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GAMING: THE NEXT, NEXT GENERATION

Project X Meets DVD in Hardware Combo Extravaganza

egular readers will have heard of VM Labs' Project X, the supposedly Mario-killing game hardware that is being developed in secret by a team of ex-Atari designers. After months of speculation over whether this would be a fourth force in the console market, who was developing the software and which giant corporation was putting up the money, some confirmed information has emerged.

The story is that Project X will NOT be released as a standalone console. Project X is a technology that is being supplied to some major consumer electronics corporations to be incorporated in the domestic Digital Versatile Disc players which are set to flood into homes all over the world.

A DVD, for those of you who don't know, is a storage medium that's the same size as a regular CD but has much higher capacity. The most talked-about use that DVD is being put to is as a high-quality video player, producing Laser Disc-quality audio and video without the bulk or the inconvenience of having to turn the disc over halfway through a movie. One of the reasons it can hold so much movie data is that the information is encoded using the compressed MPEG-2 format, which is decompressed and decoded by hardware inside each DVD player.

Where does Project X fit in? The Project X hardware is sold as a chipset, based on a single chip media-processor with a built-in MPEG-2 decoder as well as powerful game-capable hardware. VM Labs are supplying it at the

same price as standard MPEG-2 decoder gear to encourage manufacturers to choose their hardware and release DVD players that are also all-in-one interactive entertainment boxes.

Of course, all this has been tried and failed before, with Philips CDi, the Apple/Bandai Pippin and 3DO, but this time the technology seems to be there to support the dream. DVD is a more viable video player alternative than Philips' VCD ever was, and the Project X hardware has the power and versatility to handle high-performance games. VM Labs claims its media processor chip delivers power equivalent to a very high-spec Pentium 2 PC. There's no faulting VM Labs' plan to get the hardware out there, either – the potential audience for Project X games (and all kinds of other software) is huge, and they don't even have to fight it out in the very bloody console market.

If only VM Labs can get game developers on board. The company says that it has been shipping around 25 development kits a month since last December and there are apparently between 60 and 80 development teams who are currently working on titles – though not all of those are necessarily game titles.

It's still early days for Project X and DVD, though. The first Project X-equipped DVD players aren't scheduled to appear until this time next year, and for the moment, many developers seem to be prioritising work on titles for money-machines like the PlayStation.

But with everyone and his granny backing DVD and its variations as the format of the future (for just about everything), Project X looks set for big things. It may not be a hardcore gamer's machine like Katana, but if things go according to plan for VM Labs and the whole home entertainment industry, it could well become a more universal format than even the PlayStation.

READERS'MOST WANTED CHART

After a couple of months of mid-chart lingering, Tekken 3 finally hits the top of the charts, along with Sega's Katana. Both these are covered extensively in this month's CVG in other sections.

1.	TEKKEN 3	PLAYSTATION
2.	NEW SEGA MACHINE	SEGA
3.	ZELDA 64	N64
4.	FINAL FANTASY VIII	PS/PC
5.	PANZER DRAGOON SAGA	SATURN
6.	F-ZERO X	N64
7.	TOMB RAIDER 3	PS/PC
8.	GOLDENEYE 'SEQUEL'	N64
9.	SEGA RALLY 2	SATURN
10.	PLAYSTATION 2	SONY

The vast majority of votes we received were for Resident Evil 2 and Gran Turismo, but they're both out now so they don't qualify for the charts. Some active Sega voting puts Panzer Dragoon Saga in at number 5 and Sega Rally 2 (on Saturn/Katana) in at 9. Other interesting Sega nominations were for a Saturn Streets of Rage game (mmm!), a Wonderboy compilation (uh?) and a Saturn/Katana update of EA's Mega Drive street-skating "epic", Skitchin' (double-uh?). Maddest retro idea of all was for a Playstation version of Atari's ropey old three-player coin-op, Xenophobe, It is possible to take nostalgia too far, y'know.

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IT'S THE RED-HOT CHILLI PEPPER RUMOURS



- Many a vote for the *Goldeneye* sequel in our Readers' Most Wanteds, but let's not forget that, while Rare is producing a follow-up to their *Goldeneye* game, EA own the video game rights to the latest Bond film, *Tomorrow Never Dies*. An announcement on the Rare game is being made at E3, but early rumours are that Rare don't mind the lack of a licence as it has given them a free hand to add loads of weapons and more "fantasy elements" to the game. Intriguing!
- Core's *Tomb Raider* team have candidly revealed that *Tomb Raider II* was just something they knocked up in no time flat, unlike the forthcoming *Tomb Raider III* which will have an entirely new game engine and is scheduled to be in development for two years at least.
- First came *Parappa*, then *Spiceworld*, then *Fluid* and *Bust-A*-

- Move. Next to join the PlayStation music game melée is Virgin's Puff Daddy title, which is currently in development for a late-1999 release. Seems a long way off to us is Puff Daddy really going to be around that long? Perhaps Virgin should protect their investment by issuing him with a bullet-proof vest.
- Finished Res Evil 2 already? Well, just sit quietly for a while because RE3 is coming and all the indications are that it will be even bigger than the last one. The Japanese mags are running double-page adverts from Capcom in which they're advertising for around 20 extra staff to work on the new title.
- Capcom has signed a deal with Spawn-creating toy manufacturer, Todd McFarlane, to work on possible joint projects. The speculation is that this will either mean Capcom producing some kind of Spawn beat-'em-up, or

- McFarlane bringing out a new line of action figures based on a Capcom game *Darkstalkers/Vampire Savior* would be an obvious choice.
- One of the variations on the new DVD format, DVDix, is causing cries of "rip-off" in the USA. Major Hollywood studios and some software publishers are considering using the format for their video and game titles because every time you watch the movie or play the game they can charge you a fee (\$4.95 a pop has been mentioned). The discs work on special DVDix play ers, which have a built-in modem so they can tell a central computer when you're using the discs and bill you accordingly. Considering the cost involved it's hard to imagine DVDix ever taking off, but what's worrying is the talk that eventually all video and game titles will use the format and there'll be no escaping mega bills for your home entertainment.

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UK MULTI-FORMAT SALES TOP 20

THIS	LAST	TITLE	FORMAT	PUBLISHER
1	NE	GRAN TURISMO	PLAYSTATION	S.C.E.E.
2	1	RESIDENT EVIL 2	PLAYSTATION	VIRGIN
3	2	TOMB RAIDER: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	EIDOS
4	3	TEKKEN 2: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	S.C.E.E.
5	5	CRASH BANDICOOT: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	S.C.E.E.
6	6	DIE HARD TRILOGY: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	EA
7	7	MICRO MACHINES V3: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	CODEMASTERS
8	8	FIFA '98: ROAD TO WORLD CUP	PLAYSTATION	EA
9	10	GOLDENEYE 007	NINTENDO 64	THE GAMES
10	11	TOMB RAIDER; UNFINISHED BUSINESS	PC CD-ROM	EIDOS
11	9	ULTIMATE SOCCER MANAGER '98	PC CD-ROM	CENDANT
12	4	THREE LIONS	PLAYSTATION	TAKE 2
13	12	ISS PRO: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	KONAMI
14	15	DESTRUCTION DERBY 2: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	PSYGNOSIS
15	NE	MYSTICAL NINJA 64	NINTENDO 64	KONAMI
16	14	GRAND THEFT AUTO: SPECIAL EDITION	PLAYSTATION	TAKE 2
17	13	WIPEOUT 2097: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	PSYGNOSIS
18	RE	SOVIET STRIKE: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	EA
19	RE	PORSCHE CHALLENGE: PLATINUM	PLAYSTATION	S.C.E.E.
20	19	LULA: THE SEXY EMPIRE	PC CD-ROM	TAKE 2
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JAPANESE MULTI-FORMAT SALES TOP 10

