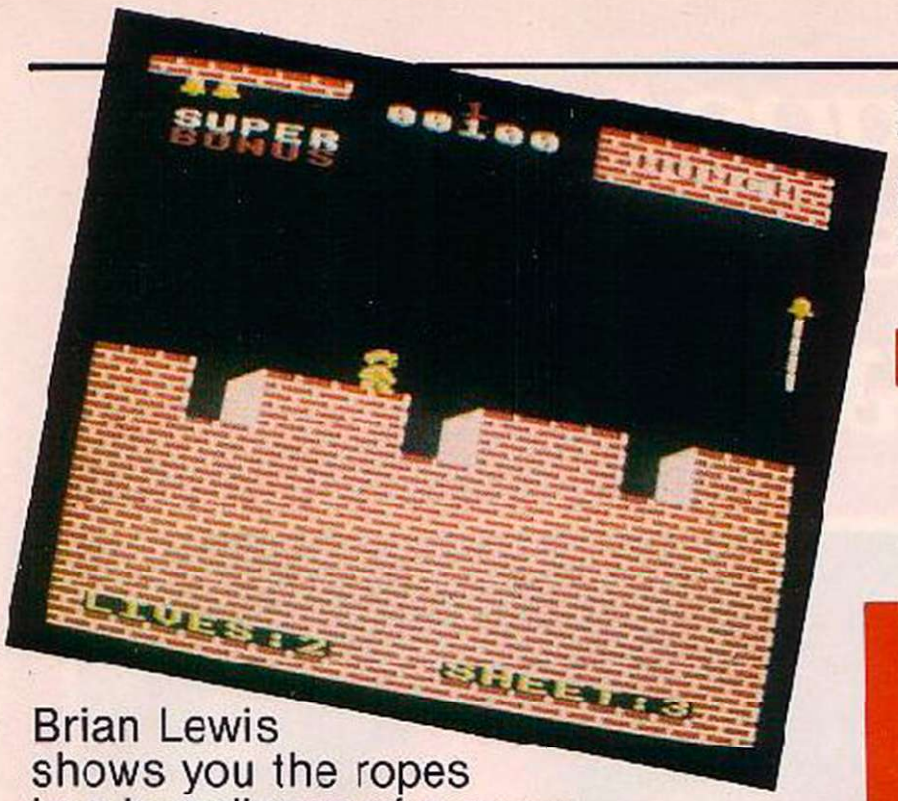

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THE BELLS

Brian Lewis shows you the ropes in a humdinger of a game.

YOU PLAY the part of the famous Quasimodo whose only true love Esmeralda has been imprisoned by evil French soldiers. You must rush to save her by first clearing 14 screens to reach her. To clear a screen you just first reach the far right-hand edge of the screen then you must jump up to reach the bell rope.

Lose one of seven lives

If you are hit by an arrow, a spear or you fall down a hole or pit you will lose one of your seven lives and start once more at the left-hand side of the screen. There is also a super bonus where if you gain four bells by clearing four screens without losing a life you will be given a 100 points bonus and if you manage to reach Esmeralda then you will be given 400 points and are sent back to the start of the course but this time the game will be faster.

My main problem was the small amount of memory I had to work with which made it hard to cram in the 15 screens and forced me to find a way to condense the screens. So I based all the screens on a brick wall and then devised a system where each time a screen was displayed a brick wall was drawn. Then any extras — like turrets and pits — were cut out of the wall.

Program 1.

```
   10DATA16,48,112,112,96,32,16,48,192,240,160,96,16,3
2,192,192
   20DATA96,96,96,112,48,16,16,16,224,224,224,96,192,1
28,128,192
   30DATA16,48,112,112,96,32,16,48,192,240,160,96,16,3
2,192,192
   40DATA112,112,240,240,48,112,96,112,224,224,112,176
,192,96,224,112
   50DATA48,240,80,96,128,64,48,48,128,192,224,224,96,
64,128,192
   60DATA112,112,112,96,48,16,16,48,96,96,96,224,192,1
28,128,128
   70DATA48,240,80,96,128,64,48,48,128,192,224,224,96,
64,128,192
   80DATA112,112,224,208,48,96,112,224,224,224,240,240
,192,224,96,224
   90VDU23,128,254,254,254,0,239,239,239,0
  100VDU23,129,0,24,24,24,24,24,24,24
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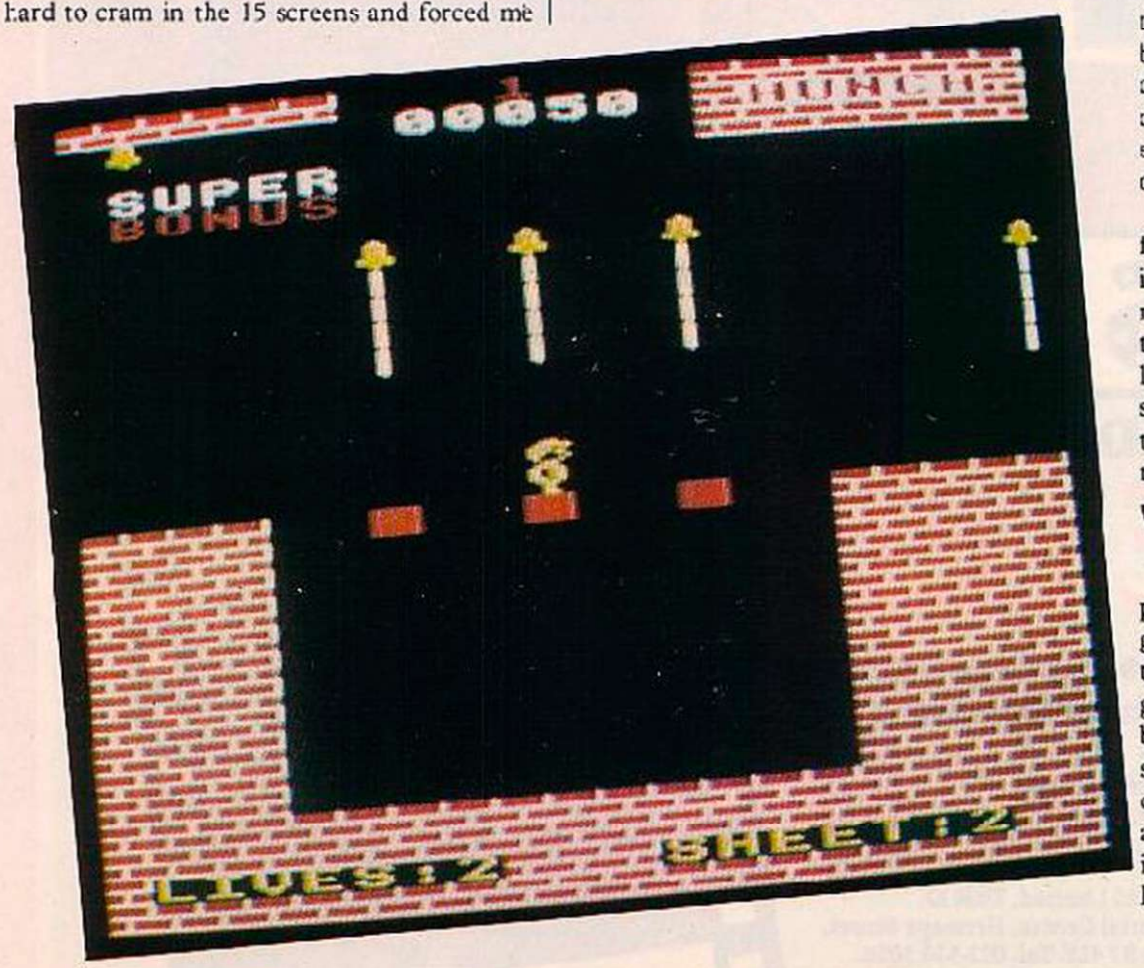

These extras are also stored in a condensed fashion which uses a form of binary, but instead of representing numbers, the 0s and 1s represent arrows, soldiers, turrets, etc., and these binary numbers are stored in line 40 of listing 2. The number 0000 represents a bell screen as this screen was a very late addition to the program and so the binary number was too small to cover all the variables.

Written in Mode 5

The program is written in Mode 5 as this provides a reasonable amount of memory a good resolution in four colours which is all that is needed to write an addictive arcade game. The game is written in machine code but other functions which do not require speed are written in Basic. All the screens are condensed thus making the listing quite short and this should aid you when you are typing it in. However this type of screen storage also has its disadvantages, a scrolling routine

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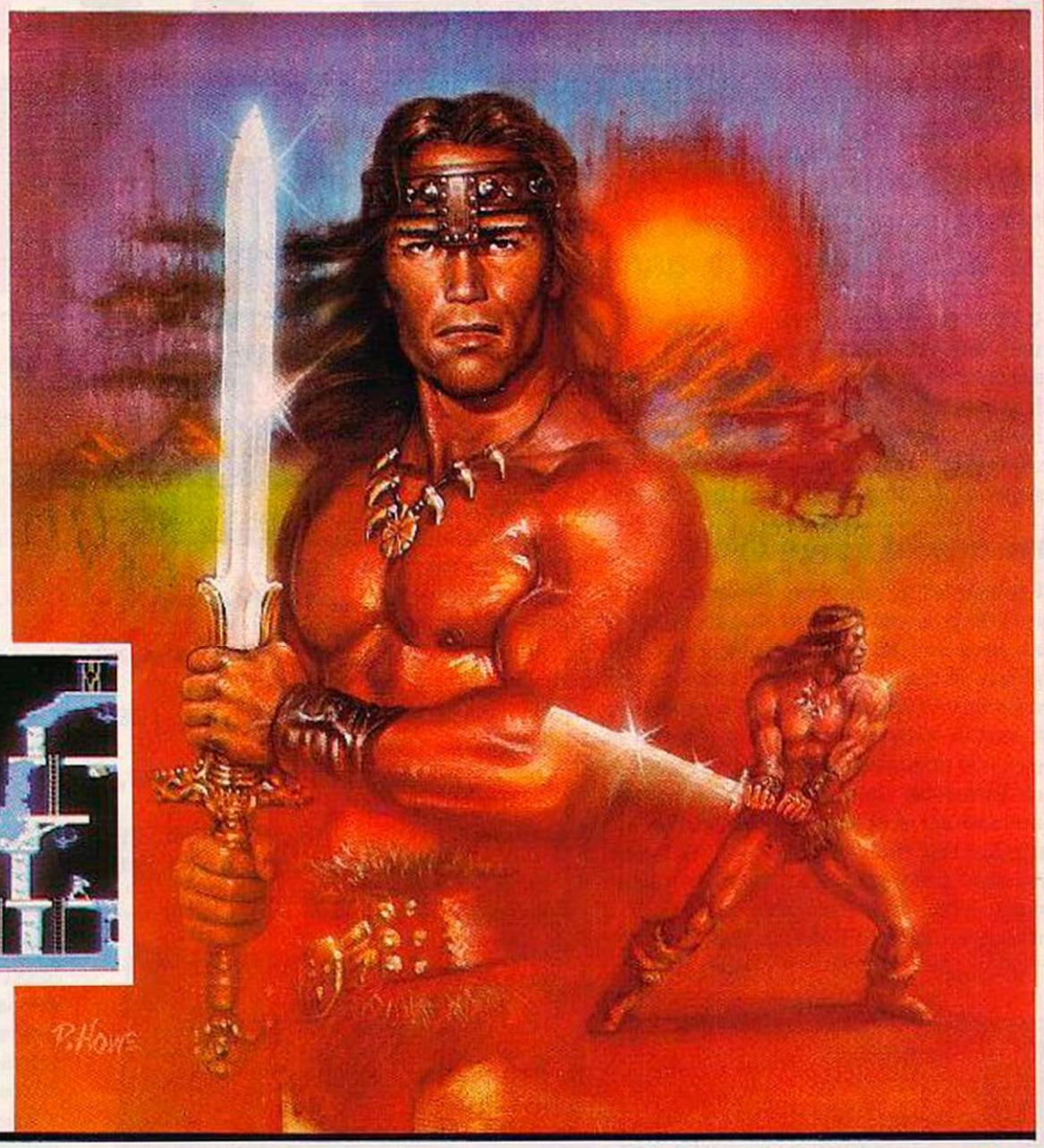

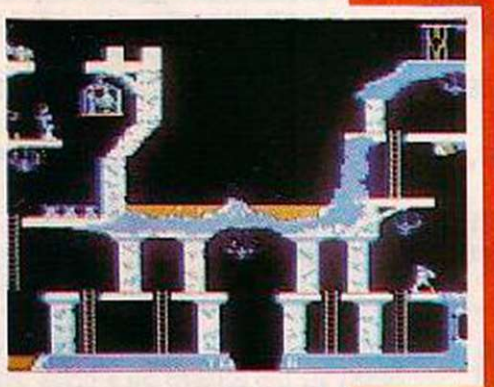

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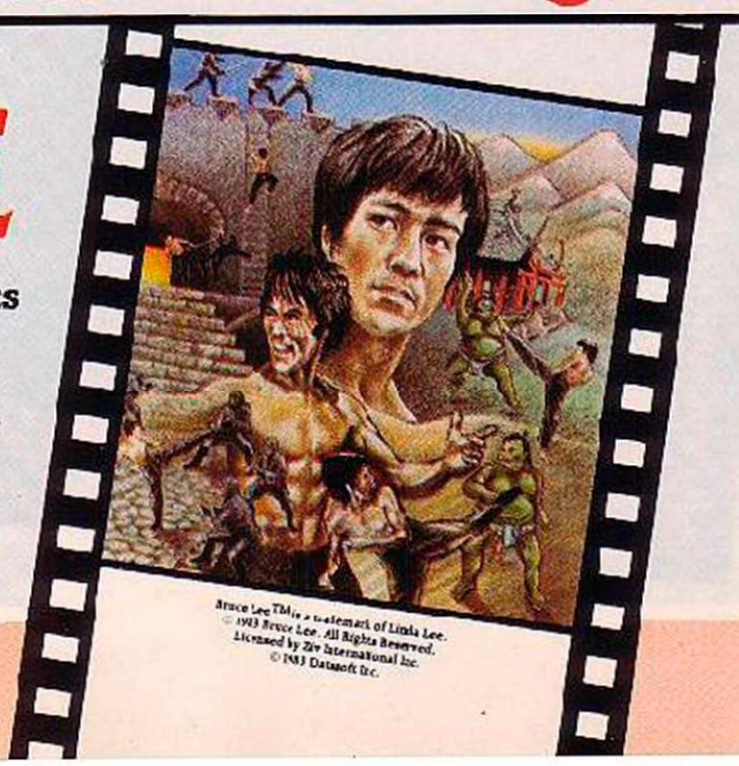

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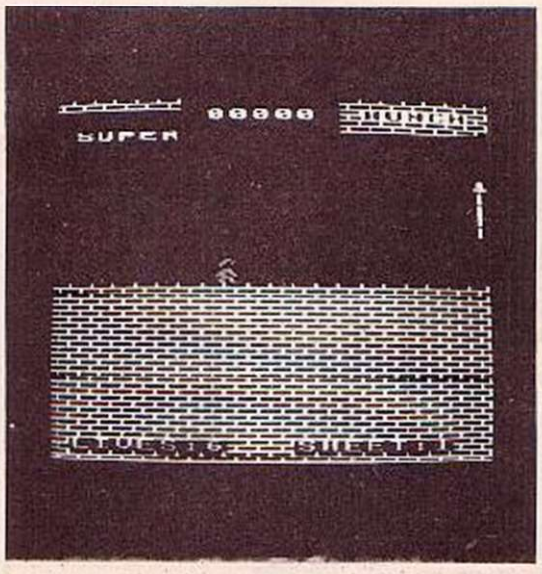
would be impossible as there would be nothing to scroll onto but a plain brick wall whatever the sheet was.

Controlling Quasimodo

If you are looking for something to aim at in the way of scores then my personal best is 4,500. If you feel the need to design your own screens then you could change the "binary" numbers in the data statement at line 40 of listing 2 but remember that some of the combinations available offer no sort of challenge whatsoever — i.e. a flat brick wall with an arrow flying overhead — and there are few combinations I have not included in the 15 screens within the game. To control Quasimodo use the key Z — Left, X — Right, Shift — Jump, to take a run and jump press both a directional key and the jump key together.

As the game was written for the Electron BBC owners will find it too fast. To slow it down change the values of SP(1) and SP(2) in line 20. SP(1)=180 should slow the game down sufficiently.



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  110VDU23,130,24,60,60,60,60,126,126,24
  120VDU23,131,0,24,60,126,219,126,102,60
  130VDU23,132,24,60,126,231,231,129,129,231
  140VDU23,133,231,231,231,255,255,255,36,102
  150VDU23,134,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32
  160VDU23,135,32,112,32,32,32,32,32,32
  170VDU23,138,1,3,7,15,31,63,127,255
  180VDU23,139,0,12,30,31,15,7,3,1
  190VDU23,140,0,48,120,248,240,224,192,128
  200ENVELOPE1,1,-90,-3,126,3,10,4,126,0,0,-126,126,12
6
  210ENVELOPE2,2,-90,-3,126,3,10,4,126,0,0,-126,126,12
6
  220ENVELOPE3,1,-90,3,-90,10,20,10,126,0,0,-126,126,1
26
  230DATA1,0,3,0,1,0,2,0
  240DATA0,0,0,4,15,4,0,0,0,1,2,2,15,2,2,1
  250DATA1,0,2,0,255,0,25,0
  260DATA0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,1,18,32,112,48,8,20,18,14,15,
135,225,193,129,192,72,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
,1,16,16,48,112,17,34,96,72,192,192,224,240,68,68,192,
0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
  270A%=&905:FORT=0TO223:READD:?A%=D:NEXT
  280MODE4:VDU19,0,4;0;
  290PRINTTAB(13,3);"H U N C H Y"
  300PRINT''"In this game game you play the HUNCH    BA
CK of NOTRE DAME.Your only true love  EZMERALDA has be
en imprisoned by the    evil soldiers."
  310PRINT"Your task is to save her from their      clu
thches but this is not as easy as it sounds as you mus
t first clear FOURTEEN screens to reach her !"
  320PRINT''"If you clear a screen then you gain a ";C
HR$130" If you have four ";CHR$130;"s  then you will b
e given a SUPER BONUS."''"But if you lose just one lif
e you lose  all the bells !!"
  330PRINT''"The controls are:-"''"Z - LEFT    X - RIGH
T       shift - JUMP"
  340VDU28,0,31,39,26
  350CHAIN"HUNCHY2"
>
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Program 2.

```
   10*F(229,1
   20DIMSc$(2),lives(2),sh(2),SP(2):Sc$(1)="00000":Sc$
(2)="00000":NUMPL=1:lives(1)=7:lives(2)=7:bells=-1:PL$
="ONE":sh(1)=0:sh(2)=0:SP(1)=140:SP(2)=140:PROCASSEM:P
Lnum=1:*FX15,1
   30MODE4:PRINTTAB(6,10);"PRESS 1 OR 2 TO START THE G
AME";:A$=GET$:IF A$="2" NUMPL=2:PLnum=1
   40DATA1000,0000,0010,0001,1110,1001,0110,0000,010!,
1100,0000,1010,1101,0000,1101,END
   50RESTORE40
   60MODE5:VDU23,1,0;0;0;0;
   70PROCSTART
   80bells=bells+1
   90?(delay+1)=SP:PLnum)
  100FORT=1TO4:T?&D4F=0:NEXT
  110FORT=0TO4:T?&D54=VAL(MID$(Sc$(PLnum),(5-T),1)):NE
XT
  120A%=?&D55:A%=A%-5:?&D55=A%:CALLscore
  130RESTORE40:sh(PLnum)=sh(PLnum)+1:U%=sh(PLnum):FORT
=1TOU%:READD$:NEXT:IF D$="END" THEN GOSUB1520:FORT=0TO
5000:NEXT:RESTORE40:sh(PLnum)=0:GOTO60
  140FORT%=1TOLEND$:T%?&D4F=VAL(MID$(D$,T%,1)):NEXT
  150VDU17,1,17,131
  160PRINTTAB(13,0);STRING$(7,CHR$128)TAB(13,1);CHR$12
8;"HUNCH";CHR$128TAB(13,2);STRING$(7,CHR$128);
  170IF U%=5 THEN PROCEZ
  180CALLwall:PRINTTAB(0,0);STRING$(6,CHR$128):VDU17,1
28,17,3,30
  190PRINTTAB(1,3);"SUPER":COLOUR1:PRINTTAB(1,4);"BONU
S"TAB(9,0);PLnum:COLOUR3
  200IF U%=15 THEN 230
  210FORT%=8TO11:PRINTTAB(19,T%):CHR$129;:NEXT
  220VDU17,2,31,19,7,130
  230COLOUR2:PRINTTAB(1,29);"LIVES:";lives(PLnum) TAB(
11,29);"SHEET:";U%
  240PRINTTAB(1,1);STRING$(bells,CHR$130):IF bells>=4
THEN PROCBONUS
  250IF ?&D53<>1 THEN 300
  260COLOUR3
  270FORT%=16TO18:PRINTTAB(3,T%);CHR$(115+T%);" "TAB(9
,T%);CHR$(115+T%);" "TAB(15,T%);CHR$(115+T%);" ";
  280NEXT:COLOUR
  290FORT%=15TO17:PRINTTAB(4,T%);CHR$134TAB(10,T%);CHR
$134TAB(16,T%);CHR$134:NEXT:PRINTTAB(4,14);CHR$135TAB(
10,14);CHR$135TAB(16,14);CHR$135;
  300IF ?&D52<>1 THEN 330
  310FORT%=16TO18:PRINTTAB(3,T%);"  "TAB(9,T%);"  "TAB
(15,T%);"  ";:NEXT
  320PROCSHADOW
  330IF D4="0000" PROCbells
  340CALLHX:CLS:IF ?&D01=255 THEN 1330 ELSE CALLscore:
Sc$(PLnum)="":FORT=4TO0STEP-1:Sc$(PLnum)=Sc$(PLnum)+ST
R$(T?&D54):NEXT:GOTO80
  350GOTO80
  360DEFPROCASSEM
  370G%=&905
  380M1=G%:M2=G%+64:ez=&9A5
  390DIMH%3000
  400FORT=0TO2STEP2
  410P%=H%
  420[OPT
  430LDA#5:STA&70:LDA#9:STA&71
  440LDA#&30:STA&72:LDA#&69:STA&73:LDA#0:STA&74:STA&75
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  580LDA&74:CMP#3E:BEQ1:JMPbag:.l JMPfin:.bag
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  590JSRdelay
  600JSRSEE2:LDA&75:CMP#0:BNEf:JSRSEE:.f
  610LDA&D01:CMP#&FF:BNE<:JMPdead:.k
  620LDA&74:CMP#0:BEQc
  630LDA#&81:LDX#&7E:LDY#&FF:JSR&FFF4:CPY#&FF:BNEc
  640LDA#1:STA&60:JSRrub:DEC&74:SEC:LDA&72:SBC#8:STA&72:LDA&73:SBC#0:STA&73
  650LDA#M2 MOD 256:STA&70:LDA#M2 DIV 256:STA&71:JSRani
  660.c LDA&74:CMP#38:BEQd:LDA#&A1:LDX#&DD:LDY#&FF:JSR&FFF4:CPY#&FF:BNEd
  670LDA#M1 MOD 256:STA&70:LDA#M1 DIV 256:STA&71
  680LDA#0:STA&60:JSRrub:JSRani:INC&74:CLC:LDA&72:ADC#8:STA&72:LDA&73:ADC#0:STA&73
  690.d LDA&75:CMP#0:BNEe:LDA#&81:LDX#&FF:LDY#&FF:JSR&FFF4:CPY#&FF:BNEe:LDA#1:STA&75:LDA#0:STA&D00:LDA#7:LDX#&85:LDY#9:JSR&FFF1
  700.e LDA&75:CMP#0:BEQg
  710JSRjump
  720.g JMPstart
  730.rub CLC:LDA&72:ADC#&40:STA&4E:LDA&73:ADC#1:STA&4E:LDY#0:.A LDA#0:STA(&72),Y:STA(&4D),Y:INY:CPY#16:BNEA:RTS
  740.delay LDX#150:.B LDY#80:.C DEY:BNEC:DEX:BNEB:RTS
  750.jump INC&D00:LDA&D00:CMP#7:BNED
  760LDA#0:STA&75:JMPSEE
  770.D LDA&D00:CMP#4:BPLdown
  780JSRrub:SEC:LDA&72:SBC#&40:STA&72:LDA&73:SBC#1:STA&73:JSRSEE3:RTS
  790.down JSRrub:CLC:LDA&72:ADC#&40:STA&72:LDA&73:ADC#1:STA&73:JMPSEE3
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  950RTS
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  1090.HIT LDA#&FF:STA&D0:.RTS
  1100.SEE3 CLC:LDA&72:ADC#&40:STA&4D:LDA&73:ADC#1:STA&4E:LDY#0:.WE0 LDA(&4D),Y:CMP#2:BEQHIT:INY:CPY#16:BNEWED:RTS
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  1120INC&D56:LDA&D56:CMP#10:BNESHOW:LDA#0:STA&D56:INC&D57:LDA&D57:CMP#10:BNESHOW:LDA#0:STA&D57
  1130.SHOW LDY#4:.wwAA CLC:LDA&D54,Y:ADC#48:JSR&FFFE:DEY:CPY#&FF:BNEwwAA:RTS
  1140.WOMAN LDA#&1B:STA&72:LDA#&63:STA&73:LDA#&38:STA&4D:LDA#&64:STA&4E:LDY#0:.AS LDAez,Y:STA(&72),Y:INY:CPY#32:BNEAS:.YU LDAez,Y:STA(&4D),Y:INY:CPY#64:BNEYU:RTS
  1150.wall SEI:LDA#31:JSR&FFEE:LDA#0:JSR&FFEE:LDA#16:JSR&FFEE:LDX#0:.ff LDY#0:.yy LDA#128:JSR&FFEE:INY:CPY#150:BNEyy:INX:CPX#2:BNEff:CLI:RTS
  1160.ani LDA&60:CMP#1:BEQan2:LDA&7F:CMP#0:BEQgf:LDA#0:STA&7F:LDA#0:STA&70:RTS:.gf LDA#1:STA&7F:LDA#&25:STA&70:RTS
  1170.ar2 LDA&7F:CMP#0:BEQfg:LDA#0:STA&7F:LDA#&45:STA&70:RTS:fg LDA#1:STA&7F:LDA#&65:STA&70:RTS
  1180.bit LDA#17:JSR&FFEE:LDA#1:JSR&FFEE:LDA#17:JSR&FFEE:LDA#131:JSR&FFEE:JSRWOMAN
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  1290.SOU LDA#7:_DX#&50:LDY#&D:JMP&FFF1
  1300J
  1310NEXT
  1320ENDPROC
  1330lives(PLnum)=lives(PLnum)-1:sh(PLnum)=sh(PLnum)-1:bells=0:A%=?&D55:A%=A%-5:?&D55=A%:CALLscore:IF lives(PLnum)=0 THEN 1370
  1340IF NUMPL=2 AND PLnum=1 PL$="TWO" ELSE IF NUMPL=2 AND PLnum=2 PL$="ONE"
  1350IF NUMPL=2 PROCSTART
  1360GOTO90
  1370*FX15,1
  1380IF PLnum=1 THEN PRINT''''"GAME OVER PLAYER ONE":FORG=0TO5000:NEXT:CLS:IF NUMPL=2 AND lives(2)<>0 GOTO1340
  1390IF PLnum=2 THEN PRINT''''"GAME OVER PLAYER TWO":FORT=0TO5000:NEXT:CLS
  1400IF lives(1)<>0 THEN 1340
  1410T%=0:lives(1)=7:lives(2)=7:bells=-1:PL$="ONE":sh(1)=0:sh(2)=0:F$=STRING$(20,".")+"PRESENTING HUNCHY BY BRIAN LEWIS.....STARRING.....QUAZIMODO.!!.AND.EZMERALDA...WITH...FULL...SUPPORTING...CAST...OF..."
  1420F$=F$+"SOLDIERS.":Sc$(1)="0000":Sc$(2)="0000":PLnum=1:NUMPL=1:SP(1)=120:SP(2)=120
  1430COLOUR1:A%=((U%-1)/15)*100:PRINTTAB(1,4);"YOU COMPLETED:";A%;"%"TAB(1,6);"OF THE NOTRE DAME";SPC(4);"BATTLEMENTS"
  1440COLOUR131:PRINTTAB(0,15);STRING$(20,CHR$128)TAB(0,19);STRING$(20,CHR$128);:COLOUR128:COLOUR3
  1450PRINTTAB(2,2);"ANOTHER GO ?(Y/N)";:COLOUR2
  1460PRINTTAB(0,17);MID$(F$,T%,20);:T%=T%+1:IFT%=178 THEN T%=1
  1470A$=INKEY$(10):IF A$<>"" THEN1490
  1480GOTO1460
  1490IF A$="Y" THEN 30
  1500IF A$<>"N" THEN 1460
  1510CALL&D9D2
  1520VDU13,19,0,10;0;:FORT%=1TO255STEP5:SOUND1,3,T%,1:NEXT
  1530PRINT''"WELL DONE !!!"''"BUT NOW TRY IT"''"WHEN IT'S FASTER"
  1540lives(PLnum)=lives(PLnum)+1:SP(PLnum)=SP(PLnum)-20:FORI%=1TO8:CALLscore:NEXT:Sc$(PLnum)="":FORT=4TO8STEP-1:Sc$(PLnum)=Sc$(PLnum)+STR$(T?&D54):NEXT:RETURN
  1550DEFPROCEZ:PRINTTAB(17,10);STRING$(3,CHR$128);:FORT%=5TO9:PRINTTAB(17,T%);CHR$128;:NEXT
  1560COLOUR128:PRINTTAB(18,6);CHR$139;CHR$140:COLOUR131
  1570CALLWOMAN
  1580ENDPROC
  1590DEFPROCSHADOW:COLOUR131:FORT%=17TO18:PRINTTAB(4,T%);" "TAB(10,T%);" "TAB(16,T%);" ";:NEXT:COLOUR128:COLOUR3:PRINTTAB(4,16);CHR$138TAB(10,16);CHR$138TAE(16,16);CHR$138;:ENDPROC
  1600DEFPROCBONUS:COLOUR1:PRINTTAB(7,15);"BONUS";:SOUND&11,3,1,255:FORG=0TO100W:NEXT
  1610*FX21,5
  1620FORT%=1TO4:PRINTTAB(T%,1);" ";:SOUND&11,1,255,4:FORG=0TO200:NEXT,:FORG=0TO200:NEXT
  1630bells=0:PRINTTAB(7,15);"      ":CALLscore:CALLscore:Sc$(PLnum)="":FORT=4TO8STEP-1:Sc$(PLnum)=Sc$(PLnum)+STR$(T?&D54):NEXT:ENDPROC
  1640DEFPROCbells:FORT%=14TO26:PRINTTAB(4,T%);STRING$(11," ");:NEXT:IF U%=8 ?&D50=1 ELSE IF U%=14 ?&D50=1:?&D51=1 ELSE IF U%=11 ?&D51=1
  1650COLOUR129:PRINTTAB(6,16);' "TAB(9,16);" "TAB(12,15);" ":COLOUR128
  1660COLOUR3:FORT%=7TO10:PRINTTAB(6,T%);CHR$129TAB(9,T%);CHR$129TAB(12,T%);CHR$129;:NEXT:COLOUR2:PRINTTAB(6,6);CHR$130TAB(9,6);CHR$130TAB(12,6);CHR$130:ENDPROC
  1670DEFPROCSTART:$&57C0="GET READY PLAYER '+PL$:$&57B0="HUNCHY':FORT%=0TO4:T%?&57F0=T%?&D54:NEXT:CALLbit
  1680*FX21,5
  1690FORT%=0TO4:T%?&D54=T%?&57F0:NEXT:FORG=0TO1000:NEXT:CLS:ENDPROC
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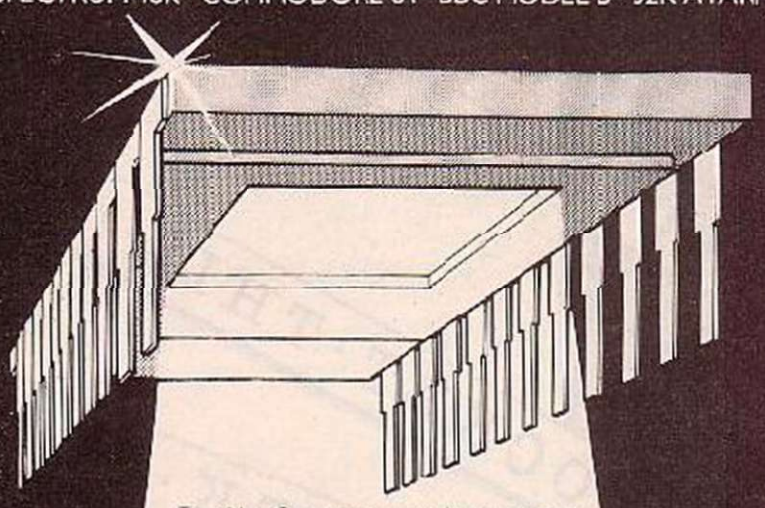

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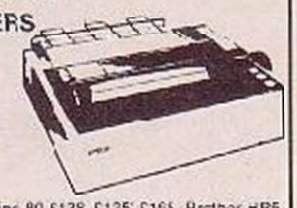

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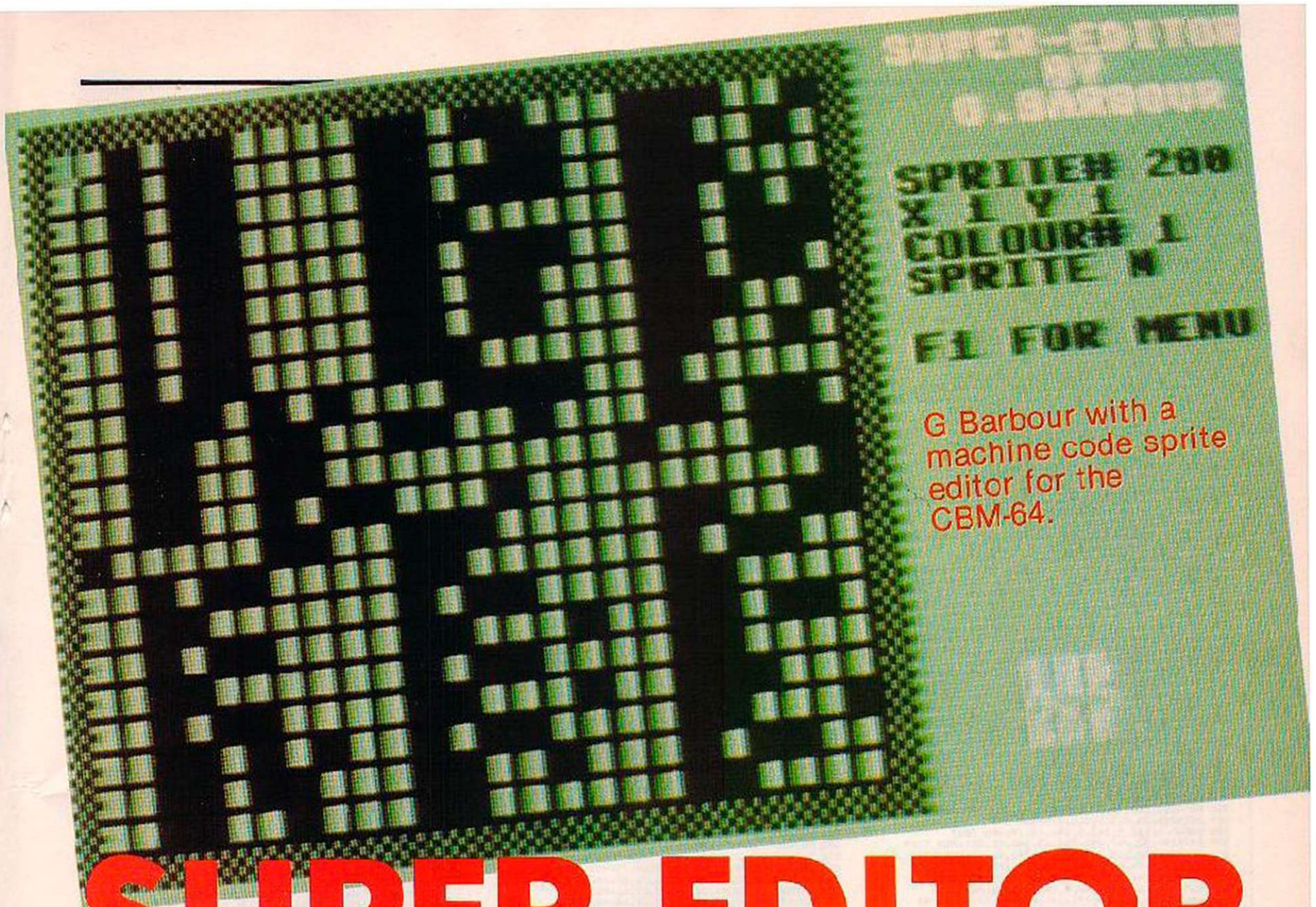

G Barbour with a machine code sprite editor for the CBM-64.

SUPER EDITOR

MOST COMMODORE 64 users *do* have a Sprite Editor, but these are usually written in Basic. Super-Editor is written completely in machine code and resides in a part of memory not used by Basic or sprites — C000 to D000. Super-Editor can be loaded into memory and left there oblivious to any Basic program. It can then be called up by a simple Sys command when needed. This means that you can program, edit sprites and continue programming without losing your Basic program.

Program 1 is the main program and must be entered, leaving out the Rem statement at the end of each line. These will be used to check that the program has been correctly entered. After being entered, program 1 must be saved. Program 2 must be entered while program 1 is still in memory.

Now type Run 50000. On the screen will appear: 200 . . . followed by a value.

You must check that this value is the same as the value in the Rem statement which corresponds to line 200. If it is correct, press any key and the program will go on to the next line. When all lines have been checked, the program will stop with an Out of Data error. If the values do not correspond, press Run Stop and check that line. After correcting the line Run 50000 again. When all errors have been corrected, erase program 2 and Save the program.

To activate the program type

SYS 49280

You are now in the main screen.

On the left of the screen will be a 24 by 21 grid, surrounded by a checked border. On the grid will be displayed the current sprite and shortly after that a flashing cursor will appear in the top left corner of the grid. At the bottom right side of the screen will appear the current sprite in normal size.

In the top right hand corner of the screen will be displayed:

(i) The current sprite number.
(ii) The color of the current sprite.
(iii) The type of sprite. N = Normal M = Multi-colored.

The flashing cursor can be moved around using the cursor keys.

Clear will clear the grid.

Home will position the cursor at the top left corner.

. (Period) plots a dot.

Space will clear a dot — un-plots it.

C will increase the color value to the next higher value.

T will change the sprite type from normal to multi-colored or vice versa.

\+ will display the next sprite.

\- will display the previous sprite.

F1 will display the menu page.

Run Stop will return you to Basic.

The Menu Page will display five functions:

1 STORE DATA
2 INPUT DATA
3 TRANSFER
4 SEARCH
5 GOTO

The computer will wait for you to press one of these numbers, 1 to 5.

STORE DATA: The screen will clear and when prompted, you must enter the first sprite that you wish to be saved followed by the last sprite that you wish to be saved.

After this a sub-menu will be displayed asking whether to store to disc, tape or program lines.

If you choose disc or tape, you will be asked to enter a file name. When the computer has finished saving it will return to the main screen.

If you choose program lines, you will be asked to stipulate the line at which to start the data. In this case the last sprite is ignored as only the first sprite will be stored. The values for this sprite are stored in data statements which are read by the Basic read command. The first value is the address of the sprite. To Poke the sprite into memory, have a line similar to:

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10 READ AD: FOR
I = OTO62:READX:POKEAD + 1,X:NEXTI
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Once the computer is finished storing the data, it will return to the main screen.

INPUT DATA: This function allows you to load sprite data into memory. When prompted, you must enter the device number and the file name.

TRANSFER: This allows the data from one sprite to be transferred to another. The parameters that must be entered are the

(continued on next page)

Program 1.

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1 A=49152
2 READB:IFB=-1THENPRINT"{CLR}SYS49290":NEW
3 POKEA,B:A=A+1:GOTO2
200 DATA160,0,185,80,3,141,64,3,185:REM 4033
201 DATA81,3,141,65,3,200,200,192,6:REM 4737
202 DATA141,66,3,141,67,3,141,68,3:REM 2757
203 DATA141,69,3,162,15,14,64,3,46:REM 1981
204 DATA65,3,224,248,173,66,3,109,65:REM 4513
205 DATA3,141,66,3,173,67,3,109,67:REM 3258
206 DATA67,141,67,3,173,68,3,109,68:REM 3276
207 DATA3,141,68,3,216,234,202,16,216:REM 6471
208 DATA162,2,189,66,3,72,74,74,74:REM 3220
209 DATA74,32,104,192,104,41,15,32,104:REM 3281
210 DATA192,202,16,236,169,0,32,210,255:REM 6632
211 DATA169,3,141,188,2,208,67,3,208:REM 3337
212 DATA4,169,3,208,5,9,48,141,59:REM 3347
213 DATA3,76,210,255,255,127,255,255,255:REM 99e2
214 DATA0,106,76,63,193,24,76,240,255:REM 6548
215 DATA144,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32:REM 1552
216 DATA32,32,32,32,32,32,32,85,85,80:REM 2653
217 DATA69,82,45,69,68,73,84,79,82:REM 3380
218 DATA13,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32:REM  421
219 DATA32,32,32,32,32,32,32,153,143,143:REM 4584
220 DATA163,163,163,163,163,163,163,163,163,163:REM 7335
221 DATA13,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32:REM  421
222 DATA32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32:REM  440
223 DATA32,32,66,89,32,32,32,32,32:REM  770
224 DATA13,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32:REM  421
225 DATA32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32:REM  440
226 DATA32,32,169,193,32,32,32,32,32:REM 2697
227 DATA13,13,13,32,32,32,32,32,32:REM  326
228 DATA32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32:REM  440
229 DATA32,71,46,66,65,32,64,79,85:REM 3252
230 DATA82,32,32,13,32,32,32,32,32:REM  414
231 DATA32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32,32:REM  440
232 DATA32,32,163,163,163,163,163,163,163:REM 6942
233 DATA163,163,32,32,13,13,13,13,80:REM 1771
234 DATA82,69,85,83,32,65,73,89,32:REM 2097
235 DATA75,69,89,0,169,147,32,210,255:REM 6406
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264 DATA8,194,109,10,194,14,,8,194,173:REM 5744
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268 DATA9,194,141,9,194,76,20,194,96:REM 4830
269 DATA160,0,169,29,32,210,255,200,192:REM 7316
270 DATA26,208,246,96,134,251,132,252,160:REM 8120
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272 DATA208,246,169,13,32,210,255,96,32:REM 5520
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276 DATA71,46,66,65,82,66,79,85,82:REM 3398
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308 DATA2,194,201,77,240,8,169,0,141:REM 5001
309 DATA28,208,76,223,198,169,4,141,28:REM 4961
310 DATA208,173,0,194,208,1,141,24,208:REM 4961
311 DATA56,173,4,194,105,1,141,23,208:REM 4764
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325 DATA196,169,16,32,210,255,169,32,32:REM 5023
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328 DATA20,32,210,255,24,165,251,105,24:REM 5666
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368 DATA17,240,32,201,145,240,31,201,19:REM 5558
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370 DATA21,198,76,38,198,76,99,198,76:REM 5204
371 DATA111,198,76,123,198,76,149,198,76:REM 5584
372 DATA172,198,76,198,198,76,222,198,0:REM 6172
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374 DATA200,192,64,208,247,76,232,194,169:REM 7996
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379 DATA65,72,55,77,32,66,65,82,66:REM 2972
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405 DATA35,162,6,32,240,255,173,5,194:REM 6232
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423 DATA84,65,13,50,41,32,73,7E,80:REM 2705
424 DATA85,84,32,68,65,84,65,13,51:REM 2468
425 DATA41,32,84,82,65,70,83,76,69:REM 3240
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431 DATA201,53,240,15,201,49,240,14,201:REM 5987
432 DATA51,240,13,201,50,240,12,76,62:REM 4314
433 DATA200,76,137,200,76,224,200,76,100:REM 6195
434 DATA203,76,199,203,160,0,140,250,7:REM 5a07
435 DATA152,72,169,147,32,210,255,101,141:REM 6697
436 DATA80,3,72,169,0,141,81,3,32:REM 2733
437 DATA0,192,32,228,255,201,0,240,249:REM 8034
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443 DATA185,122,200,32,210,255,230,201,0:REM 6745
444 DATA208,245,32,12,194,173,8,194,141:REM 5727
445 DATA1,194,76,96,193,147,83,84,65:REM 4686
446 DATA82,84,32,83,80,82,73,84,69:REM 3374
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448 DATA73,84,69,58,0,147,49,41,32:REM 2521
449 DATA69,73,83,75,13,53,41,32,34:REM 2427
450 DATA65,80,65,13,51,41,32,76,73:REM 2474
451 DATA78,69,32,78,85,77,66,69,32:REM 3263
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453 DATA32,210,255,200,234,0,208,245,32:REM 6726
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468 DATA255,200,201,0,208,245,160,0,32:REM 5176
469 DATA207,255,153,30,207,200,201,13,208:REM 7114
470 DATA245,136,96,32,101,201,152,72,169:REM 5805
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475 DATA32,101,201,152,72,169,1,162,1:REM 4131
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496 DATA194,141,81,3,32,0,192,32,223:REM 4498
497 DATA201,165,87,141,80,3,165,88,141:REM 4632
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504 DATA17,32,210,255,32,210,255,24,165:REM 6513
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509 DATA141,81,3,152,72,32,17,202,169:REM 4723
510 DATA44,32,210,255,104,168,200,204,51:REM 6777
511 DATA202,208,228,,77,67,141,80,3,32:REM 4053
512 DATA7,202,24,165,67,105,0,133,67:REM 3841
513 DATA165,68,105,0,133,68,174,50,202:REM 5125
514 DATA232,142,50,202,169,13,32,210,255:REM 6596
515 DATA32,3,202,169,38,141,60,3,169:REM 4461
516 DATA203,141,81,3,32,0,192,76,237:REM 4985
517 DATA201,174,50,202,224,8,240,15,224:REM 6491
518 DATA7,240,3,76,167,202,169,8,141:REM 5347
519 DATA51,202,76,167,202,173,222,200,141:REM 7822
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521 DATA78,83,70,69,82,32,83,80,82:REM 3291
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525 DATA201,0,208,245,32,12,194,173,1:REM 4789
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527 DATA194,32,117,197,165,251,133,253,165:REM 8168
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531 DATA,97,,60,0,177,253,145,251,200,192:REM 8445
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533 DATA76,96,193,147,76,79,65,68,32:REM 3576
534 DATA68,69,86,73,67,69,32,35,0:REM 2009
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536 DATA201,0,208,245,32,12,194,169,13:REM 4844
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538 DATA,60,207,32,189,255,169,1,174,3:REM 5186
539 DATA,94,,60,1,32,186,255,169,0,32:REM 4576
540 DATA213,255,76,96,193,0,0,0,0:REM 2303
541 DATA0,255,111,0,255,0,255,0,255:REM 6198
550 DATA -1
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source sprite's number and the number of the sprite where the data must be placed.