1	VAMPIRE SAVIOUR	SATURN
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2	EVANGELION	PLAYSTATION
3	TEKKEN 3	PLAYSTATION
4	PARASITE EVE	PLAYSTATION
5	GRAN TURISMO	PLAYSTATION
6	GUNDAM	SATURN
7	SAKURA WARS	SATURN
8	TAIL CONCERTO	PLAYSTATION
9	BIOHAZARD 2	PLAYSTATION
10	PLAY STADIUM 3	PLAYSTATION

AMERICAN MULTI-FORMAT SALES TOP 10

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1	1080° SNOWBOARDING	NINTENDO 64
2	TRIPLE PLAY 99	PLAYSTATION
3	POINT BLANK	PLAYSTATION
4	SAGA FRONTIER	PLAYSTATION
5	YOSHI'S STORY	NINTENDO 64
6	DEATHTRAP DUNGEON	PLAYSTATION
7	RAMPAGE WORLD TOUR	PLAYSTATION
8	RESIDENT EVIL 2	PLAYSTATION
9	GOLDENEYE 007	NINTENDO 64
10	DIABLO	PLAYSTATION

CVG TEAM'S MOST PLAYED GAMES OF THE MONTH

1	J-LEAGUE WINNING	ELEVEN
1 2	TEKKEN 3	
2	MORTAL KOMBAT A	

2	IENNEW 3
3	MORTAL KOMBAT 4
4	FLUID
5	SPECIAL OPS

PLAYSTATION PLAYSTATION PS, N64

PLAYSTATION PC CD-ROM



COMPUTER & VIDEO GAMES MOST RECOMMENDED!

These may not be the hottest games around or the newest, but these are what we recommend this month for each system

SATURN U.K. TOP 5

PANZER DRAGOON SAGA	SEGA
BURNING RANGERS	SEGA
WORLD LEAGUE SOCCER	SEGA
WHIZZ	SEGA
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	POCKET FIGHTER	CAPCOM
	CODE R	QUINTET
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	PRINCESS MAKER	GAINAX
	LANGRASSER 5	MESSIAH

PLAYSTATION U.K. TOP 5

1	COLIN MCRAE RALLY	CODEMASTER
2	DEAD OR ALIVE	SONY
3	MORTAL KOMBAT 4	GT INTERACTI
4	WILD ARMS	SONY
5	GHOST IN THE SHELL	SONY

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TEKKEN 3	NAMCO
PARASITE EVE	NINTENDO
XI [SAI]	SCE
POCKET FIGHTERS	CAPCOM
STOLEN SONG	SCE

PC TOP 5

UNREAL	GT INTERACTIVE
SENSIBLE SOCCER 2000	GT INTERACTIVE
DUNE 2000	VIRGIN
COMMANDOS	EIDOS
SPECIAL OPS	TAKE TWO

NINTENDO 64 TOP 5

BANJO AND KAZOOIE	THE GAMES
MORTAL KOMBAT 4	GT INTERACTIV
YOSHI'S STORY	THE GAMES
GT 64	INFOGRAME
FORSAKEN	ACCLAIM

NINTENDO 64 IMPORT TOP 3

	1080° SNOWBOARDING (USA)	NINTENDO
2	RAKUGA KIDS	KONAMI
3	SUPER BEDAMAN BATTLE	
	PHOENIX 64	HUDSONSOFT

GAME BOY TOP 3

POCKET CAMERA

POCKET PRINTER

DOWNHILL BIKERS

THE GAMES

THE GAMES

NAMCO

3	BUST A MOVE 3	ACCLAIM			
	ARCADE TOP 5				
1	STREET FIGHTER ALPHA 3	CAPCOM			
2	SOUL CALIBUR	CAPCOM			
3	FIGHTING VIPERS 2	AM2			
4	LIBERO GRANDE	NAMCO			

CVG'S WORSTIS CELEBRITY-ENDORSED GAMES

1. PELE

2. FRANK THOMAS BIG HURT BASEBALL

3. TOMMI MAKKINEN RALLY

4. GEOFF CAPES STRONGMAN CHALLENGE

5. SAM FOX STRIP POKER

6. JOANNE GUEST VIRTUAL GIRLFRIEND

7. SHAQ-FU

8. JACK CHARLTON'S MATCH FISHING 9. EDDIE KIDD STUNT CHALLENGE

10. EDDIE THE EAGLE SKI JUMP CHALLENGE

11. JORDAN VS BIRD

12. BARKLEY: SHUT UP AND JAM 13. FRANKIE GOES TO HOLLYWOOD

14. AYRTON SENNA'S KART DUEL 15. MICHAEL JACKSON'S MOONWALKER

he magazine you are currently reading is the longest running video games magazine in the world. Others have come and gone but, after 200 issues, only one is still here.

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n 1981 most magazines that dealt with the new hobby of computing were very serious publications. Games were frowned upon, a debasement of such expensive technology. Well, thousands of kids out there didn't care. They just enjoyed slaughtering Space Invaders by the thousand and chomping power pills with their Pac-man. They needed a magazine too, so CVG was born.

WHEN I WERE A LAD

The first issue of Computer & Video Games was dated November 1981 and was first available to buy on October 15th. The cover proclaimed that it was "the first fun computer magazine".

The first issue looks a lot different to today's incarnation. There were very few pages that contained colour, and if you wanted a screenshot... well forget

it. Not exactly a visual feast. A large proportion of the magazine was dedicated to "type-ins". These were primitive BASIC language programs that readers could type into their computers to give them simple games to play. The listings went on for pages and took days to enter correctly. Often the following month corrections would be printed after the magazine was besieged by angry Acorn Atom owners saying their game didn't work.

ONE MAN'S STORY

One reader of RETROGAMER wrote and told me of his experience. He got his Mum, who was a touch typist, to enter in a listing for his Commodore 64. Even at the speed his Mum typed it took an hour and ten minutes to do. So eager was he to play this new game that he started it without first saving it on to a cassette tape. He typed RUN and it crashed instantly. His Mum never did anymore typing for him after that.

WIN A COIN-OP

A big attraction of the first issue was the competition to win a genuine tabletop Taito Space Invaders machine. In issue 100 CVG gave away a Turbo Outrun coin-op

There are many other differences between then and now. The April 1982 edition contained tips on Battlezone. Sixteen years later everything has changed and CVG carries tips on, erm... Battlezone. There was a page dedicated solely to Chess!

'PLAN NINE' FROM OUTER SPACE

The cover of a magazine is of course a major factor in attracting people to buy it. The October 1982 edition tried something different by having a largely



Way back when... the very first

issue of Computer & Video Games

@ Bad move... making the mag black and white cover that looked like a look like a newspaper lost readers

newspaper. Four fake stories (allegedly written by people with names like Ivor Storey) completed the look and meant that even regular readers missed the magazine on the shelves. It was the worst selling issue they'd had so far. Doh!

PLAY THE (SAME) GAME

Very few companies have lasted from these early

48K RAM

years but many individuals from these classic

days lurk behind new company names. In July 1983, CVG reviewed JetPac from a company named Ultimate Play the Game. They loved the game, awarding a score of 9,9,9. It went on to sell 330,000 copies to hungry Sinclair Spectrum owners. Ultimate were voted C&VG Software House of the Year in 1983. After forming Rare Ltd in 1986, these coders went on to produce the all-conquering Goldeneve for the Nintendo 64. A company called DK'tronics advertised games named Deflex and Rox in the first half of 1982. These were the work of Jeff Minter, who is rumoured to be coding Tempest 3000 for the new super console from VM Labs. Old coders never die, they iust disassemble.

PLAY GAMES FOR A LIVING

Don't ever let your parents tell you playing games is a waste of time - it could lead to great things. CVG used to hold competitions to see



who was the best arcade game player in the country. In July 1983, this was won by an ace Defender player Julian Rignall (left - the one with no beard). He won a coin-op Galaga as his prize. CVG later carried Pole Position and Galaga tips written by Rignall. He then got a job writing reviews for C64 magazine Zzap!64 and in time rose to edit that magazine. He then joined Emap Images as deputy editor of CVG, became editor and went on to launch Megatech, Nintendo Magazine System and Mean Machines - one of the most successful launches in the history of Emap. This was all topped when he got a job in America as Creative Director at Virgin

Games' California office. So you're not wasting time - you're doing research.

CELEBRITIES!

CVG has had all the big names on its cover. Danger Mouse, Daley Thompson, Doctor Who, Sherlock Holmes and the Hulk have all graced it. One-time Page 3 Girl Maria Whittaker and future Gladiator Wolf were also on the cover, wearing very little to publicise Barbarian by Palace Software.

FREEBIES!

Game players have been lured to buy CVG by many and varied gifts sellotaped to the cover over the years. There have been badges, holograms, a plastic stick (whoo!) and a flexi-disc. For those of you too young to remember, a flexi-disc was a 7-inch single made out of wafer thin plastic. The October 1984 edition carried a disc containing an adventure game based around the popular beat combo the Thompson Twins. The storyline was based around their top 3 hit, Doctor Doctor.

Happy Birthday CVG! In issue 300 I'm sure Keith's Retro Ranch will be all about the ancient Nintendo 64.



RETRO RANCH CLASSIFIED

RETROGAMER Issue 15 is out now! The classic games Bounder and New Zealand Story are featured, and this issue completes the profile of the Vectrex console and the Malcolm Evans/New Generation Software story. Send £1.50 to Keith Ainsworth, 52 Kingfield Road, Orrell Park, Liverpool, L9 3AW. Ask for the huge list of classic games for sale too. The RETROGAMER fanzine page is at http://www.geocities.com/SiliconValley/Heights/5874/ and you can e-mail Keith on retrogamer@hotmail.com



playing video games all day, every single day of the year takes its
toll on the human body. Why, only the other day I saw a 12-year-old in the arcade and he had to use a zimmer frame to get around. His flowing white heard kept setting tangled in the joystick of a Tekken?

SEND YOUR TIPS, CHEATS AND PLAYERS GUIDES TO



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You can also send any tips or guides to this E-mail address. Please, don't waste your time copying things from magazines or internet sites. We're only interested in things you've discovered for yourself, and we don't want big lists of cheats for ancient crappy games. Thank you.

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English team. Now pick any player from that team and change their name to TEAMTWO. A new option called Defaults 2 will appear, and selecting this changes all the player names to normal.

RASCAL

To have access to any level you want, enter your password as "house" and start a new game. Now while playing press R1 to change your level or R2 to change your room. Easy peasy.

1. Training

2. City Of Shenrak

3 Caverns

4. Moku Temple 4a. Gladiator

5. Blister Fields

7. Blazing Flood 7a. Kryll Thular

8. Cell Blocks

9. Life Extraction

10. Dark Vale

11. Crystal Matrix 12. The Scourge

CAKEWALK METROPOLIS

DEEPDARK **TEMPLEME**

GEEHEISBIG HOTROCKS

6. Desert - Volcano GOINGDOWN

WOWTHATSHOT BIGWORMGUY

JAILBREAK THUNDERDOMES

MAGICGARDEN

SPOOKYMESAS BESTFORLAST

SKULL MONKEYS

These cheats to give yourself extra goodies should be entered while the game is paused.

Extra Lives

L1, T, Down, Left, C, Select, S, Right **Shoot Head**

Down, S, T, Down, Down, S, S, Right Fart Head

R1, Left, Up, L1, L1, S, Right, Select Phoenix Hand

S, T, R2, Left, Select, C, T, Right Universe Enema

Left, T, Right, Down, T, Select, Select, Select

Shield R2, C, C, Down, Left, C, Right, Down

Bullets Down, C, Up, R2, Left, T, Select,

Select

Curly Cue

R1, Right, C, R2, R2, S, Right, Select Halos

R2, C, C, Down, Left, C, Right, Down Super Willie

R1, Left, S, T, L1, T, R2, Select

These bonus mode cheats should be

done in the same way, while the game is paused.

Slow Motion

L1, T, Left, Down, R2, T, Left, Select Super Fast

Left, S, R2, C, R1, Down, C, R2 Freeze Klaymen

L2, Left, C, R2, Down, S, T, Down Change Klaymen Colour

L2, C, C, Left, Select, L2, Up, Down Mad Klaymen

Down, Right, T, L2, Up, Left, T, Select

Flea Klaymen

R1, Left, S, T, R1, Left, S, T

WCW NITRO

To be able to choose any of the wrestlers in the game, go to the main menu and press R1+L1, R2+L2, R2+L2, Select.

To give the wrestlers big hands, go to the mode select screen and press L2 seven times, then press L1 17 times.

To give the wrestlers big heads, go to the mode select screen and press R1 seven times, then press R2, then Select.

To give the wrestlers big hands, feet and a big head, go to the options screen and press R2 seven times. then R1, then Select.

To gain access to some bonus rings, go to the options menu and press R1, R2, R1, R2, L1, L2, L1, L2, Select.

While playing in the disco ring, throw your opponent outside and when they stand up, press the L2 button. They'll do the YMCA dance and you can keep them doing it until the timer runs out and they lose.

To choose your ring, go to the main menu and press L1, L2, R1, R2, L1, L2, R1, R2, L1, L2, R1, R2, L1, L2, R1, R2, Select.

For "Voodoo Mode", go to the wrestler select screen and press L1 seven times, then L2+Select. Now when you play, the wresters' heads will get bigger as they take damage.

NIGHTMARE CREATURES

To shrink all of the monsters and give them squeaky high-pitched voices, you first have to put in the cheat mode code which we printed in issue 197. (You have to go to the password screen and press Left, Up, X,

Square, Down, Triangle, Square, Down, by the way).

Once you've done that, stay at the title screen and press L2, L2, R1, R1, L1, R2, Select. Now choose the new Reduce option as you start the game.

Pause the game while playing and enter any of these codes to use the cheat options.

PLAYSTATION

machine as well. But boy, was he good at

Mad Dog McCree Ya-ta!

FIFA 98: RTWC

As well as the name change cheats, try these ones out.

To change the lighting in the game, pause and press S, T, X, S, T, T, X, X, S, S, S, S, T, T, T, T, T while on the options screen.

To give yourself loads and loads of cash, go to the Club Transfers screen and press Square, X, Square, L2, L1.

For infinite player attributes, go to the Player Edit screen and press L1, L2, X, Square, X.

WORLD LEAGUE SOCCER

To turn all of the player names to the real-life ones (including the entire commentary!), go to the Player Editor screen and select any

PITFALL 3D

These cheat passwords should be entered just like normal ones.

GIVEMELIFE STEVECRANEME **BIGHEADHARRY CREDITS 2DHARRY** ZEROGHARRY STOPTALKING **PITFALLCOMIC**

PLAYMOVIES CRANESBABY

10 lives 99 lives Big head mode View credits Flat Harry No gravity No speech Watch the cutscenes Watch the movies VIGILANTE Play Vigilante 8 demo Play original Pitfall

These cheats are for the original version of Pitfall. Just enter them while playing.

L1+L2 R1+R2 Infinite lives Gary head Elvira head

R1+Circle R1+Triangle Makes crocodile say "Hi Mom" (only on a crocodile screen)

These next passwords let you play on any level...