SEARCH: This allows you to look through all the sprites in memory to find one you are looking for. In the top left corner the number is displayed and in the lower right corner, the sprite. Pressing any key will advance to the next sprite. Pressing Space allows for rapid searching. Pressing X returns you to Main Screen. Sprite 0 will have a blank for its sprite number.

GOTO: This allows you to jump to any sprite in the memory. When you return to main screen, the sprite you selected to Goto will be the current sprite.

Program 2.

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50000 FL=200
50010 CO=1:AV=0:FORI=0TO8:READA:AV=AV+(CO*A):CO=CO+1:NEXT
50020 PRINT"LINE";FL;"...";AV
50030 PRINT"{C/DN}{C/DN}PRESS"
50040 GETA$:IFA$=""THEN50040
50060 FL=FL+1:GOTO50010
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Although the program is very lengthy and will take a long time to enter, you can be sure there are no errors as each line is checked after being entered. If you possess a machine code monitor — such as Supermon — you can save the program by using the command

S "EDITOR",C000,D000

Once saved, it can be quickly loaded directly into memory by

LOAD "EDITOR",8,1

If using tape, substitute 01 for 08 when saving and 1 for 8 when loading.

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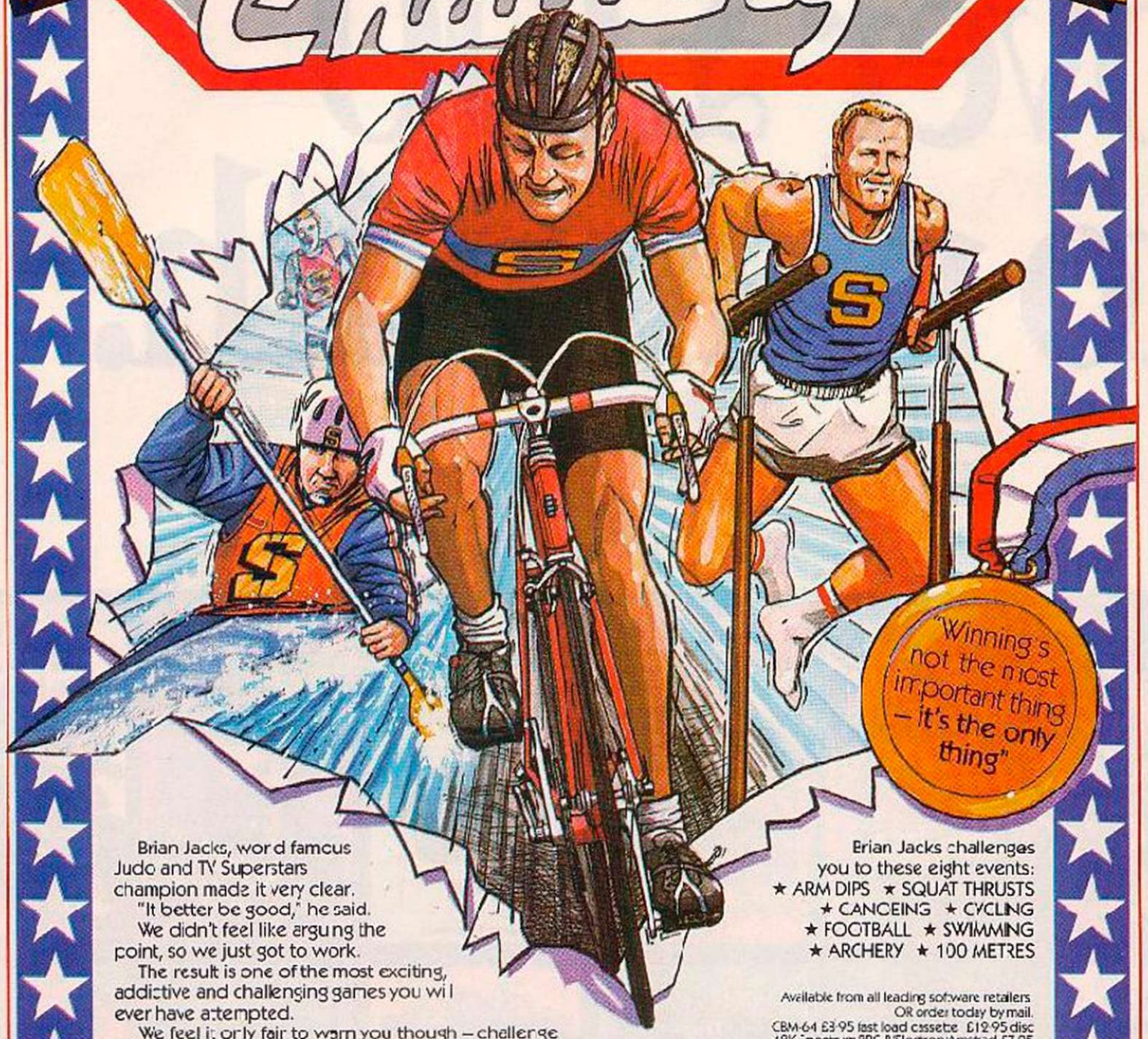

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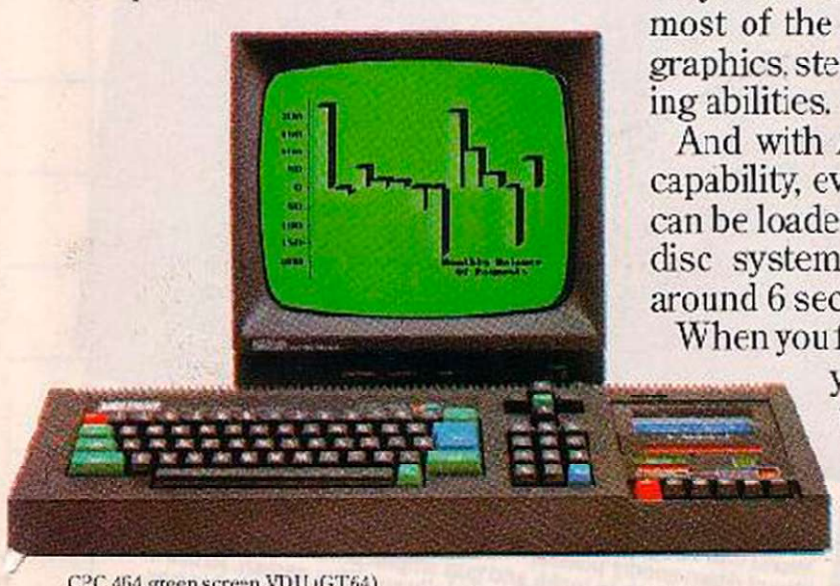

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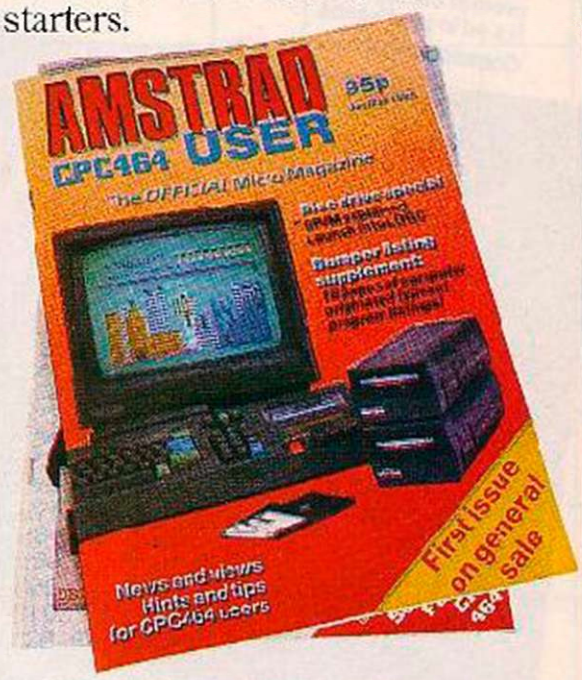

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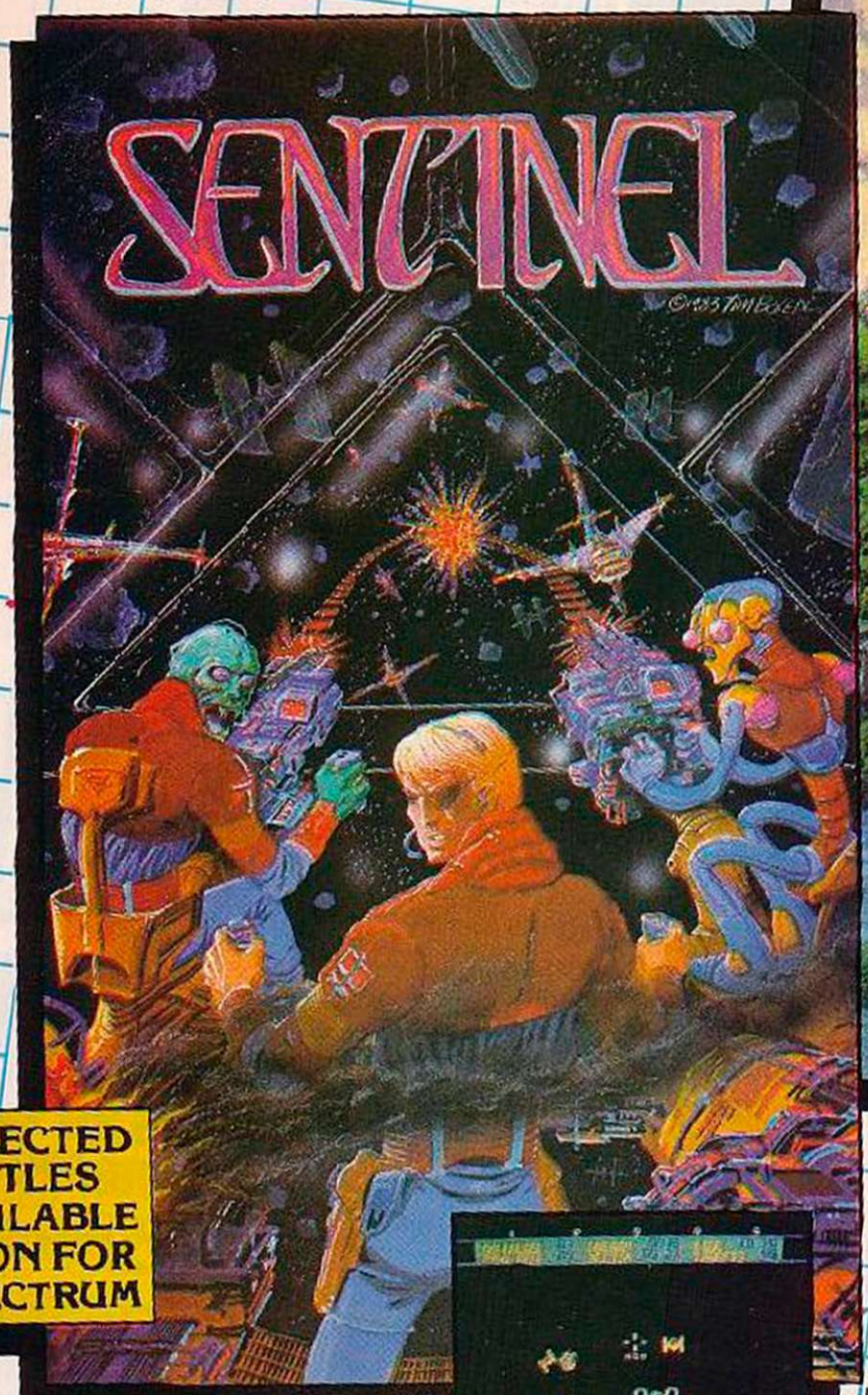

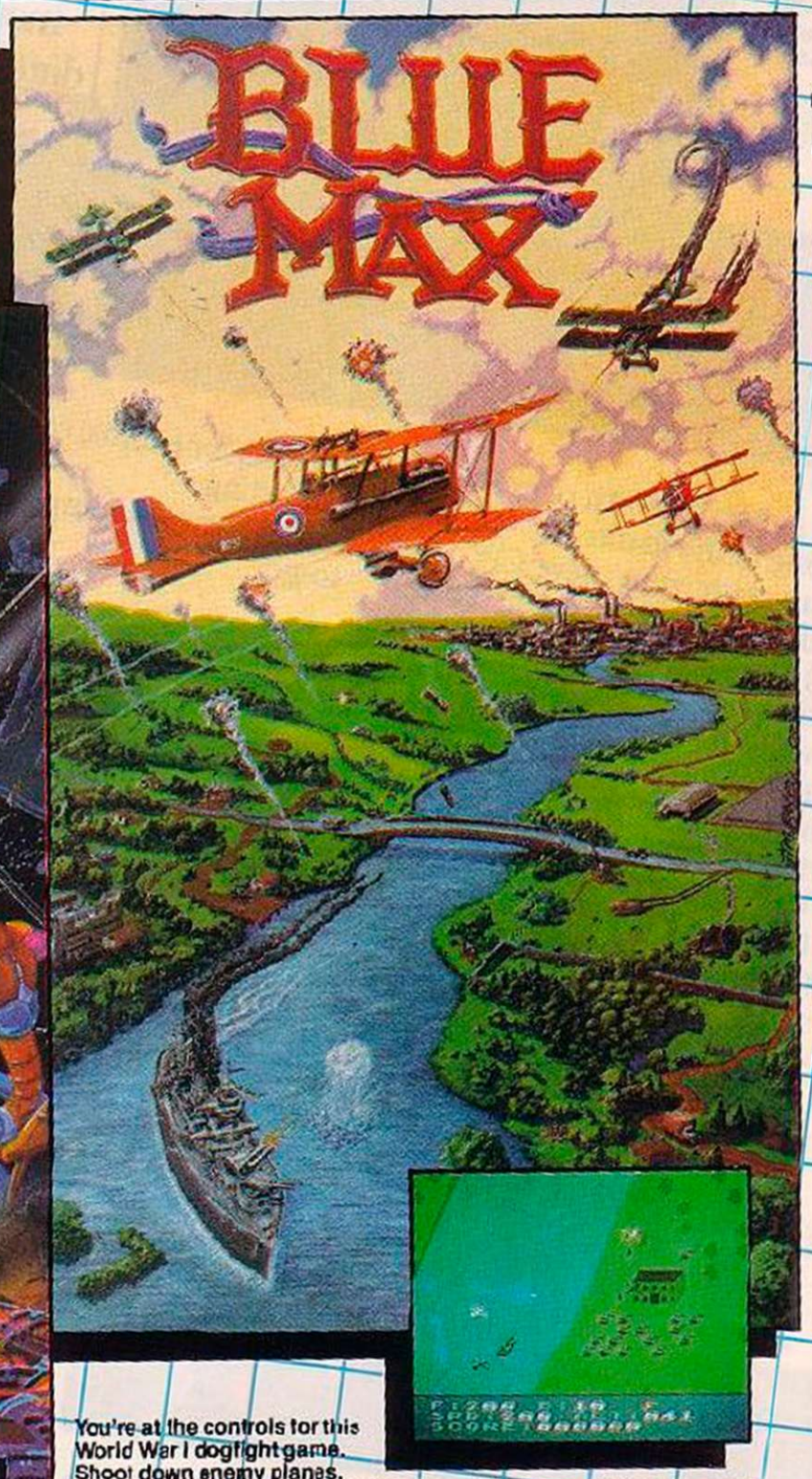

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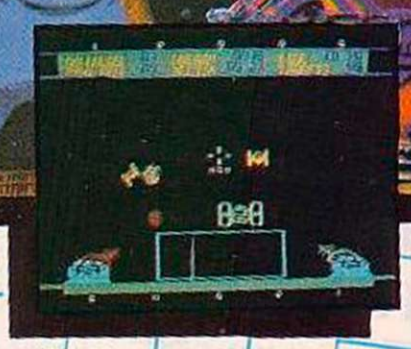

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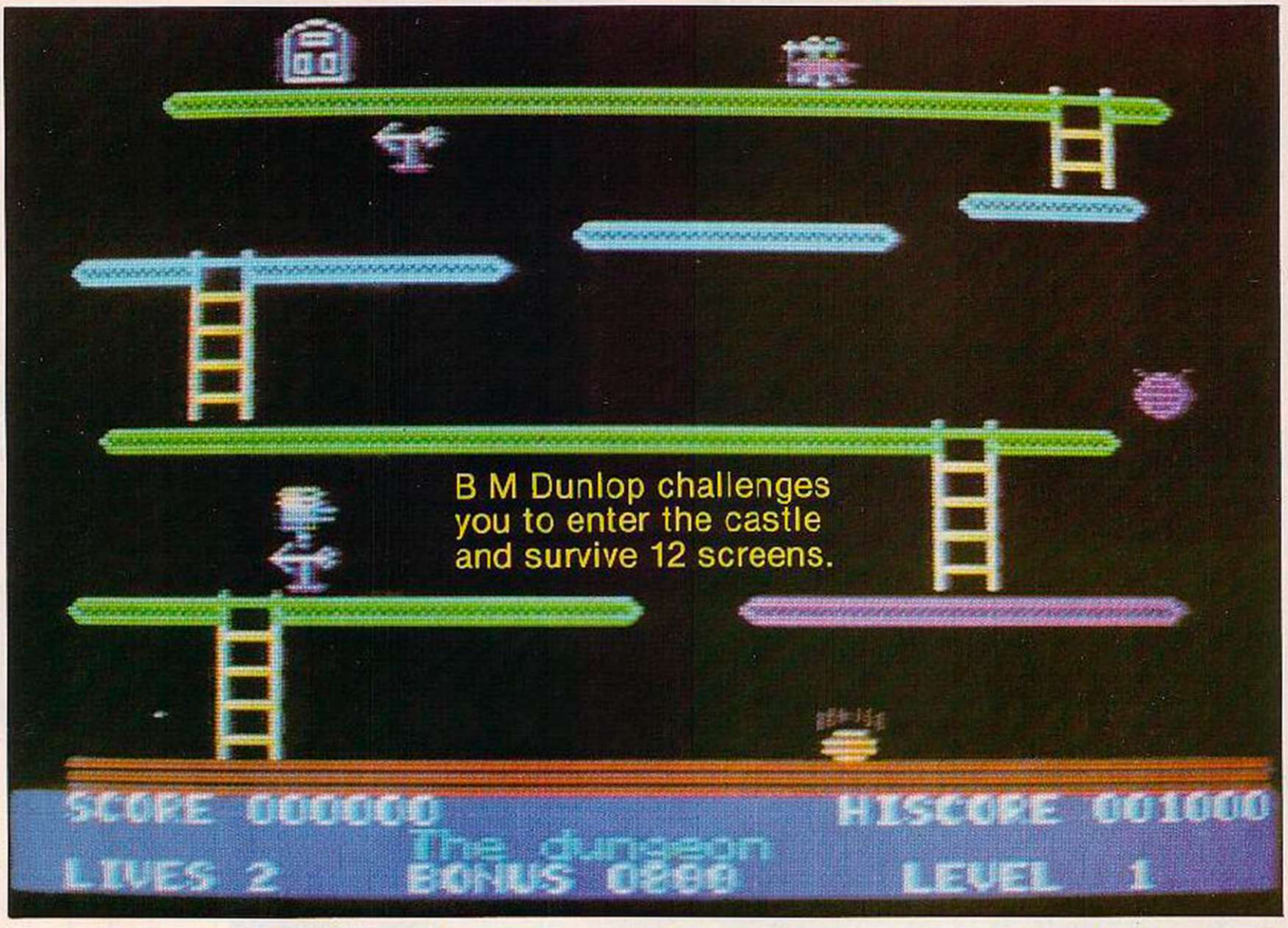

CREEP CASTLE

CREEP CASTLE FOR Oric Atmos is a 12 screen platforms and ladders game with many different obstacles and hidden hazards to avoid. You have been thrown into the dungeon of the castle and you have to escape by reaching the door in the top left hand corner of each room. To help you escape you can move up, down, left, right and jump.

Five lives are given at the start of each game plus one extra should you complete all 12 screens. Once one screen has been completed you are awarded a number of points depending on how long you took. The Escape key can be used to end a game at any point if you are feeling suicidal.

A record of the top 10 scores is stored — minimum 1000 points — with the name of the scorers — maximum eight characters.

To enter the program, first type in listing 1 and save it on cassette with:

CSAVE"CASTLE",AUTO

Next, type

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Listing 2.

```
10 INPUT'Start address ('S'to end)";A$
20 IFA$="S"THENENDELSEC=0:A=VAL("#"+A$)
30 PRINTMID$(HEX$(A),2);
35 INPUTB$
40 IFB$="S"THEN80
50 POKEA,VAL("#"+B$)
60 A=A+1:C=C+VAL("#"+B$)
70 GOTO30
80 PRINT'CHECK"C
90 PRINT
100 GOTO10
```

then New and enter the machine-code loader — listing 2.

After listing 2 has been entered, type Run. The code in listing 3 can now be entered block by block. To do this, input the start address, then the numbers with a press of the Return key between each; enter S once a block has been completed. To help detect typing errors, the machine-code loader calculates the total sum of all the bytes in one block which can be compared with the number given at the end of each block in the listing.

If the two numbers are not equal, then there is an error and the block will have to be re-entered. This method of error detecting although not infallible will uncover most mistakes.

After the whole of listing 3 is finished, firstly, well done, and secondly, position the cassette directly after listing 1 and enter the following:

POKE 46080,96:CSAVE"CASTLE2",A46080,E47104,AUTO

POKE 6912,96:CSAVE"CASTLE3",A6912,E30720,AUTO

The game is now complete and runs automatically on

CLOAD"CASTLE"

I see no reason why the game should not also work on the 48K Oric-1 but if you have an Atmos then you may wish to record the "error ignorer" program, printed in the manual, before listing 1.

Listing 1.

```
10 REM CREEPY CASTLE - By M. Dunlop
20 HIMEM#9FFF:INK#7:CLS:HIMEM#B3FF
30 CLOAD"":CLOAD
35 DOKE#FA,#7000:DOKE#4E,#2000:DOKE#FFE,#1FE0
40 GOSUB4000
50 POKE#67A5,0
60 D$="0123456789ABCDEF"
70 FORI=1TO10
80 H$(I)="CRIC":H%(I)=1000
90 NEXTI
100 CLS:INK#7:PAPER#0:CURSET0,0,0
110 PRINTSPC(6)"*** *** *** *** *** *** ***"
120 PRINTSPC(6)"*   * * *   *   *   *   *"
130 PRINTSPC(6)"*** * * *** *** * ***"
140 PRINT
150 PRINTSPC(5)"***  *  *** *** *  *  **"
160 PRINTSPC(6)"*   * * *   *   *   *   *"
170 PRINTSPC(6)"*   * * *** *   *   *   **"
180 PRINTSPC(6)"*   ***   *   *   *   *   *"
190 PRINTSPC(6)"*** * * *** *** *   *** ***"
200 PRINT:PRINT" (CHR$(27)"Written by Myles Dunlop"
205 PRINT:PRINT
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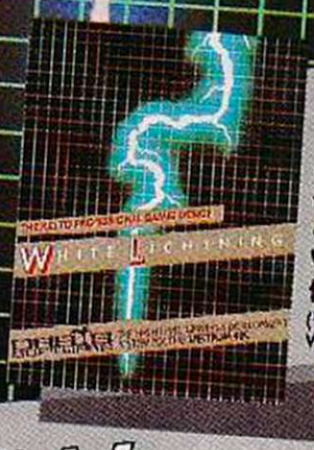
(Listing 1 continued on page 79)



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Up to 255 sprites, each with its own user defined dimensions, can be scrolled, spun, reflected, enlarged or inverted with amazing speed and smoothness. Sprites can even stretch across several screens so scrolling landscapes are easy to achieve. Sinclair's own sound and graphics commands such as CIRCLE, DRAW and BEEP are fully supported.

MULTI-TASKING Without doubt White Lightning's most innovative feature is its use of interrupts to effectively run two programs at once. This means that while one program smoothly scrolls a landscape in the background, a second can animate the characters.

SPRITE DESIGN White Lightning comes complete with a separate 20k program for developing sprites used in the main system. Not only can you use this to design your own sprites from scratch, it also comes complete with 68 pre-defined characters covering games like Asteroids, Pac-Man, Assault Course, Defender, Space Invaders, City Bomber, Lunar Lander, Frogger, Centipede, Donkey Kong and many, many more. These characters are ready to use or can be enhanced. And sprites can be saved to tape between editing sessions before being finally added into the main program.

Machine Lightning is an advanced games writing utility which includes a full Macro Assembler, a Monitor/Disassembler, a Sprite Generator Program and a Monitor/Disassembler, a Sprite Generator Program and the object code for the White Lightning graphics routines which have almost 100 documented entry points in 3k of code. The comprehensive manual explains how to use two copies of the object code to run machine code routines concurrently using the Z80 interrupts. Games written using Machine Lightning can be marketed with no restrictions.

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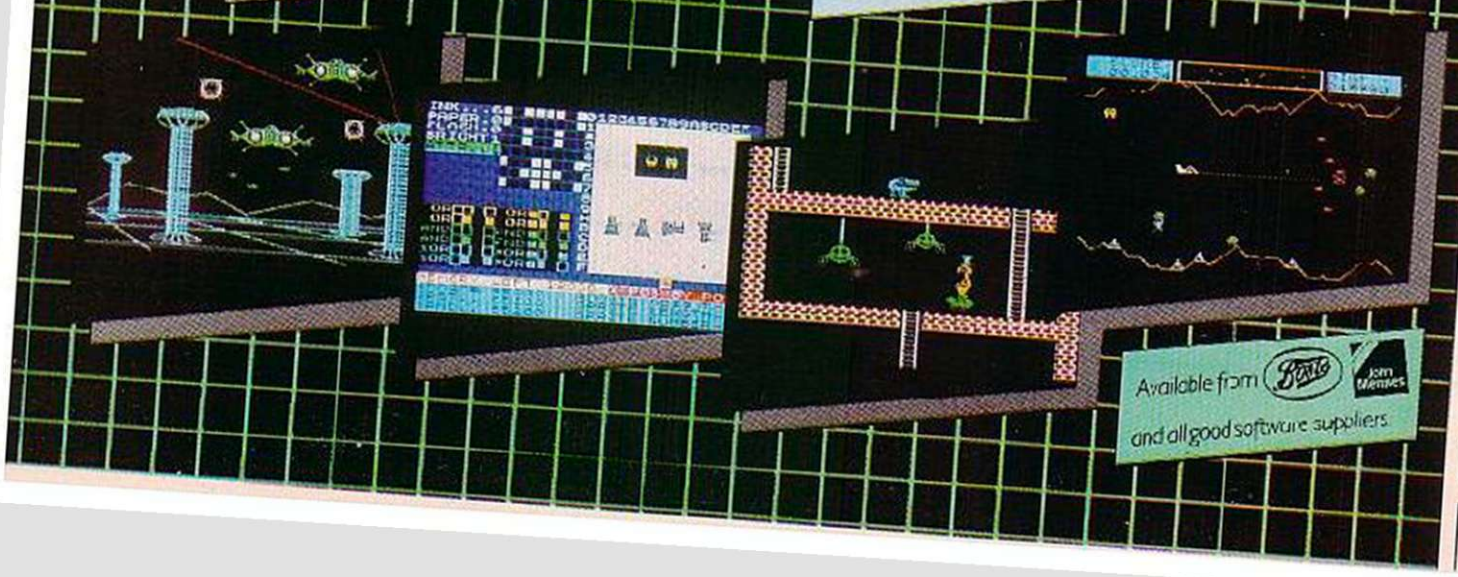

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 210 PRINT:PRINT" "CHR$(27)"FControls:
-"
 215 PRINT
 220 PRINT" "CHR$(27)"CCursor left - l
eft"
 230 PRINT" "CHR$(27)"ECursor right- r
ight"
 240 PRINT" "CHR$(27)"BCursor down - d
own"
 250 PRINT" "CHR$(27)"ACursor up   - u
p"
 260 PRINT" "CHR$(27)"FSpace bar   - J
ump"
 265 PRINT" "CHR$(27)"CESC         - e
nd game"
 270 GOSUB1000
 280 CLS:INK3:POKE#26A,10:POKE48035,0
 290 PRINT:E$=CHR$(27):PRINTCHR$(141F$"
U"E$"J"E$"A     MASTERS OF THE CASTLE"
CHR$(4)
 300 PRINT:PRINT
 310 FORI=1TO10
 315 PLOT2,3+I*2,MID$(STR$(I),2)
 320 S#=LEFT$("000000",7-LEN(STR$(HX(I
))))+MID$(STR$(HX(I)),2)
 325 PLOT5,3+I*2,CHR$(RND(1)*7+1);S#
 330 PLOT17,3+I*2,"...."
 340 PLOT30,3+I*2,H$(I):NEXTI
 350 GOSUB1000
 360 GOTO80
 1000 PLOT1,25,CHR$(12)+CHR$(17)"Press
 SPACE to start"
 1005 KK$=KET$
 1010 FORI=1TO5000
 1020 IFKEY$=" "THEN2000
 1030 NEXTI
 1040 RETURN
 2000 GOSUB1000
 2090 WAIT50
 2100 N$=LEFT$("000000",7-LENSTR$(HX(
I)))+MID$(STR$(HX(I)),2)
 2110 FOR=1TO6
 2120 POKE#4;8-I,ASC(MID$(A$,I,1))-48
 2130 NEXTI
 2140 CALL40755
 2150 GOSUB3000:PLAY0,0,2,0:WAIT100
 2160 TEXT:INK7:POKE#26A,10:POKE#8035,
0
 2170 PLOT10,11,"YOUR GAME IS OVER"
 2180 WAIT150
 2190 CLS
 2200 A$=
 2210 FOR I=#408TO#435STEP-1
 2220 A$=A$+CHR$(PEEK(I)+40)
 2230 NEXTI
 2240 SC=VAL(A$)
 2250 FORI=1TO10
 2260 IFSC=HX(I)THEN2500
 2270 NEXTI
 2280 POP:GOTO280
 2500 P=I:IFI=10THEN2540
 2510 FORJ=9TOISTEP-1
 2520 HX(J+1)=HX(J):H$(J+1)=H$(J)
 2530 NEXTI
 2540 PLOT10,9,"Well done,"
 2550 PLOT8,11,"you are now a master o
f"
 2560 PLOT8,13,"the castle."
 2570 PLOT8,15,"Please enter your name
"
 2580 FORI=1TO17:PRINT:NEXT:PRINT";";
N$=""
 2590 GETX$:IFX$=CHR$(13)THEN2630
 2595 IFASC(X$)<32THEN2590
 2597 IFASC(X$)=127THENIFN$=""THEN2590
ELSEN$=LEFT$(N$,LEN(N$)-1):PRINTX$;:GO
TO2590
 2610 N$=N$+X$:PRINTX$;
 2620 IFLEN(N$)<9THEN2600
 2630 HX(P)=SC:H$(P)=N$
 2640 POP:GOTO280
 3000 PLAY3,0,0,0
 3010 FORI=10TO100STEP2
 3020 SOUND1,I,10:SOUND2,200-I,10
 3030 NEXTI
 3040 RETURN
 4000 I=PEEK(#600)<27THEN4500
 4010 POKE#7001,#F990
 4020 POKE#7004,#EC33
 4030 POKE#7007,#F1C8
 4040 POKE#7002,#4C:POKE#7003,#4C:POKE
#7000,#4C
 4050 RETURN
 4500 POKE#7001,#F935
 4510 POKE#7004,#E99A
 4520 POKE#7007,#EB1F
 4530 GOTO4040
 10000 REM ** PLAY TUNE **
 10005 SOUND1,0,1
 10010 PLAY1,0,0,0:RESTORE
 10020 READ N,D:IFN=-1THENPLAY0,0,0,0:
RETURN
 10030 MUSIC 1 3,N,12
 10040 FORI=1TO3*D:NEXT
 10050 GOTO10020
 10060 DATA 1,50,5,50,8,50,1,50,5,50,8
,50
 10070 DATA 9,50,6,50,2,50,1,70
 10080 DATA -1,-1
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Listing 3.

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START=1C00
02 20 20 54 68 65 20 64 75 6E 67
65 6F 6E 20 20 20 20 20 23 00 41
74 24 81 83 90 20 6F 66 23 24 00
65 20 82 25 87 73 20 14 05 20 20
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65 20 20 20 14 14 01 20 20 20 54
68 65 20 23 6E 66 66 66 20 20 20
20 20 14 14 82 22 20 48 0F 72 72
69 62 6C 65 20 6E 6F 6C 65 73 20
14 14 03 57 61 6E 64 65 72 69 6E
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20 60 65 6E 20 20 20 14 14 06 49
74 73 20 74 68 65 20 6D 75 6E 63
68 65 72 73 20 14 14 06 4E 6F 74
2D 73 0F 20 68 61 72 64 77 61 72
65 20 20 14 14 01 54 68 65 20 62
75 67 67 65 64 20 62 79 74 65 73
20 14 14 02 20 20 20 54 68 65 20
74 6F 77 65 72 20 20 20 20 20 14
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62 9C 06 9C FF
CHECK= 575

START=3E48
06 0E 02 0E FF
CHECK= 281

START=3E80
06 15 02 15 FF
CHECK= 385

START=3E88
62 1B 06 1B FF
CHECK= 317

START=3EC0
06 10 02 10 FF
CHECK= 295

START=3EE0
06 09 02 01 00 04 04 04 FF
CHECK= 295

START=3F00
F1 02 01 41 3F 00 02 00 01 00 3F
E0 03 02 01 A0 3F 00 04 02 01 C0
3F 00 05 00 01 E0 3F 00 FF
CHECK= 1370

START=3F40
E0 0A 02 0A 00 35 02 10 04 03 02
0A 05 0A 00 03 06 10 04 05 FF
CHECK= 375

START=3F60
E0 2A 02 2A 04 10 00 10 04 10 06
10 02 10 00 10 02 10 00 10 FF
CHECK= 515

START=3F80
62 2E 00 2E FF
CHECK= 355

START=3FA0
00 2E 02 2E FF
CHECK= 355

START=3FC0
05 24 02 24 FF
CHECK= 335

START=3FE0
04 0F 00 0F FF
CHECK= 269

START=4000
01 00 01 41 40 00 02 00 01 00 40
00 03 04 0. 00 10 00 04 05 01 00
40 00 05 01 01 10 40 00 FF
CHECK= 1201

START=4040
02 00 00 00 00 12 02 1C 00 1C 04
12 FF
CHECK= 379

START=4080
05 0C 02 0C FF
CHECK= 351

START=40C0
00 .0 02 10 FF
CHECK= 295

START=4100
00 .0 00 10 FF
CHECK= 295

START=4140
02 .0 00 10 FF
CHECK= 295

START=4180
00 24 02 24 FF
CHECK= 335

START=41C0
00 .0 02 10 FF
CHECK= 311

START=4200
FE 09 02 20 01 20 01 FE 09 03 20
01 27 01 FE 04 00 01 20 01 21
00 FE 10 04 00 01 21 01 24 01 25
01 23 01 FE 10 05 03 0. 24 01 25
01 FE 10 05 03 01 24 0. 25 01 FE
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03 0F 07 01 04 01 51 01 70 01 05
01 20 01 01 FE 09 32 20 01 20 01
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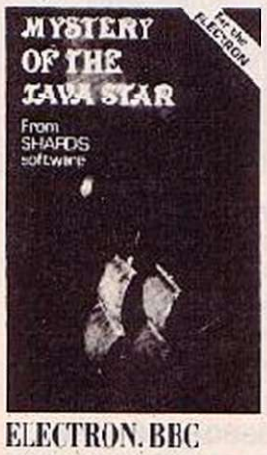

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2A58  2D49200D8E015186  209
2A60  FF5FA7855CC10823  3D2
2A68  F93596341 08D5E10  303
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2B58  E517FDFE27FB8159  4F3
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2B68  200A814E26EBB62D  2ED
2B70  61BD800F17FE828E  3D2
2B78  2E83BD90E58D3B10  3BB
2B80  8E0600 10BF2D47A6  27D
2B88  A0816026048 52020  271
2B90  0E8161250480 4020  1F9
2B98  06811F22028B60BD  272
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2BA8  8D0917FDAD810327  302
2BB0  2E20D41F20C41F27  26B
2BB8  0139860DBD800FFE  317
2BC0  2D4711831BFF2416  25C
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Each file is 12 screens in length — 6144 characters.

Pressing the break key gives you a menu with single key commands. Pressing key 1 exits the program and enables you to save files to tape as per addresses displayed.

Pressing key 2 dumps current file to printer up to the cursor position. Make sure the cursor is placed at the end of text required.

Pressing key 3 is a search facility which requires you to enter a target string of up to 19 characters in length.

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Pressing key 4 clears the current file. Accidental presses of this key can be corrected by pressing Y to the question "old text? (Y or N)".

Pressing key 5 gives you the option to swap the current file with any of the other three.

Pressing key 6 just returns from menu to the current position in text. ■

Program 1.

```
10 CLS
20 CLEAR200,9999
30 INPUT"START ADDRESS";ST$:PRINT
40 ST=VAL("&H"+ST$)
50 PRINTHEX$(ST);"  ";
60 LINEINPUTA$
70 CO=0
80 FORI=1TOLEN(A$)STEP2
90 P$=MID$(A$,I,2)
100 POKEINT(I/2)+ST,VAL("&H"+P$)
110 CO=CO+VAL("&H"+P$)
120 NEXTI
130 LINEINPUTCH$
140 IFCH$<>HEX$(CO) THENPRINT"error - retype":GOTO30
150 ST=ST+8
160 GOTO50
```

```
2D98  2020200D332E2020  10E
2DA0  2046494E44204120  1C2
2DA8  535452494E470D34  218
2DB0  2E20202043 4C4541  1A3
2DB8  52204D454D4F5259  24B
2DC0  200D352E20202053  143
2DC8  5741502042 4C4F43  228
2DD0  4B5320200D362E20  16F
2DD8  2020524555455 24E  220
2DE0  2020202020200D0D  ED
2DE8  000D544F20534156  1BA
2DF0  4520544558542046  210
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2E00  434E0D3153542E53  1F4
2E08  54415254 3D313533  211
2E10  362020454E443D37  1C1
2E18  3638300D324E442E  19D
2E20  535441525 43D3133  22F
2E28  30303020454E443D  1C4
2E30  313931343 40D3352  195
2E38  442E535441525 43D  23D
2E40  3139313435 20454E  1B7
2E48  443D323532383 90D  198
2E50  3454482E53544152  238
2E58  543D323532393020  1B3
2E60  454E443D33313433  1DF
2E68  340D43534156454D  200
2E70  224E414D45222C53  1E4
2E78  54415254 2C454E44  23E
2E80  2C300D007072696E  222
2E88  74696E6720696E20  2C9
2E90  70726F6365737300  2FF
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2EA0  20424C4F434B2057  202
2EA8  4954483A0D4B4559  215
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2ED0  434E0D4B45592034  1D8
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2EE8  4F20594F55205741  224
2EF0  4E5420444F55424C  238
2EF8  4520574945483F  224
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2F08  2900FFFFFFFFFFFF  623
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2BD8  2017FE3735203 98D  287
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2BF8  17FE1816FB5B8E2D  354
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2C10  009F888E2E97BD90  3C7
2C18  E517FD3E27FB8132  40C
2C20  26058E32C8201081  264
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2D80  50524F4752414D20  238
2D88  0D322E2020205052  16F
2D90  494E54204F555420  223
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and calculator() be
$(  let final.answer = 0
    writes ("Calculator *n")
    newline()
    final.answer := expression()
    writef (" %N", final.answer)
    delay(200)

$)
and expression() = valof
$(  let answer,newno = 0,0
    let operator = '+'
    until operator = '=' do
    $(
    newno := readn()
    switchon operator into
    $(
    case '+': answer := answer + newno; endcase
    case '-': answer := answer - newno; endcase
    case '*': answer := answer * newno; endcase
    case '/': answer := answer / newno; endcase
    $)
    operator :rdch()

    $)
    resultis answer
$)
```

Figure 4. A four function calculation written in BCPL.

John Dawson takes a look at two languages for the BBC.

BBC ADE AND BCPL

THIS ARTICLE is not a comparative review in the usual sense. Both of the languages are good and complete implementations and my main purpose is to compare the uses to which you may put them, not to recommend a best buy. The ADE system is designed and marketed by System, 12 Collegiate Crescent, Sheffield and BCPL is an Acornsoft language.

ADE: An ordinary assembler produces one machine-code instruction in the object code — the machine code that will control the computer — for each line of source code — the instructions that you type into the computer. That is a low level language. Basic, or BCPL, or Forth are high level languages because each instruction that you type may make the computer carry out hundreds or thousands of machine code instructions. The Basic instruction X = SQR(Y), for example, would require at least a page of instructions if it was written down in machine code or assembler.

A macro assembler lies somewhere between the ordinary low level assembly language and the familiar high level languages. A "macro" is a set of low level instructions that you have written for your own purposes which you can insert into the object code program simply by typing the name of the macro into the source code.

Once the macro is written it can be put into a library and taken out and used whenever you wish. In other words you can build a set of high level instructions to your own design and fit them into place in your programs just like Basic commands.

ADE is supplied with a disc containing utility and demonstration programs. The demonstration is impressive and the SYSLIB file has a number of useful macro definitions. For example, figure 1 lists macros that will send an FX or an asterisk command to the machine operating system, and handle an error in your program.

Each of the macro definitions is well documented and you should be able to see how easy it is to create your own high level instructions. Parameters are values that are passed from the main program into a macro or a subroutine. Parameter passing is very important since it determines the usefulness of *any* language, not just assembler.

The ADE macro assembler has good facilities to pass parameters into macros. The Error macro shows how a number may be used in the source code and, also, how the address of a string can be passed.

The E part of ADE is a sophisticated text editor for preparing and modifying the source code. Each package that appears has to have its own editor; BCPL has two, one large and one tiny, and Multi-Forth 83 has another. It is a complex job trying to learn three or four different sets of editing key functions and I try to use View for all my source code editing.

Each of the others has advantages — better printer control, more advanced search and replace facilities — better block moves and so on — but they take so long to look up in the manuals that you use more time than you save.

In ADE's defence I must say that the editor includes all the facilities you might need for word processing although the commands are at a comparatively low level. Nevertheless, it can be used for general-purpose text preparation, the ADE manual was written with the editor for example, and you could do much worse than to standardise on the ADE system. This is particularly true since ADE have rewritten the editor to work in an 80-column mode and with the second processor.

The third part of the ADE package is the SPY front panel monitor. "Front panel" refers to the days — about six years ago! — when microcomputers, and big PDP minicomputers as well, displayed the internal state

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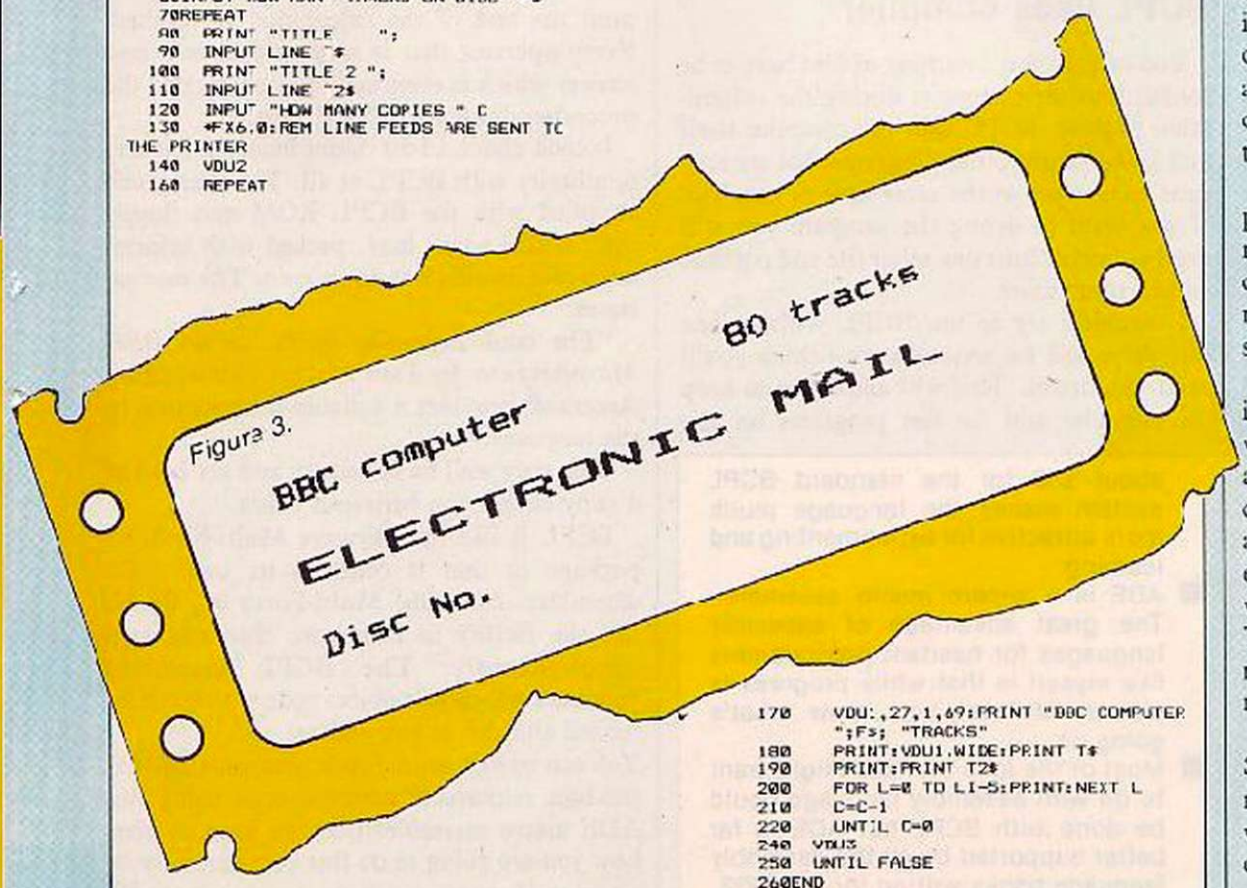
```
 10 REM DISC LABEL PRINTING PROGRAM
 20 WIDE = 14
 30CLS
 40LI = 8:REM NUMBER OF LINES ON LABEL
 50INPUT"HOW MANY TRACKS ON DISC" T$
 70REPEAT
 80  PRINT "TITLE    ";
 90  INPUT LINE T$
100  PRINT "TITLE 2 ";
110  INPUT LINE T2$
120  INPUT "HOW MANY COPIES " C
130  *FX6,0:REM LINE FEEDS ARE SENT TO
THE PRINTER
140  VDU2
160  REPEAT
170    VDU:,27,1,69:PRINT "BBC COMPUTER
       ";F$; "TRACKS"
180    PRINT:VDU1,WIDE:PRINT T$
190    PRINT:PRINT T2$
200    FOR L=0 TO LI-5:PRINT:NEXT L
210    C=C-1
220    UNTIL C=0
240  VDU3
250  UNTIL FALSE
260END
```

Figure 2. A quick Basic program for printing disc labels.



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of the machine on serried ranks of lights on the front panel. Each light represented a binary bit in an internal register or buffer and the state of each bit could be altered by equally serried ranks of switches.

SPY can be entered from a running program or from the command state. The front panel monitor commands allow you to view a section of memory either from an address set by you or from the program counter. This means that the current section of a machine code program is listed in the memory block. You can jump automatically to the address following a JSR — Jump to subroutine instruction — and search for a specified byte pattern.

Further commands allow you to modify the contents of memory locations one at a time or in blocks, shift blocks of memory and compare the contents of two blocks. You can alter the 6502 registers, single-step your way through a program, continue running a program and start execution from a specified address. It's a good monitor.

Comprehensive instructions

ADE is completed by a comprehensive instruction manual which is properly printed, well laid out with a table of contents and an index, and plenty of examples.

The real difference between a good macro-assembler and the Basic interpreter supplied with the BBC Microcomputer is exemplified by the program listed in figure 2. I dislike untidy labels on my floppy discs and so I wanted to print a set of labels in a standard format. Figure 3 shows how the disc titles appear when they are printed on single-width continuous sticky labels.

It took about 15 minutes to write the program in figure 2, and a further 15 or 20 minutes to edit it until I achieved the layout that I wanted. Basic makes this type of job terribly easy. The program remains in the computer all the time and can be summoned up on to the screen for instant modification. Speed is wholly unimportant in this application. The number of lines to be printed can be altered very quickly until the program stays in synchronisation with the sticky labels.

All of these things are more difficult with an assembler. A macro assembler scores heavily where you are writing your own special-purpose interpreter, a print formatting program for example — there's one included in its source code form with ADE — high-speed data acquisition in a laboratory, text handling programs for which Basic is less well suited, and so on.

Figure 1. Macro definitions from the ADE SYSLIB library.