Level skip

Hold L1+R1+L2+R2 and press T, X, S, C, C, C

Hold L1+R1 and press T, T, X, X, S, C Refill health

Press L1+L2 (only works a few times) All power-ups

Hold L2+R2 and press T, C, S, X, T, X

Hold L2+R2 and press X, S, C, T, S, C Invisibility

Hold L1+R1 and press S, S, C, C, T, X Reset physical

Hold L1+R1 and press X, C, T, S, X, C Reset magic

Hold L1+R1 and press T, C, X, S, T, C

HOUSE OF THE

Go to the main menu screen with the Arcade/Saturn mode option and press L, R, R, L, L, R. You should hear a noise. Now hold L+R and choose any mode by pressing Start and you should go to the cheat menu. From here you can select any level and change the colour of the blood in the game.

To play as Sophie and one of the female scientists, choose Saturn Mode and go to the character select screen. Now hold L+R and press Up, Down, X, Y, Z. You should hear a noise to let you know that it's worked.

WORLD LEAGUE SOCCER

(Same as on PS.) To turn all player names to real-life ones (including the commentary!), go to the Player Editor screen and select any English team. Now pick any player from that team and change their name to TEAMTWO. A new option called Defaults 2 will appear. Selecting this changes all player names to normal.



VAMPIRE SAVIOR

To get the EX Options, finish the game once without using any continues, then go to the title screen. Now highlight Option, hold L+R and press Start. From this screen you can fiddle with loads of brilliant options, including one which lets you put all of the text into English.

To fight against Oboro, you have to be in your punch colour if you're player 1, or your kick colour if you're player 2. Now finish the game without

losing a single round and getting at least three EX Super or Dark Force finishes. You should fight Oboro (a super version of Bishamon) after the final boss.

To play as Oboro, beat him in Arcade Mode then go to the character select screen and highlight Bishamon. Now hold L+R for five seconds and press any button.

To play in Shadow Mode, highlight the random select box on the character select screen and press L+R together five times. On the fifth press, hold L+R and press all three buttons to select your character. You'll be playing as normal but with a big shadow behind your fighter. When you win a fight, the shadow will posess your dead opponent's body and you'll be playing as them in the next fight.



DIE BY THE SWORD

At the main menu, type CHEAT to turn on all of the cheat keys. You can bind them to whatever buttons you want from the Key Layout screen.

Enter any of these cheats while playing, simply by typing them in on the keyboard.

Slow motion

No enemy Al

Cut limbs bounce

around for ages

STROB FREEZ **AGRAV GHOST AIAIM** COLID SEPKU DINFO **DEDLY GOLRG BAMFF** MUKOR LUNAR PEACE **PLANE** BTINY HICUP

NTRUD IFALL **BILLS**

No enemy physics View enemy targeting View collision points Kill yourself Debugging info 10x sword damage Increase character size Teleport through level God mode Reduce gravity Damages enemies View collision detection Shrink character Randomly bounces enemies around View game from enemies Makes you trip Simulates random key presses **FPERS** View frames per second BZONE Change polygon mode

GOCAM God camera. Use Ctrl and the arrow keys or certain letters to move the view around.

BATTLEZONE

To access any of the missions, go to the mission start screen and type IAMADIRTYCHEATER.

Enter any of these cheat codes while playing.

Invincibility

Hold Ctrl+Shift and type BZBODY Infinite ammo

Hold Ctrl+Shift and type BZTNT Free construction

Hold Ctrl+Shift and type BZFREE Satellite view without comm tower Hold Ctrl+Shift and type BZVIEW All enemy objects visible Hold Ctrl+Shift and type BZRADAR

FIFA 98: RTWC

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Matthew Hallett from Portsmouth has a tip for scoring 90% of the time.

"Run down the wing until you reach the touchline, then turn into the centre and double-tap the pass button. The player will pass the ball through the box and the keeper should come out, dive and miss the ball leaving you to tap it in.'

GAME BOY

JAMES BOND 007

Tim Lowe from Durham City has sent these cheats to play the card games. Simply enter your name as one of the following:

BJACK BACCR **REDOG**

To play blackjack To play baccarat To play red dog

WE'RE STUCK!

To start off with I would like to congratulate you for making the world's best games mag. Please could you help me on Super Mario 64.

1. Could you please tell me where the castle secret stars are, because I can only find 13 and I can't find the other 17.

2. Is it actually possible to get eight red coins on "Bowser in the darkworld" and if so where are they? I would also like to know if you can get to eight red coins on the third and final Bowser, and if so could you please tell me where they are because I have all eight red coins on the second Bowser. Thanks very much.

Ian Towner

CVG:

1. Get one star from each Bowser stage, two from the rabbit in the basement (when you have 15 stars and when you have 50), one from each switch palace, three from talking to various mushrooms around the castle, two from the Princess Slide (one for finishing it, and one for doing it in under 21 seconds), one from the aquarium in the hole to the right of the entrance to Jolly Roger Bay, one from the wing cap rainbow stage, plus one star in each of the 15 main courses which you get by collecting 100 coins. These are the ones which will take the longest to get. 2. The eight coins on the third

Bowser stage are located above the moving platform near the start, by the piranha plant after the rotating platform, under the third seesaw, at the top of the flamethrower slope, above a wooden block by the heart, in the middle of the rotating platform with the electric balls, at the top of the pole between two sliding platforms, and under the blue steps to the pipe at the end.

PLAYSTATION/N 64/PC CD-ROM

FIFA 98: RTWC

To give the players big heads, go to the Player Edit option and change any player's name to "eac rocks" Now choose the new Special Option to turn it on.

For crazy ball mode, go to the Player Edit option and change any player's name to "dohdohdoh" Now choose the Special Option to turn it on.

For dive mode, go to the Player Edit option and change any player's name to "johnny atomic". Now choose the Special Option to turn it

For hot potato mode, go to the Player Edit option and change any player's name to "xplay". Now choose the Special Option to turn it on. A timer on the screen counts

down and when it reaches zero, the team with the ball falls over!

For invisible walls around the pitch, go to the Player Edit option and change any player's name to 'surlofus". Now choose the Special Option to turn it on.

For silly moves mode, go to the Player Edit screen and change any player's name to "footy". Now choose the Special Option to turn it on.



Make some silly moves

SHOW THE WORLD YOUR GAME IDEA!

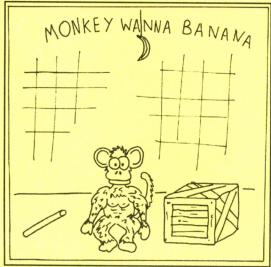
fter months of screaming at you for original ideas, suddenly we're inundated with them – we had trouble fitting them all in! All we can say is keep up the good work, leave your thinking caps on and keep sending in your short – around 250 words – but sweet ideas. Remember to include a screenshot (drawing) of the game, and send them to the Melting Pot, the place where your dream game could come true!

MONKEY WANNA BANANA

©Christopher Keys, Crayford, 1998

This game is based on the tests that Gestalt the psychologist carried out on chimpanzees into how they learn. For those of you who don't know, he placed a chimpanzee in a large cage and suspended a banana from the ceiling out of reach. He then provided the chimp with a crate and a stick. Eventually the chimpanzee discovered that if he positioned the crate underneath the banana and stood on it, with the stick he could knock the banana down and get his just rewards. In the game you take control of the chimpanzee and try to figure out how to get the banana, although for you it's not that simple. You will have to figure out evermore perplexing puzzles in order to capture the banana, and move onto the next and more difficult level.

To expand the game there could be a range of characters to choose from, like Charlie the chimpanzee, Horace the Orangutan and Henrietta the Gorilla. In addition other animals could help them, like large elephants to push heavy objects or mice which could get into small places. Furthermore, the game could move out of the zoo and into everyday circumstances where the character still has to get the elusive banana, but



this time using everyday items such as ladders, spades, keys or even guns so he could shoot the banana down. Maybe he could drive a car?

CVG: We think this is the best idea we've ever printed in Melting Pot, and urge all developers to make this game. It could be brilliant, please someone make it!



THEME SOAP

it will cut costs.

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The game runs on all formats and uses the same graphic engine as other Theme games. This game places you as the new Phil Redmond or whoever. First you choose what type of soap opera it is, cheesy American in the style of Dallas or very poor Aussie type Home and Away.

Then you need to hire all staff like writers and actors. You can poach from top soap Emmerdale, but don't forget you have a budget, so Larry Hagmans = big money. Once you have got your foundations you now need a story, but do you do a *Brookside* with hard hitting stories or *Home and Away* I've forgotten my homework cobblers. There's public outcry when you kill off a drunk, gay, drug-using-cross-dress-

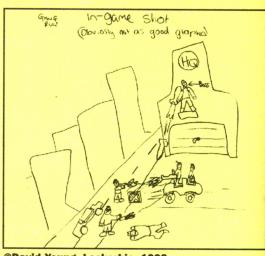
er, but this can help get free publicity from the tabloids, like *The Sun* and *Mirror*, almost every day. Now your show is up and running, it can be sold abroad for massive profits. Beware your male heart-throb lead leaving to play a stupid policeman in a show set in the past. Or the cast releasing a song which is complete sh..., but sells millions. There's more than just the show, there's cast fights, out of contract actors, drunken actors taking drugs and sleeping with 17-year-olds. You are more than just producer, you are marketing manager, agent everything. But most important of all, you must name the local pub, and

CVG: The potential of a game where you run a TV show is huge, and a soap opera, even bigger. Imagine if you got the licence to 'enders or the street, wow!

decide how important it will be. Maybe featured in

every other scene, like our longest running soap, but

GANG RULZ



©David Young, Lockerbie, 1998

Gang Rulz is a Command and Conquer style game, except it would take place in 32 different cities, such as LA and New York. You can choose from 12 different gangs, including the Hell's Angels and the Black Panthers. You start in a quiet part of the streets where you would build your main headquarters. You can then start to recruit gang members. They range from people with hand guns to people with missile launchers. Next you can build a chop-shop. As in Grand Theft Auto, there are lots of cars driving about. You can hijack the cars at traffic lights or build road blocks. When you do this you pull out the driver and take the car back to the chop-shop. From here you can either sell it to get money, or spray-paint it in your gang colour and keep it for yourself. You can also build vehicles if you don't like the cars on the streets, and can even make machine gun mounted motorbikes! As you might have guessed, you are not alone on the streets, as there are up to four more gangs around as well. You complete a mission when you kill rival gang leaders. The leader hides in the headquarters, is the strongest, and has good weapons. This would make a great game for the 64DD.

CVG: We like this idea. There are a few things we'd change, but a gang game in the C&C style would be good, especially if you could drive low-riders! There could even be a secret level based on the movie The Warriors. That would be so cool.



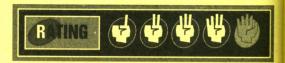
VIRTUA CONKER FIGHTER

©Mad Gaz and my Mad Girlfriend, Middlesbrough, 1998

The object of the game is to use your conkers against your opponent's conkers. You start with a small conker, and the more fights you win, the more conker coins you get. Which enable you to buy better conkers which come in all different shapes and sizes. The bigger and harder your conkers the better chance you have of winning a conker fight. You can make the conkers harder by dipping them in virtua varnish, bought with your conker coins. There are different championships to enter and each one you win, will be rewarded with a conker cup. There are five conker cups in total for you to conker... er, conquer! If your conkers are not big enough then you will not win Virtua Conker Fighter, so be warned.

PS: It was her idea not mine.

CVG: Your mad girlfriend is a genius then. How much innuendo can you fit in 200 words? As games go, in this case we'll give the points for the originality.



The game is set far in the future where clothes have taken over the world because they are fed up with smelly humans. They have killed all male humans, and now only females remain. The women are made slaves to the clothes, who make them work all day every day. You control one of two characters, a pair of pants called Ed, and a young 16-year-old called Lauren from Harlem. Ed is bullied by the other clothes because he respects humans. One day Ed and Lauren go in search of the mystical stick, which grants the user unlimit-.........

ed power, so they can restore control and order back to the world. So once again people and clothes can live together side by side. The game is a 3D platformer, and contains puzzle solving, killing things and using the characters to their best abilities, with the help of good old fashioned kick-ass weapons. Find the location of the mystical stick, then home for tea.

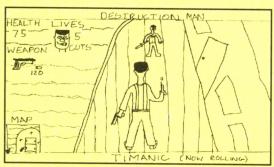
CVG: Post-modernists would have a field day with this concept, and it's got promise. Don't ask us what exactly it is, but there's something there!



DESTRUCTION MAN

© Colin Hickie, Dalkieth, 1998

This is a 3D shoot-'em-up, you play Destruction Man, a movie stunt man. You must do all the killing and shooting in the eight movies, which have four sections each, and must kill all the villains in the movie. The movies would be something like the James Bond films. Moon Wrecker, which would see DM in a Bond suit, gunning down bad guys with lasers on a space station. In Timanic, DM is on a boat underwater saving passengers from the mad villains. There would be lots of special pick-ups and guns. At the end of each movie you go to the Oscars to see if you won best picture. If you win, you gain special cheats and secret levels. At the end of each movie you fight a superboss, like Jaws or his brother Claws. There would also be a four player battle mode



CVG: We've never had a stunt man game suggested before, then two turn up at once. We love the idea of winning the Oscar, but we'd prefer a stunt man game that wasn't a complete shoot-'em-up.



DARE DEVILS

©Tom Dentith, Flintshire, 1998

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Dare Devils involves you trying to become the best stunt man in the world. You start the game just doing simple stunts, like jumping over a car on a skateboard. Once you complete a stunt, it's onto the next, harder challenge, or you can find an alternative secret way of doing the stunt you just completed. For example, in a stunt where you have to drive a car off a cliff and dive out into the sea below, you can alternatively do a barrel roll at the top of the cliff and bungee out of the sunroof before the car falls. Completing a task or finding

a secret will increase your popularity meter, but failing in a stunt will decrease it. You complete the game by becoming the most popular stunt man in the world. If you find every secret stunt in the game, then you are rewarded with a secret sub game, where MI5 employ you to carry out a number of special missions in a new gadget-ridden car.

CVG: This is a smart idea. We like the way there are multiple ways to perform each stunt, and the secret mission is a clever idea.



DANCE MASTER

©Nick White, Halesowen, 1998

This would be a music-based RPG, with more complex ideas than PaRappa and Bust-A-Move. You start as an ambitious 19-year-old guy who wants to make a band. First you must find some willing members, by wandering around the town and talking to people who look talented. There are hundreds of people who are potential members, and each has a special skill (like playing the electric guitar extremely well). You can have up to six members, so choose wisely. Next, you find a music store and buy your instruments, and a manager who will arrange auditions. He will sort a time, place and date. The game is played in real-time! Now you have the option to

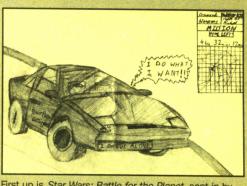
practice in your garage before the auditions, using a *PaRappa* style system. After the auditions, if you don't get a contract, you have to find another manager. When you've got a contract the game starts to hot up! You must travel from town to town doing gigs and competing against rival bands until you reach the top. No two games will be the same, as the songs you play are completely random. You can also write your own songs via a PC.

CVG: A music based RPG is a good idea, but this seems incredibly similar to the Aerosmith game Quest for Fame. So you'll need to put your thinking cap back on and try to make it stand out.



THE BEST OF THE REST

Our favourite bits from all the other suggestions.