```
******FX******
;3 parameters
;A register value
;X register value
;Y register value
;note values can be expressions
;as well as constants
;examples
;  FX  4,1,0
;  FX  200 MASK,0
FX MACRO
LDA  #&@1
LDX  #&@2
LDY  #&@3
JSR  &FFF4
ENDM
```

```
******ERROR******
;cause error using BRK
;two parameters
;@1 = error number
;@2 = error message
;example
;  ERROR  147,Value too big
ERROR MACRO
      BRK
      DFB  @1
      ASC  '@2'
      BRK
      ENDM
```

```
******STAR******
;issue simple star * command
;1 parameter, text of command
;examples
;     STAR  BASIC
;     STAR        ;catalog

;Note position of CONT, since
;ENDM cannot have a label.
STAR MACRO
     LDX  #>..L1
     LDY  #<..L1
     JSR  &FFF7
     JMP  ..CONT
..L1 STR  '@1'
..CONT
     ENDM
```

BCPL: This is a compiler language, unlike Basic, and was written by Martin Richards in 1967. It has been a stable language since about 1972 and the version offered for the BBC Micro is a full implementation of the BCPL standard Level 0 with some extensions and machine specific procedures.

A compiler works rather like an assembler; after typing in the source code for a program, the language reads the instructions, checks them for mistakes and compiles an object program which will be smaller than the original source and will run very quickly. The source code can be erased from the computer after storing it on disc.

The BBC version compiles the source code to an intermediate code — Cintcode — which is then interpreted by the BCPL Rom. This half-way approach is not the compromise that it seems and BBC BCPL does offer speed advantages over an already very fast Basic together with some portability between different machines.

If the program turns out to contain an error when the object program is executed, you must reload the source code, correct the error using a word processor or text editor, recompile the object code and try again. The language you are using may or may not give you an indication of where the program failed.

BCPL uses compiler

You can see that a number of files have to be loaded into the computer during the compilation process. BCPL uses the compiler itself and at least three other programs that are resident in memory at the same time or overlaid. If you want to debug the program you will need to load at least one other file and possible two or three more.

I wouldn't try to use BCPL without one disc drive and for serious work I think you'll need two drives. This will allow you to keep the compiler and the test programs on one drive, and source and object code on the other.

The user guide does explain how you can separate the development programs from the other utilities for testing the Cintcode but if you start to write a program of any size, and keep backup copies of the source and object code, your disc will fill up rapidly.

BCPL is a block-structured language like Pascal and Algol. The syntax of BCPL allows you to write well structured programs which do not use Goto instructions or labels. Indeed, the Goto instruction in BCPL will only work within a comparatively limited range.

Calculates a new answer

Unlike Basic, which separates data into numbers — integers and reals — and strings, BCPL makes no distinction and you can happily add the letter G to the number 173 to produce a nonsense result. This naivety on the part of the language is actually very helpful in many applications.

Figure 4 shows two declarations which act as a simple four function calculator on signed 16 bit integers. The function — a procedure which returns a value — "expression" declares three local variables and then loops round the block of commands following:

until operator = '=' do

until the end of the calculation is reached. Every operator that is read calculates a new answer which is eventually passed back to the procedure "calculator" and printed.

It took about 15 20 hours before I felt any familiarity with BCPL at all. The user guide supplied with the BCPL ROM and floppy disc, is 450 pages long, packed with information and insufficient on its own. The manual states:

"The book *Beginning BCPL on the BBC Microcomputer* by Paul Martin published by Acornsoft provides a suitable introduction to the language."

That may well be so but try and get hold of a copy before you believe it exists.

BCPL is like the Skywave Multi-Forth 83 package in that it contains its own 6502 assembler. Also, like Multi-Forth 83, BCPL has the facility to run more than one task simultaneously. The BCPL assembler produces relocatable object code which can be loaded and run at any address.

You can write a source code program that will produce relocatable machine code using the ADE macro assembler but you need to plan how you are going to do this very carefully in advance of starting to type. ■

CONCLUSIONS

- Once you have become familiar with the BCPL language progress in programming will be quite fast. An additional floating point package is available containing trigonometric and logarithmic functions. While you require the BCPL Rom to run the intermediate code produced by the BCPL compiler, you can obtain a program which produces stand-alone machine code which will execute on either the BBC Micro or other 6502 based-machines.
- The recent price cut from £95 to about £50 for the standard BCPL system makes the language much more attractive for experimenting and learning.
- ADE is a superb macro assembler. The great advantage of assembly languages for hesitant programmers like myself is that while progress is slower, at least you know what's going on.
- Most of the jobs that you might want to do with assembly language could be done with BCPL but ADE is far better supported by all the assembly language books written for the 6502.

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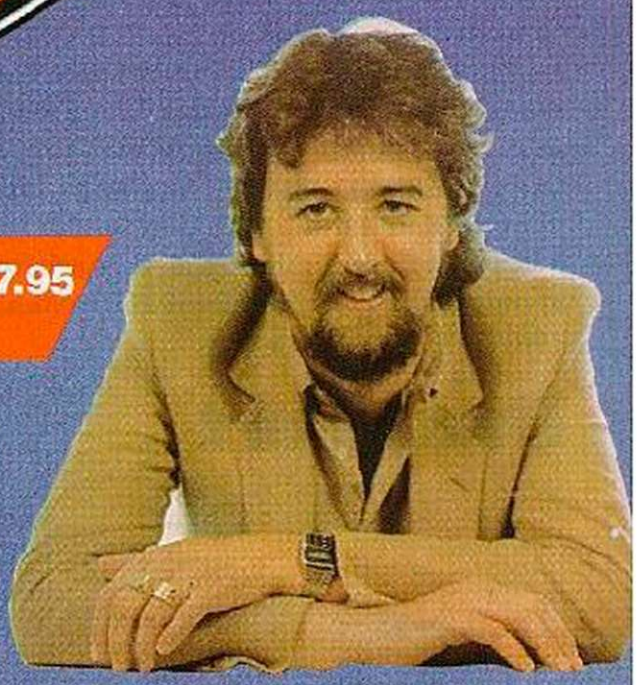

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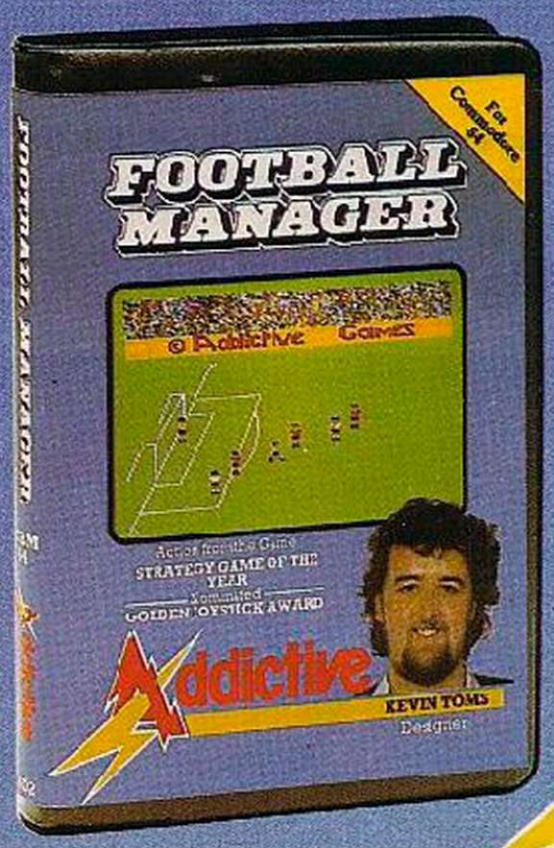

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By RICK BRAVO

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One of these manufacturers was bound to emerge as the "brand leader" and in the case of the Spectrum this turned out to be DK'tronics. The company is based in Saffron Walden in Essex and proudly boasts a history dating back to the ZX80. All the company's products are manufactured in England at their own factory and they have now established themselves as world leaders, exporting to over 30 countries.

Below you will find a review of their range which now includes over 16 products, all of which are available for the Spectrum and Spectrum + models.

Keyboard

The DK Microdrive Compatible Keyboard is the best selling keyboard in the world and is now used by around 10% of all U.K. Spectrum owners. It is microdrive compatible and offers more key functions than any other keyboard in its price range. The stepped keys and space bar make it even easier to use. It is constructed from high density black ABS and has 52 keys and a full width space bar. A separate numeric keypad of 12 red keys including single entry 'delete' plus single entry 'decimal point' facilitate fast numeric data entry.

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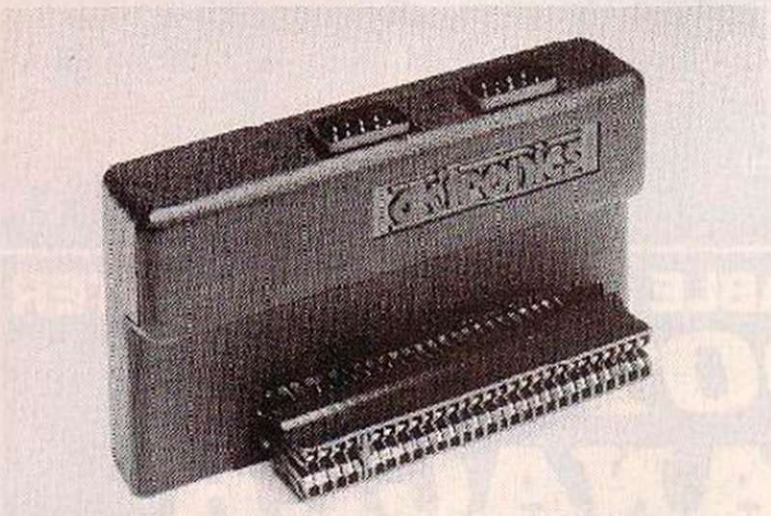

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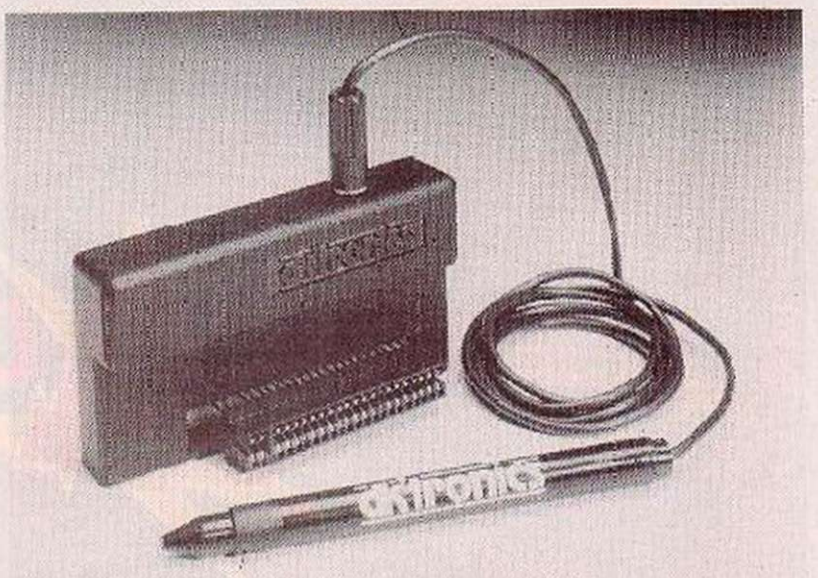

This highly successful Light Pen for the Sinclair Spectrum plugs neatly onto the rear of the Computer or the rear of the printer connector. The operating software now runs faster and supports 16 pre-defined instructions. You can change all the colours (Border, Paper, Ink), draw circles, arcs, boxes, lines and insert text onto the screen (ideal for diagrams etc.) Save & load completed or partly completed screens onto or from the tape.

There are also features to draw Free Hand and animate on the 48K Spectrum, you can retain and animate 5 screens.

You can also use the machine code on its own in your own programs for selecting out of a menu, playing games etc. All entry points necessary are given. The Pen works down to pixel level with pixel accuracy.

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Any microcomputer is capable of manufacturing sound, however, in order to produce a single octave 'C' note with a frequency of 8372Hz the signal needs attention over 16,000 times per second.

To produce software capable of perfoming just this one task would be difficult if not impossible, especially when you consider that to produce arcade type sound effects requires even greater attention.

The production of these sound effects without the constant attention of the processor is now possible thanks to the AY Sound Chip, its flexibility makes it essential for a wide range of applications including music synthesis and sound effects generation, continuing the monitoring and production of sound after the initial command.

More often than not realistic sounds require more than one effect and this function is provided by 3 independently controlled channels, as an example compare the sound produced by the single note of 'C'with that produced by the chord 'C' and you will know just what I mean, likewise producing the sound of an explosion using all 3 channels gives games a totally new dimension.

Add to this the ability to alter the pitch tone and shape of the sound you have produced and it's flexibility is unlimited. In simple terms, imagine the note you have produced as a calm sea, by altering the pitch and shape you can produce waves, the top of the wave corresponds with the maximum volume and pitch of the note, which like the wave itself rises and falls.

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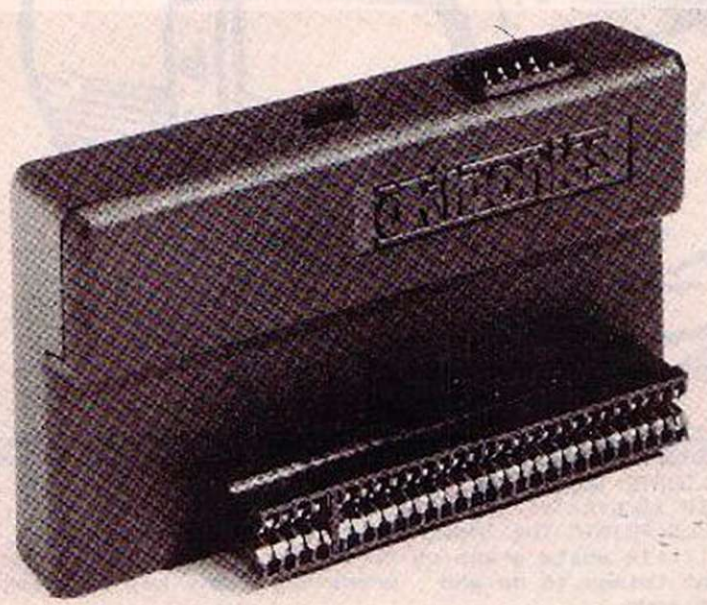

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Now you can run ANY software from ANY supplier with the DK'tronics fully programmable joystick interface. It comes complete with machine code software and can be programmed in seconds to give full 8 directional joystick movements plus five capabilities and will accept any Atari/Quickshot type joystick. A catalogue is now available showing the full range of products available from DK'tronics the world's leading Spectrum peripheral manufacturer. The through connector enables other add-ons to be plugged into the rear.

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The speech synthesizer uses the popular SL0/256 speech chip and has an almost infinite vocabulary. It is supplied with a text to speech converter for ease of speech output creation. Everything you wish to be spoken is entered in normal English, without special control codes or characters, it is therefore extremely easy to use. The voicing of the words is completely user transparent and the computer can carry on its normal running of a program while the speech chip is talking.

Although there are only 26 letters in the alphabet, letters have a totally different sound when used in different words. For example, the "a" in Hay is much longer and softer than in Hat. When you speak you automatically make adjustments because you know just how a word should sound. Not quite so easy with a computer. After looking at other speech synthesizers we decided that it was essential that the DK'tronics Spectrum Speech would offer a simple system that would enable the user to produce realistic speech that was instantly recognisable.

The solution to the problem was extremely complicated, it required hours of programming to enable the computer to look at the individual letters that make up each word and compare their relative position to each other before deciding on the appropriate sound.

I consider this to be the best Spectrum Speech Synthesizer on the market. From good computer shops everywhere at only £24.95 or direct from DK'tronics, add £1.50 post & packing

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The new Dk'tronics Parallel Centronics Interface will link your Spectrum to any printer with a standard centronics input. As the choice is vast, you can select the printer exactly suited to your needs.

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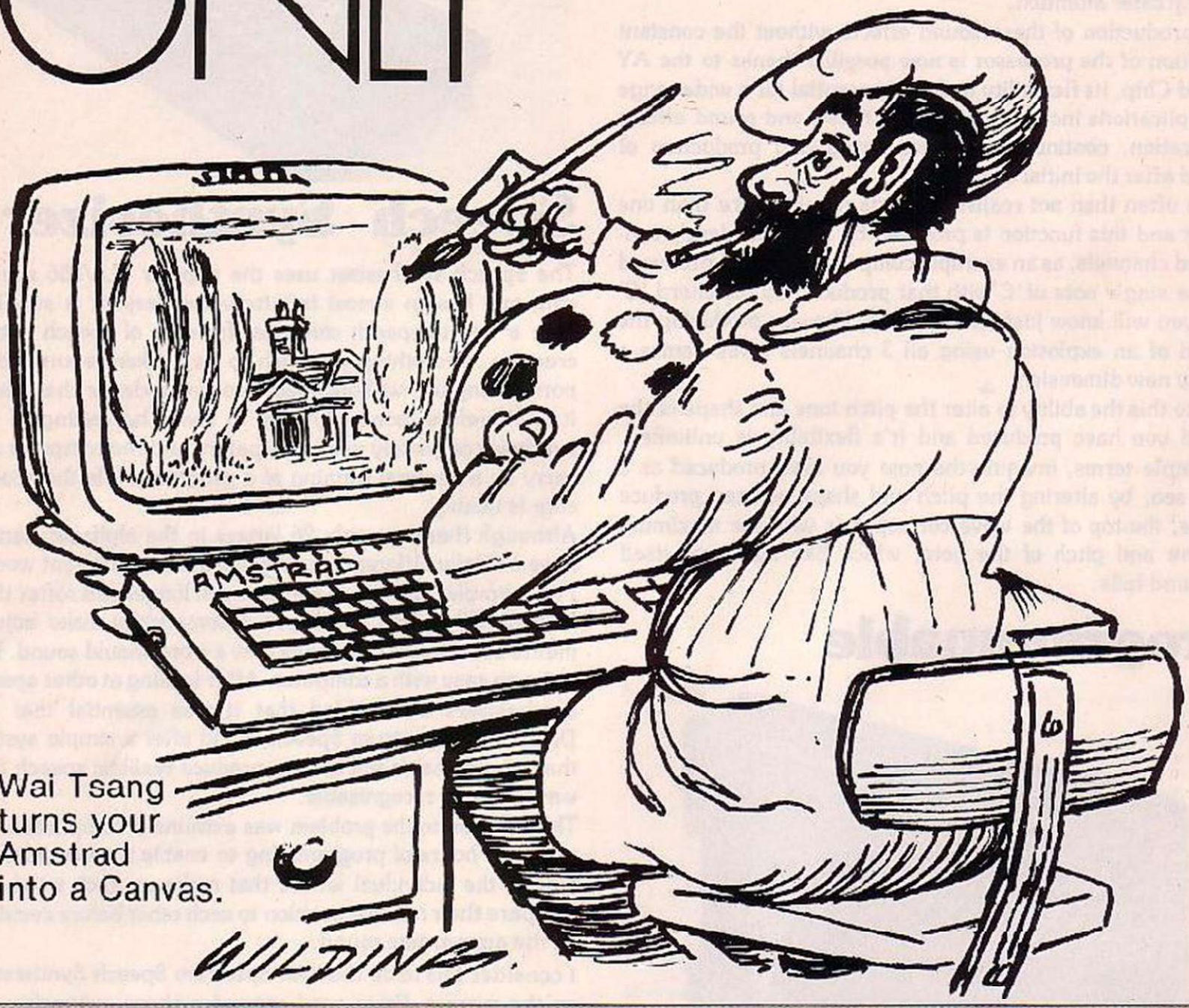
Supplied with full instructions and controlling software. From good computer shops everywhere and sensibly priced at only £39.95 or direct from DK'tronics, add £1.50 post & packing.

ARTISTS ONLY

ARTISTS ONLY is a drawing program for the Amstrad. If offers line drawing, circle plotting, and airbrush facilities, as well as routines for saving a drawing on tape or taking a screen dump on a printer. You can use the keyboard or a joystick. Full instructions are included in the program.

As it stands the program does not allow you to change the Ink and Paper colours. It is reasonably well structured, however, and you should have no trouble adding further options. These could also include a free-hand drawing facility and a fill routine.



Wai Tsang turns your Amstrad into a Canvas.

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10 REM************************************
20 REM*Program:ARTISTS ONLY
30 REM*A utility or something to do on a rainy day*
40 REM*By Wai Tsang and MEMPHIS SOFT*
50 REM*29/12/84 to 1/1/85,1 am*
60 REM*Written so that it might ge:          publishe
d in YOUR COMPUTER.*
70 REM************************************
80 CLS:PRINT" This program turns your CPC 464 into a w
orking sketch pad with facilities such as an AIR BRUSH
,a LINE DRAWER,a routine which enables you to draw CIR
CLES easily,and last but not least a RUBBER."
90 PRINT:PRINT" You can also save you drawings on
 cassette to be finished later or to be  kept and used
 in your own programs."
100 PRINT" The final drawing can be dumped to a  prin
ter.To do this or to save you        drawing on cassett
e press (C) and then  follow the simple yes or no ques
tions."
110 PRINT:PRINT" If you are a sucker for your own work
s of art and you don't have a printer thenyou should l
oad the programs ontc the   screen using PROGRAM 2 and
 then admire  your master piece fresh from the tape
you saved it on earlier"
120 LOCATE 10,24:PRINT"PRESS A KEY"
130 IF INKEY$<>"" THEN 140 ELSE 130
140 CLS:PRINT" The instructions are simple.Position
the little white graphics cursor to the place where yo
u want things to be and   press the right key to chang
e the mode."
150 PRINT:PRINT" The cursor is moved using the joystk
  but if you pick the all key board optionthen you use
 the numeric key pad where  UP=8,RIGHT=6,DOWN=2,LEFT=4
.
160 PRINT" To set the position of a point or to   turn
 something on and off press the FIREBUTTON on joystk o
r if you're using the key board then or the numeric pa
d       press '5'."
170 PRINT:PRINT" For the different modes its 'L' for
  LINE DRAWER,'C' for CIRCLE DRAWER,'A'   for AIR BRUS
H,'E' for ERASER and 'Q' to QUIT."
180 PRINT" The size of the AIR BRUSH's spray can  be c
hanged using the UP and DOWN ARROW  KEYS on the cursor
 cluster."
190 LOCATE 10,24:PRINT"PRESS A KEY"
200 IF INKEY$<>"" THEN 210 ELSE 200
210 CLS:PRINT" Lastly for the screen dump and the save
to cassette press (Q)UIT and you can    still return t
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o your drawing after      saving it or you can take a
rest and    load it in later and then finish it."
220 PRINT" Incidently you start off in the LINE   DRAW
ING mode with the cursor in the     centre of the scre
en."
230 LOCATE 10,15:PRINT"PRESS ANY KEY TO START"
240 IF INKEY$<>"" THEN 250 ELSE 240
250 MODE 1:INK 0,27:INK 1,0:INK 2,26
260 GOSUB 1460
270 LOCATE 8,1:PRINT"(K)EYBOARD OR (J)OYSTK."
280 IF INKEY(37)=0 THEN U%=11:D%=14:J%=20:0%=4:F%=12:6
OTO 310
290 IF INKEY(45)=0 THEN U%=72:D%=73:J%=74:0%=75:F%=76:
GOTO 310
300 GOTO 280
310 GOSUB 1460:LOCATE 1,1:PRINT"WORK ON PICTURE STORED
 ON CASSETTE (Y/N)"
320 IF INKEY(43)=0 THEN GOSUB 1460:LOAD"!ART WORK":GOT
O 350
330 IF INKEY(46)=0 THEN GOTO 350
340 GOTO 320
350 ss%=10
360 x%=320:y%=200
370 GOSUB 1460:LOCATE 1,1:PRINT"LINE DRAWER"
380 LOCATE 15,1:PRINT"SET FIRST POINT "
390 D%=0
400 GOSUB 1430
410 GOSUB 1290
420 GOSUB 1390:GOSUB 1430
430 GOSUB 1240
440 GOSUB 1390
450 IF INKEY(F%)=0 THEN GOTO 470
460 GOTO 400
470 IF o%=1 THEN GOTO 540
480 a%=x%:b%=y%
490 o%=1
500 SOUND 1,300
510 LOCATE 15,1:PRINT"SET SECOND POINT"
520 FOR S=1 TO 120:NEXT
530 GOTO 400
540 MOVE a%,b%
550 DRAW x%,y%,1
560 o%=0
570 SOUND 1,200
580 LOCATE 15,1:PRINT"SET FIRST POINT "
590 FOR l=1 TO 100:NEXT
600 GOTO 400
610 '*****Pixel brush routine*****
620 GOSUB 1460
630 LOCATE 1,1:PRINT"AIR BRUSH "
640 LOCATE 11,1:PRINT"OFF"
650 LOCATE 23,1:PRINT"DIAMETER=":LOCATE 32,1:PRINT ss%
660 SP%=0
670 GOSUB 1430
680 IF INKEY(0)=0 THEN ss%=ss%+2:LOCATE 32,1:PRINT ss%
:IF ss%>48 THEN ss%=48
690 IF INKEY(2)=0 THEN ss%=ss%-2:LOCATE 32,1:PRINT ss%
:IF ss%<3 THEN ss%=3
700 GOSUB 1290
710 GOSUB 1240
720 IF INKEY(F%)=0 AND sp%=0 THEN sp%=1:SOUND 1,200:LO
CATE 11,1:PRINT"ON ":GOTO 730 ELSE IF INKEY(F%)=0 AND
sp%=1 THEN sp%=0:SOUND 1,200:LOCATE 11,1:PRINT"OFF":FO
R L=1 TO 150:NEXT:GOTO 730
730 GOSUB 1390
740 IF sp%=1 THEN 750 ELSE 670
750 FOR I%=1 TO 5
760 r%=INT((RND*ss%)-(ss%/2))
770 r2%=INT((RND*ss%)-(ss%/2))
780 PLOTR r%,r2%,1
790 NEXT
800 GOTO 670
810 '*****Rubber routine*****
820 GOSUB 1460
830 LOCATE 1,1:PRINT"ERASER":LOCATE 8,1:PRINT"OFF"
840 rb%=0
850 GOSUB 1430
860 GOSUB 1290
870 GOSUB 1240
880 GOSUB 1400:GOSUB 1430
890 IF INKEY(F%)=0 AND rb%=0 THEN rb%=1:SOUND 1,200:FO
R l=1 TO 150:NEXT:LOCATE 8,1:PRINT"ON ":GOTO 900 ELSE
IF INKEY(F%)=0 AND rb%=1 THEN rb%=0:SOUND 1,200:LOCATE
 8,1:PRINT"OFF":FOR L=1 TO 150:NEXT:GOTO 900
900 IF rb%=1 THEN GOTO 910 ELSE GOSUB 1390:GOTO 850
910 FOR v%=-2 TO 2
920 MOVE x%-3,y%+v%:DRAW x%+3,y%+v%,2
930 NEXT
940 FOR v%=-2 TO 2
950 MOVE x%-3,y%+v%:DRAW x%+3,y%+v%,0
960 NEXT
970 GOTO 850
980 '*****Circle drawing subroutine*****
990 GOSUB 1460
1000 LOCATE 1,1:PRINT"SET CENTRE OF CIRCLE"
1010 GOSUB 1240
1020 GOSUB 1430
1030 GOSUB 1290
1040 GOSUB 1390:GOSUB 1430
1050 IF INKEY(F%)=0 THEN cx%=x%:cy%=y%:SOUND 1,200:LOC
ATE 1,1:PRINT"SET CIRCUMFERENCE OF CIRCLE":FOR l=1 TO
200:NEXT:GOTO 1080
1060 GOSUB 1390
1070 GOTO 1010
1080 GOSUB 1430
1090 GOSUB 1290
1100 GOSUB 1240
1110 GOSUB 1390:GOSUB 1430
1120 IF INKEY(F%)=0 THEN ox%=x%:oy%=y%:SOUND 1,200:LOC
ATE 1,1:PRINT"SET CENTRE OF CIRCLE        ":GOTO 1150
1130 GOSUB 1390
1140 GOTO 1080
1150 d1%=cx%-ox%:d2%=cy%-oy%
1160 d1%=ABS(d1%):d2%=ABS(d2%)
1170 r=SQR((d1%^2)+(d2%^2))
1180 FOR a%=1 TO 360
1190 DEG
1200 PLOT cx%,cy%,1
1210 PLOT cx%+r*COS(a%),cy%+r*SIN(a%),1
1220 NEXT
1230 GOTO 980
1240 IF y%<1 THEN y%=1
1250 IF y%>400 THEN y%=400
1260 IF x%<1 THEN x%=1
1270 IF x%>640 THEN x%=640
1280 RETURN
1290 IF INKEY(U%)=0 THEN y%=y%+4
1300 IF INKEY(D%)=0 THEN y%=y%-4
1310 IF INKEY(J%)=0 THEN x%=x%-4
1320 IF INKEY(0%)=0 THEN x%=x%+4
1330 IF INKEY(69)=0 THEN 520
1340 IF INKEY(58)=0 THEN 810
1350 IF INKEY(36)=0 THEN 370
1360 IF INKEY(62)=0 THEN 980
1370 IF INKEY(67)=0 THEN GOSUB 1480
1380 RETURN
1390 '*****Graphic cursor routine*****
1400 IF TEST(x%,y%)=1 THEN p=1
1410 PLOT x%,y%,2
1420 RETURN
1430 IF p=1 THEN PLOT x%,y%,1 ELSE PLOT x%,y%,0
1440 p=0
1450 RETURN
1460 LOCATE 1,1:PRINT"
                      "
1470 RETURN
1480 REM *QUIT,SAVE OR PRINT OUT*
1490 GOSUB 1460
1500 LOCATE 1,1:PRINT"SCREEN DUMP (Y/N)"
1510 IF INKEY(43)=0 THEN GOSUB 1700:GOTO 1540
1520 IF INKEY(46)=0 THEN GOTO 1540
1530 GOTO 1510
1540 GOSUB 1460
1550 LOCATE 1,1:PRINT"CASSETTE SAVE (Y/N)"
1560 IF INKEY(43)=0 THEN GOSUB 1650:GOTO 1590
1570 IF INKEY(46)=0 THEN GOTO 1590
1580 GOTO 1560
1590 GOSUB 1460
1600 LOCATE 1,1:PRINT"(A)NOTHER,(Q)UIT, OR (C)ONTINUE"
1610 IF INKEY(69)=0 THEN CLS:GOTO 310
1620 IF INKEY(67)=0 THEN !BASIC
1630 IF INKEY(62)=0 THEN RETURN
1640 GOTO 1610
1650 REM** cassette save **
1660 SPEED WRITE 1
1670 GOSUB 1460
1680 SAVE "!ART WORK",B,&C000,&4000
1690 RETURN
1700 REM** Screer dump.  **
1710 GOSUB 1460
1720 DIM i%(320)
1730 pixln=413
1740 FOR k%=1 TO 28
1750 pixln=pixln-14
1760 FOR l%=1 TO 319
1770 GOSUB 1870
1780 i%(l%)=p1%+p2%+p3%+p4%+p5%+p6%+p7%
1790 NEXT
1800 PRINT#3,CHR$(27);CHR$(75);CHR$(2);CHR$(64);
1810 FOR j%=1 TO 320:PRINT#8,CHR$(i%(j%));:NEXT
1820 PRINT#3,CHR$(i%(320))
1830 NEXT
1840 PRINT#3,CHR$(15)
1850 ERASE i%
1860 RETURN
1870 p1%=TEST(l%+2,pixln)
1880 p2%=TEST(l%+2,pixln-2)+2
1890 p3%=TEST(l%+2,pixln-4)+4
1900 p4%=TEST(l%+2,pixln-6)+8
1910 p5%=TEST(l%+2,pixln-8)+16
1920 p6%=TEST(l%+2,pixln-10)*32
1930 p7%=TEST(l%+2,pixln-12)*64
1940 RETURN
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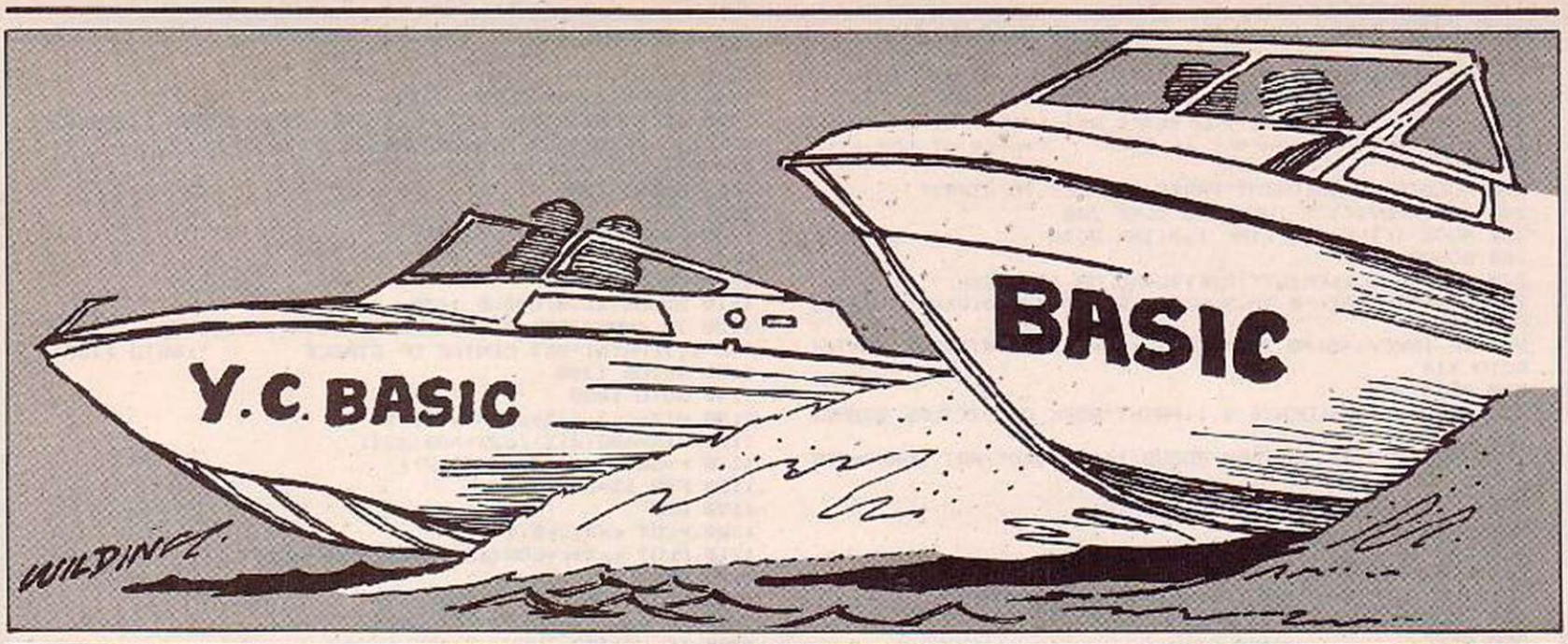


GO-FASTER BASIC

Richard Taylor with an ingenious way of speeding up Sinclair Basic by overcoming the Spectrum's ponderous method of searching through lines.

SINCLAIR BASIC is rather slow to say the least. Moreover, in common with most other machines Spectrum programs become slower as they increase in length. This is a result of the way in which the computer finds a line when you make a reference to it. For instance if you have a program in memory and the computer comes across the statement Goto 9999 it looks at the very first line of the program and asks itself "is this line 9999?", the answer will be no so it will go onto the next line and ask the same question. It will carry on doing this until it eventually finds 9999.

Even though the Spectrum hunts through the lines at a lightening fast rate the length of the program ensures that this can slow a program down considerably, especially if the program makes frequent use of subroutines right at its end. One of the methods used to combat this slowing effect is to put important subroutines that need to run at maximum speed at the start of the program and less important routines, such as initialisation and data statements near the end.

Although helpful this method is by no means perfect. For instance, what if you've got a lot of program that needs to run at maximum speed, it can't all be at the start. Secondly, it tends to be unnatural to structure programs in this way, most people like to write programs in the same order as they are executed, i.e. initialisation routines etc. first. In most programs this slowing down effect isn't too important, but Basic games using animation of any sort are slow enough to start with without any additional speed reducing effects.

There is, however, a better way of solving the problem that prevents the computer from needing to go through the whole rigmarole of searching through the program for a particular line. Once a program is Run the addresses of program lines in memory don't change. It's only when you add to or edit a program etc. that any address changes occur. Say you have a Goto 5000 statement in your program. Every time this Goto is encountered line 5000's address has to be laboriously found. But, like the line numbers, its address is a constant.

It seems pointless to spend a great deal of time and effort for a result that you know will be the same as the last time it was calculated. If the line number reference in a Goto is exchanged for its equivalent address then no searching is necessary. Lo and Behold, this is exactly what my program for the 48K Spectrum does. In fact, Gosub and Next statement are speeded up in a similar way. There are not the only commands to divert the execution of a program: Continue, Run and Return do as well but these are a damn sight harder to speed up and, in the cases of Run and Continue, aren't much used anyway.

Figure 1.

MEMORY CONTENTS	236	49	48	48	14	0	0	100	0	0
WHAT MEMORY CONTENTS REPRESENT	GO TO	1	0	0	BINARY NUMBER TO FOLLOW	100 IN FLOATING POINT BINARY				

When writing the program I've attempted to abide by the following two aims:

- Faster Basic must work with all Basic programs even if they were typed in without Faster Basic being in memory at the time.
- Faster Basic should be totally user transparent, i.e. it should do its job without any special action from you, such as calling machine code.

The 1.25K of machine code is sandwiched between Ramtop and the user definable graphics area. Before running remember to save it, just to be on the safe side. All the Basic does is to poke the machine code into memory: a task that takes a couple of minutes. When it's successfully finished the machine code can be saved with:

SAVE "FAST CODE" CODE 64058,1310

You can reload at any time with:

CLEAR 64057. LOAD "" CODE

Initialising the program is a simple task, just type:

RANDMIZE USR 64082

You'll get a new startup message, informing you that the machine code is up and running. You'll get the same message if you use New, it replaces the usual Sinclair copyright message.

Obviously you don't want to have to use memory addresses directly in Goto and Gosub statements but stick with the good old system of using line numbers. The computer therefore has the burden of having to remember both the line number and its corresponding

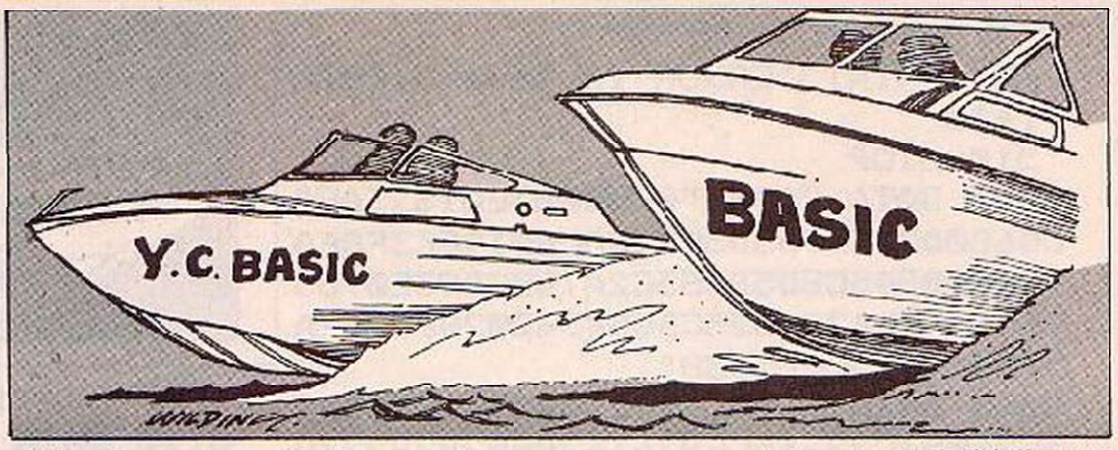
address for each Goto and Gosub. Because of the way programs are stored in memory this isn't too difficult to organise. When you list a program you don't see the whole story; parts of the program — as its stored in memory — aren't shown, mainly because these parts are for internal use by the computer and look like gibberish to anything but a computer. One such example of concealed program is the six bytes of data that follow every number used in the program. The first of these six bytes always has the value 14; a number which signifies to the listing routine that it shouldn't attempt to display the contents of the following five bytes.

These bytes contain the binary form of the preceeding decimal number. When a program is run these binary forms save the computer a great deal of time by being able to use these binary forms directly without having to convert the decimal representation that you typed in originally. For instance the statement Goto 100 is represented in memory as in figure 1. There's a similar format for a Gosub statement.

Faster Basic replaces the binary representation of the line number with the address of the line. This is perfectly legal as the computer no longer requires the binary bit as it no longer uses the line number directly — it's there for your reference only. Occasionally in a program you find a Goto or Gosub with not just a line number but a whole expression, ie. Gosub 2000+a*300, so the value of a determines which line is jumpted to. In such an instance Faster Basic doesn't alter anything, and when encountered it is treated as normal. This isn't a great handicap as statements of this sort are pretty rare anyway.

Speeding up a Next statement poses much more of a problem since there are no conveniently placed free bytes where the address of the line can be dumped and, secondly, it's not obvious where the Next must branch to, i.e. where's the For associated with that particular Next? The way to get around the first difficulty is simple — if there is no storage area then make one. A dummy binary representation area is inserted just after the name of the variable in the Next statement as shown in figure 2.

The second problem isn't quite as easy to solve. Clearly it's necessary to find the line number of the For connected with the Next in question. You could find it by locating the last For statement before the Next with the same variable. However, this could prove a slow process and not totally reliable. In any case,



you've always got to make allowances for people who derive great pleasure from watching other people's programs crash, they might be evil enough to write something like:

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10 GO TO 40
20 NEXT a
30 STOP
40 FOR a=0 to 100
50 GO TO 20
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A far safer alternative is to not mark the line to which the Next is to jump to at all initially, just fill the five storage bytes with zeroes. The first time the Next is used in the program the computer will think to itself "look, that Next hasn't been marked with the address of the line it should jump to, I'd better find out what it is". The appropriate line, and therefore its address can be found by the usual method of searching through the program — in the same way as a Next would be treated normally. Before the jump to the line is made its address is carefully noted in the first two of the Next's five byte store, along with the statement number within that line. The following time the Next is used no searching is necessary — the address of the For line is already there.

One problem with this is that a program's length increases by six bytes for every Next in the program. This, along with the fact the Faster Basic machine code has already consumed over 1K above Ramtop, means that if a program was crammed into the Spectrum's memory to start with then, chances are, after Faster Basic has been at it, it won't fit at all — well, you can't win them all. If this is the case then you'll get an 'Out of Memory' report when you try to run the program. Be warned, once a program's been 'compiled' it'll never run again without Faster Basic in memory. The moral of the story? Always keep a copy of the pre-compiled version.

When using the Faster Basic you'll often find yourself with a blank screen while a program's being compiled, either if you Run it or try and use Goto — be patient the program hasn't crashed. A Basic program is re-compiled every time it's re-entered after you've modified it in any way — and I include loading or merging in another program in that — even from Microdrive. Autorun is handled — loading an autorun program will result in a short delay while the program's compiled before it bursts into action.

Because of the mischievious way the shadow Rom in Interface 1 operates every time an Interface 1/Microdrive command is used Faster Basic is forced inactive. After such a command use Randomize USR 64061.

You'll get the start message printed up again but the program in memory is preserved. Unfortunately this method can only be used with Interface 1 statements used as direct commands, it's not possible to use these commands in an actual program at all.

It's difficult to give even a rough estimate of the speed increase gained by using Faster Basic. A program 30K or so in length can be considerably improved speed wise especially if it wasn't written with the most speed dependant parts at the start. The most important factor is, of course, the amount of times Nexts, Gotos, and Gosubs are used in the program; but I think you'll agree that they are well used commands.

Figure 2.

MEMORY CONTENTS	243	97	14	?	?	?	?	?
WHAT MEMORY CONTENTS REPRESENT	NEXT	a	FIVE STORAGE BYTES TO FOLLOW	FIVE BYTES TO STORE ADDRESS OF LINE				

```
 10 REM     'FASTER  BASIC'
 20 REM
 30 REM        48K Version
 40 REM    By Richard Taylor
 50 REM
 60 CLEAR 64057
 70 LET a=64058
 80 FOR l=0 TO 20
 90 LET t=0: READ v,a$
100 IF LEN a$/2<>INT (LEN a$/2)
THEN GO TO 500
110 FOR c=1 TO LEN a$ STEP 2
120 LET x=CODE a$(c)-48-7*(a$(c
)>="A")
130 LET y=CODE a$(c+1)-48-7*(a$
(c+1)>="A")
140 POKE a,16*x+y
150 LET t=t+16*x+y
160 LET a=a+1
170 NEXT c
180 IF v<>t THEN GO TO 500
190 NEXT l
200 PRINT "Data OK - Now SAVE"
210 STOP
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 500 PRINT "ERROR in line ";8000
+l*10
 510 STOP
8000 DATA 7936,"0000003E01323AFA
CD6B0DAFED7B3D5CE1FDCB019EC3F8FA
F3ED4BB45CED5B385C2A7B5CD93E07D3
FE3E3FED472AB25C5D5436002BBC20FA
D9ED43B45CED5338"
8010 DATA 5419,"5C227B5CD9ED53B2
5C2100C22365CEB363E2DF92B2B223D
5C21B65C224F5C11AF15011500EBEDB0
EB2B22575C2322535C224B5C36802322
595C360D23368023"
8020 DATA 6193,"22615C22635C2265
5C3E38328D5C328F5C32485C21230522
095CFD35C6FD35CA21C61511105C010E
00EDB0FDCB01CECDDF0EFD363102FBCD
6B0DAF323AFA1104"
8030 DATA 5325,"FBCD0A0CFDCB02EE
184880274641535445522042415349432
27204F50455241544945720535953545
454D204279205269636861726420546 1
796C6F7220202041"
8040 DATA 7042,"756775737423139
3834A0FD363102CD9517CDB016AFCD01
16CD2C0FCD171BFDCB007E200C2A595C
CDA711FD3600FF18E42A595C225D5CCD
FB1978B1C237FCDF"
8050 DATA 7997,"FE0D28C7FDCB3046
C4AF0DCD6E0D3E19FD964F328C5CFDCB
01FEFD3600FFFD360A01CD93FC76FDCB
01AEFDCB304EC4CD0E3A3A5C3CF52100
00FD7537FD752622"
8060 DATA 6448,"0B5C21010022165C
CDB016FDCB37AECD6E0DFDCB02EEF147
FE0A3802C607CDEF153E20D778119113
CD0A0CAF113615CD0A0CED4B455CCD1B
1A3E3AD7FD4E0D06"
8070 DATA 6172,"00CD1B1ACD97103A
3A5C3C281DFE092804FE152003FD340D
0103001170 5C21445CFDCB0A7E280109
EDB8FD360AFFFDCB019EC34FFB3E1001
0000C3AFFBED4349"
8080 DATA 6794,"5C2A5D5CEB212FFC
F52A615C37ED52E56069CD6E19200BCD
B819CDE8193E01323AFAC1793DB0282D
C503030303032BED5B535CD5CD55163E01
323AFAE122535CC1"
8090 DATA 7443,"C5132A615C2B2BED
B82A495CEBC1702B712B732B72F1C345
FB21FEFF22455C2A615C2DCD5B595C1B
3A445CC357FDE7CDBF16FD340DDF0600
FE0D287AFE3A28EE"
8100 DATA 10477,"21F7FCE54FE779F
DCB0C7E200FFCECCA97FDFEEDCAA8FDF
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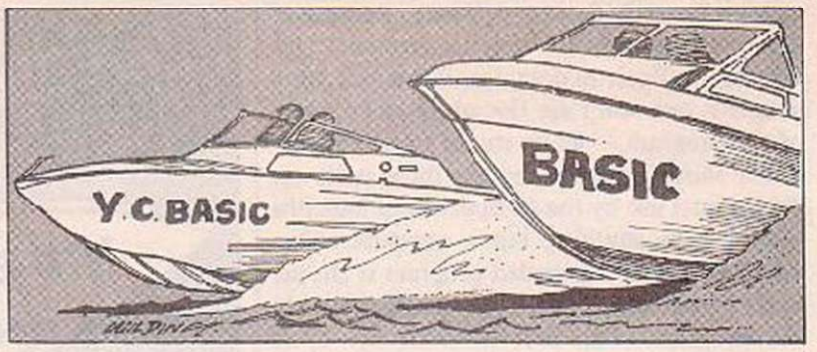


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AFA79C3441BCD541F"
8110 DATA 7869,"D27B1DFDCB0A7E20
71FDCB097E208A3A3AFAA7C477FE2A42
5CCD6E193A445C282AA7C2EC1B477EE6
C078281FED7B3D5CFD3600FFC9C1FDCB
0C7E20073A3AFAA7"
8120 DATA 7281,"C477FE2A555C3EC0
A6C0AFFE01CE005623 5EED53455C235E
2356EB192322555CEB225D5C571E00FD
360AFF15FD720DCAA8FC14CD8B192802
CF16DFFE0D28B7FE"
8130 DATA 9106,"3ACAA8FCC38A1CCD
821CDFFECBC28A1CC1EF0238EBCDE934
389CC3A8FCCDC2FD3047ED535D5C5E23
56234EC33AFFD1FD660D24E333ED4B45
5CC5E5ED733D5CD5"
8140 DATA 6333,"011400CD051F18D5
2A5D5C7E23FE0E2807CD1B2D30F5B7C9
EB21050019 7EFE0D2804FE3A20F0EB37
C9CD821CC3671E2A5D5C237EFE0E20FA
223BFA35CD6C1C01"
8150 DATA 6142,"06002A3BFA340922
5D5CFDCB374EC22E1C2A4D5CCB7FCAD8
1D2322685CEFE0E20FC00238CDDA1DD8
2A3BFA23E523237E235E23562A685C01
0F00094F7BBE201A"
8160 DATA 7458,"237ABE2B20142323
79BE28067EE1E5232377E15E23564FC3
3AFF5E2356D5237EEBF5CD6E19F1ED4B
535CB7ED42EBC1E173237223772371 23
704FC33AFF2A535C"
8170 DATA 7954,"2B11F300CDAEFE38
08CD03FF2A5D5C18F011EC0037F52A53
5C2BD5CDAEFE3809CDD0FED12A5D5C18
F1D113F13F30E6AF323AFAC97EFE3A28
15237EE6C037C023"
8180 DATA 7416,"23223BFA4E2346E5
09444DE11600C5CD8B19C1D018E3E7CD
C2FD3806110002C38B19DFCD3B2D2A5D
5C23E5CD991E6960CD6E19ED4B535CB7
ED42EBE173237223"
8190 DATA 5313,"360123232322 5D5C
C9E7237EFE0D2808FE0E2820FE3A20F2
2B010600CD5516232 3E52A3BFA5E2356
010600EB09EB722B73E1360E06052336
0010FB23225D5CC9"
8200 DATA 3385,"2A535C19CD541F38
0C56235EED53425CFD710ACF14D13EC0
A6C079C345FD"
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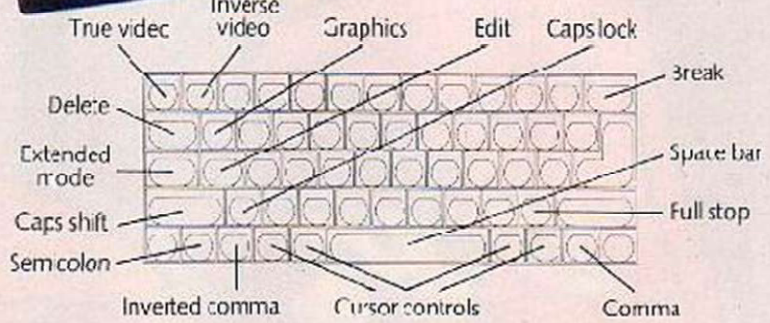

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TELSOFT

A reminder of how to use the Telsoft service.