First up is Star Wars: Battle for the Planet, sent in by Paul Fitzpatrick, and is an RPG in the Final Fantasy VII style, starring your favourite space heroes and villains. Aliens Vs. Velociraptors is a strategy game suggested by Paul Baker, played in a Command & Conquer style. More zombie thrills arrive courtesy of Philip Bradley and Jon Morris, President Evil features zombies taking over the White House, while Resident Gerbil sees mice, hamsters and, of course, gerbils terrorising the occupants of a quiet town. The Notorious Farmer Balg, whoever he is, thinks Knight Rider the Video Game (screenshot above) would kick ass! In the second half of the game you get to drive KITT! They did America and now Beavis and Butthead Do France thanks to Adam Mawer, the game sees the boys in search of some precious World Cup tickets. There's been quite a few suggestions for wrestling games, with the pick of the bunch being WWF Extreme by Navin and Vicky J Ramsukh, who think the ultimate wrestling game would feature every wrestler in the history of the WWF, including the ghost of Andre the Giant. Tom MacLachlan thinks you should create your fighter, and in Inside Wrestling, that's what you get to do - build your fighter up and then watch the offers from rival wrestling companies pile up. Aaron Callow would like to see a sky-diving game and in Free Fall you can even go sky-surfing. Simon Pode is obviously powermad, for in his game World Domination you have to take control of the world's media, using blackmail and support from political parties. Actua Ryder Cup, suggested by Barry Lind, sounds like a good golf game to us: first you must qualify for the competition by playing in the US or European tour, with the option to be the player/manager who picks the teams for each day's play. In Madman, from Ashley Bull, people travel around in jetpacks because all the world's planes have been scrapped. James Donaldson would like to see a game like Robot Wars but with boats, so he sent us Boat Wars. More re-inventing from Ricky Bowen: in his game with no name, you get to create cars and then race them. Craig Meeke is a gambling man, and he'd like to throw his money at a game called Horse Racing Gold, where you enter a betting shop and must bet on horse races, with the aim to earn enough money to buy a horse. The disturbed minds of Tom Fletcher and Clarke Smith sent us Bearded Ladies, a game where you must grow a beard. Once it is of admirable length you fight it out. Karl Kent would like to see Extreme Water Skiing. which includes a secret character called Ed Lomas! Lots of different theme and sim suggestions this month, starting with Sim Car Dealer, where you try to be the richest second-hand car dealer around - thanks Richard Hickey. Sim Shopaholic 3D, from Gareth Barker, has you building a whole shopping centre. Daniel Twist would get drunk every night playing Theme Pub, where customers have fights and your barmaids keep getting chatted up. Theme Burger by Christopher Goodchild has you running a fast-food restaurant. As you start to make money, you can develop new burgers. Car Dealer 2000, from Robert Quick, gives you the

from Robert Quick, gives you the chance to design and make cars in a large factory. Theme Island by Andrew DJ Oscar lets you create the perfect holiday resort, with airports, hotels, bladdered Scousers and ladies of ill repute all playing a part. Finally, The Mansion from Antti Perala is a game set in a party (right), where you chat up girls or, if you want, turn the game into a scream-fest with some horror movie antics.



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VOICE YOUR GAMING IDEAS TO THE UNIVERSE

PREEPLAY

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Too many of you seem to enjoy getting turds. It's not funny, you know. The turds we use come straight out of the Drawin' Dog's bottom. And we have to keep going up it.

ook. That's it! We're fed up with people just sending us sketches of something unoriginal that they must have spent all of five minutes doing. So, next month, if we don't get enough good drawinz in, this section's going to the dogs - it ain't gonna happen no more!



Pictures wot have been traced or copied or mocked up in 5 minutes get a turd. DON'T DO IT! Originality, creativity, style off another magazine. DO IT MORE!



Would you trust this man with your health? Neither would we, Kerry Morton. Well done.



He doesn't look as if he could fight his way out of a paper bag, Harry Simmonds. But he's funny.



This a messy job, but someone's gotta do Thanks Nathan Stephen Wyer. Here's a turd.



Graham Hart is livin' it large in our Drawinz this month. Well done.



Awesome drawin', Kenny Ha. Eh? is that your name? Yer 'avin' a laarf intcha? Jus' joking, mate.



We know Ed needs a haircut, but this would be a bit too severe. Thanks Russell Walton.



O Scary teeth, naff shades, take a turd, James Misseldine.



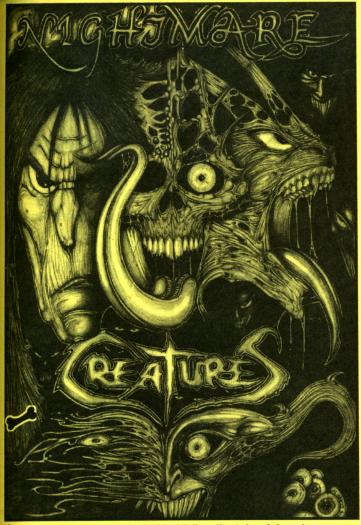
Trees growing out of Yoshi's bum, by Joe Ridley



Michael Palliser's



it must be ages since Scooby has had a good not-so-scary Res Evil art. Scoobysnack, Adam Warner - he looks livid!



O Sleep well then do ya, Craig Clark? Excellent drawin', mate.



© He's so mean, he's cutting his own ear off! Well done, David Greenwood.



© Graham Hart's dog and turd deserves one of ours.



O PaRappa gets mean and mouthy. Nice one, James Smith.



• Hey, it made us smile. Thanks Nathan Wyer. Keep readin'.



Thanks for this poop joke, Alex Vernon-Kell. It made our dog laugh.



This is worth at least two turds! Thanks Andrew Johnson.





A creepy place to be by Nick Morrison.



@ Graham Gallacher's Res Drawin'.



① Do it! Step on his head, Clare!



O Is this scary or wot? from Doom fan Stanley Bu!



PREEPLAY HIGH SCORES **

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FreePlay lets you prove to the world that YOU are the greatest gamer. All you need to do is practice for 25 hours a day until you're unbeatable, then write down the best score you can get. Send it to the address below with your name, address and three digit arcade "tag" name and we'll print the best every month. Keep some kind of proof just in case we ask for evidence (don't send us memory cards - we'll just wipe them, fill them with Cheesy The Mouse save games and send them off to a random reader's address).

HIGH SCORES, CVG. 37-39 MILLHARBOUR, THE ISLE OF DOGS, LONDON, EI4 9TZ

ALMOST...

We got a letter from Matthew Hallett in Portsmouth telling us how he had finished Tomb Raider 2 on the PC in just 23"21"37. He then went on to explain how that stands for 23 days, 21 hours and 37minutes. Unfortunately Matthew, that's about three weeks too slow to be counted as a high score. Sorry.

HARD NUTS HERE

Nathan and Daniel White claim to have set completely unbeatable Sonic Jam Time Attack records, and to prove it they've made a challenge. They've sent us their spare copy of Christmas NiGHTS (Woooo) as a prize for whoever can provide photographic evidence of ANY of these times being beaten. Get to it!

Green Hill Zone 1 Green Hill Zone 2 Spring Yard Zone 1 23"13 28"43 Spring Yard Zone 2 Starlight Zone 2 18"78



a "In the NiGHTS, dream delight, I want to see you... la la la..." Ah!