THE PROGRAMS given here will enable Spectrum and BBC owners to download via *Your Computer's* Telsoft service. First type the hexloader for your machine — figure 1 — and then enter the machine code — figure 2. On the BBC you call the service by entering

CALL &6A00

while Spectrum owners must type

RANDOMIZE USR 60000

So far OE Ltd's Telemod 2 and VTX 5000 modems have been tested with the service, but it also works with a number of other makes.

To find out what is available on Telsoft and how to receive software dial up Colchester (0206) 8068. This audio recorded information line will also advise you which telephone numbers to ring for the 300 and 1200 bit/s services.

When a program you want to download is available, make sure your modem is set up and dial the number appropriate to your modem's speed. As soon as you hear the modem tones switch the modem to line and replace the receiver. Select Option 1 from the menu — Receive. After a block of data is received, you will see "OK" printed if there were no errors, otherwise the program will wait for the blocks to come round again.

When the "Program loaded OK" message appears return to the Telsoft menu and select Option 5. You can now save and run the program.

Figure 1. BBC.

```
10 REM BBC HEX CODE LOADER
15 HIMEM=&69FF
20 CLS:PRINT
30 INPUT " START ADDRESS (Hex)";A$
40 A=EVAL("&"+A$)
50 IF A>&6FB7 THEN 280
60 IF A<&2900 OR A>&6FB7 THEN 280
70 PRINT "A' ";
80 INPUT ":' B$,C$
90 IF LEN(B$) <>16 THEN 50
100 T=0
110 FOR N=0 TO 7
120 X$= MID$(B$,2*N+1,1): GOSUB 300
130 IF E=1 THEN 260
140 X$= MID$(B$,2*N+2,1): GOSUB 300
150 IF E=1 THEN 260
160 B= EVAL("&"+MID$(B$,2*N+1,2))
170 ?A=B:A=A+1:T=T+B
180 NEXT
190 FOR M = 1 TO LEN (C$)
200 X$=MID$(C$,M,1):GOSUB 300
210 IF E =1 THEN A=A-1: GOTO 260
220 NEXT
230 IF T= EVAL("&"+C$) THEN 50
240 PRINT "CHECKSUM ERROR !"
250 A=A-8:GOTO 50
260 PRINT "TYPING ERROR !"
270 A=B*(A DIV B):GOTO 50
280 *SAVE "DOWNLOAD" 6A00 6FB7
290 END
300 E=0: IF ASC(X$)<48 THEN E=1:RETURN
310 IF ASC(X$)<58 THEN RETURN
320 IF ASC(X$)<65 THEN E=1:RETURN
330 IF ASC(X$)>71 THEN E=1
340 RETURN
```

Figure 2. BBC.

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6A00 :A9C8A0FEA20120F4,4C6
6A08 :FF20616C20486DC9,38A
6A10 :31F00BC934F0E9C9,4CB
6A18 :35F0064C0C6A4C17,280
6A20 :6AA90C20E3FFA9E8,4B2
6A28 :A000A2FF20F4FFA9,4FD
6A30 :03A20020F4FFA982,363
6A38 :A22020F4FFA9CB90,4C8
6A40 :FEA20020F4FF6039,4BC
6A48 :0C20E3FF20F76B99,439
6A50 :15A20120F4FFA030,3EB
6A58 :A9FF8899B5AFD0FA,5B7
6A60 :A915A20120F4FF20,394
6A68 :0C6C90FB200C6C00,34D
6A70 :FBA800B477847834,416
6A78 :79847AE47B857020,3BB
6A80 :D56DA57029F0C930,489
6A88 :D0E2200C6C00D899,46B
6A90 :7100C920D5ADC009,364
6A98 :D0F0A000A5742980,422
6AA0 :D0094A51C857619005,354
6AA8 :1065765577200C6C,2BF
6AB0 :B0B520E3FFC8200D5,524
6AB8 :6DC0100F0A57320,435
6AC0 :B265200C6C00A0C5,3CC
6AC8 :7AF00A9602E3FF,478
6AD0 :20E7FF4C676A200C,34F
6AD8 :6CB0BCD57BF00BA9,48C
6AE0 :5020E3FF20E7FF4C,4AC
6AE8 :6764A573AB39856F,43E
6AF0 :D00E20E7FFA900B20,3B0
6AF8 :E3FF4CE36B4C676A,469
6B00 :A000847AB47B200C,2C9
6B08 :6CB0F2917620D560,477
6B10 :C8C475D0F1200C6C,45A
6B18 :B0E3C57AF00B9758,4C5
6B20 :20E3FF20E7FF4C67,4B3
6B28 :6420C6C80CEC578,3C1
6B30 :F00BC9582DE3FF4C,447
6B38 :A7A420F7AB20E7FF,429
6B40 :A573F8A90099B56F,3F6
6B48 :A5BAC902D05E20D7,419
6B50 :63A9CB20556CA955,3B3
6B58 :2030EA95202556C,298
6B60 :A915F20120F4FF20,391
6B68 :F76BF471CB8BB985,585
6B70 :6FD8E198B0F7A90C,4A4
6B78 :20E3FF20A56DA95A,437
6B80 :0582796F0503A907,3D7
6B88 :2000EE20FB6D20A8,2D3
6B90 :6DA9520006EA90B,2DA
6B98 :20E3FF20FB6DA9D2,502
6BA0 :20E0FF4C0C6AA955,3BF
6BA8 :2030EA99620556C,2DE
6BB0 :4C6AEBA475200C6C,2D2
6BB8 :B3D0FA200C6C200C,316
6BC0 :6C4C486B1C6C6AA9,336
6BC8 :20200E3FFA96F20E3,43D
6BD0 :FFA96B20E3FF60A9,51E
6BD8 :9CA000A6BAE002D8,41E
6BE0 :08A21320F4FFA212,387
6BE8 :20F4FF60A2720F4,4C6
6BF0 :FFA2962DF4FF60A9,553
6BF8 :95A000A6BAE002D8,41E
6C00 :EBA25320F4FFA252,4E7
6C08 :20F4FFA0189A85,44F
6C10 :B7B47EA991A20020,3BD
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6C28 :496CC6BFD00238B0,374
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6C48 :60B8AA2D2CAE8CA90,5AA
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6C58 :2049C6B3D0FAA47E,449
6C60 :60A9E0A000F2FF20,452
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6CA0 :FF4CD76CA99DA203,3C4
6CA8 :20F4FF4CB76CA90B,433
6CB0 :A20420F3FFE6BAA5,4CE
6CB8 :7C20E3FFA49E20AB,46B
6CC0 :6DA900B2000E20FB,2C4
6CC8 :6DA0172015C6DC941,2D0
6CD0 :F00BC942F011C943,413
6CD8 :F0174C616CF907A2,372
6CE0 :B120F4FF4C096DA9,37F
6CE8 :07A20320F4FF4C09,314
6CF0 :6DA907A20420F4FF,3D6
6CF8 :E6BAA5BAC902D009,443
6D00 :A9E8A000A2B120F4,3EB
6D08 :FFA57C20E3FF2003,495
6D10 :6C2053606020ABED,2E3
6D18 :A9052000E20FB6D,2C1
6D20 :20A86DA9052000E,274
6D28 :20FB6D20AB6DA905,36D
6D30 :2000E20FB6D20AB,2DE
6D38 :60B47EA9032000E,2A9
6D40 :A9D220F3FF857C60,4DB
6D48 :A98C20E3FF20AB6D,3EF
6D50 :A9072000EA99AB5,306
6D58 :02A96E0503A00020,361
6D60 :FE6D20AB6D20996D,3C2
6D68 :20996D20996D20AB,317
6D70 :6DA90A20006E20FB,2C6
6D78 :6C20A36DA9022000,278
6D80 :6E20F86D20AB6D20,34E
6D88 :E3FFA9D220E0FF4B,5AE
6D90 :A50FA20020F4FF68,3D5
6D98 :60A900200E20FB,2B7
6DA0 :6D20AB6D6020AB6D,33A
6DA8 :20AB6D20E7FF20E7,445
6DB0 :FF6048B29F06A6A6A,3FE
6DB8 :6A0938C93A30031E,1F1
6DC0 :D00BA9B620F4FFE0,4F0
6DC8 :00F012A97FC920B0,3C3
6DD0 :0EC90AF00AC98DF0,3A1
6DD8 :0AC907F002A93B60,2D1
6DE0 :B57CB67D847E9991,448
6DE8 :A20120F4FFA903A2,4B4
6DF0 :0720F4FFA9964200,403
6DF8 :20FAFF9B2902F0F4,4BA
6E00 :A47C9997A20920F4,41F
6E08 :FFA903A20420F4FF,464
6E10 :A991A20020F4FFB0,49F
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6E20 :0C6AA57CA67DA47E,3DC
6E28 :40E47E867D0996A2,1AA
6E30 :0020F4FF98290F0,3CD
6E38 :08A996A20920F4FF,408
6E40 :9810900138A67DA4,340
6E48 :7E60444F574E4C4F,2B1
6E50 :4144494E47204045,215
6E58 :4E550D3120202052,193
6E60 :4553454956450034,1F2
6E68 :2020205345542042,1AE
6E70 :0C6AA57CA67DA47E,3DC
6E78 :40E47E867D0996A2,1AA
6E80 :0020F4FF98290F0,3CD
6E88 :08A996A20920F4FF,408
6E90 :9810900138A67DA4,340
6E98 :7E60444F574E4C4F,2B1
6EA0 :4144494E47204045,215
6EA8 :4E550D3120202052,193
6EB0 :4553454956450034,1F2
6EB8 :2020205345542042,1AE
6EC0 :6175642052617465,2E6
6EC8 :0D3520202045584B,188
6ED0 :5420544F20424153,20D
6ED8 :4943D454E544552,217
6EE0 :204F554A9455520D,1FA
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6EF8 :5245455554204054,254
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6F20 :4120202037352042,16F
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6F30 :3030204261756400,209
6F38 :4320313230302042,188
6F40 :6175640D53455420,253
6F48 :5245434554564520,223
6F50 :426175e420526:74,2C3
6F58 :6500D0524F475241,23D
6F60 :4D20204C4F414445,1F2
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6F70 :455553204145520,213
6F78 :4B455920464F5220,210
6F80 :4D454E550D202020,1A2
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Figure 1. Spectrum.

```
 5 REM SPECTRUM 48k        fig 1
10 REM Hex Code Loader
15 CLEAR 59000
20 POKE 23658,8: CLS : PRINT
30 INPUT "Start Address ";a
50 IF a>41135 THEN GO TO 200
60 IF a<60000 THEN GO TO 20
70 PRINT a;
80 INPUT " :";b$
85 IF b$="END" THEN GO TO 200
90 IF LEN b$<>20 THEN GO TO 260
100 LET t=a-256*INT (a/256)
110 FOR n=0 TO 7
120 LET x$=b$(2*n+1 TO 2*n+1)
125 GO SUB 300: LET y=x
130 IF e=1 THEN GO TO 260
140 LET x$=b$(2*n+2 TO 2*n+2)
145 GO SUB 300: LET y=y*16+x
150 IF e=1 THEN GO TO 260
170 POKE a,y: LET a=a+1
180 LET t=t+y: NEXT n: LET y=0
190 FOR m=1 TO 3
200 LET x$=b$(17+m TO 17+m)
205 GO SUB 300: LET y=y*16+x
210 IF e=1 THEN LET a=a-1: GO TO 260
220 NEXT m
230 IF t=y THEN PRINT ":";b$: GO TO 50
240 PRINT "Checksum Error"
250 LET a=a-8: GO TO 50
260 PRINT "Typing Error"
270 LET a=8*INT (a/8): GO TO 50
280 SAVE "download"CODE 60000,1156
290 POKE 23658,0: STOP
300 LET e=0: LET x=CODE x$-48-7*(x$>"9");
310 IF x<0 OR x>15 THEN LET e=1
320 RETURN
```

Figure 2. Spectrum.

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60000 :CD15EDC307ECCD15,4C7
60008 :EDCD36EDCD66EDCD,631
60016 :50EDCD47EE30FBCD,3AF
60024 :B8EDFE31CA99EA2E,69A
60032 :35C4B7EAC366EA2D,5D0
60040 :15ED3EFACD84EDCD,5FD
60048 :15EDC9CD15EDC364,553
60056 :EACD66ED11E5EE86,58C
60064 :603EFF1213E0FCCD,45B
60072 :15EE11CDEE06173E,3D2
60080 :20121310FCCD1FED,3DA
60088 :30F9CD50EDCD1FED,5BB
60096 :38FB3265EF3E0032,3E9
60104 :6CEF326FEF3270EF,544
60112 :3A65EFCDEBEC3A65,5A1
60120 :EFE6F0FE0020DEDE,627
60128 :0911A5EFCD:FEDDA,501
60136 :AAEA1312CDEBEC3D,552
60144 :20F23A69EFE68020,51A
60152 :0D21AB3C3A6BEFBE,36C
60160 :004709226BEF0E00,1DA
60168 :11CDEECD1FED389A,47F
60176 :12130CCDEBEC79FE,45C
60184 :1020F03A6BEFCD01,447
60192 :ECCD1FEDDAAAEA21,574
60200 :6FEFBE28133E5811,326
60208 :E0EE12133E00:2CD,340
60216 :D7ECCDA6ECC3AAEA,6B:
60224 :CD1FEDDAAAEA2170,518
60232 :EFBE28E121E5EE3A,524
60240 :6BEFB56F3E0008C67,3CC
60248 :3E0008E2008CDDFEC,40F
60256 :3E2132B85CC3FFEE,402
60264 :3E00326FBF3270EF,3C7
60272 :ECD5B68EF0E00CD1F,40C
60280 :CDDAAACA3273CFCD,634
60288 :EBEC3A6BFFE0028,50e
60296 :053A69EFE6803A73,432
60304 :EF12130C3A6AEFB9,3FC
60312 :20DCCD1FEDDAAAEA,5DB
60320 :216FEFBEC22DEBCD,584
60328 :1FEDDAAAEA2170EF,5A2
60336 :BEC22DEB3E6F32E2,589
60344 :EE3E6332E3EE3E00,498
60352 :32E4EE3ABB5CFE21,581
60360 :2E03CD15EECDD7EC,553
60368 :CDA6EC21E5EE3A6E,5C5
60376 :EF856F3E008C6736,422
60384 :00221E5EEE04B66EF,561
60392 :0C7EFE00C2BDEA23,4FC
60400 :0120FF53EFACD94ED,5B9
60408 :3E01D3FEC366EACD,5E8
60416 :1FED36FDC3DDCDA73,524
60424 :0603AFD3FF10FB3E,3DB
60432 :40D3FF3EFFD3FF3E,56F
60440 :31D3FF3E0F328F5C,385
60448 :328D5C324B5C3E01,250
60456 :D3FE21915CCB9EFB,56B
60464 :CD50EDC366EACD15,52F
60472 :EECD66ED3E01D3FE,556
60480 :21E5EE3E00CDBFEC,442
60488 :CDE4ECCDA3ECCDA6,654
60496 :EC23CD77ECCD77EC,5BF
60504 :CDA0ECCDB4ECCDA6,661
60512 :CC233E0DCD0FECCD,4CF
60520 :84EC23CDA3ECC3E03,498
60528 :CDBFECCDB4ECC9CD,68B
60536 :A3EC3E07CD0FECCD,561
60544 :84EC23CD77FF00CA,520
60552 :CDEBED23C384ECFE,651
60560 :00C0F53E20CDB0ED,520
60568 :F13DC38FECCDA0EC,65D
60576 :CDA3ECCDA6EC3E0D,5A6
60584 :CDEBED3EFF32BC5C,574
60592 :C9F513E6F0CB1FCB,60C
60600 :1FCB1FCB1FF630FE,4CF
60608 :3AFAC6ECC6071213,498
60616 :F1E60FF630FE3AFA,606
60624 :D4ECC6071213C921,46C
60632 :CDEEE5CDB4ECE1:06,69C
60640 :173E2072310FC3E,339
60648 :0027C9E5217D0EF0E,53B
60656 :77C50E0B7EA7CB17,449
60664 :300D7EEE0E773A6F,3C9
60672 :EFEE10326FEF3721,3D5
60680 :6FEFCB1623CB160D,35B
60688 :23E2C1E1C9110501,394
60696 :216A00CD0503C93E,32F
60704 :963277EFCD47EED0A,529
60712 :2EEDF1C366EACDAC,5C0
60720 :ED7BE601F602D3FE,54B
60728 :AF2177EF3520237,2FC
60736 :C9CD77ED3BE8C9CD,6F0
60744 :47EEDBFEC9CB37C9,5E4
60752 :F5DBFF3AB1EFFE00,5C7
60760 :2B043E3618023E37,187
60768 :D3FFDB7FF1C9F53A,675
60776 :81EFFE0028043E36,376
60784 :D3FFCD50EDF:C93E,644
60792 :00DBFFE68037C8D8,5F
60800 :FFE60237C8DBFFE6,626
60808 :382004DB7FA7C93A,3E0
60816 :81EFFE0020043E37,397
60824 :1B023E36D3FFDB7F,452
60832 :C9CD47ED3A73EFD8,5DE
60840 :F1C3a6EAF53ED23D,5EE
60848 :20FDF1C9CDACED3D,62A
60856 :20FAC9CD5E5F5FE,79D
60864 :7F2013CDF9EDFE0C,537
60872 :200CFE0C20053E20,28A
60880 :D73E08D73A885CFE,4EB
60888 :2120033E08D73E5F,2E6
60896 :D73E08D7F1E1D1C1,640
60904 :D73E08D7F1E1D1C1,640
60912 :C9FE072B1CFECB28,4F3
60920 :19FE0C2B14FE0B28,388
60928 :10FE0D280CFE20FA,367
60936 :0FEEFE30F411EE3E,4BA
60944 :00C93E07C9CD680D,32C
60952 :3E02CD0116E3E832,1C4
60960 :B95CC93E121601CD,302
60968 :1122C93E121600CD,257
60976 :1122C93E5DE53E02,3EB
60984 :CD0116CD47EE3BFB,451
60992 :CD5CEEE1D1C1C93A,5CD
61000 :3B5CCB5F280C3A08,28F
61008 :5CF5213B5CCBAFF1,4C3
61016 :A7C93729F5111800,3DE
61024 :CD18ED21C9444F57,4D6
61032 :4E4C4F4144494E47,2B4
61040 :204D454E5520313120,216
61048 :2020524543454956,276
61056 :4500352020204570,217
61064 :697420746F204261,32B
61072 :7369632020205573,2DF
61080 :652053796D626F6C,393
61088 :2053686964722D20,30B
61096 :204700746F205265,2C9
61:04 :7475726E20746F20,39C
61:12 :4D454E5620202045,27B
61:20 :4E544552204E554D,309
61:28 :4245522000000000,1C1
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EXTENDED VIC BASIC

THE PROGRAM, when run, provides the Vic-20 with an extra 25 keywords where 23 are commands and two are functions. The extra commands utilise sound, colour and graphical aspects of the computer. There is a resolution of 160 by 192. Double height and user-definable graphics are catered for in the package. There is also a special key scanning function to allow multi-key input similar to the Inkey function on the BBC machine. Colour manipulation to produce animation is also a key feature. The use of tokenised keyboards results in no speed decrease.

A list of commands is provided on printer paper plus two demo programs, Poly Organ and Beekeeper. The demos contain no Pokes.

As the program is of total machine code it will be impossible to convert even to a machine like the CBM-64. Most computers anyway have a reasonably extensive Basic.

Loading — Press Shift Lock; press Run Stop; depress Shift Lock and press Play on tape.

The Extra commands:

■ **OPERATION MODES:** Each mode command initiliases the normal Vic-20 colour and sound channels.

MODE0 — sets the normal text screen.

MODE1 — sets normal screen with 192 definable characters.

MODE2 — sets the 15 line screen with double height characters.

MODE3 — sets the hires screen with 192 lines of 160 pixels.

■ **COLOUR COMMANDS:** all colour commands can be used in all modes.

INK x — sets the current ink colour to x (0-15). Values above 7 sets the multicolour mode.

AUX x — sets the auxilliary colour to x (0-15). For use in multicolour graphics.

VDU x,y — sets the screen colour to x (0-15) and the border colour to y (0-7).

GCOL x — changes each colour on the screen by x amount for example with GCOL1 black becomes white and white becomes red and yellow becomes black etc. GCOL7 reverses the process above the GCOL4 causes a flashing effect. Don't use with multicolour characters.

GCOL x,y — changes everything with colour x (0-15) to colour y (0-15).

■ **SOUND COMMANDS.**

VOL x — sets volume to level x (0-15).

CHAN x,y — sets sound channel x (0-3) to value y (0-255).

SOUND I,J,K,L — gets all four channels to the values of the variables.

■ **HI-RES COMMANDS.**

CLG — clears the hi-res screen.

SET x,y — plots a pixel at column x (0-159) and line 7 (0-191) in the current ink colour. The top left corner is the origin (0:0).

RESET x,y — unplots the pixel at column x (0-159) and line y (0-191).

■ **SCREEN COMMANDS.**

AT x,y puts cursor at column x (0-21) and line y (0-22). For use in modes 0-2.

CLS — clears text screen. Don't use in mode 3.

INV — inverts screen display. A second

Program 2.

```
0 SYS58648:PRINTCHR$(8)SPC(49)"P
LEASE WAIT !":S=0:A=36:B=8192:GO
SUB6:A=2:B=673:GOSUB6
1 IFS<>177116THENPRINT:PRINT"CHE
CK-SUM ERROR":PRINT:END
2 SYS680:SYS58648:POKE780,54:POK
E782,228:SYS51998:PRINT"  DFR EX
TENDED BASIC":PRINT
4 PRINTCHR$(157)(PEEK(644)-38)*2
56-1"BYTES FREE":POKE198,0:NEW
6 FORI=0TOA:READA$:FORJ=0T038:F=
(ASC(A$)-65)*26+ASC(MID$(A$,2))-
65:S=S+P
8 POKEB+I*39+J,P:A$=MID$(A$,3):N
EXT:NEXT:RETURN
200 DATA BGEUHPGEAFHDJRABJGDJHTB
IJGCTHTCNFOCMHTDNGUCIFCGVGGAAFEA
LCEJTJDBGJGATHTEYJGAWHH
201 DATA JDBGJGBNBWADIYIAJMIWALG
IGVGNHSHDJRABIYIAIQGKGVGJALAYEBH
WGBJRABHSIYHDJRABGBJRAB
202 DATA IAJMGIGVHSIAGUHSHDJRABJ
GAGHTBIIAJMJGJHDSAIHTJVJGBQBKAPB
WBMHTHWFOBIBOCEIZHVGOFC
203 DATA CVGEJVHUJGAIHSHDJDBGAQJ
QBWJLHSHDJDBGBWAFBGICJVIAJLCYJFH
QBOCYBAHRGEABGVESHTHWFO
204 DATA AZHTITGUAVCEIZHVAKGMHDH
CBGFDJSHDHBBGFDJRBGGFACEEJRAADSA
HHZDABHAWBIBBBIBEBIBHBI
205 DATA BTBICABICWBIDZBIERBIFEB
IFYBIAUBJCABJFDBJFYBJHFBJHRBJIMB
JITBJJCBJJQBJBABKIEBKCC
206 DATA BLAHHZCZDBCQHPCPCYHMCPC
YIDCPCYHRCNIECVDAHVCNDHIIDICQIFD
IDBHWCPCUCNHYDFDBDHDAHO
207 DATA DFCRIEDEDFCRIECTCPDBHWC
JCNCYIEDHCQHRCPCUCNCVHYDCDHIEDED
CIECVDAIGDHDCIDCQDAIDIC
208 DATA CYCNCPHPCPCUCNICCXCRIJA
AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAEGAYIVBGIAA
CHTAAIAABDSHTABIABSGNAA
209 DATA GMFDDJFDDLGNAUFDDKGNEYF
DDMGVDLFPDJHSIAJPIWDMGKDKIYFEDKI
QEGIAJEGNAIBGCOIXGNHXFL
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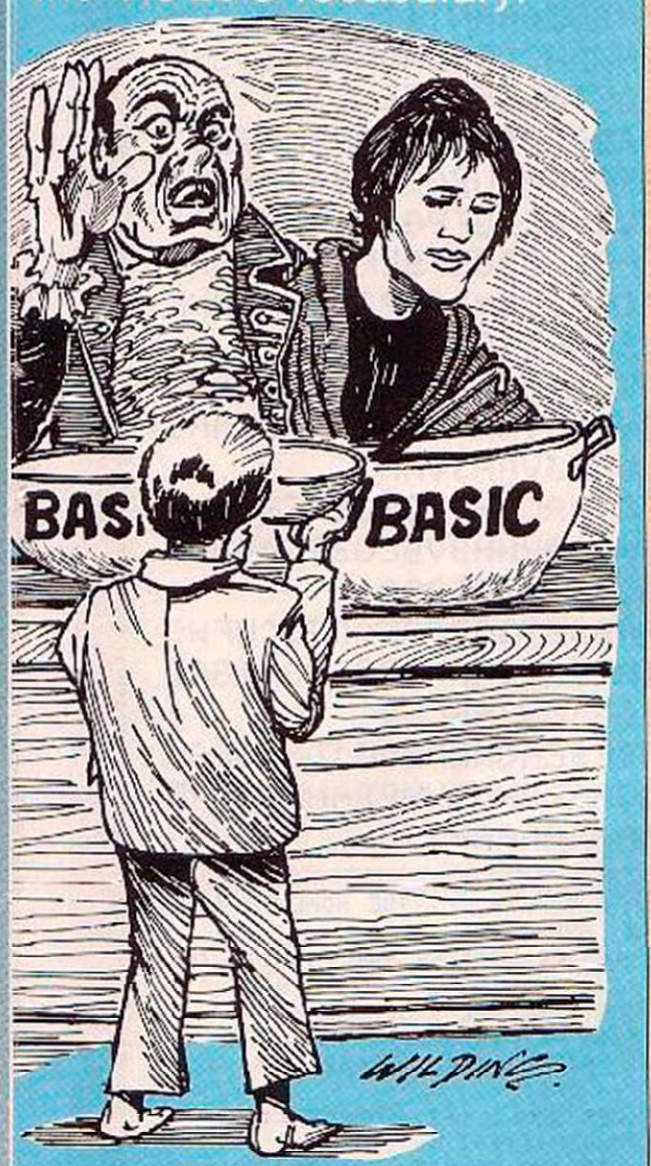
David Redmond expands the Vic-20's vocabulary.



Sir, can I have some more.

INV normalises screen.

PLACE k,c,x,y — Puts screen code character k on the screen with colour c at column x and line y. It will accept any multiple o of for parameters. It works in all modes but the screen in mode 3 is treated as 20 columns. To get lower case characters in mode 3 use POKE 9329,136 and normal upper case is POKE 9329,128.

UPS x — scrolls screen upwards x times. Don't use in mode 3.

DNS x — scrolls screen down x times. Don't use in mode 3.

■ **OTHER COMMANDS.**

CLB — clears the keyboard buffer. Poke 198,0. Halt x stops program execution for x 60ths of a second so halt 30 will wait for ½ a second.

CHAIN — ends the program and loads and runs the next program on tape.

PUT x — outputs ascii characters x to the current output device. Can have any number of parameters eg. PUT8,14 locks Vic in lower case.

RPTx — repeat key facility

RPT0 — Normal

RPT64 — No keys repeat

RPT128 — All keys repeat

UDG I,J,K,L,M,N,O,P,Q — creates user defines character I (0-19) where I is in screen code. The remaining eight variables relate to the 8 lines of pixels. To redefine a double height character its screen code number must be multiplied by 2 for the value of I and then redefine two characters. Only the first 96 double height characters can be redefined.

KEY(x) — is a function and returns a value of either 0 or −1. If key x is down −1 is returned also 0 is returned. The value of x has to be in PEEK(197) key code. This sort of key testing allows multi key input.

IFKEY(X)THEN — tests for key x down.

IFNOTKEY(X)THEN — tests for key x up.

CHAR(x,y) — is a function and returns the screen code of the character at position x and y. Not for use in mode 3. Parameters in commands can be variables. Expressions. Formulae or even numbers.

To enter the program first save program 1 on tape then type in program 2. When it runs without an error message save it after program 1.

All commands can be placed within print statements between semicolons. If a command is entered directly from keyboard a syntax error might result. An extended basic command after a Then statement must be preceeded by a colon, for example:

IFX<160THEN:SETX,Y

Program 1.

```
2 POKE648,16:SYS58648:PRINTCHR$(
8)SPC(24)"PLEASE WAIT WHILST"SPC
(31)'LOADING"SPC(60)
4 POKE9728,0:POKE9730,0:POKE43,1
:POKE44,38:POKE45,3:POKE46,38:PO
KE198,1:POKE631,131
```

KEY CODE TABLE

C	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	x8
C	1	÷	1	#		$	Q	2
1	2	W	A	%	Z	S	E	4
2	5	R	D	X	C	F	T	6
3	7	Y	G	V	B	H	U	8
4	9	I	J	N	M	K	O	0
5	+	P	L	,	.	:	e	−
6	£	%	;	/	&	=	?	'
7	(	)	[	]	f1	f3	f5	f7

: = CTRL # = STOP $ = CBM / = LSHIFT
? = Uparrow ' = HOME (= DEL) = RTN
(= CRSR) = CRSD.
For example key H = 5×8+3 = 43
CTRL key = 2×8+C = 16

```
210 DATA AFFODSHTACIACTGNAAGMFDD
JFDDLGNAUFDDKGNEYFDDMGVDLFPDJHSF
PDJFGIWDLIAAJGKDMIYIQFE
211 DATA JGAOFEDMGJDJAYEBACFDDJF
OISAYIWDKFOINGNHXFLAFFOGNBFFLADF
OGNAYFLABFOGNAICYCOIXGG
212 DATA JVFIGBJGAPHUIQAPIAJNGNJ
GFDBMGNAGFDBNGNAAGMFPBMIWBMIAJQI
WBNGJBNHTBGIAJFGNAIBGCO
213 DATA IXGNHWFLAFFOGNAOFLAAFOG
NBJFLABFOGNAUFLACFOGNAZFLADFODSG
NAAFDHQDSCYDRIVCYIOBHBG
214 DATA IAACGMBGHXACGOAYCYAKIVB
GIAACFLFEACDSGRAOFOBPAPFDHNBGIAA
CBPAPAKAKAKAKAFHNFLAOFO
215 DATA DSBGIAACAKAKAKAKFDHNBGH
XACBPAHAFHNFDHNGRAPFOBPAIAFHNFLA
PFODSGRAOFOBPJGFDHNBGIA
216 DATA ACBPAPAFHNFLAOFODSBGIAA
CBPADGOBGHXACGEAKFODSBGIAACFLAKF
OGGAABGHXACGBALFOIYIQAD
217 DATA IAJLDSBGIAACFLJUACBGHXA
CFLJVACGNAQFDBNFDBPGRJUACCUCWCWC
WFDBMGRJVACCWCWCWCWAKAK
218 DATA AKAKCUFDDWCWCWAYDXDWDXB
MFDBMGEAAEAFDBQGJDXCEIVBQFJBOGNA
AGGAGAYEJBMFOACIWBPHUIA
219 DATA JMAYDXBOFDBOEABPAHCVAHG
OGNABHUBWAEAKAYFOJPJAJAARBOFPBOG
RJQBIHTJAIAAMGJBNAYEBFC
220 DATA FDBNGRFEACFPBMDSGNCVFLJ
QBIGNJVFLJRBIGNBXFLJSBIBGFYBIGNJ
AFLJQBIFLJRBIGNARFLJSBI
221 DATA DSBGIAACGOGEABGVESHTBSJ
GBEGNFSFDBNGNAAFDBMGGACGEAAGVBMA
YDXDXBPAHFPBMHSIAJKIWBN
222 DATA HUIAJDDSFIFDHNBGHXACGNF
SFDBNGNAAFDBMGGACGEAAGVBMBPAPHPH
NIAAEGJDXFPBMHSIAJHIWBN
223 DATA HUIAJADSBGIAACAYDXGGGOG
JDWDXGFGMIUGGIAJSHOGFIAJODSBGIAA
CCUCWCWCWCWAYEBAUFDBN
224 DATA EAAKAKAKFDBMGEAABGHXACF
PBMHSHKAIIAJMDSGNABFDHQGNFBFLEPA
CCYETHOBGIAACBGESJIGEAE
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225 DATA GVESHTBSIAAGBGHXACAYFOJ
FDSBGIAACFLFIACDSGRAPFOCVAIFLAPF
ODSBGIAACCUBGENIZEAGOHU
226 DATA FIIAJMDSBGIAACCUGJIGCUG
NJVFDIGGNIJFDGCBGJEIZEAFDIGGNFOF
DIJEAGOHUFIIAIUDSEQBGIA
227 DATA ACCUGRAFFOHTHWJGCOBGHXA
CCUGNAQFDGZBGHXACCUBGHXACGOEAIQA
AJGAKAYEBAWFOACIWGZHUIA
228 DATA JMFDGYFDBPGJGZAYE3FCFDB
QGEAAEAFPBPEAFPGYGEABGVESHTBSIAA
GEGEOAAAYFOGZDKDSEACUCW
229 DATA CWCWCWCWAYEBEYFDHOEAAKA
KAKFDHNBGHXACCUBGHXACFDBMGNFSFDB
NBGHXACCWGOGEAAAKHPDXJG
230 DATA ACGEAIFCHJHUBWANGNAUAYD
XBMFDBMFOACIWBNIAJGGEAAEAFPBMGJB
NCEIZFSFDBNGGAEAGBMBMBN
231 DATA HUIAJPGJBMAYDXHJFDBMGNA
RDXBNFDBNGEAHGVHNFPBMFGAQJPCYDKB
KBGJQHYBGGCIHFICUBGJTHY
232 DATA GNAAFDBMGNAQFDGZBGGCIHF
IGGAVAYDXDXFOACIWGZHUIAJMFDGYBGJ
NHYEAGMGVGYGMCYGGIDGNAA
233 DATA FDANBGEOAAHTITFOAUHTIVG
UAQCEIZHVAKGMHDHCBGCUHDHBBGCUCYE
OAAGJESIAACHQETHQESCYFE
234 DATA HYAABGDUBGIUHRAFBLEQBGJ
HHYGRBGFPCUGRBHFPCUBGGOIBGJDXCWC
WCWGOBGEPBLCVJVFLBGFPGJ
235 DATA DXBPAHGOBGEPBLFDEOGRBHF
PCVJVBLBOJGACGNJVGMBGFPIDEAFLBHF
PEAFLBGFPDKDSGNABIQAAJG
236 DATA AEAKHUIAJSDSCCBSAAJVAAJ
VAAJVAAJVAAJVAAJVAAJVAAJVAAJVAAJ
VAAJVAAJVAAJVAAJVAAJVAA
300 DATA IWESIAACIWETDSGGAFHHHUA
CGBELAAHUAQJNGGAHHHBVBLGBAEADHUA
QJNGNAQFLFGACCYAYIVAAAA
301 DATA AAAABGFTBGBGGFACFICUFWC
UBGGFACBGGCIHHTAAIAAMHPGBJGAIGGD
KGBAAACHUAQJQGJESIAACHQ
302 DATA ETHQESEAGMEAGOGJDXDSAAA
AAAAAAAAAAACGHOFBHOEUHPBAHRIUHRF
EHYAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAHJJA
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Demo orogram — Beekeeper.

```
10 GOSUB1000
15 GETK$:IFK$=""GOTO20
17 G=DX:H=DY:DX=(K$="■")-(K$="■"
):DY=(K$="A")-(K$="Z")
18 IFDX=0ANDDY=0THENDX=G:DY=H
20 I=X:X=X+DX:J=Y:Y=Y+DY:IFX<00R
X>21THENDX=-DX:X=I
25 IFY<20RY>14THENDY=-DY:Y=J
27 IFCHAR(X,Y)=36GOTO40
28 IFCHAR(X,Y)=35GOTO60
30 PLACE32,0,I,J,37,4,X,Y:GOTO15
40 S=S-1:FORZ=200TO175STEP-1:CHA
N2,Z:NEXT:CHAN2,0:IFS<0THENS=0
45 GOTO70
60 S=S+1:P=P+1:FORZ=225TO250:CHA
N2,Z:NEXT:CHAN2,0
70 PRINT"■"TAB(12)S"■ ":IFP<25GO
TO30
75 SOUND0,0,0,0
80 FORT=1TO20:FORZ=7TO0STEP-1:GC
OL1:VDU0,Z:CHAN2,128+Z-T*5:NEXTZ
,T:SOUND0,0,0,254
82 CLS:PRINTAT0,5"YOUR SCORE IS"
S"/ 25":FORV=15TO0STEP-.05:VOLV:
NEXT
85 INK0:PRINTAT0,8"ANOTHER GO ?
(Y/N)"
90 GCOL4:IFKEY(11)THENRUN
95 IFNOTKEY(28)THEN:HALT10:GOTO9
0
100 MODE0:CLB:END
1000 MODE2:UDG70,254,124,56,254,
130,170,170,170:UDG71,186,186,17
0,170,170,130,254,0
1001 UDG72,36,24,24,36,36,126,12
6,66:UDG73,66,126,126,36,36,24,2
4,36
1002 UDG74,0,126,129,165,165,165
,129,153:UDG75,153,129,129,189,1
53,129,126,0
1003 PRINT'  *** BEEKEEPER ***";
A"0,3;INK4"GET THE HONEY POTS ■#
■  AND AVOID THE ";
1005 PRINT"BEES ■$■.";AT0,6;INK2
"ONCE MOVING YOU CAN'T STOP.";AT
3,9;INK5"A/Z---UP/DOWN"
1010 PRINTAT3,10"CRSR--LEFT/RIGH
T";AT2,13;INK1;"PRESS CTRL TO GO
!":I=0
1015 GCOL1,1-I:IFNOTKEY(16)THEN:
HALT10:I=1-I:GOTO1015
1020 CLS:VDU0,0:PRINTTAB(6)"■SCO
RE: 0","_____":
FORI=0TO1:FORJ=1TO25
1025 X=INT(RND(1)*22):Y=INT(RND(
1)*13)+2:IFCHAR(X,Y)<>32OR(X=10A
NDY=7)GOTO1025
1030 PLACE35+I,6+I,X,Y:NEXTJ,I:X
=10:Y=7:DX=0:DY=0:P=0
1040 FORI=128TO254:VOLI/16:SOUND
I,I,I,0:NEXT:SOUND0,0,0,0:CLB:RE
TURN
```

Domo program — Poly organ.

```
10 GOSUB1000
20 X=0:FORI=0TO2:S(I)=0:A$(I)="
 ":NEXT
25 FORI=0TON:IFKEY(K(I))GOTO50
30 NEXT
35 O=12-O:VDU0,7
40 FORI=0TO2:CHANI,S(I):PRINTAT5
+I*5,8A$(I):NEXT:GOTO20
50 S(X)=A(I,X):A$(X)=N$(I):X=X+1
:IFX=3THENX=2
60 GOTO30
1000 MODE0:PUT8:VDU8,7:VOL8:O=8:
N=12:DIMA(N,2),K(N),S(2),N$(N),A
$(2)
1010 FORI=0TO12:FORJ=0TO2:READA(
I,J):NEXT:READK(I),N$(I):NEXT
1020 FORI=1TO8:INK1:FORJ=0TO5:PR
INTAT2+I*2+(I>3)+(I=8),15+J"■ ":
NEXT
1025 IFI<>3ANDI<>7ANDI<>8THENFOR
J=0TO3:INK0:PRINTAT2+I*2+1+(I>3)
,15+J;"■ ":NEXT
1030 NEXT:INK0:PRINTAT5,16;"■S■D
■■G■H■J";INK1;AT4,19;"■Z■X■C■V■B■
N■M<"
1040 PRINT"■■** POLYPHONIC ORGAN
 **":INK0:PRINTAT7,4"CHANNEL";AT
5,6"0    1    2":RETURN
2000 DATA223,191,128,33,"C ",225
,195,134,41,"C#",227,198,141,26,
"D ",228,201,147,18,"D#"
2002 DATA230,204,153,34,"E ",231
,207,159,27,"F ",232,210,164,19,
"F#",234,213,170,35,"G "
2005 DATA235,215,174,43,"G#",236
,217,179,28,"A "
2010 DATA237,219,183,20,"A#",238
,221,187,36,"B ",239,223,191,29,
"C "
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Program 2.

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60000 CD2A5671FD365338 = 915
60008 3E0C0E09B220CD6BD0 = 788
60016 FD2D0028551F96C01 = 987
60024 3D2ACD1220606E21 = 402
60032 6B6811220D3638219 = 371
60040 A0FBFD3655FE3EAB = 984
60048 D71E0AD73E16D7DD = 1022
60056 CB024E23083E4FD7 = 687
60064 3E4ED71B0DFD3555 = 784
60072 873E4FD73E46D73E = 889
60080 45D7FD3555E3A5E1A = 818
60088 D73E11D73E1BD72A = 855
60096 B48CED553871A7ED = 1170
60104 52CD176533E16D73E = 776
60112 12073E13D72A3E71 = 784
60120 CD1759FD3555538FD = 1032
60128 CB30ED5A7A9A10E = 949
60136 00212871ED5312E5 = 835
60144 110571F5ED5B2B2A = 708
60152 1A1E711B5E2B56EB = 647
60160 CD5132CD4A59CDAC = 1231
60168 21E819CDAA39CDEC = 1451
60176 69CD3569CDD26AD8 = 1077
60184 217A711A4071010B = 663
60192 20ED30CDB9920184 = 984
60200 0A1AD21AC3CDD8B = 544
60208 59CD9F0E5D1E1A3E = 1220
60216 08FE1520F4CD5603 = 1220
60224 CD883E11F71A7ED = 1119
60232 B2839E0771A3A71 = 564
60240 1114D21B3BD7ED5B = 453
60248 8D7113321B10600 = 501
60256 012AD2CD8B59060A = 499
60264 CDF559CD3555918A1 = 1041
60272 ED4B3E7178812819 = 844
60280 2A327111130011E5 = 495
60288 6E0D3E0114301CD1 = 908
60296 EB7333730B78B120 = 809
60304 EA2A3871E5111400 = 711
60312 19E5223871ED4B3271 = 668
60320 2A2B3671ED4B3271 = 711
60328 C1E1E5B9EDB83471 = 1248
60336 217271DE08EDB021 = 725
60344 7E710E08EDB0216D = 816
60352 710E02EDB0213871 = 744
60360 0E02EDB9EDB53471 = 914
60368 FD5B3A7121AF71FD = 1020
60376 4B6D71E0B0EDB338 = 1036
60384 712A3E7123223E71 = 574
60392 223871C3F7FED5E = 863
60400 3E7112A7EDB2223C = 755
60408 712A1A7177FD2A32 = 817
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60456 EB3E117AFE00200B = 680
60464 79FE01CA1068E511 = 946
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60480 536B719E223563ED = 790
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60504 D1EB01BEC533771 = 1134
60512 132A3671ED533671 = 715
60520 ED4B3C71EDB0ED53 = 1213
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60536 H/ED5EEDB2A3671 = 1196
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60584 1B0019E55E23562A = 529
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60600 6371EBA7ED52E8E5 = 1412
60608 111400A7ED52D1EB = 967
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60624 DBC33063E2A3E71C = 897
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60680 976908FE58C8FE52 = 1356
60688 20ECCD6569DAF6B = 1198
60696 E5D0737E0D771CE1 = 820
60704 210020C36A67DDCB = 861
60712 0296CD6B00FDCB02 = 935
60720 85ED4B3E712A3271 = 826
60728 2300CB02562814C5 = 804
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60832 061AFE5F2803BE20 = 640
60840 0723131C1F4E11803 = 573
60848 F1182811446E010F = 520
60856 0CCD3C2C5C540108 = 483
60864 0CCD3C2C3E06D7D5 = 793
60872 1153EE010F00CD3C = 491
60880 2CD1C106D0CD3C20 = 547
60888 3E0DC7FDC1F5FD87 = 952
60896 B3C7D87F1114A015 = 617
60904 3CFE16C218F1DC7E = 1068
60912 02EEE02DC77D2C911 = 802
60920 946CC12100CD8869 = 741
60928 CC97693803FE59C0 = 1055
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60952 6F01330CCD3D2005 = 456
60960 0F4AE214E71CDE46E = 837
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60976 1DC7FFC7E0541FD9 = 1156
60984 CDAFEB33EC3ECDC7 = 1266
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61000 1FBE20DDE31310F8 = 797
61008 3FB971FE4C2054117 = 819
61016 C65FC1550CDC9C20 = 826
61024 2118C1060A42CDF1 = 525
61032 3E0BCD1E7CDE4B6E = 937
61040 221BE1BF71CD2B66 = 749
61048 22E5111E70012E00 = 277
61056 CCABE9060ACD5769 = 878
61064 7A1C1E20E5D6D6014 = 96
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61984 E5C5060281F4D1C5 = 909
61992 E5115400CDB903E1 = 962
62000 C1116400C91CF0C1 = 784
62008 10E7C0E4C9060ACD = 1107
62016 440EC9FDCB02C8CD = 1144
62024 3C20FDCB02C8C9FD = 1136
62032 CB01AE7DFDC0165E = 1063
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62048 3FC9010C0C2216F71 = 716
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62160 2E6BFE08CA048BFE = 988
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62176 FE07CAFAFFFE0CC8 = 1129
62184 426BFE0C282CFE0E = 772
62192 202BF07E10EB20FD = 1001
62200 7700211787E0603 = 643
62208 FE7002C0E0C0609 = 573
62216 772310FC18FF007F = 985
62224 01FE0028C8FDCB30 = 807
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SPECT

Jon Ellis with a data handler that does away with arrays.

SECURIFILE IS A flexible machine-code data-handling program which illustrates the best of the different approaches to data storage.

Broadly speaking, most database programs for the Spectrum can be divided into three categories according to flexibility.

The first category are those programs designed for specific data, and require modification before the data can be altered. An example is a program I wrote to test all of our computer games and information about them such as their controls. The information was held in data lines, and was read as required.

When a new game needed to be added, the program had to be loaded, altered and then resaved. To alter the program so that it could store data on a subject such as a book collection, a major rewrite would be necessary. To a user who knew nothing about programming, the program would merely provide a fixed set of information with no scope of change.

The second category consists of programs which declare a large array at the beginning, and you input data into the elements of that array. These elements can then be sorted, listed, printed etc. The whole array can be saved on tape and reloaded when required. These programs have the major advantage in that data on any subject can be stored and handled. This means that two users can use the same program skeleton to handle wildly different sets of data.

There are, however, several major disadvantages of this approach: the form of each item is dictated at the beginning of the program by the dimensions of the array; the programs are often written in Basic and their sort routines are therefore slow; there is little scope for cross-referencing etc. When such programs are implemented on the Spectrum, another major disadvantage appears — they waste a lot of space. This is due to the way that the Spectrum handles both string and number arrays.

If there are any unused elements in an array then the Spectrum will fill these with either spaces or zeros as applicable.

This means that if one piece of data is significantly longer than the rest, the array will have to be dimensioned for the longest item, and so space will be wasted at the end of the other items. This bulking out is known as Procrustean assignment and is a prime example of fixed length record storage.

The programs in the third category do away with arrays and their accompanying disadvantages and use a variable length record system. This means that only the data is stored and little space is wasted. These programs are the most flexible, imposing few constraints on the data to be stored. These programs are, however, difficult to write, especially in Basic.

To design a database system we should look at the features we would like it to have. Some of the factors to be taken into consideration are:

'RUM SECURIFILE

Bearing in mind all these points, I developed Securifile.

Securifile would be included in category three. It uses a variable-length record storage technique to provide many facilities in a memory-efficient fashion.

Securifile is a reasonably large program as far as typing in goes, 4040 bytes of machine code and data, starting from 25000. This leaves only 2925 bytes available for data on a 16K Spectrum, but a massive 35693 bytes are free on a 48K Spectrum. You need a 48K Spectrum to enter Securifile from the listings, but tape copies will run quite happily on the 16K machine. Tape copies of Securifile are available from the author at 29 Ashridge Drive, Bricket Wood, St. Albans, Herfortshire, AL2 3SR for £3.75.

To enter Securifile from the listing, you should type in and run listing 1. This will prompt you for the bytes from listing 2 which you should enter in the rows, entering the checksum when prompted. The checksum should catch most typing errors. When finished the program will save the object code onto tape. Type New and then enter and run listing 3. This will relocate the code down to 25000.

Type New and enter listing 4. Place a blank tape into the recorder and type

SAVE "SECURI-FILE" LINE 10

This program should be verified. Now type

SAVE "SECUR CODE" CODE 25000,4040

and then verify the code block also. Now type

RANDOMIZE USR 25000

and the menu should appear on the screen.

Once you have got a working copy of Securifile you should load it up and then read through this section carefully, trying out any points that you do not follow on the program.

Securifile offers 14 functions from a menu, each of which being accessed by pressing the key indicated in red on the menu. Before going on to the detailed breakdown of each function, some explanation of various features of the program is necessary. These features are not actually functions, merely subroutines which are used by several functions.

The screen editor: This is a major routine used by the add item and change item functions to allow you to input an item to the file. The editor presents you with a screen and a cursor which may be moved around using the keys 5, 6, 7 and 8 with Caps Shift. At the top of the screen there is a space for you to put the key field — KF — of your item, and also a space for the tag field — TF. To move the cursor up to the top line, you will have to place it below one of these spaces and then press up.

Caps Shift 2 will change the state of the Caps Lock, indicated by the bar in the top right corner — green = Caps Lock on, blue = off. Caps Shift 1 will wipe the screen, giving you a blank page. This function is queried. To place a character at the current cursor position, just type the appropriate character. To delete a character, move the cursor to the offending character and type a space over the top. Characters such as [which were previously obtained using extended mode, are now available using symbol shift and the appropriate key — © is symbol shift Q.

The following characters should not be used in either the key field or the tag field, although they may be used freely within the item itself: ©, |, \, [,], {, }, _.

Querying: Drastic instructions are queried by the message "Are you sure? Y/N". Only if you press Y will the instruction be executed, any other key results in the instruction being disregarded.

- Memory consumption. The program should be as small as possible, maximising space available for the data, which itself should be stored as efficiently as possible.
- As few constraints on the makeup of the file as is possible. The database should be able to handle items of different formats within the same file.
- The program should offer the following basic functions:
  i) The ability to append an item to the file.
  ii) The ability to delete an item from the file.
  iii) The ability to edit an item.
  iv) The ability to store the file on some backup storage — tape, Microdrive
  v) The ability to list the items.
  vi) The ability to sort into alphabetical order.
- A more advanced database program might also provide some extra features such as cross-referencing between items, printer compatibility, a choice of storage media, sublist extraction, file security, network communications using the ZX Net.

Program 1.

```
  5 CLEAR 59999
 10 DEF FN h(h$ )=16* (CODE h$(1
)-48-(7 AND h$(1)>"9"))+CODE h$(2
)-48-(7 AND h$(2)>"9")
 20 INPUT "Start ";s
 30 INPUT "Finish ";f
 40 FOR n=s TO f STEP 8
 50 LET t=0: PRINT n;" ";
 60 INPUT h$: PRINT h$;
 70 LET x=0
 80 FOR b=1 TO LEN h$ STEP 2
 90 LET z=FN h(h$): LET t=t
+z
100 POKE n+x,z
110 LET h$=h$(3 TO ): LET x=x+1
120 NEXT b
130 PRINT " = "; INPUT t: PRIN
T t
140 IF t<>t THEN PRINT "input
error - try again": GO TO 50
150 NEXT n
160 SAVE "SEC OBJ 1"CODE 50000,
4040
```

Program 3.

```
 50 CLEAR 24999
 60 FOR F=40000 TO 40011
 70 READ A: POKE F,A
 80 NEXT F
 90 RANDOMIZE USR 40000
100 DATA 1,200,15,17,168,97,33
,96,234,237,176,201
```

Program 4.

```
 50 POKE 23693,71: BORDER 0: CL
EAR 24999
 60 PRINT AT 11,5; INK 0; PAPER
 6;"SECURIFILE is loading"
 70 LOAD "SECUR CODE"CODE 25000
 80 RANDOMIZE USR 25000
```

Input of keyfields etc: There will be many times when Securifile wants a piece of information such as the key field of an item to be deleted, or the filename for a cassette save. At these times you will be prompted to enter the information. The characters that you type will be printed on the screen.

All of this input is in lower case, to obtain capitals you will have to use the Caps Shift key as on a typewriter, there is no Caps Lock. You may use delete — Caps 0 — to correct a mistake. Any spare places should be bulked out with spaces.

Break can be pressed at almost any time, and it will abort the function, returning you to the menu. However, Break should not be pressed while a tape function is in operation,

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indicated by the flashing blue/red border or the blue/yellow lines. This could result in the corruption of your file.

The report "Tape recovery error" which may occur during the load, save and header reading functions is slightly ambiguous. It may mean either of two things: the program is expecting a header block and has read some other tape block by mistake, or that there has been a genuine tape error.

The menu gives the following functions:

1) Add an item. When you select this function you are presented with a blank screen and the cursor of the screen editor. When you have finished making up your item you should move the cursor to the last character and press Enter. If the key field of the new item is already that of an existing item then the program will present you with a choice of changing the new item's key field — press C — or deleting the old item — Press D.

2) Change an item. Apart from the fact that this function will prompt for a key field, and will then display that item, this is the same as the add item function in operation.

3) Delete an item. This function prompts for a key field of an item, and will delete it from the file if it exists.

4) Extract sublist. This is possibly the most powerful function of Securifile. When you select this function it will prompt for the tag field pattern that quality an item for being part of the sublist. This is best explained by means of an example:

Suppose that your file consists of a mixture of bills for the past three years. The bills are for electricity, gas and water. You have decided that the first character of the tag field on any item will be either E, G or W — depending on the subject of the bill — the second and third characters will indicate the month of receipt of the bill — e.g. May = 05, November = 11 — and the fourth and fifth characters will denote the year e.g. 84. The remaining three characters will be undefined. Now, using this function you could ask for a list of all gas bills by using the search pattern G_____. The _ character indicates that that particular character in the pattern is not significant.

To extract a list of all bills in June, the pattern would be _06_____. All bills in June 1984 would require the pattern _0684_____. Note that the pattern of eight _ characters is the equivalent of listing all items. When either the screen is full, or the list is complete, the program will wait for you to press X before continuing.

5) Header catalogue. For security Securifile stores its files on tape using a non-standard format, which is however, quite similar to that used for saving programs on tape — a short header block containing the program filename, followed by a block containing the program proper. This function will read the header blocks created by the Securifile save routine.

It will print the filename of that file on tape, this being the name you must quote in order to load that file, and may also print Locked underneath the filename. This indicates that the password security option is locking that file, and that you will need to know the correct password in order to load the file.

6) Key field sort. This function sorts the list of key fields into alphabetical order.

7) List items. This function lists the key field and tag field of every item in the file, pausing after each screen for you to inspect the list. Press X to continue listing.

8) Printer toggle. This function toggles the printer option between On and Off. If the printer toggle is On then output from the following functions is also dumpted to the ZX Printer: Extract sublist, List items, View items.

9) Quit. This function is queried before Securifile and control is returned non-destructively to Basic.

10) Recover file from tape. This option allows you to reload a previously saved file from tape. It will prompt for the 10-character filename that the file was saved under. You should use the header catalogue function to find the exact filename if you cannot remember it. The specified header will then be loaded.

If the file is locked you will have to stop the tape and enter the correct 10-letter password before the program will load the rest of the file. Unprotected files will load straight through without stopping.

11) Save file onto tape. This option allows the current file to be saved on tape. It prompts for a 10-character filename under which the file is to be saved. The program then asks if you want to restrict access to the file. If you press "Y" then you will be prompted for a 10-character password which will secure that file. When you have entered this, or if you choose to have an unprotected file, the program will display the message "Ready tape & press any key".

You should set up the recorder and start the tape recording before pressing a key. The file saves in two bursts with about a two second gap between them. The file is saved in a coded form. After saving the program will ask you to rewind the tape and press V when ready, the file will then be verified. A successful verification is indicated by a return to the menu. An unsuccessful verification will display the message "Tape recovery error". Rewind and try again.

12) Tag field sort. This function sorts the items in the file into alphabetical order by their tag fields.

13) View item. This option will prompt for the key field of the item to be displayed, and will show the whole item on the screen if it exists.

14) Wipe file. This option is queried and if executed will wipe the current file, returning the internal pointers to their original positions. ■

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52232: DECD9568092F270 = 1271
52240: 010800ED81200921 = 520
52248: FD70097EFE002899 = 947
52256: FE2038955F3E1607 = 885
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52272: 7BD7CD9568CD826B = 1241
52280: 73CD9568DD7E01FE = 1178
52288: 002820DD7E00FE1F = 704
52296: 2805DD3401821DD = 596
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52312: 01FE162013DD3601 = 604
52320: 011800DD7E00FECA = 649
52328: 38E02804FE1638DA = 874
52336: CD9568CD716BCD55 = 1133
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54008: 3930303938373635 = 428
54016: 3433323155565F57 = 555
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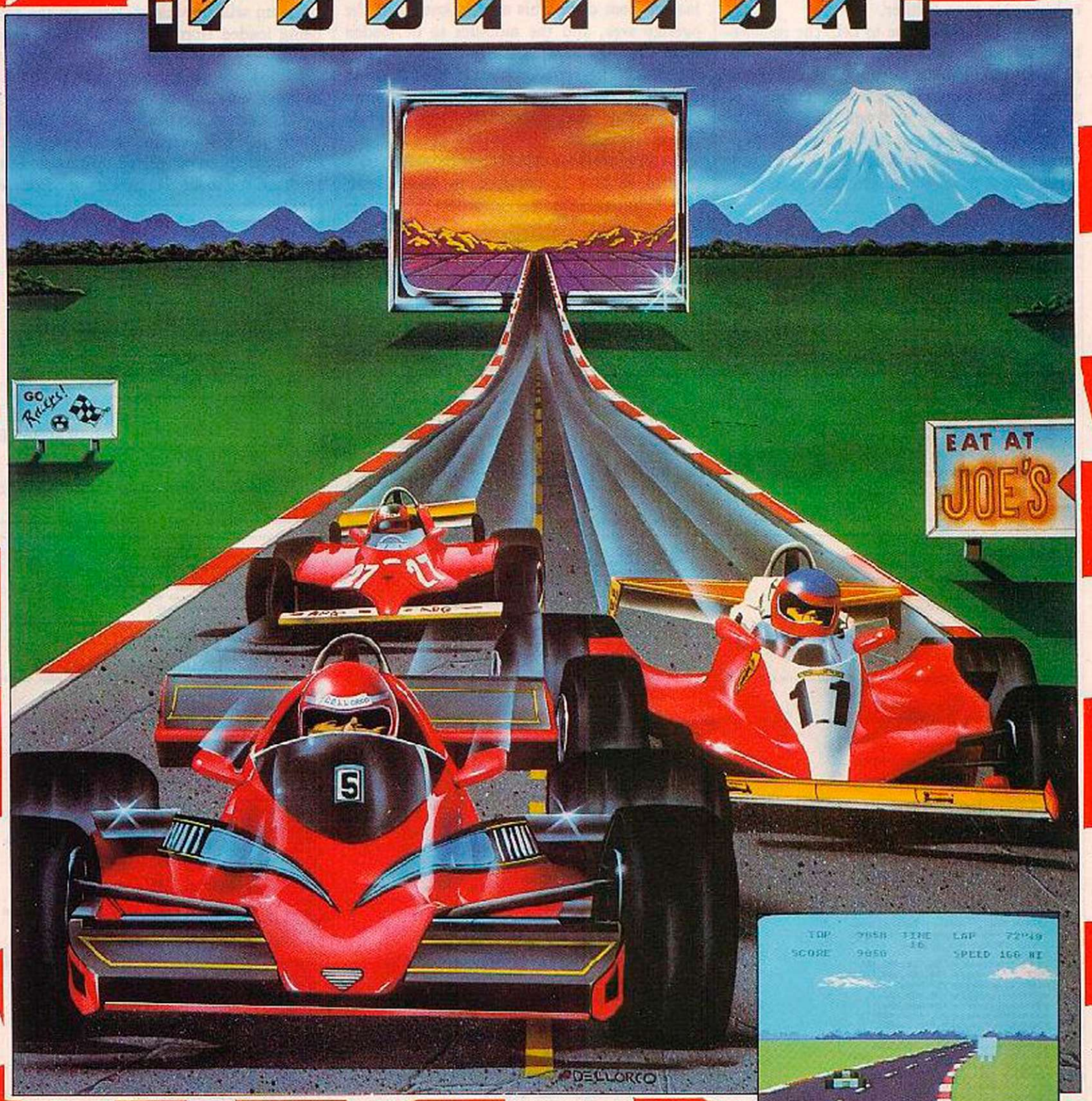

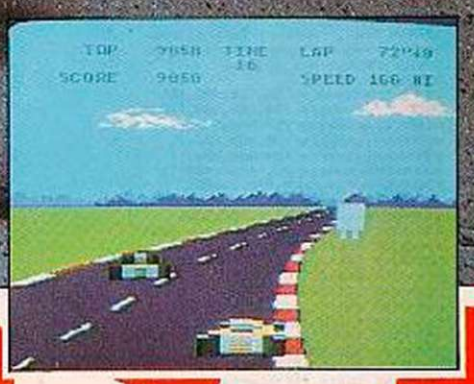

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P Andrews squeezes more into the BBC.

THE BBC COMPUTER is a sophisticated machine with many facilities including an excellent Basic interpreter which sets it apart from most other home computers. The main limitation of the machine is the restriction of having only 32K of Ram. Cassette-based machines have about 27K bytes available to Basic when using Mode 7, but disc-based machines have only 25K because the Disc Filing System — DFS — claims about 2.75K for workspace. Using any other screen mode reduces this even further.

Very little can be done to help the cassette-based owner, but it is possible for a BBC computer with disc drive to run a Basic program whose size is limited only by the capacity of the floppy disc being used and the skill of the programmer. The way to achieve this apparently impossible task is to split the program into a number of separate modules — which every programmer should do anyway — and store them on a floppy disc.

The separate modules are only loaded into memory when required and so the modules not being used do not occupy any store Ram. An area of Ram is set aside for the program modules to occupy when they are called and loaded from disc. This area is known as the overlay area, and the modules to be loaded from disc to this area are known as overlay modules. The term overlay is used because when a module is called it is "overlaid" onto the overlay area overwriting any module previously called.

Because modules will overwrite each other a control section is required to ensure that overlay modules are loaded whenever they are required. A routine called the overlay handler is used to control the loading of overlay modules.

As well as the overlay handler a section of code will always be present in Ram. This constitutes the main program and will contain the main body of the program and any routines which are frequently called. It is unwise — unless absolutely necessary — to put frequently called routines into an overlay since the program will be slowed down by the routine being loaded from disc many times over.

Figure 1 shows the memory map for a typical Basic program. Figure 2 shows the memory map for an overlaid Basic program. Since Lomem indicates to the interpreter where all identifiers are to be stored then the overlay area can be created by moving Lomem to make room for the overlay modules to be

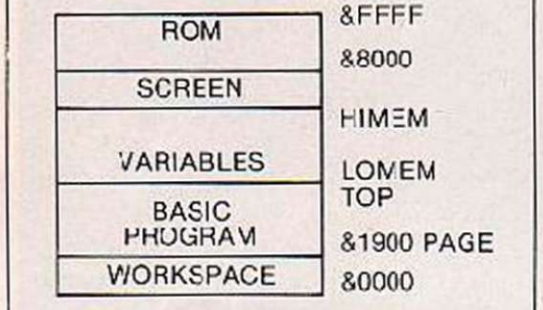

Figure 1. Memory map for a typical Basic program.

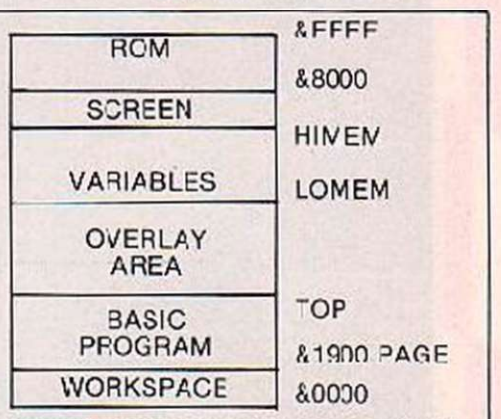

Figure 2. Memory map for an overlaid Basic program.

Listing 1.

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10REM BBC Overlay Handler Demonstration
20REM by P. Andrews Apr.1 1984.
30IF PAGE<>&1900 THEN PAGE=&1900:CHAIN"ROOT"
40ON ERROR MODE 7:REPORT:PRINT " AT ";ERL:END
50*OPT 1,0
60:
70REM set up size of overlay area.
80:
90DX%=1200
100:
110REM set up pointer to start of overlay area.
120:
130DX%=LOMEM-2
140:
150REM reserve space for overlay area.
160:
170LOMEM=LOMEM+DX%
180:
190PROC:initialise_overlay_handler
200:
210MODE 4
220:
230PROCscreen_display
240:
250PROCwindow(0,31,39,26,0,3,TRUE
260:
270PROCroot_routine
280:
290PRINT #1;0$
300VDU7:PRINT "--End of demonstration--"
310PRINT "Use CHAIN not RUN to try again!."
320STOP
330:
340REM**************************
350REM Root Procedure Definitions.
360REM**************************
370DEF PROCscreen_display
380VDU 19,0,4;0;
390PROCrectangle(750,300,800,350)
400PROCrectangle(750,600,300,700)
410PROCrectangle(750,700,1,700)
420PROCrectangle(100,600,250,1)
430PROCrectangle(400,600,250,1)
440PROCrectangle(32,495,1,400)
450PROCrectangle(0,975,1,600)
460PROCellipse(0,-P.250,600)
470PROCellipse(2*PI,4,250,950)
480PRINT TAB(0,0)"Max overlay nest"
490PRINT TAB(18,0)"0"
500PRINT TAB(24,2);"Variables"
510PRINT TAB(26,18)"Root"
520PRINT TAB(35,12)"OP"
530PRINT TAB(35,11)"&";~TOP
540PRINT TAB(35,20)"&";~PAGE
550PRINT TAB(35,21)"PAGE"
560PRINT TAB(35,1)"&";~LOMEM
570PRINT TAB(35,2)"LOMEM"
580PRINT TAB(1,15)"Overlay nesting"
590PRINT TAB(5,5:"Disc"
600PRINT TAB(4,0"OVER1";TAB(4,10)"OVE32"
610f1b0$=CHR$(17+CHR$(1)+CHR$(17)+CHR$(128)
620f0b1$=CHR$(17+CHR$(0)+CHR$(17)+CHR$(129)
630ENDPROC
640REM**************************
650DEFPROCellipse(start,end,x,y)
660LOCAL step,angle
670MOVE x+150,y
680step=(end-start)/30
690FOR angle=start TO end STEP step
700DRAW x+150*COS(angle),y+45*SIN(angle)
710NEXT
720ENDPROC
730REM**************************
740DEFPROCrectangle(x,y,height,width)
750MOVE x,y
760DRAW x+width,y
770DRAW x+width,y+height
780DRAW x,y+height
790DRAW x,y
800ENDPROC
810REM**************************
820DEFPROCmovestring(x1,x2,y,s$)
830LOCAL x,step
840PROCwindow(x2-1,19,x2+7,6,1,0,TRUE)
850x1=x1*32:x2=x2*32:y=1023-y*32
860VDU5
870COL 0,1
880MOVE x1,y:PRINT s$
890FOR x=x1 TO x2-32 STEP 32
900TIME=0:REPEAT UNTIL TIME>5
910COL 3,1
920MOVE x,y
930PRINT s$:MOVE x+32,y:COL 0,1:PRINT s$
940NEXT
950MOVE x1,y:PRINT s$
960PROCrectangle(400,600,250,1)
970PROCrectangle(750,300,800,350)
980COL 0,1
990VDU4
1000ENDPROC
1010REM**************************
1020DEF PROCroot_routine
1030LOCAL reply$,overlay_number
1040PRINT '"In0$;" Root ";~@%
1050REPEAT
1060REPEAT
1070PRINT "Type :-"
1080PRINT "RETURN to exit this demonstration, or'
1090PRINT "1A,1B or 2A to enter another routine"
1100INPUT reply$
1110UNTIL reply$="1A" OR reply$="1B" OR reply$="2A" O
R reply$=""
1120IF reply$="" THEN 1170
1130overlay_number=EVAL(MID$(reply$,1,1))
1140PROCo("routine"+reply$+"!""ROOT"")",overlay_numbe
r)
1150PRINT '"In0$;" Root ";~@%;
1160PRINT " return from overlay call"
1170UNTIL reply$=""
1180ENDPROC
1190REM**************************
1200DEFPROCwindow(x1,y1,x2,y2,f,b,clear_flag)
1210VDU 28,x1,y1,x2,y2
1220COLOUR f
1230COLOUR b+128
1240IF clear_flag THEN CLS
1250ENDPROC
1260REM**************************
1270REM Overlay handler routines
1280REM**************************
1290DEFPROCinitialise_overlay_handler
1300max_nest=0:root=255:this_ov=255:max_depth=0
1310DIM oscstr 15,ov_nms: no_nest
1320ov_idx=0:ov_nest?0=root
1330ENDPROC
1340REM**************************
1350DEFFNom(str%,ov_call$,ov_no)
1360REM routine to load overlay.
1370LOCAL ret,ret$
1380IF ov_idx>=max_nest THEN VDU 7,7,?:GOTO 1610
1390IF ov_no<0 OR ov_no>255 THEN PRINT "Illega. overl
ay":STOP
1400ov_idx=ov_idx+1
1410IF ov_idx>max_depth THEN max_depth=ov_idx
1420PROCwindow(18,0,19,0,1,0,TRUE)
1430PRINT ;max_depth;
1440ov_nest?ov_idx=ov_no
1450IF this_ov=ov_no THEN 1500
1460REM the overlay must be loaded into store.
1470PROCmovestring(4,25,&+2*ov_no,"OVER"+STR$(ov_no))
1480PROCosc_command("LOAD over"+STR$(ov_no)+" "+STR$~
(DX%))
1490this_ov=ov_no
1500PROCwindow(1,26,22,16,1,0,FALSE)
1510PRINT TAB(0,ov_idx)ov_call$
1520PROCwindow(0,31,39,26,0,1,TRUE)
1530IF str% THEN ret$=EVAL("FN"+ov_call$) ELSE ret=EV
AL("FN"+ov_call$)
1540PROCwindow(1,26,22,16+ov_idx,1,0,TRUE)
1550ov_idx=ov_idx-1
1560REM need to load overlay?
1570IF ov_nest?ov_idx=this_ov THEN 1630
1580this_ov=ov_nest?(ov_idx)
1590IF this_ov=root THEN this_ov=ov_nest?(ov_idx+1):G
OTO1630:REM return to root.
1600REM need to load previous overlay.
1610PROCmovestring(4,25,&+2*this_ov,"OVER"+STR$(this_
ov))
1620PROCosc_command('LOAD over"+STR$(this_ov)+" "+STR
$~(DX%))
1630PROCwindow(0,31,39,26,0,1,TRUE)
1640IF str% THEN =ret$ ELSE =ret
1650REM**************************
1660DEFFNo(ov_call$,ov_no)
1670=FNom(FALSE,ov_call$,ov_no)
1680REM**************************
1690DEFFNso ov_call$,ov_no)
1700=FNom(TRUE,ov_call$,ov_no)
1710REM**************************
1720DEFPROCc(ov_call$,ov_no)
1730LOCAL t
1740t=FNom(FALSE,ov_call$,ov_no)
1750ENDPROC
1760REM**************************
1770DEFPROCosc_command(command$)
1780REM Proc. to achieve *LOAD
1790oscstr = command$
1800X%=oscstr MOD 256
1810Y%=oscstr DIV 256
1820CALL &FFF7
1830ENDPROC
1840REM----------End of Root----------
```

loaded from disc. Although the overlay scheme can save the space occupied by a Basic program it cannot easily be used to save the space used by variables.

Each overlay module may contain several separate routines. To use any of the routines the overlay module in which they are contained must be present in store. If the module must be continually loaded this will be slow; conversely if already loaded then access will be fast. The program will run faster if those routines which are called in sequence are put into the same module wherever possible.

In BBC Basic two types of overlay routine are possible — functions and procedures. The overlay handler must intercept function and procedure calls to overlay routines in order to ensure that the correct module is loaded. Also the handler must know which overlay module contains the routine being called.

To ensure that the modules are loaded correctly all overlay routines must be accessed via the overlay handler. The handler calls the routines once loaded by using the Eval function. To make this possible the call to an overlay routine is made by calling the handler with a string as a parameter containing a call to the routine. A second parameter gives the number of the module within which the routine is stored. Overlay modules are numbered sequentially starting from one and are kept on disc as a series of Basic files Over1, Over2 and so on.

Three separate routines are provided to allow overlay routines to be called. Each routine ensures that the correct overlay module is present in store before the overlay routine is actually called. The string parameter containing the routine call need not normally contain the FN or Proc keywords.

For procedures use: PROCo ("the text of procedure call" overlay module number). For example:

PROCo ("initialise routine", 1)

For numerical functions use FNo ("text of function call", overlay module number). For example:

LET sum = FNo ("difference(a – 6)",2)

For string functions use FNs ("text of function call", overlay module number). For example:

LET x$ = x$ + FNs ("string function (" "BBC" ")",2)

Because the handler calls the overlay routines using Eval it is not possible to code procedures in the normal way. Where an overlay routine is used as a procedure then "Def Proc" should be replaced by "Def FN" and "Endproc" should be replaced by "=0".

Any parameters can be passed to the overlay routines but care is required for string constants. Because a string constant uses quotes any string parameter passed to the overlay routine must have the quote characters put in pairs otherwise they will be taken as being the end of the string. For example a string function normally called using 'FNroutine("string")' when not using overlays might be called using the overlay manager as 'FNSo("routine(" "string" "")",1'.

Most overlay routine calls involve only a single function and so rather than supply the "FN" keyword as the first characters in the parameter string the overlay manager will insert these before calling the Eval function. This saves two bytes per call. If a second function is to be called at the same time then the FN keywords must be added to the function name. If the function is overlaid a nested call to the overlay handler is necessary. For example function funa exists in overlay 1 and function funb exists in overlay 2; func and fund are in the Root. An overlaid function call with both functions could be made with:

```
10 LET x = func + FNo("funa + 2 * FNo
(" "funb" ",2) + FNfund",1)
```

Listing 1 contains a demonstration root and overlay handler. Listings 2 and 3 contain the code for overlay modules 1 and 2. Type in each listing and save each program as "Root", "Over1" and "Over2" repsectively. The demonstration shows on the screen the loading of overlay modules from disc and the nested calls being processed. To run the demonstration type Chain "Root".

Examine the demonstration listing. When you are familiar with its operation you can use listing 4 which is the overlay handler to be incorporated in your own programs. The handler in the demonstration should not be

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Listing 2.

```
5000REM--------------------
5010REM Overlay area 1.
5020REM  -routine1A
5030REM  -routine1B
5040REM--------------------
5050DEF FNroutine1A(G$)
5060LOCAL reply$, overlay_number
5070PRINT '"f1b0$;" 1A "';f0b1$;" called from ";f1b0$;s
$;f0b1$
5080REPEAT
5090REPEAT
5100PRINT "Type :-"
5110PRINT "RETURN to exit this overlay routine, or"
5120PRINT "1A,1B or 2A to enter another routine"
5130INPUT reply$
5140UNTIL reply$="1A" OR reply$="1B" OR reply$="2A" O
R reply$=""
5150IF reply$="" THEN 5180
5160overlay_number=EVAL(MID$(reply$,1,1))
5170PROCo("routine"+reply$+"(""routine1A"")",overlay_
number)
5180PRINT f1b0$;" 1A ";f0b1$;" return from overlay ca
ll"
5190UNTIL reply$=""
5200REM exit from overlay routine
5210=0
5220REM====================
5230DEF FNroutine1B(a$)
5240LOCAL reply$, overlay_number
5250PRINT '"f1b0$;" 1B "';f0b1$;" called from ";f1b0$;s
$;f0b1$
5260REPEAT
5270REPEAT
5280PRINT "Type :-"
5290PRINT "RETURN to exit this overlay routine, or"
5300PRINT "1A,1B or 2A to enter another routine"
5310INPUT reply$
5320UNTIL reply$="1A" OR reply$="1B" OR reply$="2A" O
R reply$=""
5330IF reply$="" THEN 5370
5340overlay_number=EVAL(MID$(reply$,1,1))
5350PROCo("routine"+reply$+"(""routine1B"")",overlay_
number)
5360PRINT f1b0$;" 1B "';f0b1$;" return from overlay ca
ll"
5370UNTIL reply$=""
5380REM exit from overlay routine
5390=0
5400REM====End of Overlay area 1
```

Listing 3.

```
5000REM======================
5010REM Overlay area 2.
5020REM  -routine2A
5030REM----------------------
5040DEF FNroutine2A(s$)
5050LOCAL reply$,overlay_number
5060PRINT '"f1b0$;" 2A ";f0b1$;' called from ";f1b0$;s
$;f0b1$
5070REPEAT
5080REPEAT
5090PRINT "Type :-"
5100PRINT "RETURN to exit this overlay routine, or"
5110PRINT "1A,1B or 2A to enter another routine"
5120INPUT reply$
5130UNTIL reply$="1A" OR reply$="1B" OR reply$="2A" O
R reply$=""
5140IF reply$="" THEN 5180
5150overlay_number=EVAL(MID$(reply$,1,1))
5160PROCo("routine"+reply$+"(""routine2A"")",overlay_
number)
5170PRINT f1b0$;" 2A ";f0b1$;' return from overlay ca
ll"
5180UNTIL reply$=""
5190REM exit from overlay routine
5200=0
5210REM====End of Overlay area 2
>
```

Listing 4.

```
10REM BEC Overlay Handler Demonstration
20REM by P. Andrews April 1984.
30IF PAGE<>&1900 THEN PAGE=&1900:CHAIN"ROOT"
40ON ERROR MODE 7:REPORT:PRINT " AT ";ERL:END
50*OPT 1,0
60:
70REM set up size of overlay area.
80:
90S%=1200
100:
110REM set up pointer to start of overlay area.
120:
130O%=LOMEM-2
140:
150REM reserve space for overlay area.
160:
170LOMEM=LOMEM-O%
180:
190PROCinitialise_overlay_handler
200:
210MODE 4
220:
230PROCscreen_display
240:
250PROCwindow(0,31,39,26,0,3,TRUE)
260:
270PROCroot_routine
280:
290PRINT f1b0$
300VDU7:PRINT "--End of demonstration--"
310PRINT "(use CHAIN not RUN to try again)."
320STOP
330:
340REM============================
350REM Root Procedure Definitions.
360REM============================
370DEF PROCscreen_display
380VDU 19,0,4;0;
390PROCrectangle(750,300,800,350)
400PROCrectangle(750,600,300,700)
410PROCrectangle(750,300,1,700)
420PROCrectangle(100,600,250,1)
430PROCrectangle(400,600,250,1)
440PROCrectangle(32,495,1,480)
```

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```
450PROCrectangle(0,975,1,608)
460PROCellipse(0,-PI,250,600)
470PROCellipse(2*PI,0,250,650)
480PRINT TAB(0,0)"Max overlay nest"
490PRINT TAB(18,0)"0"
500PRINT TAB(24,2);"Variables"
510PRINT TAB(26,18)"Root"
520PRINT TAB(35,12)"TOP"
530PRINT TAB(35,11)"&";~TOP
540PRINT TAB(35,20)"&";~PAGE
550PRINT TAB(35,21)"PAGE"
560PRINT TAB(35,1)"&";~LOMEM
570PRINT TAB(35,2)"LOMEM"
580PRINT TAB(1,15)"Overlay nesting"
590PRINT TAB(5,5)"Disc"
600PRINT TAB(4,8)"OVER1";TAB(4,10)"OVER2"
610f1b0$=CHR$(17)+CHR$(1)+CHR$(17)+CHR$(128)
620f0b1$=CHR$(17)+CHR$(0)+CHR$(17)+CHR$(129)
630ENDPROC
640REM============================
650DEFPROCellipse(start,end,x,y)
660LOCAL step,angle
670MOVE x+150,y
680step=(end-start)/30
690FOR angle=start TO end STEP step
700DRAW x+150*COS(angle),y+45*SIN(angle)
710NEXT
720ENDPROC
730REM============================
740DEFPROCrectangle(x,y,height,width)
750MOVE x,y
760DRAW x+width,y
770DRAW x+width,y+height
780DRAW x,y+height
790DRAW x,y
800ENDPROC
810REM============================
820DEFPROCmovestring(x1,x2,y,s$)
830LOCAL x,step
840PROCwindow(x2-1,10,x2+7,6,1,0,TRUE)
850x1=x1*32:x2=x2*32:y=1023-y*32
860VDU5
870GCOL 0,1
880MOVE x1,y:PRINT s$
890FOR x=x1 TO x2-32 STEP 32
900TIME=0:REPEAT UNTIL TIME>5
910GCOL 3,1
920MOVE x,y
930PRINT s$:MOVE x+32,y:GCOL 0,1:PRINT s$
940NEXT
950MOVE x1,y:PRINT s$
960PROCrectangle(400,600,250,1)
970PROCrectangle(750,300,800,350)
980GCOL 0,1
990VDU4
1000ENDPROC
1010REM============================
1020DEF PROCroot routine
1030LOCAL reply$,overlay_number
1040PRINT 'f1b0$;" Root ";f0b1$
1050REPEAT
1060REPEAT
1070PRINT "Type :-"
1080PRINT "RETURN to exit this demonstration, or"
1090PRINT "1A,1B or 2A to enter another routine"
1100INPUT reply$
1110UNTIL reply$="1A" OR reply$="1B" OR reply$="2A" O
R reply$=""
1120IF reply$="" THEN 1170
1130overlay_number=EVAL(MID$(reply$,1,1))
1140PROCo("routine'+reply$+"(""ROOT"")",overlay_numbe
r)
1150PRINT f1b0$;" Root ";f0b1$;
1160PRINT " return from overlay call"
1170UNTIL reply$=""
1180ENDPROC
1190REM============================
1200DEFPROCwindow(x1,y1,x2,y2,f,b,clear_flag)
1210VDU 28,x1,y1,x2,y2
1220COLOUR f
1230COLOUR b+128
1240IF clear_flag THEN CLS
1250ENDPROC
1260REM============================
1270REM Overlay handler routines
1280REM============================
1290DEFPROCinitialise_overlay_handler
1300max_nest=8:root=255:this_ov=255:nax_depth=0
1310DIM oscstr 15,ov_nest max_nest
1320ov_idx=0:ov_nest?0=root
1330ENDPROC
1340REM============================
1350DEFFNom(str%,ov_call$,ov_no)
1360REM routine to Load overlay.
1370LOCAL ret,ret$
1380IF ov_idx>=max_nest THEN VDU 7,7,7:GOTO 1640
1390IF ov_no<0 OR ov_no>255 THEN PRINT 'illegal overl
ay":STOP
1400ov_idx=ov_idx+1
1410IF ov_idx>max_depth THEN max_depth=ov_idx
1420PROCwindow(18,0,19,0,1,0,TRUE)
1430PRINT ;max_depth;
1440ov_nest?ov_idx=ov_no
1450IF this_ov=ov_no THEN 1500
1460REM the overlay must be loaded into store.
1470PROCmovestring(4,25,6+2*ov_no,"OVER"+STR$(ov_no))
1480PROCosc_command("LOAD over"+STR$(ov_no)+" "+STR$~
(0%))
1490this_ov=ov_no
1500PROCwindow(1,26,22,16,1,0,FALSE)
1510PRINT TAB(0,ov_idx)ov_call$
1520PROCwindow(0,31,39,26,0,1,TRUE)
1530IF str% THEN ret$=EVAL("FN"+ov_call$) ELSE ret=EV
AL("FN"+ov_call$)
1540PROCwindow(1,26,22,16+ov_idx,1,0,TRUE)
1550ov_idx=ov_idx-1
1560REM need to load overlay?
1570IF ov_nest?ov_idx=this_ov THEN 1630
1580this_ov=ov_nest?(ov_idx)
1590IF this_ov=root THEN this_ov=ov_nest?(ov_idx+1):G
OTO1630:REM return to root.
1600REM need to load previous overlay.
1610PROCmovestring(4,25,6+2*this_ov,"OVER"+STR$(this_
ov))
1620PROCosc_command("LOAD over"+STR$(this_ov)+" "+STR
$~(0%))
1630PROCwindow(0,31,39,26,0,1,TRUE)
1640IF str% THEN =ret$ ELSE =ret
1650REM============================
1660DEFFNo(ov_call$,ov_no)
1670=FNom(FALSE,ov_call$,ov_no)
1680REM============================
1690DEFFNSo(ov_call$,ov_no)
1700=FNom(TRUE,ov_call$,ov_no)
1710REM============================
1720DEFPROCo(ov_call$,ov_no)
1730LOCAL =
1740t=FNom(FALSE,ov_call$,ov_no)
1750ENDPROC
1760REM============================
1770DEFPROCosc_comnand(command$)
1780REM Proc. to achieve *LOAD
1790$oscstr = command$
1800X%=oscstr MOD 256
1810Y%=oscstr DIV 256
1820CALL &FFF7
1830ENDPROC
1840REM====End of Root============
```

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used since it has been modified.

In the demonstration listing the size of the overlay area is specified. *Info should be used to determine the size of the overlay files produced. For example:

e.g. *INFO OVER1

OVER1 1900 801F 2000 A7

The size of Over1 is &2000 bytes so the overlay area must be at least this big for the overlay to fit. The total size of the program will be:

program size = TOP – PAGE + overlay size – 2

When choosing line numbers, the root must have the lower line numbers and the overlay routine the higher numbers. No overlay module can contain the same range of numbers as the root, but separate overlay modules can share the same range.

Care must be taken when correcting errors. If the root is changed after an overlay is loaded and then Saved it will be too big because both root and overlay will have been saved. Always load the root or relevant overlay before making alterations.

Obscure errors can arise if the overlays are called incorrectly. Two errors can cause great confusion — clashing line numbers between the root and overlay modules and also two routines with the same name occurring in different overlay modules. ■

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THE INVISIBLE TOOLKIT TOO

Stuart Clarke presents a number of machine-code routines for the ZX-81 which are driven by a short Basic menu.

THE INVISIBLE TOOLKIT is a suite of fast efficient machine-coce routines driven by a short Basic menu. Due to the fact that extensive use is made of routines already present in the Rom the machine-code is written in less than 800 bytes, which together with the Basic lines occupies less than 1800 bytes of memory.

The program was written to make it easier to modify and develop a Basic program and even combine two or more Basic programs — or routines — so that the idea of having a library of useful subroutines on cassette is quite feasible. In addition, the facility to create large Rems, or delete them at a stroke, is invaluable when assembling machine-code.

The following routines are available:

DOWN CODE — used after Up Code. Downloads the copy in upper memory into a specified line and Address. Space is automatically created.

DOWN BASIC — used after Up Basic. Brings the Basic copy down into the Basic area placing it according to the first line number of the block.

LINE ADDRESS — gives the address of the specified line number. The first character is four bytes further on.

REM EXPAND — expands the Rem statement with the specified line number, from a specified address, by a given number of bytes.

UP CODE — copies a given number of bytes from a given address, into upper memory.

UP BASIC — copies a block of Basic lines specified by first and last lines.

BLOCK DELETE — specify first and last lines.

RENUMBER BASIC — renumbers a block of Basic lines specified by first and last lines. You are allowed to specify both the Increment and the New first line number. All non-computed Gotos, Gosubs, and Runs will be correctly changed, provided the line number is in four-digit form, e.g., Goto 1 as Goto 0001.

RENUMBER COPY — used after Up Basic. Only requires the Increment and New first line number to be specified.

The order in which the routines are listed may seem a little odd, but this is as they appear in the menu. This is dictated by the use of relative rather than absolute jumps in the machine-code to allow it to be position independent, and the entire program has been written in such a way that, as well as the machine code, the Basic menu can be transferred to upper memory — without overwriting existing upper memory contents — to allow the Loading of subsequent programs.

When required, the menu can be recalled, and it will not clash with the existing Basic as its lines are numbered A222 to A239 — 10222 to 10239. This is possible since the Rom checks the validity of a line number by only comparing the high byte with 40 decimal — 40 times 256 equals 10240, the first "non-valid" line number.

However, line numbers in the range 10000 to 11239 are only obtained by using the Renumber routine, as 9999 is the largest line you can enter direct from the keyboard. The menu lines are now tagged on to the end of the program you have just Loaded.

Report codes.

K/A234	you have attempted to use Down Code when no copy exists in upper memory.
T/A233	you have attempted to use Down Basic or Renumber Basic when the "live" copy is not Basic.

System variables.

16388-16389	Ramtop
16507-16508	Old Ramtop
16444-16451	Poked by menu variable pointing to the first location in the "jump table" accessing the machine-code routines.

If the typing seems a bit of a chore, just send your name and address with a cheque for £3 made payable to Sarglen Software, to 147

BLE LKIT

Program 1.