RESIDENT EVIL 2 (PLAYSTATION)

Leon (Scenario A) 2.21'54 Kuljeet Chauhan, Southall

TOMB RAIDER 2 (PLAYSTATION)

Assault Course Time 1'04"4 **Nurv Gamboa**

TIME CRISIS (PLAYSTATION)

Story mode 11'21"76 **Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe**

TIME ATTACK

2'38"21 Stage 1 David Tabron (TAB), Bolton 3'32"06 Stage 2

Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe Stage 3 4'51"50

Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe

PLAYSTATION MODE

8'52"26 1-2A-3A-4A Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe 1-2A-3B-4B 9'29"93

Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe 1-2A-3B-4C

Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe 1-2B-3B-4B 8'24"36 **Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe**

1-2B-3B-4C 8'36"83 Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe 1-2B-4C 6'12"66 **Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe**

V-RALLY (PLAYSTATION)

EASY

Corsica Osman Farooq (OZY), Manchester

Indonesia 51"15 Osman Farooq (OZY), Manchester

50"94 Osman Farooq (OZY), Manchester

57"68 England

Seppo Lunki (SML), Finland

MEDIUM

53"72 Safari Seppo Lunki, Finland

1'04"02 New Zealand

Osman Farooq (OZY), Manchester England 47"96

Ian Haley (IJH), Co. Durham 47"81 Corsica

Osman Farooq (OZY), Manchester Indonesia 55"08

Seppo Lunki, Finland 1'05"24

Seppo Lunki (SML), Finland

1'25"52 Corsica Ian Haley (IJH), Co. Durham

Sweden Sunny 1'07"72 Seppo Lunki, Finland

Alps Snow

Geoff Searle 1'12"72 Spain

Osman Farooq (OZY), Manchester New Zealand 1'24"52

1'06"60

Seppo Lunki, Finland

Safari

Osman Farooq (OZY), Manchester Sweden Snow 1'19"16

lan Haley (IJH), Co. Durham Alps Night 1'14"24

lan Haley (IJH), Co. Durham

DESTRUCTION DERBY 2 (PLAYSTATION)

PINE HILLS RACEWAY

Glenn Perkins, Wolverhampton

SCA MOTORPLEX

CAPRIO COUNTY RACEWAY

Glenn Perkins, Wolverhampton

BLACK SAIL VALLEY

Glenn Perkins, Wolverhampton

LIBERTY CITY

20"32

Pinhead, Newcastle

ULTIMATE DESTRUCTION

Glenn Perkins, Wolverhampton

HOUSE OF THE DEAD (SATURN)

SATURN MODE 65742

Fat Ade (ADE)

BOSS MODE

21'54 Chariot

Fat Ade (ADE)

Hangedman 1'13"60 Fat Ade (ADE)

WINTER HEAT (SATURN)

SPEED SKIING

11.484 seconds

Matthew Pilling (MAF), Merseyside

SKI JUMP

154.00 metres

Matthew Pilling (MAF), Merseyside

DOWNHILL

32.80 seconds

Matthew Pilling (MAF), Merseyside

SHORT TRACK SKATING

43.80 seconds

Matthew Pilling (MAF), Merseyside

SKELETON

50.83 seconds

Luigi Coppola (BAT), Bexhill-on-Sea

28.47 seconds

Luigi Coppola (BAT), Bexhill-on-Sea

1514 points

Luigi Coppola (BAT), Bexhill-on-Sea

BOBSLEIGH

42.35 seconds

Matthew Pilling (MAF), Merseyside

SPEED SKATING

34.25 seconds

Jamie Collyer (HOT), Woking

SNOWBOARD

52.78 seconds

Matthew Pilling (MAF), Merseyside

CROSS COUNTRY

4.48.99 seconds

Jamie Collyer (HOT), Woking

Matthew Pilling (MAF), Merseyside

ARCADE OVERALL

10289 points

Matthew Pilling (MAF), Merseyside

STEEP SLOPE SLIDERS (SATURN)

EXTREME 0

Best Time

Joe Jennings, Derby

3069 Best Tricks

Luigi Coppola (BAT), Bexhill-on-Sea

EXTREME 1

Best Time

1'08"80

Jon Pendleton (JON)

Best Tricks 2363 Joe Jennings, Derby

EXTREME 2

1'10"04 **Best Time**

Jon Pendleton (JON)

Best Tricks 2589 Matthew Bushnell (ACE), Enfield

EXTREME 3

1'22"00

Best Time Joe Jennings, Derby

3086 **Best Tricks** Matthew Bushnell (ACE), Enfield

ALPINE

Best Time

1'01"08 Jon Pendleton (JON)

Best Tricks 2442 Joe Jennings, Derby

SNOWBOARD PARK

1'22"60 Rest Time

Joe Jennings, Derby

2971 **Best Tricks**

Matthew Bushnell (ACE), Enfield

HALF PIPE

26"04 **Best Time**

Jon Pendleton (JON)

2562 **Best Tricks**

Matthew Bushnell (ACE), Enfield

RESIDENT EVIL (SATURN)

Battle Mode, Jill 998 points, A grade

Themis Bakas (ACE), Nunhead

NiGHTS (SATURN)

Puffy beaten with 104 remaining Brian Lelas (B.L), Dublin

Reala beaten with 106 remaining

Brian Lelas (B.L), Dublin Jackle beaten with 104 remaining

Ruverne Latchanna, South Africa Wizeman beaten with 78 remaining Nathan White (NAT), London

Gillwing beaten with 112 remaining **Christopher Byford (MOG), Northants**

Gulpo beaten with 108 remaining **Leon White, Sheffield** Clawz beaten with 100 remaining

Nathan White (NAT), London 678780 Points (Spring Valley)

James A. Thompson (JAT), Hull 326 Link (Mystic Forest 1)

Nathan White (NAT), London 565420 (Mystic Forest)

Nathan White (NAT), London 370 Link (Soft Museum 1) Nathan White (NAT),

London 426Link (Splash Garden 1) Nathan White (NAT), London

379 Link (Frozen Bell 1) Nathan White (NAT), London

CHALK CANYON 46"90 11 EVENT OVERALL **Glenn Perkins, Wolverhampton** 14029 points

Mark Rainford (RAZOR), Wigan

826100 Points (Frozen Bell) Nathan White (NAT), London 157040 (Twin Seeds) Nathan White (NAT), London

SONIC R (SATURN)

RESORT ISLAND

15"32 Best Lap

Will Carey, Worcester Rest Race

55"40 Luigi Coppola (BAT), Bexhill-on-Sea Tag Mode 23"08

Sam Draris, Dorset

33"22 Balloon Mode Martin Dooley, Woodhall Spa

RADICAL CITY

Best Lap 23"52 Sam Draris, Dorset

1'07"80 Rest Race Gary Cormack (GAZ), Stonehaven 19"84

Tag Mode Tom Dentith (TOX)

44"52 Balloon Mode Luigi Coppola, Bexhill on Sea

REGAL RUIN

19"53 Best Lap Kamal Bhatia, Leicester 1'02"48 Best Race Chris J Haig (CJH), Taunton 17"48 Tag Mode Sam Draris, Dorset

Balloon Mode

Steve Lyth, Whitby

REACTIVE FACTORY

25"20 Rest Lan Luigi Coppola (BAT), Bexhill-on-Sea **Best Race** 1'20"93 Kamal Bhatia, Leicester

31"48

23"08 Tag Mode

Gavin Woodworth, Cumbria 29"27 Ralloon Mode Martin Dooley, Woodhall Spa

RADIANT EMERALD

38"36 Best Lap Kamal Bhatia, Leicester 2'14"02 **Best Race** Kamal Bhatia, Leicester

29"28 Tag Mode **Gavin Woodworth, Cumbria** 33"60 Balloon Mode James Larham, Cambridgeshire

SATURN BOMBERMAN (SATURN)

Master Game completed 467740 Chris J Haig (CJH), Taunton

SONIC JAM (SATURN)

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG (Time Attack) Green Hill Zone 1

Chris J Haig (CJH), Taunton Green Hill Zone 2 17"28 Chris J Haig (CJH), Taunton Green Hill Zone 3 43"94 **Gavin Woodworth, Cumbria**

SEGA TOURING CAR CHAMPIONSHIP (SAT)

COUNTRY

22"108 Best Lap **Tom Newstead, Baildon**

1'58"112 **Best Race Tom Newstead, Baildon**

GRUNWALD

29"741 Best Lap Stuart Blyth, Solihull

2'32"367 Best Race 54"00 Best Race David Hines (EYE), Doncaster

MARIO KART 64 (NINTENDO 64)