```
  1 REM .....
.....
.....
 20 POKE 16511,68
```

```
 30 POKE 16512,3
 40 FOR N=16514 TO 17347
 50 POKE N,1
 60 NEXT N
```

Program 2.

```
 10  INPUT S
 20  LET A$=""
 30  GOSUB 0160
 40  IF A$="" THEN INPUT A$
 50  IF A$="S" THEN STOP
 60  LET X=16*CODE A$+CODE A$(2)
-476
 70  POKE S,X
 80  LET Y=Y+X
 90  LET C=C+1
100  LET S=S+1
110  PRINT A$( TO 2);" ";
120  LET A$=A$(3 TO )
130  IF C=5 THEN GOSUB 0150
140  GOTO 0040
150  PRINT TAB 25;Y
160  LET Y=0
170  LET C=0
180  PRINT S;TAB 8;
190  RETURN
```

Program 3.

```
 10 LET F=16568
 20 LET L=764
 30 POKE 16444,F-256*INT (F/256
)
 40 POKE 16445,INT (F/256)
 50 POKE 16446,L-256*INT (L/256
)
 60 POKE 16447,INT (L/256)
 70 RAND USR 16767
 80 RAND USR 16522
 90 LET ZX81=PEEK 16388+256*PEE
K 16389+153
100 FAST
110 FOR N=0 TO 21
120 PRINT "
"
130 NEXT N
140 PRINT AT 1,1;"
"
150 PRINT AT 3,6;"ZX81=";ZX81;A
T 5,6;"PEEK 16507=";PEEK 16507;A
T 7,6;"PEEK 16508=";PEEK 16508
160 PRINT AT 10,1;"
"
170 PRINT AT 12,6," RAND USR (Z
X81+2)"
180 PRINT AT 15,1;"
";H) 17,6;"GOTO 10222"
290 FAST
300 PRINT AT 0,10;"
";AT 2,0;"1.DN CODE-:LINE:AD
DR:";AT 4,0;"2.DNBASIC-:";AT 5,0
;"3.LN ADDR-:LINE:";AT 8,0;"4.RE
M EXP-:LINE :BYTE:ADDR:";AT 10,0
;"5.UP CODE-:ADDR:BYTE:";AT 12,0
;"6.UPBASIC-:1ST :LAST:";AT 14,0
;"7.BLK DEL-:1ST :LAST:";AT 16,0
;"8.RENUM.B-:1ST :LAST:INCR:NEWL
:";AT 18,0;"9.RENUM.C-:
:INCR:NEWL:";AT 21,0;"ENTER NO."
310 INPUT N
320 PRINT AT 2*N,1;"■"
330 FOR M=1 TO 4
340 INPUT Z
350 PRINT AT 2*N,5*M+6;"      ";
AT 2*N,5*M+4;Z
360 POKE 16442+M*2,Z-256*INT (Z
/256)
370 POKE 16443+M*2,INT (Z/256)
380 NEXT M
390 CLS
400 IF N=2 OR N=9 THEN RAND USR
(ZX81+590)
410 IF N=7 OR N=2 OR N=9 THEN R
AND USR (ZX81+599)
420 LET ZX82=USR (ZX81+2*N-2)
430 IF N=5 OR N=6 OR N=9 THEN R
AND USR (ZX81+581)
440 IF N=3 THEN PRINT "ADDRESS
OF LINE ";PEEK 16444+256*PEEK 16
445;" IS ";ZX82
450 REM
460 REM
```

Program 4.

```
  2 SAVE "TOOLKIT"
190 FAST
200 POKE 16444,10222-256*INT (1
0222/256)
210 POKE 16445,INT (10222/256)
220 POKE 16446,10239-256*INT (1
0239/256)
230 POKE 16447,INT (10239/256)
240 RAND USR (ZX81+10)
250 POKE 16444,1
260 POKE 16445,0
270 LET N=7
280 GOTO 10235
```

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Type in program 1, then duplicate line 1 using the Edit key so that you have 12 identical lines, numbered 1 to 12. Now Run program 1.

Type in program 2, and Run it. This is the hex loader. Enter the address 16544 — or the appropriate address if you are resuming after a break — and enter the hex codes listed in figure 1. You may enter any number of bytes at a time, and the screen display should tally with figure 2. If you make a mistake input "S", which will stop the program. To recommence, simply Goto 10, and enter your new starting address.

When this is complete — and you should have Saved your program at several stages — Save the program thus far.

If your ZX-81 has the "unimproved" Rom, identified by Print Peek 5404 giving 253, then you must enter the five Pokes in fig.2 before Saving and proceeding further.

Type in program 3. This is most of the Basic required to transfer the code to upper memory and provide the operating menu. When you have Saved this, Run it. You should now have the menu on screen, so select 8 — Renumber — and enter the numbers 290, 460, 1, and 10222 in response to the prompts. Almost immediately, the menu lines will be renumbered from A222 to A239 — 10222 to 10239.

If all is well, type in program 4, the remaining Basic, and Save the program again. You are now ready to Save this, the final completed program in auto-run mode. To do this simply Run the program whilst recording in the usual way. When the program has Saved, you will find that the Basic program area has been cleared and the menu lines are now stored above Ramtop where they will remain until required. Similarly, this occurs when you Load the auto-run version.

The Invisible Toolkit is now ready to use, so refer to the instructions and try it out.

Using the toolkit is easy. After Loading,

RAND USR (ZX81 + 2)

retrieves the Basic from above Ramtop, and Goto 10222 displays the menu. The first

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prompt requires you to input your selection — 1 to 9 — and the next four prompts expect numerical input, for example line number, Address — or any number if the menu indicates a blank.

When you wish to Load another program on which to use the toolkit, there are a couple of things to remember. First make sure that the menu lines are back above Ramtop — if not, use Copy Basic to do so. Then note down the contents of locations 16507 and 16508, as you will need to restore them after Loading.

Also, the variable ZX-81 will have to be restored after Loading — also after Run and Clear, which are best avoided.

After you have LOADed the program you intend to work on, and restored the system variables 16507 and 16508, and ZX-81

RAND USR (ZX81 + 2)

and away you go!

Figure 1.

```
16514  00 00 D1 00 53   =292
16519  00 76 76 ED 5B   =564
16524  04 40 ED 53 7B   =511
16529  40 21 81 40 CD   =495
16534  A5 40 D5 3E 02   =506
16539  CD A5 40 CD AD   =812
16544  40 3D 20 F7 C9   =605
16549  23 4E 23 46 EB   =453
16554  09 EB C9 EB FD   =933
16559  E1 C1 C5 71 23   =763
16564  70 EB FD E9 2A   =875
16569  3C 40 CD D8 09   =554
16574  E5 2A 3F 40 23   =432
16579  CD D8 09 D1 CD   =844
16584  17 0F C9 2A 04   =280
16589  40 E5 2A 3E 40   =461
16594  18 13 18 F5 21   =345
16599  10 27 22 2B 40   =196
16604  2A 04 40 E5 CD   =544
16609  B8 05 EB CD D8   =848
16614  09 E5 2A 7B 40   =467
16619  ED 5B 04 40 CD   =601
16624  17 0A E1 E5 C5   =664
16629  2B CD 9E 09 C1   =608
16634  D1 E1 C5 ED B0   =1044
16639  C1 C5 2A 02 40   =490
16644  09 22 02 40 ED   =345
16649  73 36 40 2A 36   =329
16654  40 09 F9 A7 ED   =726
16659  42 ED 5B 04 40   =462
16664  EB A7 ED 52 44   =789
16669  4D ED 5B 7B 40   =592
16674  2A 04 40 ED 53   =430
16679  04 40 18 2B ED   =375
16684  B8 18 34 2A 3C   =362
16689  40 CD D8 09 44   =562
16694  4D C9 ED 4B 3E   =652
16699  40 2A 40 40 2B   =277
16704  E5 C5 CD 9E 09   =798
16709  C1 E1 C5 41 3E   =742
16714  18 29 77 10 FC   =449
16719  18 12 18 81 18   =219
16724  81 18 D8 18 DF   =616
16729  18 24 18 2B 18   =151
16734  77 18 77 18 77   =495
16739  2A 3C 40 CD D8   =587
16744  09 C1 20 0B 23   =280
16749  23 5E 23 56 EB   =485
16754  09 EB 72 2B 73   =516
16759  2A 29 40 09 22   =190
16764  29 40 C9 2A 3C   =408
16769  40 ED 4B 3E 40   =502
16774  18 03 CD B8 40   =480
16779  C5 D5 E5 CD C5   =1041
16784  0E 2A 04 40 22   =158
16789  7B 40 A7 ED 42   =657
16794  22 04 40 C5 E5   =528
16799  2A 02 40 A7 ED   =512
16804  42 22 02 40 ED   =403
16809  73 36 40 2A 36   =329
16814  40 A7 ED 42 F9   =783
16819  09 ED 5B 7B 40   =524
16824  EB A7 ED 52 44   =789
16829  4D 2A 36 40 ED   =474
16834  73 5D 40 ED 5B   =600
16839  5D 40 ED B0 E1   =795
16844  C1 D1 D5 EB ED   =1087
16849  B0 E1 D1 C1 C9   =1004
16854  18 04 18 1E 18   =105
16859  12 CD B8 40 C5   =665
16864  CD 60 0A 2A 29   =394
16869  40 A7 C1 ED 42   =727
16874  22 29 40 C9 FD   =593
16879  CB 01 EE FD CB   =898
16884  01 A6 18 52 FD   =526
16889  CB 01 AE FD CB   =834
16894  01 A6 21 7D 40   =389
16899  FD CB 01 9E E5   =844
16904  23 23 23 23 7E   =266
16909  FE FA 20 04 FD   =793
16914  CB 01 DE 7E FE   =806
16919  76 C1 23 28 1F   =417
16924  2B C5 7E CD B4   =751
16929  07 7E FE EC 28   =663
16934  2B FE ED 28 21   =601
16939  FE F7 28 1D FD   =823
16944  CB 01 3C 20 20   =365
16949  DF E1 CD F2 09   =904
16954  EB ED 5B 0C 40   =639
16959  A7 E5 ED 52 E1   =940
16964  28 04 18 BB 18   =279
16969  B6 18 3C 23 23   =335
16974  23 23 23 E5 7E   =460
16979  CD B4 07 20 2D   =469
16984  23 7E FE 76 20   =565
16989  27 E1 E5 FD CB   =949
16994  01 65 20 29 23   =211
16999  7E 23 5E 23 56   =375
17004  23 4E 23 46 CD   =423
17009  8D 15 C5 E1 CD   =789
17014  D8 09 18 02 18   =275
17019  BH E5 C1 E1 2B   =876
17024  70 2B 71 18 B1   =469
17029  D1 18 AE FD CB   =563
17034  01 66 28 58 C9   =432
17039  2B 56 2B 5E EB   =501
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Figure 2.

```
POKE 17051,28
POKE 17054,244
POKE 17082,28
POKE 17091,28
POKE 17110,201
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17044  CD BB 05 42 4B   =536
17049  C5 CD 20 15 CD   =660
17054  F8 13 C1 E1 E5   =914
17059  C5 23 77 23 73   =501
17064  23 72 23 71 23   =332
17069  70 C1 E1 2B 18   =597
17074  02 18 93 16 04   =199
17079  E5 D5 CD 20 15   =700
17084  EF C3 34 01 0A   =494
17089  00 CD 20 15 EF   =497
17094  C1 05 24 C2 E1   =653
17099  04 E2 01 03 E2   =455
17104  34 CD A7 0E C5   =635
17109  CD CD 15 C1 D1   =833
17114  E1 C6 1C 77 2B   =513
17119  15 20 D5 18 96   =440
17124  18 CD 2A 7B 40   =458
17129  22 45 40 2A 04   =214
17134  40 FD CB 01 6E   =531
17139  20 18 00 00 00   =56
17144  00 00 00 2A 3E   =104
17149  40 23 CD D8 09   =529
17154  22 45 40 2A 3C   =270
17159  40 CD D8 09 00   =494
17164  00 ED 4B 40 40   =440
17169  ED 5B 42 40 C5   =655
17174  D5 D1 C1 7A FE   =991
17179  28 38 03 11 0F   =131
17184  27 72 23 73 2B   =346
17189  EB 09 EB C5 D5   =889
17194  CD F2 09 EB ED   =928
17199  5B 45 40 A7 E5   =621
17204  ED 52 E1 20 DE   =798
17209  D1 D1 FD CB 01   =875
17214  E6 FD CB 01 6E   =797
17219  C0 18 9E 21 FE   =661
17224  27 CD B8 09 23   =504
17229  23 5E 23 56 13   =269
17234  13 72 2B 73 19   =316
17239  2B 01 02 00 C5   =243
17244  E5 CD 9E 09 D1   =810
17249  C1 21 7B 40 ED   =650
17254  B0 C9 CD 23 0F   =632
17259  21 FE 27 CD D8   =747
17264  09 23 23 5E 23   =208
17269  56 D5 1B 1B 72   =467
17274  2B 73 D1 D5 19   =605
17279  7E FE EA 20 07   =653
17284  D1 2B 72 2B 73   =524
17289  CF 13 D1 01 02   =438
17294  00 C5 11 7C 40   =402
17299  ED B8 23 C1 E5   =878
17304  09 EB E1 CD 60   =770
17309  0A C9 2A 04 40   =321
17314  7E FE 80 30 09   =477
17319  2A 7B 40 2B 7E   =398
17324  FE 76 28 02 CF   =621
17329  1C C9
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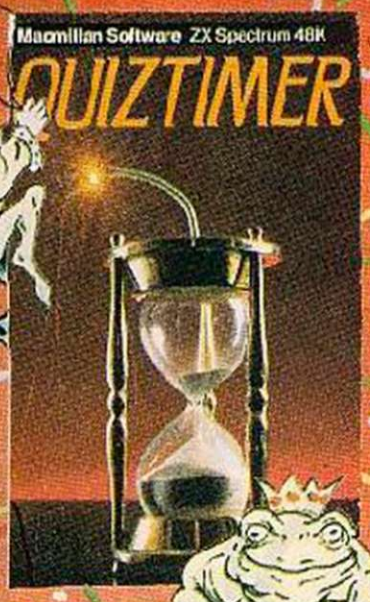
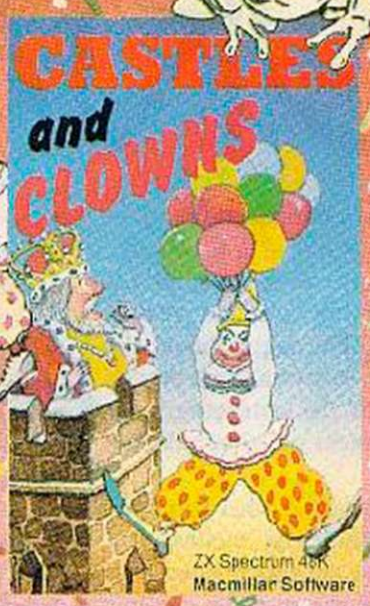
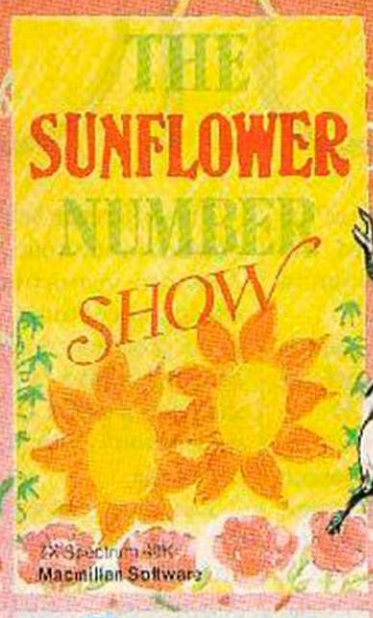
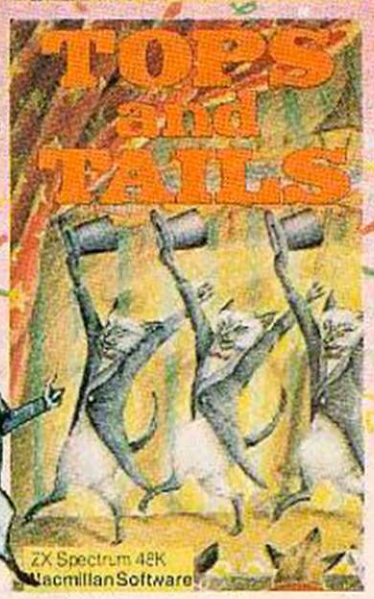
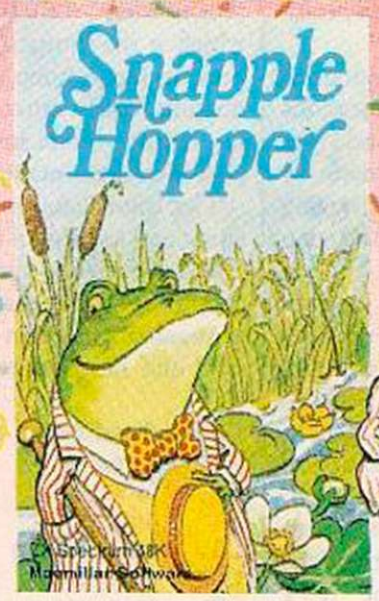
something to celebrate!











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68008 QL

TUTORIAL

Phil Holliday with more on the QL's assembly language.

THIS MONTH I complete the description of the 68008 instruction set which I started last month. I also provide a brief introduction to QDOS.

Three instructions are included which operate on byte sized operands and perform Bindary Coded Decimal — BCD — arithmetic. The add decimal with extend instruction ABCD — adds the source operand and destination operand and extend bit together using BCD arithmetic, placing the result in the destination operand and if necessary setting the extend bit to allow multi-precision BCD arithmetic.

The operands must either both be contained in data registers, or else in memory locations addressed indirectly through address registers. In the case of memory to memory addition only the predecrement addressing mode is available, to facilitate multi-precision addition.

The subtract decimal with extend instruction — SBCD — subtracts the source operand and extend bit from the destination operand using BCD arithmetic. The addressing modes are the same as for the ABCD instruction.

The negate decimal with extend instruction — NBCD — subtracts the desination operand, which is of size byte, and the extend bit, from zero placing the result in the destination. Thus the instruction produces the ten's complement of a BCD number if the extend bit is reset and the nine's complement otherwise.

Program control instructions cover jump, branch, set and returns, both conditional and unconditional. First, a word about the 68008 notation which I find confusing. To me a jump is the assembler equivalent of a Goto instruction whereas a call is the equivalent of a Gosub instruction. In the 68008 instruction set both branch and jump — BRA and JMP — are used as Goto and branch to sub routine and jump to subroutine — BSR and JSR — are used as Gosub.

The difference between branch and jump — whether to sub routine or not — is as follows: A branch instruction can cause program execution to continue at a displacement relative to the program counter. The displacement can be either signed byte — to give a short branch shown as a suffix .S after the instruction — or signed word. This produces position independent code.

The jump instruction on the other hand can use many different addressing modes. and thus allows a jump to an address greater than plus or minus 32K from the program counter which is the limitation of the branch instruction. In fact a jump can use any effective addressing mode other than the obvious ones, i.e, register direct modes, pre-decrement and post-increment modes and immediate modes.

The conditional instructions provide branching and setting on the following conditions. The table below shows the mnemonic, the condition and the state of the flags for the test to succeed. Note that true test will always succeed and the false test will always fail. The

Code	Condition	Test
T	true	1
F	false	0
HI	high	not C , not Z
LS	low or same	C + Z
CC	carry clear	not C
CS	carry set	C
NE	not equal	not Z
EQ	equal	Z
VC	overflow clear	not V
VS	overflow set	V
PL	plus	not N
MI	minus	N
GE	greater or equal	N . V + not N . not V
LT	less than	N. not V + not N . V
GT	greater than	N . V . not Z + not N . not V . not Z
e	ss or equal	Z + N . not V + not N . V

equal test will only succeed if the zero (Z) bit is asserted.

So now on to the actual instructions first, the branch instructions. The branch always — BRA, branch conditional — Bcc — and branch to subroutine — BSR — all produce a program counter relative branch. The conditional instruction is formed by taking the required conditional mnemonic and replacing the cc to give BEQ,BNE etc.

There is also a test condition, decrement and branch instruction (DBcc) which I described last month.

The jump instructions follow a similar pattern and are hump — JMP — and jump to subroutine — JSR. You will see that there is no conditional jump and so if you need to jump rather than branch conditionally you will need to perform a conditional branch to a jump instruction.

The set according to condition instruction — Scc — sets a byte operand to true — all ones — if the condition is true, else it sets the byte to false — all zeros.

There are two Return instructions to enable return from a subroutine. Return from subroutine — RTS — pulls the program counter from the top of the stack. Return and restore pulls both the condition codes and program counter from the stack. Note however, that branch and jump to subroutine instructions do not store the condition codes on the stack so if you wish to use this instruction your subroutine must store the condition codes on the stack at the start of the subroutine.

System control instructions fall into three categories, i.e. privileged, trap generating and status register instructions.

As was briefly mentioned in last month's article the 68008 can operate in two different modes, namely user and superviser mode. Superviser mode is the indicated by bit 13 of the status register being set, and provides some additional instructions — i.e. privileged

instructions — which are not available when operating in user mode. They are as follows:

Three instructions are provided to provide immediate bitwise logical manipulation of the status register. They are ORI to SR, ANI to SR and EORI to SR and all have size word.

A special move instruction, move to status register, is available with operand size word which allows the whole of the status register to be loaded. So far all these instructions are privileged because they potentially can set the superviser bit in the status register, and this is not a facility available to programs operating in user mode.

There is also an instruction to move the user stack pointer to an effective address. This enables the user stack to be examined when in superviser mode.

And finally in the privileged set of instructions there are Stop which halts the program execution, Reset which resets external devices and return from exception — RTE — which is a return from interrupts, traps and pulls both the status register and program counter from the stack.

There are three trap generating instructions, trap — Trap — trap on overflow — TrapV — and check register against bounds — CHK. A trap forces execution to continue at an address held in a table of vectors near the bottom of program memory and also causes the processor to enter supervisor mode. There are 16 Trap vectors, and the first five, i.e., Trap # 0 forces the processor into superviser mode. Trap # 1,2 and 3 are system call traps with the particular call recognised by a number passed in d0.

Trap # 4 is used by the Basic command interpreter. The other traps can be redirected using a QDOS system call. TrapV is used to force a trap on overflow so that the programmer has control of the situations when this would or would not be catastrophic. CHK allows the contents of a data register to be checked against some boundary conditions, forcing a trap exception if the data register is out of bounds.

Finally, the status register instructions which are not privileged. The condition code register — CCR — is the low byte of the status register. So ANDI to CCR, ORI to CCR, EORI to CCR Move to CCR are all byte size versions or the similar instructions already described in the privileged instruction section above. There is also a move status register to effective address which allows the status register to be stored.

A brief introduction to QDOS is an essential part of a series on assembler on the 68008, but brief is the operative word. To do justice to the subject would require a book, and in Part 1 of this series I gave the names of two such books. So instead of attempting to cover the various system calls, etc, I will try to give

you the flavour of QDOS without going into detail.

What is QDOS? It is a collection of software procedures — system calls — which can be invoked by assembly language programs — using a Trap instruction — to perform commonly required operations on the QL.

These operations include manager traps which manage the QL's resources, io allocation traps which allocate input and output channels and serial io traps which execute serial i/o operations and include all the screen driver routines.

An executable program — i.e. one which is activated using the Exec command on the QL

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```
LOC       OBJECT      STMT      SOURCE STATEMENT
                        2
                        3 *Copyright P.A.Holliday 1985
                        4 *demonstration of multi-tasking          0018'  6036
                        5 *assembled with METACOMCO assembler
                        6
    =FFFF               7 this_job  equ -1
                        8
    =0108               9 mt_susjb  equ $108
    =0111              10 mt_ipcom  equ $111
                       11
                       12 QDOS      macro
                       13           moveq #\1&$FF,d0
                       14           trap #\1/$100
                       15           endm
                       16
                       17 *first initialise loop counter
                       18
0000'  740C            19 start     moveq #12,d2
                       20
                       21 *then go brrr-brrr
                       22
0002'  6116            23 loop      bsr.s ring
0004'  6114            24           bsr.s ring
                       25
                       26 *now wait a bit
                       27
0006'  611E            28           bsr.s delay
                       29
                       30 *and loop back if d2 not yet = -1
                       31
0008'  51CA FFF8       32           dbra d2,loop
                       33
                       34 *now wait for 60 secs by suspending job
                       35 *for 3000 frames
                       36
000C'  72FF            37           moveq #this_job,d1
000E'  363C 0BB8       38           move.w #3000,d3
0012'  93C9            39           suba.l a1,a1
                       40           QDOS mt_susjb
0014'  7008            40+          moveq #mt_susjb&$FF,d0
0016'  4E41            40+          trap #mt_susjb/$100
                       41
                       42 *then do it all again
                       43
                       44           bra.s start
                       45
                       46 *sub routine to go brrr
                       47
001A'  47FA 0018       48 ring      lea ptr_blk,a3
                       49           QDOS mt_ipcom
001E'  7011            49+          moveq #mt_ipcom&$FF,d0
0020'  4E41            49+          trap #mt_ipcom/$100
0022'  6102            50           bsr.s delay
0024'  4E75            51           rts
                       52
                       53 *sub routine to suspend job for
                       54 *0.8 second,i.e.40 frames
                       55
0026'  72FF            56 delay     moveq #this_job,d1
0028'  363C 0028       57           move.w #40,d3
002C'  93C9            58           suba.l a1,a1
                       59           QDOS mt_susjb
002E'  7008            59+          moveq #mt_susjb&$FF,d0
0030'  4E41            59+          trap #mt_susjb/$100
0032'  4E75            60           rts
                       61
                       62 *parameter block for beep
                       63 *these were found by trial and error
                       64
0034'  0A              65 ptr_blk   dc.b $A   beep cmd
0035'  0A              66           dc.b 10   no of ptrs
0036'  FFF0 0AAA       67           dc.l $FFF00AAA size string
003A'  0A              68           dc.b 10   pitch 1
003B'  0D              69           dc.b 13   pitch 2
003C'  8002            70           dc.w 32770   grad_x
003E'  1B20            71           dc.w 6944 duration
0040'  08              72           dc.b 8    grad_y
0041'  01              73           dc.b 1    wrap
0042'  00              74           dc.b 0    rand
0043'  00              75           dc.b 0    fuzz
0044'  01              76           dc.b 1    no reply
                       77
                       78           end
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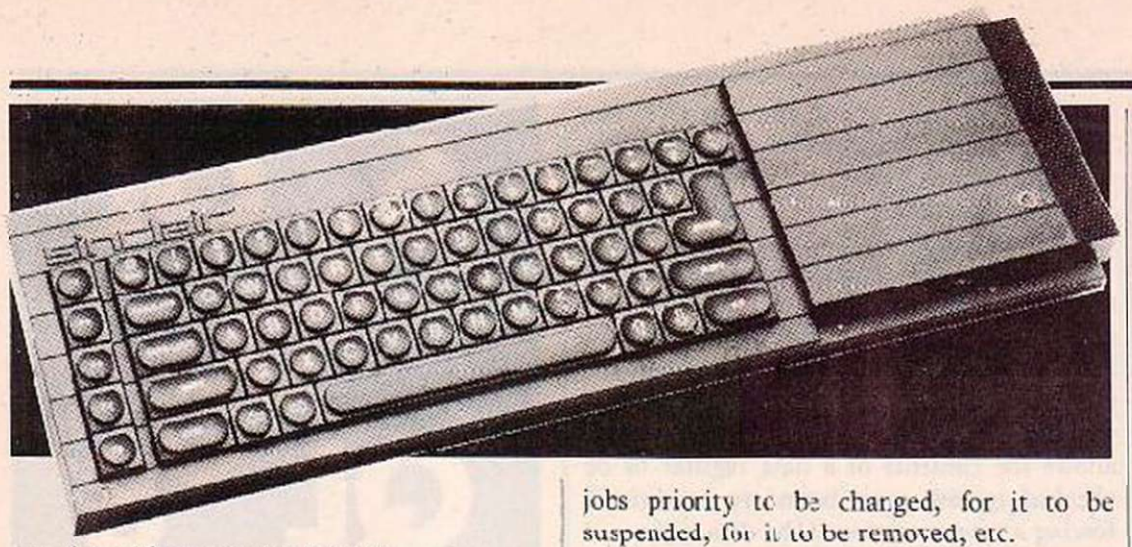

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— or on which is in the resident procedure area and is executed with a Call command is known as a job. A job can be in one of three distinct states, known as active, suspended or inactive.

QDOS supports a multi-tasking environment. That is more than one job can appear to be running at the same time. This is not in fact what actually happens. The 68008 processor can only execute one instruction at a time, and so each job is given a priority and is allocated an appropriate slice of the processors time by the scheduler, which is activated 50 times a second by the hardware interrupt.

An active job will have a priority of from 1 to 127 — the higher the number the greater the amount of time allocated to it by the scheduler. A suspended job will have been created with a priority just like an active job, but the scheduler will not allow it to run for a given number of time slices. An inactive job has a priority of 0. The manager traps enable a jobs priority to be changed, for it to be suspended, for it to be removed, etc.

Other manager traps control allocation of memory in the transient procedure are and the resident procedure area, enable communication with the second processor which handles the serial io ports, sound generation and the keyboard. Finally, there are a set of traps which allow QDOS to be extended with additional user written device drivers and interrupt servers, making it possible for instance to extend QDOS to handle disk drives or to perform terminal emulation.

The io allocation traps enable jobs to open and close channels, to format media and to delete files.

The serial io traps enable data to be read or written to an opened channel either a byte at a time or as a string of bytes. The screen driver commands cover operations to modify a window, control the cursor, clear a part of a window, set the colours and perform some graphic operations on a window such as plot, draw etc. There are also some traps to enable the file subsystem to deal with direct access files and entire file load and save.

There are also some utility routines which are not strictly a part of QDOS in that they are not essential to the operation of the QL, and the most important of these utilities is the Basic interpreter.

This months program example will produce a sound like a telephone, whilst any other program, either Basic or executable machine code, is running. The program is commented and is self explanatory. To run it type Exec filename — I have called mine phone exc — and it will ring 12 times, followed by one minutes's delay, after which it will repeat ad nauseam.

Next month I will present a major routine written in assembler. It is a debug program which will allow registers and flags to be displayed and changed, programs to be loaded and then single stepped, and several other features. ■

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TWO TICKETS to Hollywood were on offer as the first prize in January's Fall Guy competition. For the runners-up there were three BMX bikes. To be in the running you had to identify eight computers from their photographs.

Then we asked you to dream up a title for a new blockbuster TV series or film about computers. The computers in the photographs were as follows: 1. Enterprise; 2. Spectrum +; 3. Newbrain; 4. Atari 600 XL; 5. Acorn Atom; 6. Acorn Electron; 7. Text TX-8000; 8. Commodore Plus 4.

The hope of being Westward Bound inspired a number of highly entertaining entries. Film buffs will spot the references among the following suggestions: "I Married a Blob from Sinclair Research" from A. Miller; "Indiana Jones and the Architecture of the 6800" from P. Manolis; "Hackers of the Late ROM" from A. Johnson.; and C. Lane's "The Kilobyte Syndrome".

One of the best was V. Carroll's "Core Binary! It's 'Cursorman". This was just pipped at the post for the one of the first prizes by "Qwerty Harry with Squint Eastward" from R. H. Storey 18, Conifer Close, Lutterworth, Leics. We awarded the other trip to Hollywood to J. Minson, 6 Muswell Avenue, London N10, who supplied not just one title but a complete TV schedule for a new computer, Channel 5:

5.30 THE CLIVE AND CHRIS SHOW
Zany slapstick comedy from a Cambridge pub.

6.00 NEWS
Read by a Currah Speech Unit.

6.30 KNIGHT RIDER
Thrills and spills as Sir Clive takes to the road in his trustry C5 . . . after dark! Who is the mystery computer magnate in the Rolls Royce behind? Last in the series.

7.15 Q.L. DONGLE
The cop with the detachable bit. Postponed from June '984.

8.00 SPACE TREK
The good ship Enterprise finally arrives somewhere — even later than Q.L. Dongle!

9.00 NEWS
With sub-titles for those who couldn't understand the Currah.

9.30 THE BIG FILM: THE RISE AND FALL OF THE ROM ADD-ON EMPIRE
(Disaster movie; 1984) The dramatic fortunes of Dave Ian, Bruce and Eugene, four kids living fast in a world that defines Imagination! Not suitable for children.

11.00 INTERNATIONAL BOXING
Jack Tramiel vs The Kommodore Killer. Plus after the (last orders) bell action from The Baron of Beef, Cambridge. Blood 'n' bytes action. Not suitable for anyone.

12.00 HAWAII 5:0
Steve McCarrot investigates a ZX81 Error Code in the Pacific. (B/W)

12.30 CLAIRE RAMERS POCKET COMPUTER
Claire Ramer is forced to betray the confidences of more clients in order to afford new Eproms for her Psion Organiser.

1.00 SHUTDOWN
Caused by an overheating power supply.

Working on the basis that anyone over 18 was too old to win one of the three BMX bikes, we awarded them instead to T. Blacke, 8 Valley Gardens, Downend, Bristol; S. Nolan, 48 Hhanemann Rd, Liverpool; H. Halton, 39 Primrose Lane, Burton Ave., Hunslet, Leeds.

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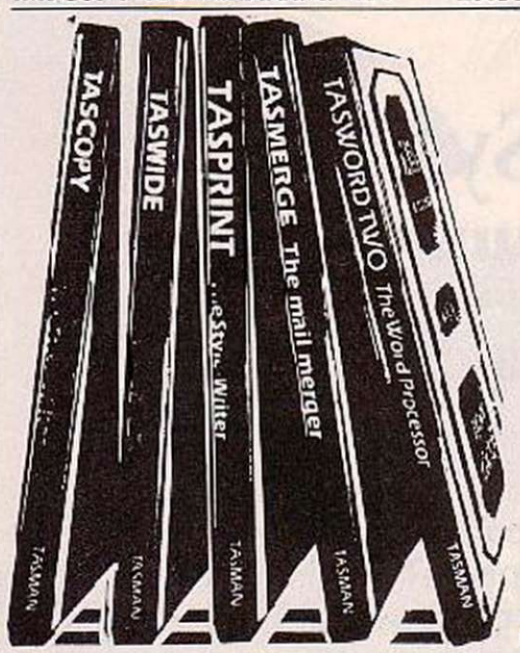

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TOP ★ TIPS

CHARACTER SET

This short machine-code listing for the 48K Spectrum instantly redefines the complete Spectrum character set, giving any program that professional look (see below). It occupies a meagre 30 bytes but the character data it creates takes up over 760.

Type in the listing and then save it before running.

```
9900 CLEAR 64568
9910 FOR F=65230 TO 65365: READ
A: POKE F,A: NEXT F
9920 RANDOMIZE USR 65330
9930 DATA 33,8,61,17,57,252,1,0,
3,126,203,47,102,18,19,35,11,121
,175,32,244,33,57,251,34,54,92,2
01
```

PRINTER/PLOTTER

Owners of Commodore's 1520 printer/plotter know that it has the device number 6 instead of the usual number 4. This means the plotter cannot be used as a printer with software that uses a printer with device number 4. This short routine (below) allows the plotter to be addressed with a 4. It is activated by Sys 679.

```
1 REM BASIC LOADER TO ENABLE
2 REM 1520 PRINTER/PLOTTER TO USE
3 REM A DEVICE NUMBER OF 4
4 REM BY MARK HINO
5 REM ACTIVATE BY 'SYS 679
6 REM MUST BE RE-ACTIVATED AFTER
7 REM A WARM START
10 FOR A=0TO22
20 READ A: POKE 679+A,A
30 NEXT
40 DATA 169,176,141,28,3,169,7,141,27,3,
96,8,72,165
50 DATA 186,201,4,208,4,169,8,133,186,10
4,48,76,74,243
```

FILL ROUTINE

Below is a machine-code fill routine. It is possible to break it with Symbol Shift and Stop. The routine also sometimes breaks itself to prevent a crash. When you Run the program, it asks you where to place the routine. Remember to put it above Ramtop.

Example: Putting the routine at 32000.
Type CLEAR 31999: RUN
Type 32000
SAVE example: (still 32000)
SAVE "fill"CODE 32000,95
LOAD example:
LOAD "fill"CODE 32000
Use the routine *this* way:
PLOT INVERSE l,x,y LET
L = USR routine address.

```
  5 LET t=0
  10 INPUT "add"; FOR n=0 TO 95
  20 READ a: POKE n+add,a
  25 LET t=t+a
  30 NEXT n
  35 IF t<>10241 THEN PRINT "Dat
a Error"
  40 DATA 237,91,125,92,213,205,
191,3,209,254,226,204,62,5,42,10
3,42,125,92,126,203,114,218,62,0,
66,75,205,178,34,71,4,72,126,7,1
6,203,203,71,192,203,199,65,16,1
6,250,119,35
  50 DATA 36,0,62,175,146,230,64
,42,230,248,111,41,41,203,57,40
,5,203,57,6,66,9,56,24,1,98,119
,20,205,4,125,29,29,205,4,125,28
,28,205,4,125,21,21,205,4,125,20
,201,0
```

RESPONSE Frame

Do you have a problem related to your micro? Tim Hartnell will do his best to help. Please include only one question per letter and mark it "Response Frame". Alternatively, perhaps you have an idea you'd like to pass on to others. Why not write to us with your top tips?

RETAIL PROBLEM

Please inform any software retailers reading this magazine that not *all* of their customers are budding pirates. On purchasing a tape for my ZX Spectrum, I found that it would not load. After several attempts using a variety of tape recorders to try and load it in, I decided to return it. The next morning I took it back complete with receipt of purchase. However, they insisted on trying it on their tape recorder and computer. To my surprise, it loaded. I was then asked to bring my computer into the centre. So, in the afternoon I took in my computer for them to try with their tape recorder. As I expected, it did not load. Then I was told that because the tape loaded on their machine there was nothing wrong with it and I could not get my money back. Please tell me, have I the right to my money back?

Greg Willis,
Yeovil.

OF COURSE you have. Under the Sale of Goods Act, the product sold has to be suitable for the purpose for which it was sold. Your tape plainly is not suitable.

You are far too patient. I would have refused to bring my computer into the store; created a scene; insisted that the manager be called, and demanded — in a very loud voice — that I get my money back.

Failing this, I would — as I have done in the past, I am not always a popular customer — called in the local Fair Trading officer: you can find out who this is from your council or citizen's advice centre. This threat invariably brings results. At the very least, they should have offered to exchange your tape for another one of the same game, and if this did not load, given you your money back without quibbling at all. Take this reply to the store, and demand your money back.

COPY DUMP

I have an Alphacom 32 printer attached to my Spectrum. I have discovered that while I can dump hi-res pictures from the screen of nearly all commercial programs I own — such as *Valhalla* — I cannot do it with *The Hobbit*. Does this mean that the Alphacom is not totally compatible with the Spectrum? I only get rubbish when I try to Copy frames from *The Hobbit*. Why is this?

J M Holliday,
Shoeburyness,
Essex.

I RANG PHILIP Mitchell, the programmer who wrote *The Hobbit* and put your question to him. He said the fault does not lie in your printer. The program was written in such a way that it is not possible to access the Copy command while a hi-res picture is on the screen. However, you should have no trouble dumping text.

TUNEFUL BBC

Recently I watched a commercial piece of software loading on a BBC Micro, and was amazed to hear a tune being played at the same time. I think this is a very good idea, as it is often so boring waiting for the program to load. Could you tell me how I could do this?

N A Holland,
Gendros,
Swansea

TO DO THIS, you have to be able to divert the CPU's interrupt calls to your own program, while the other loading continues. This means you have to go into machine code. Therefore, it is not a particularly easy thing to do.

WHICH MICRO?

I am 16 years old and am thinking of buying my first computer. I am mainly thinking of the Commodore 64. The computer I buy will be used for playing games and doing some simple programming. I have read in many magazines, including *Your Computer*, comments that the 64 is difficult to program, and that an upgraded Basic should be bought for this purpose. Could you please tell me if the 64's Basic is adequate for my use, or should I buy a better Basic. If so, which one should I buy?

Vincent Judderham,
Mulbarton,
Norwich

IT IS UNREALISTIC to talk about buying an upgraded Basic for a computer you have not yet used. Many, many people — possibly the largest group of computer owners in the world — have found the 64's Basic more than adequate. It is not, however, an easy Basic to use, with extremely unfriendly graphics and sound commands. Despite this, extremely good results can be obtained.

If you are still in the beginner stages of using a computer, which I assume you are from your letter, you might be better served with the Spectrum, or Spectrum+, if you can accept the non-standard keyboard.

Finally, if you can afford it, I suggest you should seriously investigate the BBC Micro or Amstrad, as these give you access to computing power of a standard which the Spectrum and Commodore 64 do not possess.

SAVE MY WORK

I have recently been working on a long, complex graphics program for the 48K Spectrum, but have hit upon disaster. I recorded over part of my only copy, and so I am now unable to use it. Every time I reach this spot in loading, I get a tape loading error. The last line loaded, 6316, is filled with question marks. Deleting this line does nothing. Is there any way I can save my work?

D Naylor,
Huby,
Leeds.

IT SEEMS that the simplest way to do it would be to LList the corrupted version, and type it in again. And, never only take one copy of important programs.

M/C SCROLL

I am writing to you to inquire whether it would be possible for you to write me a small machine language routine which would scroll ASCII characters right and left, as in *Frogger*? This would be for my Atari 600XL.

S Hawkes,
West Bromwich,
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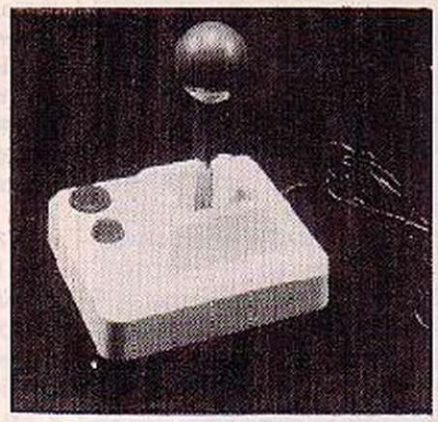

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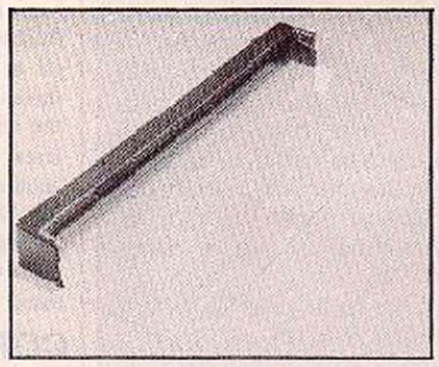

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A crew that has been dropped at a plantation will work diligently while you use the truck for other business but the crew will not move to another plantation unless you take them there. You may call a crew to you by sounding a siren on your truck.

Your truck can carry a maximum of nine logs but if you attempt to overfill it, you will find that another log will fall off and be lost. The maximum speed of the truck is governed by the terrain and the log-load. Each sawmill shows in green the number of logs that it has in hand for processing, but if the number is less than 20 the display is white. These numbers will decrease periodically as the logs are processed but will increase if you make a delivery. Your score will show the total number of logs that you have delivered. If any sawmill runs out of logs then your contract is terminated and the game is over.

SOFTWARE File

Programs for Software File should be fairly compact and sent on a cassette. Please include clear instructions and say what computer it's for. We pay between £6 and £36 for programs published. They must be double-checked and submitted to *Your Computer* exclusively.

Operating instructions.

To move truck North press A.
To move truck South press Z.
To move truck West press O.
To move truck East press P.
To call crew press C.
To Quit press Q.
To Hold press H.
To Resume after hold re-press H.

To drop off a crew, stop the truck on the trail alongside the required position and press the appropriate direction key. Because of the bumpy ride you must not carry a crew if you are driving on a plantation. To pick up a log, press appropriate direction key. If you inadvertently drive into a tree, it will be up-rooted but will not be suitable as a log for a sawmill.

To deliver logs, stop the truck on the trail alongside any sawmill and press A. If the truck is on a trail you may call a nearby crew to you by pressing C.

To enter the program, first type and save program 1. Then enter and run the hex loader. Now enter program 2 and save it using:

```
SAVE "a" CODE 40672,404
```

Next enter and save the program 3 with:

```
SAVE "b" CODE 40672,1420
```

Delete the hex loader and enter and save program 4.

Program 1.

```
  2 REM "t"
  4 CLEAR 39999
  6 PRINT AT 7,0  PAPER 5; BRIG
HT 1;"TIMBER!.....© NICK HOCKADA
Y 1985"
  8 LOAD "a"CODE 40672,404
 10 RANDOMIZE USR 41000
 12 LOAD "b"CODE 40672,1420
 14 LOAD "c"
```

The hex loader.

```
 10 DEF FN h(h$)=16*(CODE h$(1)
-48-(7 AND h$(1)>"9"))+CODE h$(2
)-48-(7 AND h$(2)>"9")
 20 INPUT "Start ";s
 30 INPUT "Finish ";f
 40 FOR n=s TO f STEP 8
 50 LET tot=0: PRINT n;": ";
 60 INPUT h$: PRINT h$;
 70 LET x=0
 80 FOR b=1 TO LEN h$ STEP 2
 90 LET z=FN h(h$): LET tot=tot
+z
100 POKE n+x,z
110 LET h$=h$(3 TO ): LET x=x+1
120 NEXT b
130 PRINT " = ";: INPUT t: PRIN
T t
140 IF tot<>t THEN PRINT "input
error - try again": GO TO 50
150 NEXT n
160 REM enter STOP to stop
```

Program 2.

```
40672: BBF4BFBFBFBF4AEA = 1503
40680: EAEAEAE4BFBFBF8F = 1694
40688: 9DF49B9B9B9F48A8 = 1265
40696: A8A8A8E49B9B9B9F = 1356
40704: B9F49DDDDDDD48CC = 1525
40712: CCCCCCC49DDDDDDF = 1630
40720: 9DF4444444444444 = 809
40728: 444444444444449F = 635
40736: B9F4AEAAAAAE4AAA = 1361
40744: AAAAAAAAAE4BF49F = 1332
40752: 9DD48A8ECECE48CC = 1337
40760: CCECCECECE49F49D = 1532
40768: 44448CEC8C8E4444 = 930
40776: A8AE8C8C8E49F444 = 1149
40784: AAE4A8E7778E4BF4 = 1377
40792: 8ECE777A8E49F4AE = 1222
40800: 8CE48CC000BC49F4 = 1157
40808: 8C8C111BCC49D4BE = 952
40816: ABE44446664449F4 = 1021
40824: 444466644444448E = 684
40832: 8CE4AAAAAAAE49F4 = 1369
40840: BBF4AEAEAEAE4A8E = 1343
40848: A8E48ECCCCCC49D4 = 1435
40856: 9DF48A8A848E48EC = 1265
40864: 8CC48E4444444444 = 818
40872: 49F48ECCCCCE48AE = 1319
40880: 44448E4AAAAAAAAE = 1036
40888: 49F48AE7778E48EC = 1255
40896: BBF48E48ECCCCECE = 1497
40904: 49D48CC3338C4EAE = 1057
40912: 9DF48E48E7778E8E = 1249
40920: 4444444666444ECC = 720
40928: B9F48C48C2228C8C = 1149
40936: 4AAE4BBBBBBF4444 = 1024
40944: 9DF4444446664444 = 845
40952: 48EC49DDDDDD4EBF = 1310
40960: B9BBBF4AAAAAE4AA = 1375
40968: A8AE4444444449FD = 940
40976: 9FDFDF48ECECE48E = 1519
40984: CECE4BBBBBBBB9BF = 1424
40992: 9D9D9D48C8C8C48C = 1279
41000: 8C8C49DDDDDDDDDD = 1458
41008: 11409C21DF9E23D5 = 899
41016: E51130A0AFED52E1 = 1173
41024: D1D00602AFED6FCB = 1151
41032: 5F2806E607F6A018 = 808
41040: 1DCB572B13E60328 = 651
41048: 07FE022807AF180E = 523
41056: 3E40180A3E601806 = 348
41064: E6033C07C6201213 = 567
41072: 10D218C200 = 444
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Program 3.

```
40672: 00385C7C38101000 = 360
40680: 0000113377FF99FF = 850
40688: 00000000007E7E00 = 252
40696: 00003C3C3C3C0000 = 240
40704: D5E5C5F5110F0021 = 949
40712: 800ACDB503F1C1E1 = 1186
40720: D1C9D5E5C5F5110F = 1326
40728: 00210002CDB503F1 = 665
40736: C1E1D1C9C5E5D544 = 1535
40744: 4D114044A7ED5277 = 831
40752: 606911409DED5260 = 854
40760: 6911405C380F1140 = 430
40768: 9EED526069114055 = 044
40776: 380311404EA7ED52 = 704
40784: D106081A77132410 = 439
40792: FAE1C1C9E5151D6B = 1255
40800: 260029292929295A = 333
40808: 16001911409C19EB = 544
40816: E1C9C57D9330027B = 1068
40824: 954F7C9230027A94 = 818
40832: 813DC1C9E5D51140 = 1107
40840: 44373FED52CBB6D1 = 1099
40848: E1C9E5D511404437 = 1072
40856: 3FED52CBF6D1E1C9 = 1466
40864: D5C5F5ED5B94A4CD = 1500
40872: 5C9FED5396A41A32 = 961
40880: 9CA4ED5B98A4CD5C = 1261
40888: 9FED539AA41A329D = 1030
40896: A4ED5B7CA4AF2A7E = 1123
40904: A4ED522002CBC7A7 = 1086
40912: 2A80A4ED522002CB = 890
40920: CFA72A82A4ED5220 = 1061
40928: 02CBD7329FA4F1C1 = 1227
40936: D1FE012A94A4C8FE = 1272
40944: 022A96A4C8FE032A = 857
40952: 98A4C8FE042A9AA4 = 1134
40960: C8FE052A9CA4C82A = 1063
40968: 9EA4C9CBF4CBACCB = 1548
40976: E454CBA54D3E04CD = 1028
40984: A09F7211F89E73CD = 1181
40992: 249F3E02CDA09F71 = 896
41000: 11003D3E28CB7928 = 544
41008: 023E30CD249F3E03 = 577
41016: CDA09F227CA4C93A = 1105
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41056: 00228EA4AFCB1CCB = 949
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41088: 2288A4228AA43C32 = 780
41096: 74A43279A43C3C32 = 785
41104: 9EA4210A09227CA4 = 696
41112: 227EA42280A42282 = 814
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41120: A4213200110A0022 = 308
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41136: 70A4192272A42140 = 710
41144: 9C2277A411E09EAF = 1047
41152: E5ED52E1302E7ECB = 1196
41160: 7F2B10E607F6A077 = 945
41168: 11E09E3E30CD249F = 909
41176: 2318E1CB77280AE6 = 886
41184: E07711003D3E2818 = 547
41192: ECCB6F28EB11E89F = 1232
41200: 3E6818E121689D3E = 771
41208: 707711F89E3E68CD = 1025
41216: 249FC9ED5B7CA4CD = 1217
41224: 5C9FEB0601CB7E28 = 862
41232: 0206053A7EA4B047 = 557
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41256: 0011000223E5ED52 = 602
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41296: 73A2AF2A86A4ED5B = 1120
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41312: 2A88A4ED5B90A4ED = 1215
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41352: 3C12217CA4232310 = 485
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41368: 1AD16B62CB7FCA03 = 975
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41408: D1E618C203A1217C = 978
41416: A441232310FC7323 = 717
41424: 723E02CDA09FCB9E = 1063
41432: CBF6CB6E11003D28 = 880
41440: 0311F09E3E30CD24 = 769
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41456: CD929FC303A1676F = 1083
41464: 2288A42A77A45747 = 817
41472: 3A785C5F1911E09E = 789
41480: A7E5ED52E1380511 = 1018
41488: A002ED522277A4E6 = 1028
41496: 0328010478F6C047 = 677
41504: 7EE6F990200CCBEE = 1234
41512: CBB611E09E3E30CD = 1099
41520: 249FC303A1676F22 = 802
41528: 86A43A74A4474F21 = 819
41536: 6AA1232310FC5E23 = 737
41544: 561B722B737AB320 = 718
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41560: 2310FB3E0332815C = 638
41568: C9413E078032815C = 734
41576: 79FE042001AF3C32 = 697
41584: 74A4C9676F2284A4 = 1025
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41648: CD129F10FB32815C = 920
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41680: 2A7EA4CD729F470E = 895
41688: 012A80A4CD729FB8 = 997
41696: 3002470C2A82A4CD = 674
41704: 729FB830020E0306 = 530
41712: 0ACD009FCD129F10 = 772
41720: F8D5217CA4412323 = 917
41728: 10FC5E2356E5CD5C = 1009
41736: 9FEBCB9ECDB49FE1 = 1476
41744: D1722B73CD5C9FEB = 1172
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41816: 177CA72813E6E0FE = 1081
41824: 20203E7DE6E0FE60 = 1055
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41840: CD009FC303A14F7C = 926
41848: 0FE607473C3C3C32 = 553
41856: 815C216AA4232310 = 610
41864: FC78327BA45E2356 = 924
41872: EB09EB722B732A75 = 910
41880: A4092275A4CD129F = 870
41888: C93A9EA4A72846CB = 1061
41896: 7C28423E06CDA09F = 822
41904: 444D3D3DCDA09FCB = 994
41912: DECD929F3D3DCDA0 = 1219
41920: 9F0D2003CD849F3C = 763
41928: CDA09FCB50280522 = 886
41936: 82A4180CCB482805 = 650
41944: 2280A4180322EA4 = 677
41952: 219EA4353E0C3281 = 661
41960: 5CCD129FC97CE6E0 = 1253
41968: FEA0200B0630CD0B = 727
41976: A0CD129FC303A1FE = 1155
41984: E0201F0630CD0DA0 = 719
41992: 3A7BA43CFE0A2006 = 707
42000: CD009FC303A1327B = 896
42008: A43E0C32815CCD12 = 732
42016: 9FC9CB7C280B0630 = 792
42024: CD0FA0CD129FC303 = 960
42032: A13A9EA4A7200B06 = 757
42040: 28CD0FA0CD129FC3 = 997
42048: 03A1E53E06CDA09F = 985
42056: 7CE1F5066ECD0FA0 = 1084
42064: F1CB5728032282A4 = 902
42072: CB4F2803228 0A4CB = 854
42080: 472803227EA4CD12 = 661
42088: 9FC303A100 = 518
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Program 1.

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  2 REM "C"
  10 IF a>999 THEN LET a=999
  12 LET i$=STR$ a
  14 IF LEN i$<3 THEN LET i$=" "+i$: GO TO 14
  15 LET p=4: IF a<20 THEN LET p=7
  16 RETURN
  20 LET a=PEEK 42092+256*PEEK 42093
  22 GO SUB 10
  24 PRINT AT 7,7; PAPER p; BRIGHT 1;i$
  26 RETURN
  30 LET a=PEEK 42094+256*PEEK 42095
  32 GO SUB 10
  34 PRINT AT 7,20; PAPER p; BRIGHT 1;i$
  36 RETURN
  40 LET a=PEEK 42096+256*PEEK 42097
  42 GO SUB 10
  44 PRINT AT 15,9; PAPER p; BRIGHT 1;i$
  46 RETURN
  50 LET a=PEEK 42098+256*PEEK 42099
  52 GO SUB 10
  54 PRINT AT 13,23; PAPER p; BRIGHT 1;i$
  56 RETURN
  70 LET w=PEEK 42107: LET c=PEEK 42142: LET l=PEEK 42106
  72 LET i$="LOAD   EMPTY *LEVEL "
  74 IF w=0 THEN GO TO 80
  76 LET i$(6)=STR$ l: IF w=1 THEN LET i$(8 TO 12)="LOG  ": GO TO 86
  78 LET i$(8 TO 12)="LOGS ": GO TO 86
  80 IF c=0 THEN GO TO 86
  82 LET i$(6)=STR$ c: IF c=1 THEN LET i$(8 TO 12)="CREW ": GO TO 86
  84 LET i$(8 TO 12)="CREWS"
  86 PRINT AT 21,0; PAPER 4; BRIGHT 1;i$;l
  88 RETURN
  100 GO SUB 70
  102 LET s=PEEK 42101+256*PEEK 42102: PRINT AT 21,21; PAPER 4; BRIGHT 1;"*SCORE    ": PRINT AT 21,32-LEN STR$ s; PAPER 4; BRIGHT 1;s
  104 IF j=4 THEN GO SUB 20: GO TO 114
  106 IF j=5 THEN GO SUB 30: GO TO 114
  108 IF j=6 THEN GO SUB 40: GO TO 114
  110 IF j=7 THEN GO SUB 50: GO TO 114
  112 GO SUB 20: GO SUB 30: GO SUB 40: GO SUB 50
  114 RANDOMIZE USR 41219
  200 LET j=PEEK 23681
  202 IF j=8 THEN GO SUB 20: GO TO 114
  204 IF j=9 THEN GO SUB 30: GO TO 114
  206 IF j=10 THEN GO SUB 40: GO TO 114
  208 IF j=11 THEN GO SUB 50: GO TO 114
  210 IF j=12 THEN GO SUB 70: GO TO 114
  212 IF j=1 THEN GO TO 610
  214 IF j=2 THEN GO TO 320
  216 IF j=3 THEN GO TO 350
  218 GO TO 100
  300 PRINT AT 21,0; PAPER 4; BRIGHT 1;"NOW REPRESS h"
  302 IF INKEY$<>"" THEN GO TO 302
  304 IF INKEY$="" THEN GO TO 304
  306 LET i$=INKEY$: IF i$<>"h" THEN GO TO 302
  308 PRINT AT 21,0; PAPER 4; BRIGHT 1;" ";TAB 12;" "
  310 IF INKEY$<>"" THEN GO TO 310
  312 GO SUB 70: GO TO 114
  320 BORDER 2: LET c=PEEK 42100
  322 LET a=7: LET b=7: IF c=2 THEN LET b=20
  324 IF c=3 THEN LET a=15: LET b=9
  326 IF c=4 THEN LET a=13: LET b=23
  328 PRINT AT a,b; PAPER 2; INK 7; BRIGHT 1; FLASH 1;"*": PRINT PAPER 7; BRIGHT 1;" 0"
  330 PRINT AT 21,0; PAPER 4; BRIGHT 1;"= GAME  OVER"
  332 FOR n=20 TO -10 STEP -1: BEEP .02,n: NEXT n
  334 PRINT AT 3,3; PAPER 4; BRIGHT 1;"= FOR NEW GAME....PRESS y"
  336 IF INKEY$<>"" THEN GO TO 336
  338 IF INKEY$="" THEN GO TO 338
  340 LET i$=INKEY$: IF i$<>"y" THEN GO TO 336
  372 GO TO 610
  600 PAPER 6: INK 0: CLS : PRINT AT 7,12; PAPER 5;"TIMBER!"
  602 PRINT AT 9,6; PAPER 5;"© NICK ROCKADAY 1985"
  604 PRINT AT 19,8; "NOW PRESS ENTER"
  606 IF INKEY$<>"" THEN GO TO 606
  608 IF INKEY$="" THEN GO TO 608
  800 CLS : PRINT AT 3,0;"There are 5 levels ranging from level 1, the easiest, to level 5, the most difficult."
  802 PRINT AT 7,0;"WHICH LEVEL DO YOU WISH TO PLAY ON?"
  804 PRINT AT 11,6;"PRESS 1,2,3,4 or 5"
  806 IF INKEY$ <>"" THEN GO TO 806
  808 IF INKEY$="" THEN GO TO 808
  810 LET i$=INKEY$: IF CODE i$<49 OR CODE i$>53 THEN GO TO 808
  812 LET c=VAL i$: POKE 42105,c
  814 CLS : LET j=0: PRINT AT 3,2;"YOU HAVE SELECTED LEVEL ";c
  816 PRINT AT 7,0;"Before you press ENTER to play, remember that at the start, you have three Crews on your truck."
  818 PRINT AT 11,0;"Crew positions are always shown bright."
  820 PRINT AT 17,3;"NOW PRESS ENTER TO PLAY"
  822 IF INKEY$ <>"" THEN GO TO 822
  824 IF INKEY$="" THEN GO TO 824
  826 CLS : RANDOMIZE USR 41023: GO TO 100
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Mutant's Revenge

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ZX-81

MUTANT'S REVENGE IS for the 16K ZX-81. The principle of the game centres around the arcade classic Defender except you are one of the mutants.

The object is to guide your mutant onto a humanoid, capture it and take it skywards. Sounds easy? As you will find out, it is very

hard and will take some mastering.

The program itself has everything the average computer games freak wants. Fast, original, good graphics, Hall of Fame, 100 skill levels etc.

Line 1 should contain at least 94 full stops. On line 1530 it mentions 12* graphic "G s". This means that you must type in the graphic "G" character 12 times.

When it has all been keyed in you must save before running. To save type Goto 1890. This saves the program with the name "Mut" and runs automatically on loading. There is a variable in this program called At, this should not be confused with the keyword At.

When you run this program your ZX-81 will move into Fast mode to load some machine code. You do not need to type in hex or decimal codes blindly as the program has it all in memory at line 20 and a built-in interpreter. As soon as the machine code is loaded it is executed twice using Rand USR 15514.

You will then be asked at what speed you wish to play — 0 to 9. Note the absence of an input sign to avoid data entry errors. Then you are asked for the fuel consumption rate, again, in a range of 0 to 9 and no input sign.

When both the skill levels have been entered a neat little routine will display what keys are needed to control your mutant. This gives you time to fumble about and get your fingers over the right keys, which are:

C = up.
A = down.
O = left — thrust.
P = right — thrust.
I = hyperspace.

Your first job is to capture a humanoid "o". These are randomly scattered across the landscape. Your mutant is situated at the far left-hand side of the screen steadily moving right. The O and P keys serve as thrust and reverse keys. This means that if you press O your mutant will keep moving left unless told otherwise. These features make the mutant more manoeuvrable as he can now move in diagonals. If he hits the far left/right hands of the screen don't worry as he will re-appear on the other side.

When you hit a humanoid you will be awarded 10 points this will be shown on the "score" gauge and the humanoid gauge will decrease by one.

Once you have captured a humanoid phase two begins. This involves taking the humanoid skywards. Your mutant moves up automatically so it is just a job of avoiding pyrenoids and the gate. The gate is a hole situated in the grey bar at the top of the screen which moves from side to side. Pyrenoids are asterisks which float in the sky — contact with one will prove fatal.

If you manage to carry your humanoid through the gate you are awarded a mystery amount of points and you will return to the left of the screen to try and capture another.

If all the humanoids have been captured you are said to have completed an attack wave and a bonus of 30 points will be added to your score. When all humanoids have been captured you will go on to the attack wave sequence. Sometimes, however, your mutant will return to the left of the screen even though there are no corresponding humanoids. In this case just move through the gate and move to the top of the screen.

If you score 500, 600 or 800 then you will be awarded an extra man and the game speed will hot up. The screen will clear and another random landscape will be drawn and play will continue.

This program is fitted with a special key which, when pressed, shoots you out of trouble and throws your mutant into a random position on the screen.

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  1 REM .....34 FULL STOPS ....

 10 FAST
 20 LET A$="3E0ECD9340 3E80CD934
0010000CD=508C32F0C400E150620502
377CDD5401520F30E6DC6012100077C
DD5401D20=8C10D5C2577CDD5401520F
35F78FE0BD87B055EC5012100ED4277C
DD5401D20=7C10D16C5F53EC03D20FDF
1C9"
 30 LET MC=16514
 40 FOR I=1 TO LEN A$ STEP 2
 50 POKE MC,16*(CODE A$(I)-28)+
CODE A$(I+1)-28
 60 LET MC=MC+1
 70 NEXT I
 80 SLOW
 90 POKE 16535,23
100 POKE 16575,9
110 POKE 16599,190
120 DIM L(10)
130 DIM K$(2)
140 DIM N$(11,20)
150 FOR F=1 TO 10
160 LET N$(F)="(C)  M.P.H SOFTW
ARE."
170 NEXT F
180 LET N$(11)="[illegible]"
190 RAND USR 16514
200 POKE 16418,2
210 RAND USR 16514
220 REM [illegible]
230 REM [illegible]
240 PRINT AT 5,5;"INPUT SPEED
[illegible]";AT 7,9;"0=EASY 9=HARD"
250 LET K$(1)=INKEY$
260 IF K$(1)>"9" OR K$(1)<"0" T
HEN GOTO 250
270 LET SP=CODE K$(1)-25
280 LET SP=SP+6
290 LET SP=SP/10
300 PRINT AT 10,0;"INPUT FUEL C
ONSUMPTION 0 TO 9";AT 12,8;"0=
EASY 9=HARD"
310 LET K$(2)=INKEY$
320 IF K$(2)>"9" OR K$(2)<"0" T
HEN GOTO 310
330 LET FC=CODE K$(2)-28
340 LET FC=FC+1
350 LET FC=FC/10
360 GOSUB 1830
370 LET A$="[illegible]"
380 LET S=0
390 LET AT=1
400 LET LI=5
410 LET B$="[illegible]"
420 FOR F=5 TO 2
430 PRINT AT F,0;F$;AT F+19,0;A
$
440 NEXT F
450 PRINT AT 0,13;CHR$ 154;AT 6
,7;""""0"" = UP";AT 8,7;""""A"" =
DOWN";AT 10,7;""""O"" = LEFT";AT
12,7;""""P"" = RIGHT";AT 14,7;""
"I"" = HYPERSPACE";AT 1,2;"[illegible]";AT 20,8;
"[illegible]"
460 IF INKEY$="" THEN GOTO 460
470 RAND USR 16514
480 POKE 16418,0
490 FAST
500 LET D=14
510 LET HU=0
520 LET H=15
530 LET FU=31
540 FOR F=0 TO 31
550 IF F>3 AND F<28 THEN PRINT
AT INT (RND*H-3),F;CHR$ 151
560 PRINT AT 2,F;CHR$ 138;AT 23
,F;CHR$ 139
570 LET I=INT (RND*30)
580 LET H=H+(I>15 AND H<20)-(I<
=15 AND H>6)
590 IF I>15 THEN PRINT AT H,F;C
HR$ 6
600 IF I<=15 THEN PRINT AT H+1,
F;CHR$ 134
610 IF F>28 AND HU=0 OR I>28 OR
 I<3 AND F>1 AND F<31 AND HU>0 T
HEN GOSUB 640
620 NEXT F
630 GOTO 670
640 PRINT AT 21,HU+1;CHR$ 180;T
AB HU-1;CHR$ 8;AT H-1,F;CHR$ 180
TAB F;CHR$ 8
650 LET HU=HU+1
660 RETURN
670 FOR F=11 TO S+LI STEP 2
680 PRINT AT 22,F;CHR$ 192
690 NEXT F
700 SLOW
710 PRINT AT 22,20;"SCORE=";S
720 LET A=3+INT (RND*8)
730 LET CA=0
740 LET B=0
750 FOR B=B TO 31 STEP SP
760 GOSUB 870
770 IF INKEY$="O" THEN GOTO 810
780 NEXT B
790 LET B=0
800 GOTO 750
810 FOR B=B TO 0 STEP -SP
820 GOSUB 870
830 IF INKEY$="P" THEN GOTO 780
840 NEXT B
850 LET B=31
860 GOTO 810
870 PRINT AT A,B;
880 LET P=PEEK (PEEK 16398+PEEK
16399*256
890 IF FU<=0 OR P>5 AND P<152 A
ND P<>128 THEN GOTO 1280
900 IF P=128 THEN GOTO 970
910 IF HU=0 AND A=0 THEN GOTO 1
140
920 PRINT CHR$ 192;AT A,B;B$;AT
 20,FU;CHR$ 160
930 LET FU=FU-FC
940 LET A=A+(INKEY$="A" AND A<1
9)-(INKEY$="O" AND CA=0)
950 IF INKEY$="1" THEN GOSUB 10
90
960 RETURN
970 LET HU=HU-1
980 GOSUB 1120
990 LET CA=1
1000 LET S=S+10
1010 PRINT AT A,B;"[illegible]";AT 21,HU+
1;B$;TAB HU+1;B$;AT 22,26;S;AT A
,B;B$;AT A,B+1;B$
1020 LET A=A-1
1030 FOR A=A TO 0 STEP -SP
1040 GOSUB 870
1050 LET B=B+(INKEY$="P" AND B<3
1)-(INKEY$="O" AND B>0)
1060 PRINT AT 2,D;"[illegible]";AT A,
B;CHR$ 180;AT A,B;B$
1070 LET D=D+(D<0)-(D>0)
1080 IF D=0 THEN GOSUB 1120
1090 NEXT F
1100 LET S=S+5+INT (RND*15)
1110 GOTO 710
1120 LET Q=INT (RND*27)
1130 RETURN
1140 RAND USR 16514
1150 PRINT AT 10,3;"ATTACK WAVE
";AT;" COMPLETED.";AT 12,10;"BON
US = 30"
1160 FOR F=1 TO 40
1170 NEXT F
1180 LET S=S+30
1190 IF S>800 OR S>500 AND S<600
 THEN GOSUB 1220
1200 LET AT=AT+1
1210 GOTO 470
1220 FOR F=0 TO 40
1230 PRINT AT 14,10;"BONUS LIFE"
;AT 14,10;"[illegible]"
1240 NEXT F
1250 LET LI=LI+2
1260 LET FC=FC+0.25
1270 RETURN
1280 LET LI=LI-2
1290 FOR F=1 TO 11
1300 PRINT AT F+1,0;N$(11,F;
1310 NEXT F
1320 PRINT AT 22,LI+11;B$
1330 FOR F=2 TO 12
1340 PRINT AT F,0;B$;AT 2,0;CHR$
 138
1350 NEXT F
1360 IF LI=0 THEN GOTO 1430
1370 IF CA=1 THEN GOTO 930
1380 GOTO 630
1390 PRINT AT A,B;B$
1400 LET A=3+INT (RND*4)
1410 LET B=INT (RND*31)
1420 RETURN
1430 PRINT AT 10,11;"GAME OVER"
1440 FOR F=0 TO 40
1450 NEXT F
1460 RAND USR 16514
1470 POKE 16418,2
1480 FOR J=1 TO 10
1490 IF S>=L(J) AND S>0 THEN GOS
UB 1780
1500 IF S>=L(J) AND S>0 THEN GOT
O 1710
1510 NEXT J
1520 CLS
1530 PRINT AT 2,9;"HALL OF FAME"
;TAB 9;"12*GRAPHIC G",,,"PLACE";
TAB 10;"NAME";TAB 27;"SCORE";AT
18,10;"""1"" TO PLAY";TAB 3;""2
"" TO RESET HIGH SCORES";TAB 3;"
""3"" TO CHANGE DIFFICULTY"
1540 FOR J=1 TO 10
1550 PRINT AT J+6,2;J;TAB 6;N$(J
);AT J+6,28;L(J)
1560 NEXT J
1570 FOR F=0 TO 63
1580 PLOT F,8
1590 PLOT F,31
1600 PLOT F,34
1610 NEXT F
1620 FOR F=8 TO 34
1630 PLOT 11,F
1640 PLOT 52,F
1650 NEXT F
1660 PRINT AT 0,0;"ON ATTACK WAV
E ";AT;" YOUR SCORE=";S
1670 IF INKEY$="1" THEN GOTO 360
1680 IF INKEY$="2" THEN GOTO 220
1690 IF INKEY$="3" THEN GOTO 210
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Grid Challenge

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CBM-64

IN GRID CHALLENGE you are shown a grid of 390 slots each referenced by a letter and number. Each slot is filled with one of up to 39 different characters randomly chosen and then hidden from your view.

The object of the game is to pick two matching characters. If you are successful you are allowed another go. This continues until you make an error when it is the computer's turn. It is allowed only one turn as it gets the answer right every time.

To give you a fighting chance, if you type Peek you will be allowed a quick look at the grid at any time but a check is kept on how often you do this. Also typing Score will show your total successes so far.

The duration of the game may be shortened if required by reducing the values of TP and TC in lines 10000-10010. The harder the game you choose the more different characters are used. Your concentration will be pushed to the limit!

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1700 GOTO 1670
1710 GOSUB 1830
1720 PRINT AT 8,0,"WELL DONE,PLE
ASE ENTER YOUR NAME";AT 10,3;"NO
 MORE THAN 20 LETTERS."
1730 INPUT N$(J)
1750 LET L(J)=8
1760 GOSUB 1830
1770 GOTO 1520
1780 FOR P=9 TO J STEP -1
1790 LET L(P+1)=L(P)
1800 LET N$(P+1)=N$(P)
1810 NEXT P
1820 RETURN
1830 FOR F=0 TO 23
1840 SCROLL
1850 PRINT TAB 31;
1860 NEXT F
1870 CLS
1880 RETURN
1890 SAVE "MU■"
1900 RUN
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10 REM***************
20 REM GRID CHALLENGE
30 REM
40 REM J.CONSADINE
50 REM   15/8/84
60 REM***************
100 DIM(27,16),A$(27,15),FL(27,16)
110 XD$="■":FORX=1TO25:CD$=CD$+XD$:NEXT
120 XR$="■":FORX=1TO39:CR$=CR$+XR$:NEXT
130 EE$=" ":FORX=1TO88:E$=E$+EE$:NEXT:E$="■"+E$+"■"
132 AA$="1234567X91234557X91234561234567x9<[]7x9"
134 BB$="12345678912345578■■■@%!123456789<[]■\"
136 CC$="123465789<?■@+■■■@%!123456789<[]■\"
140 DD$="■N■#%+()><?■@+■■■@%!123456789<[]■\"
145 AL$="ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ"
150 SP$=" "
180 PE=0 TP=0 TC=0:INPUT"■■DIFFICULTY(1=EASIEST,4=HARIEST:";TU
185 IFTU<1ORTU>4THEN180
200 PRINT"■■■THROW DICE FOR WHO GOES FIRST."
230 GOSUB8500:P=INT((6*RD)+1):GOSUB9000
240 PRINT"■■■YOU THROW ";P:PRINTP:GOSUB9000
245 GOSUB8500:C=INT((6*RD)+1):IFC=PTHEN245
250 PRINT"■■I THROW A ";:PRINTC:GOSUB9000
260 IFP>CTHENPRINT"■■■YOU GO FIRST---":FL=1:GOSUB9000:GOTO280
270 PRINT"■■I GO FIRST---":FL=2:GOSUB9000
280 PRINT"■PLEASE WAIT"
497 REM*****************
498 REM SET UP CHR ARRAY
499 REM*****************
500 GOSUB545:L=1
510 FORA=1TO26:FORB=1TO15
512 A$(A,B)=MID$(C$,L,1):L=L+1
514 IFL=40THENL=1:GOSUB545
515 NEXT:NEXT
520 GOSUB8000
525 IFFL=1THEN3000
530 GOTO2000
545 C$="":B$=""
550 FORX=1TO39
552 IFTU=1THENB$=MID$(AB$,X,1)
554 IFTU=2THENB$=MID$(BB$,X,1)
556 IFTU=3THENB$=MID$(CC$,X,1)
558 IFTU=4THENB$=MID$(DD$,X,1)
560 RD=RND(RND(8)):RN=INT((RD#2)+1)
580 IFRN=1THEN600
590 C$=B$+C$:GOTO605
600 C$=C$+B$
605 NEXT:RETURN
997 REM***************
998 REM CURSOR CONTROL
999 REM***************
1000 NR$="":ND$=""
1010 NR$=LEFT$(CR$,X):ND$=LEFT$(CD$,Y)
1020 NR$="■■■■■"+NR$:ND$="■■■"+ND$:RETURN
1500 GOTO8000
1997 REM*************
1998 REM COMPUTERS GO
1999 REM*************
2000 PRINTE$,"NOW IT'S MY TURN":GOSUB9000
2010 GOSUB8500:RN=INT(RN#20)
2020 IFRN=5AND(TC>TP)THENPRINTE$,"I SEE I'M STILL WINNING!"
2030 IFRN=10AND(TC>TP)THENPRINTE$,"YOU'LL HAVE TO DO BETTER THAN THIS !"
2040 IFRN=5AND(TC=TP)THENPRINTE$,"WE'RE LEVEL NOW BUT NOT FOR LONG!"
2050 IFRN=5AND(TC<TP)THENPRINTE$,"YOU'RE AHEAD NOW BUT I'LL STOP THAT "
2055 IFRN=5ORRN=10THENGOSUB9000
2060 PRINTE$,"MY FIRST CHARACTER IS----":GOSUB9000
2097 REM*****************
2098 REM FIND 1ST FREE CHR
2099 REM*****************
2100 FORX=1TO26:FORY=1TO15
2115 IFA$(X,Y)=SP$THENZ130
2120 U=X:V=Y:X=25:Y=15
2130 NEXT:NEXT
2132 X=U:Y=V:GOSUB2600:GOSUB9000
2134 PRINTE$,"MY MATCHING CHARACTER IS----"
2197 REM*************************
2198 REM FIND NEXT MATCHING CHR
2199 REM*************************
2200 FORX=U+1TO26:FORY=1TO15
2220 IFA$(X,Y)=A$(U,V)THENX=X:T=Y:X=26:Y=15
2230 NEXT:NEXT
2236 X=S:Y=T:GOSUB9600:GOSUB9000
2238 GOSUB9000:TC=TC+1:A$(S,T)=SP$:A$(U,V)=SP$
2240 X=S:Y=T:GOSUB9600:X=U:Y=V:GOSUB9600
2244 GOSUB10000:REM CHECK WIN/LOSE
2997 REM***********
2998 REM PLAYERS GO
2999 REM***********
3000 PRINTE$:INPUT"■PICK A SQUARE (E7,L13,ETC)■■■■■■";B$:RN=0
3030 IFB$="■"THEN3000
3031 IFB$="PEEK"THENGOSUB8500:RN=IN(RD#20):PE=PE+1:GOTO3033
3032 GOTO3037
3033 IFRN=1THENPRINTE$,"CHEAT!!"
3034 IFRN=5THENPRINTE$;"TUT TUT!!"
3035 IFRN=10THENPRINTE$;"YOU MUST HAVE A BAD MEMORY!"
3036 GOSUB8100:GOTO3000
3037 IFB$="SCORE"THENPRINTE$,"SCORES  YOU-■"TP"■ ME-■"TC:GOSUB9000:GOTO3000
3040 U$=MID$(B$,1,1):FL=0:FORM=1TO26:IFJ$=MID$(AL$,M,1)THENFL=1:N=M:M=26
3050 NEXT:IFFL=0THEN3000
3060 V=VFL(MID$(B$,2)):IFV<10RV>15THEN3000
3065 U=N:X=U:Y=V:XX=<:YY=Y:IFA$(X,Y)=SP$THEY3000
3070 GOSUB9600
3080 PRINTE$:INPUT"■PICK ANOTHER TO MATCH■■■■■";B$
3100 IFB$="■"THEN3000
3110 J$=MID$(B$,1,1):FL=0:FORM=1TO26:IFU$=MID$(AL$,M,1)THENFL=1:N=M:M=26
3120 NEXT:IFFL=0THEN3000
3130 V=VFL(MID$(B$,2)):IFV<10RV>15THEN3000
3140 J=N:X=U:Y=V IFA$(X,Y)=SP$THEN3000
3145 IFX=XXANDY=YYTHEN3000
3150 GOSUB9600
3160 IFA$(XX,YY)=A$(X,Y)THENPRINTE$,"■THEY MATCH!!":GOSUB9000:TP=TP+1
3165 IFA$(XX,YY)=A$(X,Y)THENGOSUB10000:A$(X,Y)=SP$:GOSUB9600:MA=1
3166 IFM=1THENMA=0:A$(XX,YY)=SP$:X=XX:Y=YY:GOSUB9600:GOTO3000
3170 PRINTE$,"NO MATCH!":GOSUB9600:GOSUB1000:PRINTNR$;ND$;"."
3172 X=XX:Y=YY:GOSUB1000:PRINTNR$;ND$;".":GOTO2000
7997 REM***********
7998 REM DRAW GRID
7999 REM***********
8000 PRINT"■■■■■■■■■■";AL$
8010 PRINT"■■■■■■";"+CR$+"2"+CR$+"3"+CR$+"4"+CR$+"5"+CR$+"6"+CR$+"7"
8020 PRINT"■■■■■■8"+CR$+"3"+CR$+"■10"+CR$+"■11"+CR$+"■12"
8030 PRINT"■■■■13"+CR$+"■14"+CR$+"■15"
8490 PRINT"■■■■■■"
8095 PRINTE$,"I'LL LET YOU HAVE A QUICK PEEK AT THE  GRID ";
8097 PRINT"TYPE ■PEEK■ TO VIEW ANY TIME."
8100 FORX=1TO26:FORY=1TO15
8110 GOSUB1000:PRINTNR$;ND$;A$(X,Y):NEXT:NEXT
8112 FORX=1TO26:FORY=1TO15
8113 IFA$(X,Y)=SP$THENGOSUB9600:GOTO8120
8114 GOSUB1000:PRINTNR$;ND$;"."
8120 NEXT:NEXT:RETURN
8500 RD=RND(RND(8)):RETURN
9000 FORD=1TO1500:NEXT:RETURN
9500 GETA$:IFA$=""THEN9500
9510 RETURN
9600 GOSUB1000:PRINTNR$;ND$;A$(X,Y):RETURN
10000 IFTC>97THENPRINTE$:"YOU CANNOT BEAT ME NOW,I'M TOO FAR AHEAD!":GOSUB9000
10005 IFTC>97THEN10030
10010 IFTP>97THENPRINTE$:"YOU HAVE BEATEN ME THIS TIME!":GOSUB9000:GOTO10040
10020 RETURN
10030 PRINT"■■■YOU LOST THIS TIME!!!":GOTO10050
10040 PRINT"■■■CURSES YOU WON THIS TIME !"
10050 PRINT"■■THE SCORES WERE---"
10060 PRINT"■■YOU ■"TP"■POINTS (BUT YOU PEEKED";PE;"TIMES)"
10070 PRINT"■■ME ■"TC"■ POINTS."
10080 PRINT"■■■■■■■■■■NOTHER GAME Y/N?"
10090 GOSUB9500:IFA$="Y"THENRUN
10100 IFA$<>"N"THEN10090
10110 END
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Fragg Chase

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FRAGG CHASE is based on the popular game Zombies. At the start of the game your player is at the centre of the screen. A fragg will attack you.

To survive, the fraggs must be destroyed. To destroy fraggs you must lure them onto the red acid pools. For each fragg you destroy, 30,000 points will be awarded. The acid pools are not deadly to you, but 5,000 points will be lost for each character-sized acid pool you cross.

When all the fraggs are destroyed, or if there are more fraggs than you can handle, head for the edge of the screen. Reaching the edge is worth 30,000-50,000 points depending on how fast you were moving on arrival at the edge. When you reach the edge of the screen a new round will start with one more fragg than the previous round. Because fraggs are lazy, some of them do not materialise in every round. The maximum number of fraggs possible in each round is displayed at the bottom of the screen.

If a fragg destroys you, a new game will start. The highest score since the program was loaded is displayed at the top left of the screen.

The game will increase in speed after each round won. The maximum number of fraggs available is 40. If you find the game too easy, press the reset button and type:

POKE#2F71,#EA:POKE#2F72,
#EA:POKE#2F73,#EA:CALL#2F05

and press Return. The game will now be twice as fast.

The arrowed keys on either side of the space bar will move the player in the direction of the arrow.

1 Type in the program as listed.
2 Type Run and press Return.
3 If there are no error messages then replace

377B in line 10 with # 377C. Run the program again. If "Out of data in 10" appears on the screen then Goto paragraph 5.

4 If an error was logged in para 2, you have missed out some data statements in the program. If no error was logged in para 3, you have somehow typed in too much data.

5 Amend line 10 to read as per the listing and type:
CSAVE"FRAGG CHASE",A#2FC5,E#377B,S,AUTO

6 Start cassette machine recording, wait 10 seconds, press Return.

7 When program is saved type:
CLOAD"FRAGG CHASE",S,V; and press Return

8 Rewind cassette and press play. If any errors are reported then repeat from para 5.

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 10 FORN=#2F05TO#377B:READD:POKEN,D:NEXTN
 100 DATA234,32,178,50,32,9,49,234,234,32,159,54,32,20
5,51,32,18,49,32
 110 DATA1,48,234,32,178,50,32,167,50,32,30,55,234,234
,32,167,50,32,181,54
 120 DATA32,159,54,32,20,48,32,45,51,234,32,79,49,32,2
16,52,234,234,32,135
 130 DATA49,32,9,49,32,45,50,32,238,52,32,135,50,234,3
2,61,53,32,14,55
 140 DATA169,1,141,79,2,141,78,2,234,234,32,131,51,32,
27,51,32,187,50,32
 150 DATA155,51,32,53,52,234,32,9,51,32,172,53,234,234
,32,214,53,169,0,141
 160 DATA108,2,32,131,51,32,27,51,32,187,50,32,155,51,
32,53,52,234,32,9
 170 DATA51,32,172,53,234,234,32,62,55,32,46,55,32,108
,55,234,234,234,234,234
 180 DATA234,234,173,12,151,201,1,208,6,32,103,52,76,3
8,47,234,234,234,162,0
 190 DATA189,0,150,141,1,151,189,1,150,141,2,151,142,1
4,151,32,161,49,32,225
 200 DATA49,173,152,49,141,220,47,173,153,49,141,221,4
7,169,42,205,83,189,208,5
 210 DATA169,2,141,12,151,234,174,14,151,232,232,236,9
,151,208,200,173,12,151
 220 DATA201,2,208,6,32,203,250,76,30,47,234,76,94,47,
169,127,141,12,2,169,0
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62,0,157,168,187,232
 240 DATA224,240,208,248,162,0,157,152,188,232,224,240
,208,248,162,0,157,136,189
 250 DATA232,224,240,208,248,162,0,157,120,190,232,224
,240,208,248,162,0,157,104
 260 DATA191,232,224,120,208,248,169,22,162,3,157,72,1
88
 265 DATA232,224,37,208,248,162,3
 270 DATA157,112,188,232,224,37,208,248,162,3,157,152,
188,232,224,37,208,248,162
 280 DATA3,157,192,188,232,224,37,208,248,162,3,157,23
2,188,232,224,37,208,248
 290 DATA162,3,157,16,189,232,224,37,208,248,162,3,157
,56,189,232
 300 DATA224,37,208,248,162,3,157,96,189,232,224,37,20
8,248,162,3,157,136
 305 DATA189,232,224,37,208,248,162,3,157,176
 310 DATA189,232,224,37,208,248,162,3,157,216,189,232,
224,37,208,248,162,3,157,0
 320 DATA190,232,224,37,208,248,162,3,157,40,190,232,2
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 410 DATA141,232,187,169,82,141,215,187,141,233,187,16
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153,49,76,236,49,238,153
 500 DATA49,76,244,49,238,153,49,76,250,49,174,3,151,1
72,4,151,140,176,49,200
 510 DATA208,1,232,140,4,151,142,3,151,142,177,49,140,
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THIS PROGRAM uses either joystick or keyboard. You are the commander of a destroyer and you must destroy the enemy submarines. There are four submarines on the screen travelling at different speeds and worth different points.

sub 1 = 1 point.
sub 2 = 10 points.
sub 3 = 30 points.
sub 4 = 50 points.

There is also a time limit of three minutes in which you must get as many points as you can. To make matters worse underground bombers are constantly firing missiles up towards you. If one of these missiles hits you then you lose.

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80 SYMBOL AFTER 128
90 FOR a=128 TO 148
100 READ b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i
110 SYMBOL a,b,c,d,e,f,g,h,i
120 NEXT
130 cloud$=CHR$(140)+CHR$(141)+CHR$(142)+CHR$(143)
140 clouds$=CHR$(144)+CHR$(145)+CHR$(146)+CHR$(147)
150 DATA 0,192,99,63,42,63,96,192,0,0,192,160,240,224,
0,0,0,0,3,5,15,7,0,0,0,3,198,252,84,252,6,3,0,0,3,6,15
,255,31,7
160 DATA 0,0,48,98,244,252,252,248,0,0,2,3,7,2,0,0,0,0
,32,192,192,64,0,0,13,31,29,46,60,31,15,3,128,224,224,
48,112,224,192,128
170 DATA 144,96,96,240,240,96,96,0,0,96,96,240,240,96,
96,144,0,1,3,7,55,127,127,255,199,239,223,191,255,255,
255,255,0,248,248,247,23
9,255,255,255,0,0,0,128,192,0,128,192
180 DATA 255,255,127,31,30,0,0,0,255,255,255,255,255,2
06,0,0,255,255,255,255,247,227,0,0,224,224,224,192,192
,128,0,0,0,0,0,0,204,255
,255,255
190 MODE 1:BORDER 0:INK 0,0:INK 1,18:INK 2,6:INK 3,18,
0:SPEED INK 5,5:BORDER 0:PAPER 0
200 LOCATE 15,1:PEN 1:PRINT "DESTROYER"
210 MOVE 220,300:DRAW 370,380
220 PEN 2:LOCATE 3,3:PRINT " You are the commander of
a submarine  destroyer. It is your job to destroy the
enemy subs.":PRINT:PEN 1
230 PRINT " You control the destroyer by either  usi
ng the joystick or the left and rightcursor keys. To d
rop the depth charges  p
ress the space bar or the FIRE button  on the Joystick
.":PRINT:PEN 2
240 PRINT " The further down the screen the Sub is the
 more points you get.":PRINT:PEN 1
250 PRINT " There is a time limit of 3 minutes in  whi
ch you must get the highest amount  of points you can
.":PRINT:PEN 2
260 LOCATE 13,21:PRINT "Good Luck!!!!!":PRINT:PEN 3
270 LOCATE 13,23:PRINT "PRESS ANY KEY"
280 A$=INKEY$: IF A$="" THEN 280
290 FOR a=1 TO 26:PRINT:NEXT
300 INK 0,1:INK 1,0:INK 2,24:INK 3,11:INK 4,12:INK 5,2
6:INK 6,6:INK 7,6,24:SPEED INK 10,10:MODE 0
310 PAPER 1:LOCATE 1,1:PRINT SPACE$(20)
320 PEN 2:LOCATE 1,1:PRINT "Score:";score
330 PAPER 3:FOR a=2 TO 9:LOCATE 1,a:PRINT SPACE$(20):N
EXT
340 PAPER 1:FOR a=23 TO 25:LOCATE 1,a:PRINT SPACE$(20)
;:NEXT
350 PLOT 23,40,5:DRAW 612,40:DRAW 612,10:DRAW 23,10:DR
AW 23,40
354 PAPER 0
355 LOCATE 1,22
356 FOR a=1 TO 20:PRINT CHR$(148);:NEXT
360 PEN 5:PAPER 3
370 RESTORE 430
380 FOR a=1 TO 6
390 READ b,c
400 LOCATE b,c:PRINT CHR$(22)+CHR$(1);cloud$
410 LOCATE b,c+1:PRINT clouds$+CHR$(22)+CHR$(0)
420 NEXT
425 PAPER 1
430 DATA 3,3,7,5,10,2,6,4,15,2,13,6
440 PEN 2:LOCATE 2,24:PRINT "Time:";:PAPER 0:PRINT "
 ";:PAPER 2:PRINT SPACE$(10):PAPER 1
450 xship=9:sub1=10:sub2=18:sub3=5:sub4=17:clock=300:b
=0:ybomb=9:arr=607:subomb=0:xbom=INT(RND*19)+2:ybom=21
:astic=0
460 sub1=sub1+0.5:sub2=sub2-1:sub3=sub3+1.2:sub4=sub4-
1.6:astic=astic+1
470 IF astic=5 THEN SOUND 1,50,10,5
480 IF astic=10 THEN SOUND 1,50,10,3:astic=0
490 GOSUB 930
500 LOCATE xship,9:PAPER 3:PEN 5:PRINT " ";CHR$(132);C
HR$(133);" "
510 PAPER 0:PEN 4
520 LOCATE sub1,12:PRINT " ";CHR$(128);CHR$(129)

530 LOCATE sub2,15:PRINT CHR$(130);CHR$(131);" "
540 LOCATE sub3,10:PRINT "  ";CHR$(128);CHR$(129)
550 IF subomb=1 THEN GOSUB 1050
560 LOCATE sub4,21:PRINT CHR$(130);CHR$(131);"  "
570 IF sub1>16 THEN LOCATE sub1,12:PRINT "    ":sub1=1
580 IF sub2<2 THEN LOCATE sub2,15:PRINT "    ":sub2=18

590 IF subomb=1 THEN GOSUB 1050
600 IF sub3>16 THEN LOCATE sub3,18:PRINT "    ":sub3=1
610 IF sub4<2 THEN LOCATE sub4,21:PRINT "    ":sub4=18

620 IF INT(RND*10)+1=5 AND subomb=0 THEN subomb=1
630 IF subomb=1 THEN GOSUB 1050
635 a$=INKEY$
640 IF JOY(0)=4 OR INKEY(8)=0 THEN xship=xship-1
650 IF JOY(0)=8 OR INKEY(1)=0 THEN xship=xship+1
660 IF JOY(0)=16 AND b=0 OR a$=" " AND b=0 THEN x=xshi
p+3:b=1
670 IF b=1 THEN GOSUB 710
680 IF xship=0 THEN xship=1
690 IF xship=18 THEN xship=17
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700 GOTO 460
710 ybomb=ybomb+1
720 PEN 4:LOCATE x,ybomb-1:PRINT " ":LOCATE x,ybomb:PR
INT CHR$(138)
730 IF ybomb=12 AND x>=sub1+1 AND x<=sub1+2.5 THEN GOS
UB 790
740 IF ybomb=15 AND x>=sub2 AND x<=sub2+1.8 THEN GOSUB
 790
750 IF ybomb=18 AND x>=sub3+1 AND x<=sub3+2.5 THEN GOS
UB 790
760 IF ybomb=21 AND x>=sub4 AND x<=sub4+2 THEN GOSUB 7
90
770 IF ybomb=21 AND x<>sub4 AND x<>sub4+2 THEN LOCATE
x,ybomb:PRINT " ":b=0:ybomb=9
780 RETURN
790 FOR a=1 TO 5
800 PEN 7:LOCATE x,ybomb:PRINT CHR$(134);CHR$(135)
810 IF a=1 OR a=3 THEN SOUND 3,0,15,6,0,0,2
820 PEN 7:LOCATE x,ybomb:PRINT CHR$(136);CHR$(137)
830 IF a=4 THEN SOUND 2,0,10,7,0,0,4
840 NEXT
850 LOCATE x,ybomb:PRINT "  ":
860 IF ybomb=12 THEN sub1=1:LOCATE 1,12:PRINT SPACE$(2
0);:score=score+1
870 IF ybomb=15 THEN sub2=16:LOCATE 1,15:PRINT SPACE$(
20);:score=score+10
880 IF ybomb=18 THEN sub3=1:LOCATE 1,18:PRINT SPACE$(2
0);:score=score+30
890 IF ybomb=21 THEN sub4=16:LOCATE 1,21:PRINT SPACE$(
20);:score=score+50
900 b=0:ybomb=9
910 PEN 2:PAPER 1:LOCATE 7,1:PRINT score:PAPER 0:PEN 4
920 RETURN
930 PLOT acc,32,1
940 DRAW acc,14
950 acc=acc-0.9
960 IF acc<192 THEN 980
970 RETURN
980 LOCATE 7,10:PEN 7:PAPER 0:PRINT "GAME OVER":FOR A=
1 TO 1000:NEXT
990 INK 8,24,6:LOCATE 3,20:PAPER 0:PEN 8:PRINT "Do you
 want another      game (y/n)      "
1000 a$=LOWER$(INKEY$)
1010 IF a$="" THEN GOTO 1000
1020 IF a$="y" THEN 290
1030 IF a$="n" THEN INK 0,0:BORDER 0:PAPER 0:INK 1,18:
PEN 1:MODE 1:END
1040 GOTO 1000
1050 LOCATE xbom,ybom:PRINT " ":ybom=ybom-1:LOCATE xbo
m,ybom:PRINT CHR$(139)
1060 IF ybom=9 AND xbom>=xship+1 AND xbom<=xship+2 THE
N acc=191:GOSUB 1090:RETURN
1070 IF ybom=9 THEN LOCATE xbom,ybom:PAPER 3:PRINT " "
:PAPER 0:xbom=INT(RND*19)+2:ybom=21
1080 RETURN
1090 '
1100 FOR a=1 TO 10
1110 PEN 7:PAPER 3:LOCATE xship+1,9
1120 PRINT CHR$(134);CHR$(135)
1130 IF a=1 OR a=3 THEN SOUND 3,0,15,6,0,0,5
1140 LOCATE xship+1,9
1150 PRINT CHR$(136);CHR$(137)
1160 IF a=4 THEN SOUND 2,0,10,7,0,0,11
1170 NEXT
1180 LOCATE xship+1,9:PAPER 3:PRINT "  ":LOCATE xship+
1,8:PRINT "  ":PAPER 0
1185 score=0
1190 PEN 4:ybom=22:RETURN
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Blackjack

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BBC

HERE IS a program called Blackjack for the 32K BBC micro. This program allows the user to play the computer at a game of Pontoon. The aim of the game of course is to make your cards total 21 or as near that as possible, but without exceeding you bust.

You both start with £100 and when your first card is dealt you bet on it, and another one is dealt. You can then stick with what you have got by pressing the space bar, or twist to get another card by pressing the Return key or buy another card, thus increasing your stake, by pressing B. If you go bust then the computer takes your bet.

When you stick the computer then has its go, and depending on the value of its cards you either win or lose that hand.

Blackjack program 1.

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 10REM Blackjack (C) David Potter
 20*TV255
 30ENVELOPE2,1,0,0,0,0,0,0,10,0,0,-2,80,0
 40ENVELOPE3,1,2,-1,0,20,60,0,126,0,0,-126,126,0
 50ENVELOPE4,3,0,0,0,1,1,1,120,-5,-5,-10,120,90
 60VDU23,224,8,28,28,107,127,107,8,28
 70VDU23,225,8,28,62,127,62,28,8,0
 80VDU23,226,54,127,127,127,62,28,8,0
 90VDU23,227,8,28,62,127,127,127,28,62
100VDU23,228,1,3,7,15,31,63,127,255
110VDU23,229,128,192,224,240,248,252,254,255
120VDU23,230,255,127,63,31,15,7,3,1
130VDU23,231,255,254,252,248,240,224,192,128
140VDU23,232,0,0,15,15,63,63,63,63
150VDU23,233,0,0,60,60,255,255,255,255
160VDU23,234,63,63,15,15,3,3,0,0
170VDU23,235,255,255,252,252,240,240,192,192
180VDU23,236,0,0,3,3,3,3,63,63
190VDU23,237,192,192,240,240,240,240,255,255
200VDU23,238,63,63,60,60,0,0,3,3
210VDU23,239,255,255,207,207,192,192,240,240
220VDU23,242,255,255,255,255,15,15,63,63
230VDU23,243,252,252,252,252,192,192,240,240
240VDU23,244,1,1,3,3,7,15,63,255
250VDU23,245,128,128,192,192,224,240,252,255
260VDU23,246,255,63,15,7,3,3,1,1
270VDU23,247,255,252,240,224,192,192,128,128
280VDU23,248,3,3,15,15,63,63,255,255
290VDU23,249,0,0,192,192,240,240,252,252
300CHAIN"BLACKJACK2"
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Blackjack program 2.

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   10MODE1:DIMA$(20):GCOL0,3:MOVE0,0:DRAW0,1020:DRAW12
76,1020:DRAW1276,0:DRAW0,0:GCOL0,1:MOVE10,1010:DRAW126
6,1010:DRAW1266,914:DRAW10,914:DRAW10,1010
   20PROCD("Blackjack",464,992,3):PROCD("Blackjack",46
8,988,3):PROCD("Blackjack",472,984,1):PROCD("Bet=",832
,992,2):PROCD("Bet=",836,988,0):PROCD("Bet=",840,984,2
):PROCD("'",948,988,3)
   30MO$=CHR$8+CHR$8+CHR$10:DI$=CHR$228+CHR$229+MO$+CH
R$230+CHR$231:CL$=CHR$236+CHR$237+MO$+CHR$238+CHR$239:
SP$=CHR$248+CHR$249+MO$+CHR$242+CHR$243:HE$=CHR$232+CH
R$233+MO$+CHR$234+CHR$235
   40CR1%=100:CR2%=100:COLOUR2:PRINTTAB(1,1)"ME..";:CO
LOUR3:PRINT'' 100.00":COLOUR2:PRINTTAB(1,2)"YOU.";:COLO
UR3:PRINT'' 100.00"
   50ST%=0:PROCST:VDU28,1,30,38,4:CLS:VDU28,2,30,37,28
:@%=&20209
   60GCOL0,1:MOVE60,30:DRAW60,120:DRAW1220,120:DRAW122
0,30:DRAW60,30:GCOL0,3:MOVE448,916:DRAW448,1006:MOVE83
2,916:DRAW832,1006:PROCD("Your Hand:",64,892,2):AA=0:U
=1:V=0:A=0:X=2:V2=0:PROCDEAL:V=V+1:A=A+J:PROCD("My Han
d:",64,510,2)
   70PROCSQ(96,160,1)
   80VDU4:CLS:COLOUR3:PRINT'" Please Input Your stake:
";:INPUT" '"ST%:IF ST%>CR1% THEN COLOUR1:CLS:SOUND3,3,
10,10:PRINT'" Stake larger than credit try again":TIME
=0:REPEATUNTILTIME>250:GOTO80
   90IF ST%<=0 THEN COLOUR1:CLS:SOUND3,3,10,10:PRINT'"
 Oh come on chicken!":TIME=0:REPEATUNTILTIME>200:GOTO8
0
  100PROCST:CR1%=CR1%-ST%:PROC5C:PROCDEAL:V=V+1:A=A+J:
PROCSQ(320,160,1):VDU4:CLS:GOTO320
  110DEFPROCDEAL
  120J=INT((RND(1)*13))+1:OJ=J
  130IF J=1 W$="A":GOTO160
  140IF J=11 W$="J":J=J-1:GOTO180
  150IF J=12 W$="Q":J=J-2:GOTO180
  160IF J=13 W$="K":J=J-3:GOTO180
  170W$=STR$(J)
  180K=INT(RND(1)*4)+1
  190IF K=1 R$="S"
  200IF K=2 R$="H"
  210IF K=3 R$="D"
  220IF K=4 R$="C"
  230L=-1:REPEAT:L=L+1:IF W$+R$=A$(L) THEN120
  240UNTIL L=U
  250U=U+1:A$(U)=W$+R$
  260IF X=1 YY%=160 ELSE YY%=544
  270PROCCARD((V*224)+96,YY%)
  280IF W$="A" THEN ON X GOTO 300,290 ELSE ENDPROC
  290VDU4:CLS:COLOUR3:INPUT " Amount For Ace",G:IF G<>
1 AND G<>11 COLOUR1:CLS:SOUND3,3,10,10:PRINT'" Either
1 Or 11!":TIME=0:REPEATUNTILTIME>200:GOTO290 ELSE J=G:
CLS:VDU5:ENDPROC
  300IF (AA+11)<=21 THEN J=11 ELSE J=1
  310ENDPROC
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  320IF A>21 THEN 400
  330IFV=5 THEN 370
  340VDU4:CLS:COLOUR3:PRINT'" Command:":A$=GET$:VDU5
  350IF A$=CHR$13 THEN 360 ELSE IF A$=" " THEN 370 ELS
E IF A$="B" PROCBUY ELSE 340
  360PROCDEAL:A=A+J:V=V+1:GOTO320
  370VDU4:CLS:COLOUR3:PRINT'" MY TURN":VDU5
  380V2=V:V=0
  390X=1:PROCDEAL:AA=AA+J:V=V+1:IF AA<17 AND V<5 THEN
390
  400VDU4,28,2,30,37,28:CLS:@%=10:COLOUR2:PRINT" I Sco
red...";AA:COLOUR3:PRINT" You Scored.";A:@%=&20209
  410IF AA>21 COLOUR2:PRINTTAB(15,0)'"I Bust":WI=1
  420IF A>21 COLOUR3:PRINTTAB(15,1)"You Bust":WI=2
  430IF V2<5 AND V<5 AND AA<21 AND A<21 THEN 440 ELSE
450
  440IF A>AA COLOUR3:PRINTTAB(15,1)"You Win":WI=1:GOTO
 510 ELSE COLOUR2:PRINTTAB(15,0)"I Win":WI=2:GOTO510
  450IF AA=21 AND V=2 COLOUR2:PRINTTAB(15,0)'"Blackjack
.I Win":CR2%=CR2%+ST%:WI=2:GOTO 510
  460IF A=21 AND V2=2 COLOUR3:PRINTTAB(15,1)'"Blackjack
.You Win":CR1%=CR1%+ST%:WI=1:GOTO 510
  470IF AA<22 AND V=5 AND AA>0 COLOUR2:PRINTTAB(15,0)"
5 Card Trick.I Win":WI=2:GOTO 510
  480IF A<22 AND V2=5 COLOUR3:PRINTTAB(15,1)"5 Card Tr
ick.You Win":WI=1:GOTO 510
  490IF AA=21 COLOUR2:PRINTTAB(15,0)"Pontoon.I Win":WI
=2:GOTO510
  500IF A=21 COLOUR3:PRINTTAB(15,1)"Pontoon.You Win":W
I=1
  510IF WI=1 THEN SOUND1,4,80,30:CR1%=CR1%+(ST%*2):CR2
%=CR2%-ST% ELSE CR2%=CR2%+ST%:FORI=40TO0STEP-4:SOUND3,
3,I,2:NEXT
  520PROCSC
  530IF CR1%=0 OR CR2%=0 VDU28,1,24,38,4:CLS:GOTO510 E
LSE 570
  540IF CR1%=0 THEN PROCD("You Lose Turkey!",352,736,2
) ELSE PROCD("OK You Win This Time Sucker!",160,736,2)
  550PROCD("For Another Round Of Blackjack,",112,608,1
):PROCD("Press The Space Bar.",288,516,1)
  560REPEAT:B$=GET$:UNTILB$=" ":VDU28,0,31,39,0:GOTO40
  570VDU28,1,17,38,16:CLS:PROCD("Press Space For Anoth
er Hand.",144,512,1):REPEAT:B$=GET$:UNTILB$=" ":VDU4:G
OTO50
  580DEFPROCCARD(X%,Y%):PROCSQ(X%,Y%,3):ON K GOTO 590,
600,610,620
  590GCOL0,0:CO%=0:MOVEX%,Y%+192:VDU227:MOVEX%+162,Y%+
64:VDU227:CE$=SP$:PROCM:ENDPROC
  600GCOL0,1:CO%=1:MOVEX%,Y%+192:VDU226:MOVEX%+162,Y%+
64:VDU226:CE$=HE$:PROCM:ENDPROC
  610GCOL0,1:CO%=1:MOVEX%,Y%+192:VDU225:MOVEX%+162,Y%+
64:VDU225:CE$=DI$:PROCM:ENDPROC
  620GCOL0,0:CO%=0:MOVEX%,Y%+192:VDU224:MOVEX%+162,Y%+
64:VDU224:CE$=CL$:PROCM:ENDPROC
  630DEFPROCM:MOVEX%+130,Y%-96:J$=STR$(OJ):IF LEN(J$)=
1 OR OJ>10 VDU9
  640IF OJ>1 AND OJ<11 THEN PRINT;J$ ELSE PRINT;W$
  650MOVEX%,Y%+224:IF OJ>1 AND OJ<11 THEN PRINT;C$ ELS
E PRINT;W$
  660IF OJ>1 AND OJ<11 THEN PROCD(J$,X%+32,Y%+160,CO%)
 ELSE IF OJ<>1 PROCD(W$,X%+32,Y%+160,CO%)
  670IF OJ=1 MOVEX%+64,Y%+160:PRINTCE$
  680ENDPROC
  690DEFPROCSQ(X%,Y%,COL):GCOL0,COL:MOVEX%,Y%:MOVEX%+1
92,Y%:PLOT85,X%+192,Y%+256:MOVEX%,Y%+256:PLOT85,X%,Y%:
VDU5:GCOL0,0:MOVEX%,Y%+32:VDU245:MOVEX%+164,Y%+30:VDU2
44:MOVEX%+164,Y%+256:VDU246:MOVEX%,Y%+256:VDU247:SOUND
0,2,4,1:SOUND0,0,0,0:ENDPROC
  700DEFPROCST:VDU28,32,2,38,1:CLS:IF ST%=0 PROCD("0.0
0",1024,988,3):GOTO720
  710ST$=STR$(ST%):PROCD(ST$,1008,988,3):AL=LEN(ST$)*3
2:PROCD(".00",AL+1024,988,3)
  720VDU28,2,30,37,28:ENDPROC
  730DEFPROCSC:VDU26,0,31,39,0:COLOUR3:IF CR2%<=0 CR2%
=0:COLOUR1
  740PRINTTAB(6,1);CR2%;"  ":COLOUR3:IF CR1%<=0 CR1%=0
:COLOUR1
  750PRINTTAB(6,2);CR1%;"  ":COLOUR3:VDU28,2,30,37,28:
ENDPROC
  760DEFPROCBUY
  770VDU4:COLOUR2:CLS:PRINT'" How much do you want to
pay ?";:INPUT" "BU%:IF BU%>CR1% THEN COLOUR1:CLS:SOUN
D3,3,10,10:PRINT'" Too much try again!":TIME=0:REPEATU
NTILTIME>200:CLS:GOTO770
  780ST%=ST%+BU%:CR1%=CR1%-BU%:PROCST:PROCSC:CLS:ENDPR
OC
  790DEFPROCD(A$,K,L,CO)
  800GCOL0,CO:LOCAL N:A%=&A:X%=0:Y%=&A:D=&A00:IF LEN(A
$)=1 K=K+16
  810FORN=1 TO LEN(A$):B$=MID$(A$,N,1):?D=ASC(B$):CALL
 (&FFF1):VDU23,240,D?1,D?1,D?2,D?2,D?3,D?3,D?4,D?4,23,
241,D?5,D?5,D?6,D?6,D?7,D?7,D?8,D?8:VDU5:MOVEK+(N*32),
L:VDU240:MOVEK+(N+32),L-32:VDU241:NEXT N:VDU4:ENDPROC
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Utilities

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VIC-20

THIS IS A LOADER program for three machine-code routines which are as follows:

■ A cassette motor switch: this switches the cassette motor on so that tapes can be re-wound or fast forwarded while you are using the keyboard to program or a program is running.

The relevant Data statements are in lines 40-50. After running type:

SYS 673

F1 Key will now switch the cassette motor on

F3 Key will switch it off.

To kill this routine press Run Stop/Restore.

■ Random character colour: this brightens the screen up when you are typing by changing the colour of each character as you type. The cursor also flashes different colours. It does not print a character the same colour as the screen so all characters should be visible whichever screen colour you use. It also adds colour to the listings.

The relevant Data statements are in lines 70-80. After running type:

SYS 673

To kill this routines pres Run Stop/Restore.

■ Clear screen: this routine enables you to clear areas of the screen and leave the rest intact

SYS 673 clears the top half of the screen. As it is it clears the top eleven lines. To change the number of lines Poke 674, X where X is a number between 0-22. This clears X+1 lines.

SYS 678 clears the bottom half of the screen. The routine will clear the bottom twelve lines. To change this Poke 685 to a number between 0-21. This routine can also be used to clear the middle to the screen by poking a number between 0-22 to location 679 which is greater than that in location 685.

SYS 691 clears the left eleven columns of the screen. To change the number of columns Poke 694 with a number between 0-21.

SYS 704 clears the right eleven columns. To change Poke 724 with a number between 0-20.

To use the routines type in the loader and the relevant data statements for the routine you want. The first two will not run together. The third can be used with the other two if it is loaded into a different area of memory as long as the call addresses to the routines are changed to the new memory area.

Vic utilities

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10 G=673
20 READA:IFA=999THENEND
30 POKEG,A:G=G+1:GOTO20
39 REM****CASSETTE MOTOR SWITCH
40 DATA120,169,174,141,20,3,169,2,141,21,3,88,96,165,157,201,39,240,7,201,47,240
,22,76
41 DATA191,234,173,17,145,9,64,141,17,145,173,28,145,41,12,141,28,145,76,191,234
,159,254
42 DATA141,28,145,169,62,141,17,145,76,191,234
50 DATA999

69 REM****RANDOM CHARACTER COLOUR
70 DATA120,169,174,141,20,3,169,2,141,21,3,88,96,169,0,141,27,145,173,24,145,77,
20,145
71 DATA14,7,133,254,173,13,144,74,74,74,74,41,7,197,254,208,14,56,42,41,7,201,7,
208,3
72 DATA10,41,7,24,133,254,165,254,141,134,2,76,191,234
80 DATA999

85 REM****CLEAR SCREEN
86 :
87 :
89 REM***TOP
90 DATA162,10,76,123,229
99 REM****BOTTOM
100 DATA162,22,32,141,234,202,224,10,208,248,76,129,229
109 REM****LEFT
110 DATA162,22,160,10,32,143,234,202,16,248,76,129,229
119 REM****RIGHT
120 DATA162,22,160,21,32,126,234,32,178,234,169,32,145,209,169,1,145,243,136,152
121 DATA10,208,237,202,16,232,76,129,229
125 DATA999
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Tape Index

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SPECTRUM

THIS PROGRAM creates a file of the cassettes contents and should normally be saved at the beginning of side 1. It may be used for either the 16K or 48K Spectrum. After entering the program, Run. You will then be asked to enter the Tape Title after which the menu is given providing options to:

1. Print Contents of cata memory.
2. LPrint Contents of data memory.
3. Enter new data into memory.
4. Change existing data memory.
5. Save program and data memory.
6. Stop program.

After the program has been saved any future Load will result in it auto starting at option 1.

When entering Data there is no need to enter the data in order as the program contains a Sort subroutine — lines 900 to 930 — which will sort into order of, first, side and then tape counter.

For those who do not yet know how to enter line 0, enter this line as line 1 and after that Enter as a direct command

POKE 23756,0

Line 1 will now be changed to line 0.

The data memory has been dimensioned as 18 because this fills one screen without being asked "scroll?" and this is usually sufficient for most computer tapes. However, if additional data memory is required then alter the value of "y" in line 10.

If you Break the program for any reason do not type Run as this will clear all variables/strings. Restart by entering

GOTO 40

However, once the program has been used it may be reused on another tape by breaking the program — option 6 — then press Run to clear the memory for new data.

```
  0 REM ** TAPE INDEX
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  10 LET y=18: DIM w(y): DIM c$(
y,4): DIM p$(y,10): DIM d$(1): D
IM e$(3): FOR n=1 TO y: LET w(n)
=n: NEXT n
  20 INPUT AT 0,0;"TAPE TITLE  "
; LINE t$
  25 IF LEN t$>32 THEN GO TO 20
  30 LET c$(1)="1000": LET p$(1)
="DTS  INDEX"
  40 BORDER 7: PAPER 7: INK 0: B
RIGHT 0: CLS
  50 PRINT AT 0,8;"
   ";AT 1,8;" CONTENTS INDEX ";A
T 2,8;"
  60 PRINT '''"OPTIONS AVAILABLE"
''''' 1 >>  PRINT CONTENTS'''' 3
 >>  LPRINT CONTENTS''''  3 >>
  ENTER NEW DATA''''  4 >>  CHAN
GE DATA''''  5 >>  SAVE''''  6 >
>  STOP"
  70 INPUT AT 0,0;"ENTER OPTION
NUMBER  "; LINE z$: IF z$<"1" O
R z$>"6" THEN GO TO 70
  80 GO TO VAL z$*100
 100 BORDER 7: PAPER 7: INK 0: B
RIGHT 1: CLS
 110 PRINT PAPER 2; INK 7;AT 0,I
NT ((32-LEN t$)/2);t$: GO SUB 70
0: INPUT AT 0,0;"PRESS ENTER  ";
 LINE a$: GO TO 40
 200 LPRINT INVERSE 1;AT 0,INT (
(32-LEN t$)/2);t$: LPRINT
 210 LPRINT AT 2,0;"SIDE";AT 2,6
;"COUNT";AT 2,19;"PROGRAM TITLE"
 220 LPRINT : FOR n=1 TO y
 230 IF c$(w(n))<>"  " THEN LP
RINT TAB 2;c$(w(r),1);TAB 7;c$(w
(n),2 TO );TAB 20;p$(w(n.)
 240 NEXT n: GO TO 40
 300 CLS : PRINT AT 1,7;"ENTERIN
G NEW DATA": FOR n=1 TO y
 310 IF c$(w(n))="  " THEN GO
SUB 800: GO SUB 820: INPUT AT 0,
0;"DO YOU WISH TO ENTER ANOTHER
?  "; LINE z$: IF a$(1)="n" OR a
$(1)="N" THEN GO TO 900
 320 NEXT n: PRINT AT 6,16;"MEMO
RY FULL": PAUSE 200: GO TO 900
 400 CLS : PRINT AT 0,9; CHANGIN
G DATA": GO SUB 700
 410 INPUT AT 0,0;"ENTER 'SIDE'
and 'COUNT' OF ITEMTO BE CHANGED
"; LINE d$;"  "; LINE e$
 420 FOR n=1 TO y
 430 IF c$(w(n))=d$+e$ THEN CLS
: PRINT AT 0,9;"CHANGING DATA"
GO SUB 800: PRINT AT 4,17;c$(w(n
),1);AT 6,17;c$(w(n),2 TO );AT 8
,17;p$(w(n)): GO SUB 820: INPUT
AT 0,0;"DO YOU WISH TO CHANGE AN
OTHER ? "; LINE a$: IF a$(1)="n"
OR a$(1)="N" THEN GO TO 900
 440 NEXT n  GO TO 400
 500 CLS : PRINT AT 10,5;"REWIND
 TAPE TO RECORD"  SAVE "DTS  TAP
EX" LINE 100: CLS : PRINT AT 8,3
;"THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN SAVED";A
T 10,12;"TO VERIFY";AT 11,6;"REW
IND TAPE AND PLAY": VERIFY "DTS
 INDEX": GO TO 40
 600 STOP
 700 PRINT AT 2,0;"SIDE";AT 2,6;
"COUNT";AT 2,19;"PROGRAM TITLE"
 710 PRINT : FOR n=1 TO y
 720 IF c$(w(n))<>"  " THEN PR
INT TAB 2;c$(w(n),1);TAB 7;c$(w(
n),2 TO );TAB 20;p$(w(n))
 730 NEXT n: RETURN
 800 PRINT AT 4,9;"SIDE :  ";AT
6,8;"COUNT :  ";AT 8,6;"PROGRAM
 ": RETURN
 820 INPUT AT 0,0;"ENTER  SIDE
  "; LINE d$: PRINT AT 4,17;d$
 830 INPUT AT 0,0;"ENTER  COUNT
  "; LINE e$: PRINT AT 6,17;e$
 840 INPUT AT 0,0;"ENTER  PROGRA
M  "; LINE p$(w(r)): PRINT AT 8
,17;p$(w(n)): LET t$(w(n))=d$+e$
 850 INPUT AT 0,0;"ARE DETAILS C
ORRECT ? "; LINE a$: IF a$(1)="n
" OR a$(1)="N" THEN GO TO 820
 860 PRINT AT 4,17;"  ";AT 6,17;"
  ";AT 8,17;"  ": RETUR
N
 900 FOR k=1 TO y-1: LET z=0: FO
R j=k+1 TO y
 910 IF c$(w(j))<c$(w(k)) THEN L
ET x=w(j): LET w(j)=w(k): LET w(
k)=x: LET z=1
 920 NEXT j: IF z=0 THEN GO TO 1
00
 930 NEXT k: GO TO 120
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0 REM *** PRINT <--> LPRINT ***
1 REM ***  HALLDOR ROSSEBO  ***
2 REM ***       3/8/84     ***
3 REM
10 FORN=38800TO38888
20 READ DTA$
30 DTA=VAL("#"+DTA$)
40 ER=ER+DTA
50 POKEN,DTA
60 NEXT
70 IFER<>10322THENPRINT"DATA ERROR":STOP
80 PRINT"DATA OK. "
90 PRINT:PRINT"PRESS A KEY TO CSAVE"
95 GETA$:CSAVE"P-LP",A38800,E38888
100 DATAA0,FF,A9,00,85,01,A9,04,85
110 DATA02,A5,0C,C9,BA,D0,07,AA,A9
120 DATA0F,85,00,D0,06,A9,BA,85,0C
130 DATAA2,8F,A9,0C,85,03,C8,D0,02
140 DATAE6,02,B1,01,C9,00,D0,09,E6
150 DATA03,A9,03,C5,03,D0,ED,60,85
160 DATA04,A5,03,C9,0C,F0,11,C8,D0
170 DATA02,E6,02,E6,03,A5,03,C9,05
180 DATA90,F3,B1,01,B0,02,A5,04,C5
190 DATA0C,D0,C9,8A,91,01,D0,C4
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Print to LPrint

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ORIC

THIS MACHINE-CODE program replaces all Prints in a Basic program with LPrints, and vice versa. It was written on an Oric-1 48K, but it will also work on the 16K Atmos. The machine-code is fully relocatable.

To get the machine-code going call 38800. If you then list your Basic program you'll see that all the prints have been changed to LPrint. Another call will change them back.

The switch is located in (#)0, and other values then #BA here will make the program convert Prints to LPrints.

Catalogue

A D Oliver,
Dobwalls,
Cornwall.

DRAGON

THIS PROGRAM allows you to make a catalogue of programs stored on cassette. The program, written in position-independent code, was originally designed for Rom, but will reside anywhere in Ram.

On execution you are asked if you require a printout. Typing any other key than Y will just put a printout to the screen. To hold the present information on the screen, just turn off the tape deck.

To exit from the program you must press the reset button. ■

```
10 REM HE:LOADER - ENTER THE
20 REM STRING OF HEX DIGITS FIRST
30 REM AND THEN THE CHECKSUM
40 PRINT "ENTER START ADDRESS ";:INPUT START
50 PRINT "ENTER FINISH ADDRESS";:INPUT FINISH
60 FOR N = START TO FINISH STEP 8
65 PRINT N;" ";
70 TT=0:INPUT A$:Z=0
80 FOR S=1 TO LEN(A$) STEP 2
90 P=VAL("&H"+MID$(A$,S,2))
100 TT=TT+P:POKE (N+Z),P
110 Z=Z+1:NEXT
120 PRINT " - ";
130 INPUT T$
150 IF VAL(T$)<>TT THEN PRINT "ERROR - ENTER LINE AGAI
N":GOTO 70
160 NEXT

24576 : 17 01 22 30 8C 09 A6 80  =  549
24584 : 27 18 BD B8 0C 20 F7 0D  =  684
24592 : 0D 55 53 45 20 50 52 49  =  517
24600 : 4E 54 45 52 20 39 2F 6E  =  591
24608 : 20 00 BD B8 09 BC B8 06  =  631
24616 : 27 F8 81 59 27 0E 8E 01  =  698
24624 : 60 BF 02 05 17 00 EE 20  =  537
24632 : 09 8E B8 0F BF 02 05 17  =  515
24640 : 00 E3 30 8C 04 8C 35 20  =  645
24648 : 3C 0D 0D 46 49 4C 45 4E  =  452
24656 : 41 4D 45 20 20 20 20 42  =  485
24664 : 4C 4B 53 20 20 20 45 52  =  481
24672 : 52 53 0D 3D 3D 3D 3D 3D  =  483
24680 : 3D 3D 3D 3D 3D 3D 3D 3D  =  488
24688 : 3D 3D 3D 3D 3D 3D 3D 3D  =  488
24696 : 3D 3D 0D 00 A6 80 27 04  =  472
24704 : 8D 19 20 F8 39 8D 1C B6  =  854
24712 : 00 7C 26 46 8E 06 00 5F  =  475
24720 : A6 85 8D 07 5C C1 03 25  =  777
24728 : F7 20 EA BD 80 0C AD 9F  =  1174
24736 : 02 05 39 7F 02 02 7F 02  =  324
24744 : 03 8E 06 00 BF 00 7E AD  =  641
24752 : 9F A0 04 AD 9F A0 06 26  =  859
24760 : 10 B6 00 7C 27 C6 2B C4  =  798
24768 : B6 02 02 4C E7 02 02 20  =  481
24776 : EA B6 02 03 4C B7 02 03  =  605
24784 : 20 E1 8D 46 E6 08 B7 02  =  795
24792 : 01 4F F6 02 02 8D 2C B8  =  554
24800 : 30 CB 30 1E 89 8D B4 1E  =  317
24808 : 89 8D 80 8D 2D 86 08 B7  =  965
24816 : 02 01 4F F6 02 03 8D 13  =  493
24824 : 8B 30 CB 30 1E 89 8D 98  =  901
24832 : 1E 89 8D 97 86 0D 8D 93  =  394
24840 : 16 FF 7A 58 49 81 0A 25  =  736
24848 : 03 80 0A 5C 7A 02 01 26  =  396
24856 : F2 39 86 20 C6 05 17 FF  =  946
24864 : 7A 5A 26 FA 39 8E 04 00  =  703
24872 : BF 00 0B 86 60 A7 80 8C  =  992
24880 : 06 00 26 F9 39  =  350
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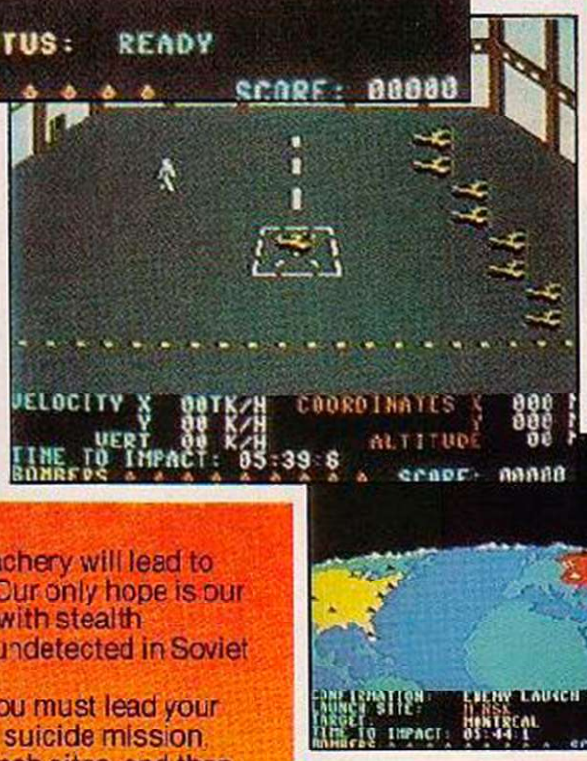

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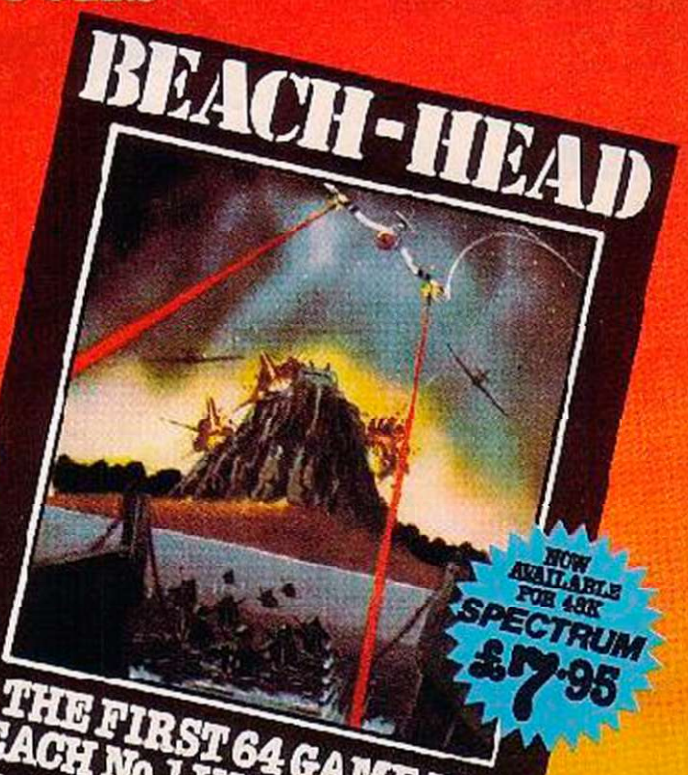

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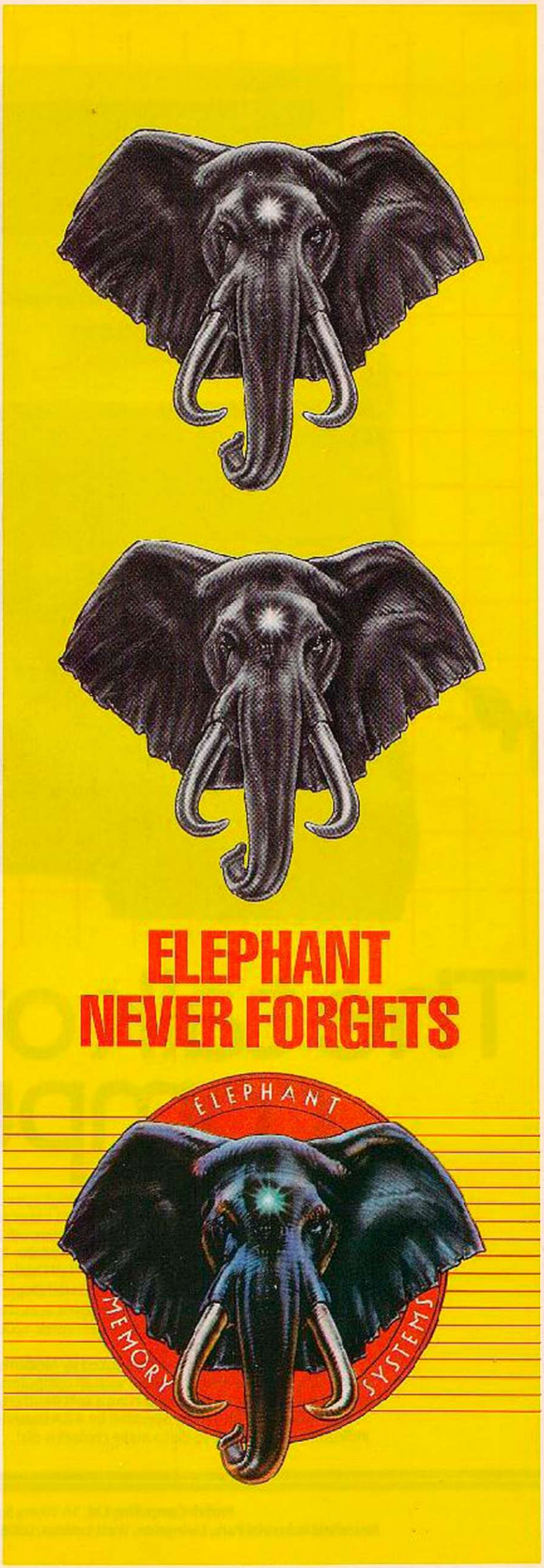

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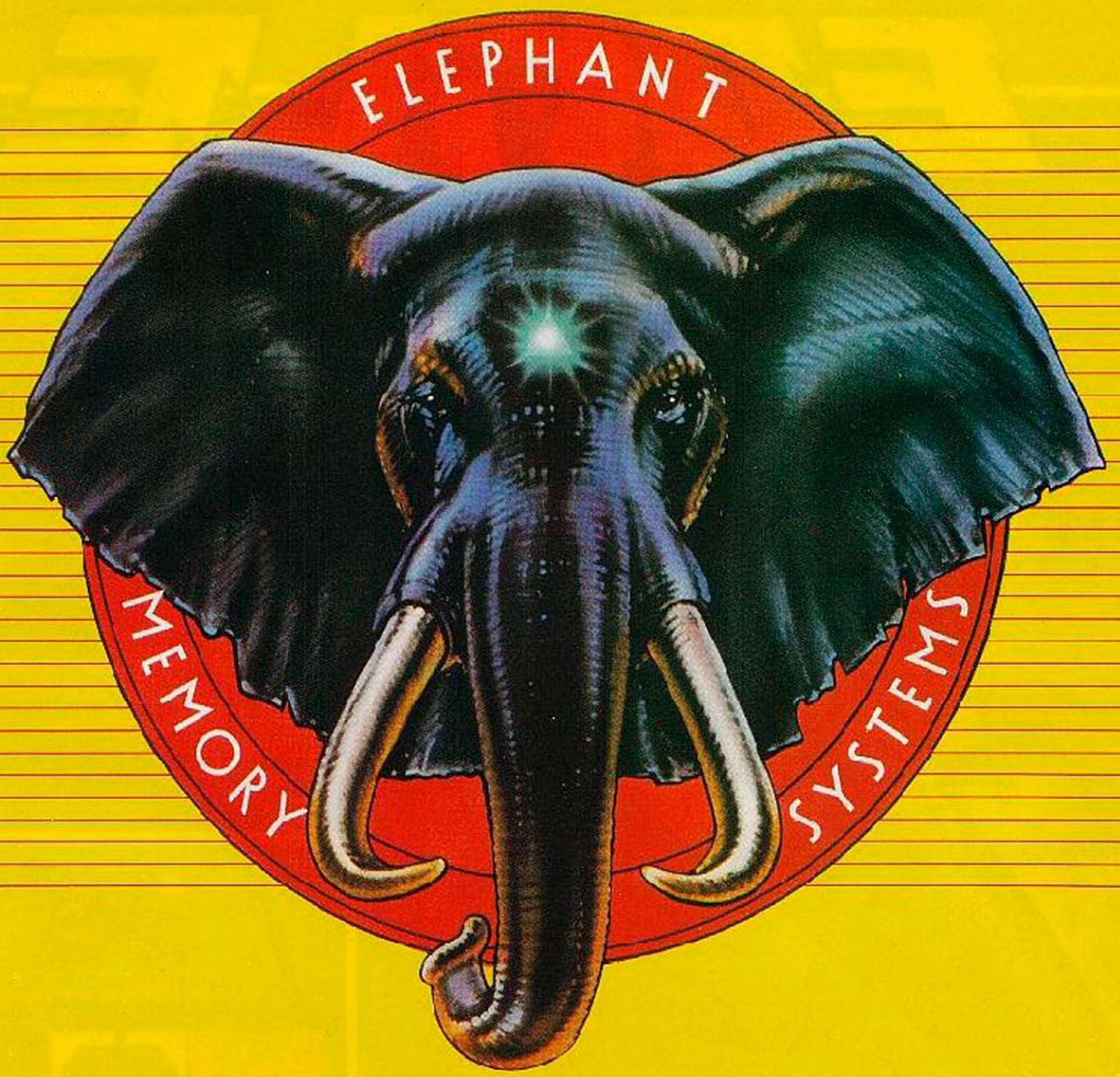

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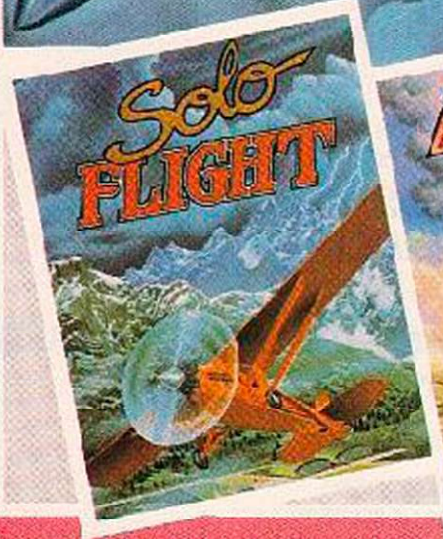

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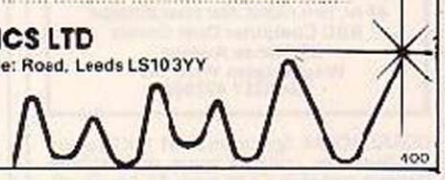

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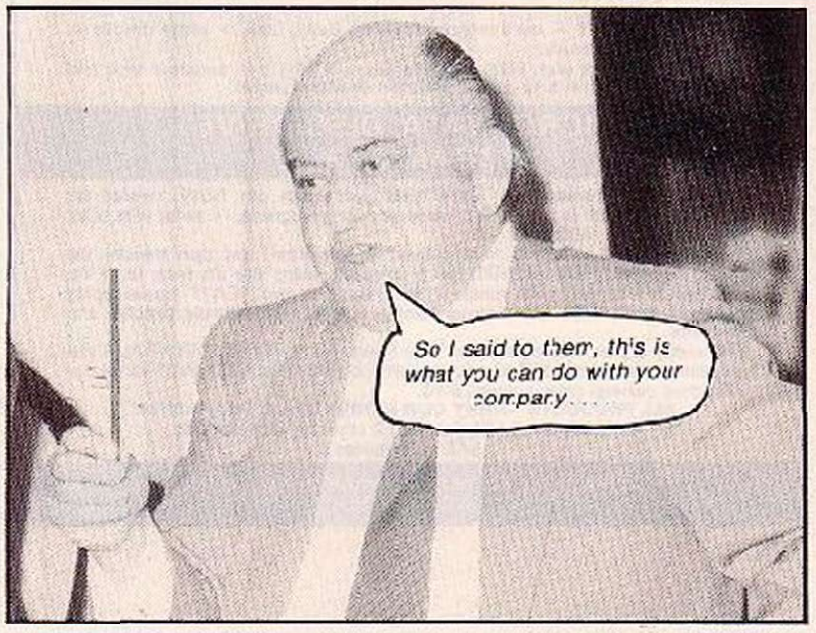

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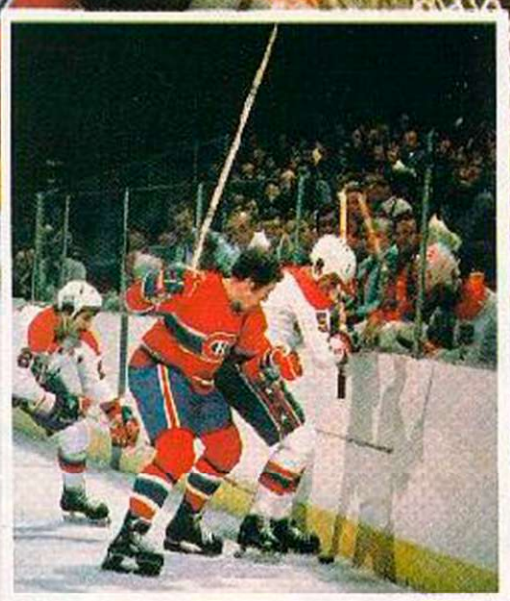

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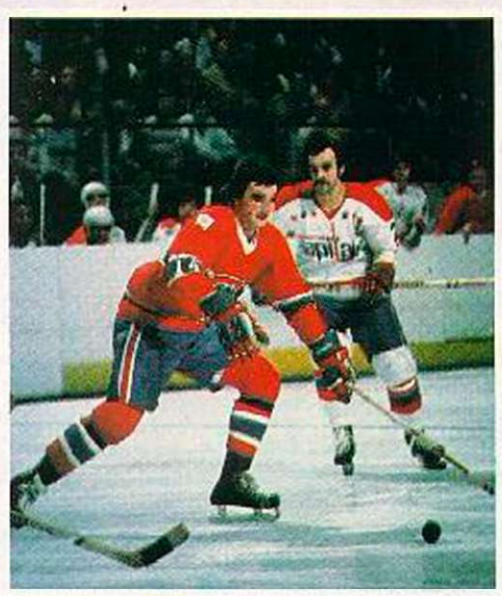

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