WARIO STADIUM

03"98 Best Lap Tatu Luostarinen (TJL), Helsinki, **Finland**

Best Race George Papapetrou (GEO), London

SHERBERT LAND

33"28 Best Lap David Hines (EYE), Doncaster 1'41"17 Rest Race David Hines (EYE), Doncaster

ROYAL RACEWAY

33"04 Best Lap David Hines (EYE), Doncaster 1'44"41 Best Race David Hines (EYE), Doncaster

BOWSER'S CASTLE

37"78 Best Lap David Hines (EYE), Doncaster 1'55"60 **Best Race** David Hines (EYE), Doncaster

DONKEY KONG'S JUNGLE PARKWAY

Best Lap David Hines (EYE), Doncaster 37"69 **Best Race David Hines (EYE), Doncaster**

YOSHI VALLEY

Rest Lan Tatu Luostarinen (TJL), Helsinki, Finland 30"73 Best Race **David Hines (EYE), Doncaster**

BANSHEE BOARDWALK

Best Lap David Hines (EYE), Doncaster 1'47"44 Best Race David Hines (EYE), Doncaster

RAINBOW ROAD

1'16"52 Best Lap David Hines (EYE), Doncaster 3'53"34 **Best Race** David Hines (EYE), Doncaster

DIDDY KONG RACING (NINTENDO 64)

ANCIENT LAKE

12"98 Best Lap Peter Veal, Bury St Edmunds 38"10 **Best Race** Peter Veal, Bury St Edmunds

FOSSIL CANYON

Best Lap 24"10 Remy Kamermans (RMK), Holland Best Race 1'13"81 Remy Kamermans (RMK), Holland

JUNGLE FALLS

19"10 Best Lap Adam Berry (BEZ), Bolton 59"10 Best Race Yaqub Chaudhary (Y.C), London

HOT TOP VOLCANO

Best Lap 24"96 Remy Kamermans (RMK), Holland 1'16"25 **Best Race** Remy Kamermans (RMK), Holland

WHALE BAY

21"85 Best Lap James Vincent, Co. Kildare 1'09"81 **Best Race** James Vincent, Co. Kildare

PIRATE LAGOON

25"06 Best Lap

James Vincent, Co. Kildare 1'19"73 Best Race James Vincent, Co. Kildare

CRESCENT ISLAND

29"95 Best Lap James Vincent, Co. Kildare 1'32"20 Best Race James Vincent, Co. Kildare

TREASURE CAVES

18"90 Best Lap James Vincent, Co. Kildare Best Race 58"73 James Vincent, Co. Kildare

EVERFROST PEAK

Best Lap 34"01 James Vincent, Co. Kildare 1'46"36 **Best Race** James Vincent, Co. Kildare

WALRUS COVE

38"75 Best Lap James Vincent, Co. Kildare 1'58"03 Best Race James Vincent, Co. Kildare

SNOWBALL VALLEY

20"85 Best Lap James Vincent, Co. Kildare 1'05"21 Best Race James Vincent, Co. Kildare

FROSTY VILLAGE

21"00 Best Lap Peter Veal, Bury St Edmunds 1'06"76 **Best Race Peter Veal, Bury St Edmunds**

BOULDER CANYON

37"60 Best Lap Chris Hinkley (CRS), Peckham 1'56"63 **Rest Race** Chris Hinkley (CRS), Peckham

GREENWOOD VILLAGE

30"09 Rest Lan Peter Veal, Bury St Edmunds 1'34"86 Best Race James Vincent, Co. Kildare

WINDMILL PLAINS

41"86 Best Lap James Vincent, Co. Kildare 2'07"83 Best Race James Vincent, Co. Kildare

HAUNTED WOODS

20"00 Best Lap Peter Veal, Bury St Edmunds 1'03"46 Best Race Adam Berry (BEZ), Bolton

SPACEDUST ALLEY

39"91 Best Lan James Vincent, Co. Kildare 2'02"73 Best Race James Vincent, Co. Kildare

DARKMOON CAVERNS

41"66 Best Lap James Vincent, Co. Kildare 2'08"10 **Best Race** James Vincent, Co. Kildare

STAR CITY

34"00 Best Lap James Vincent, Co. Kildare 1'47"83 Best Race James Vincent, Co. Kildare

SPACEPORT ALPHA

Best Lap 39"85 Robert Nicholson, York 2'04"50 Best Race James Vincent, Co. Kildare

TUROK: DINOSAUR HUNTER (N64)

Training Mode Mark McEwan, Glasgow

WAVE RACE 64 (NINTENDO 64)

DOLPHIN PARK

27688 Stunt Score Geraldo Freitas (GER), London

SUNNY BEACH

0'20"869 Best Lap Barry Morgan (BAD), Luton 1'05"375 Best Race Stephen Wake, Doncaster 20956 Stunt Score Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe

SUNSET BAY

0'20"572 Best Lan **B.** Morgan, Luton 1'08"216 Best Race **B.** Morgan, Luton 22095 Stunt Score **Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe**

DRAKE LAKE

0'24"196 Best Lap B. Morgan, Luton 1'15"111 Best Race B. Morgan, Luton Stunt Score 22376

Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe

MARINE FORTRESS

0'23"357 Best Lap **Greg Ihnatenko, Cheshire** 1'18"989 Best Race Chris Murphy (CHR), Manchester Stunt Score 29525 Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe

PORT BLUE

0'27"908 Best Lap **B.** Morgan, Luton 1'27"423 Best Race B. Morgan, Luton 37246 Stunt Score James Vincent, Co. Kildare

TWILIGHT CITY

0'29"255 Best Lap B. Morgan, Luton 1'30"524 Best Race B. Morgan, Luton 31095 Stunt Score **Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe**

GLACIER COAST

0'26"804 Best Lap **Greg Ihnatenko, Cheshire** Best Race 1'26"466 **Greg Ihnatenko, Cheshire** 36080 Stunt Score James Vincent, Co. Kildare

SOUTHERN ISLAND Best Lap

B. Morgan, Luton 1'17"985 **Best Race** B. Morgan, Luton 27035 Stunt Score Matthew Hopkins (MAT), Crewe

0'24"798

TEKKEN 3 (ARCADE)

Game Complete (Kuma) 2'51"25 MC Okwuosa (MCO), Holloway

DEAD OR ALIVE (ARCADE)

3'30"03 Kasumi Normal Mode E. Nettey (MAN), London

Burst Mode 3'47"31 Kasumi E. Nettey (MAN), London

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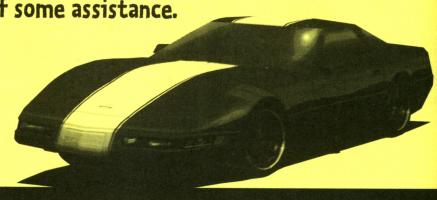


GRAN TURISMO

THE REAL DRIVING SIMULATOR

Daunted by the size of this awesome game, feel spoilt for choice or don't know where to begin? Still having problems with those licence tests? Well let us try to be of some assistance.

eeing as this game is so big, it's even difficult for us to decide on where to begin trying to explain how to get the most out of this game fast. We'll try to skim through as much as possible at break-neck speed. If you think we're going too fast, just slam on the breaks and take a breather.



These are some pretty basic pointers, and you can apply them to any driving game that offers some degree of realism, but with a game as accurate as Gran Turismo, you've really got to stick to them. Otherwise, you might find yourself stalling before the race even begins!

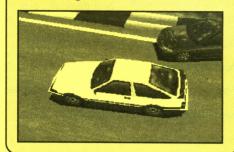
STARTING GRID

The easiest way to get a perfect start off the grid is to hold down the accelerator on max before the countdown starts. When it reaches "one", take your finger off and quickly hold down again. If done correctly, you should hit maximum revs just as the race gets under way, and get a good start.



CORNERING

Slow in, fast out is the order of the day. Try to learn the racing line. Basically it's what the computer-controlled cars are doing. Only brake late if you're trying to overtake. A cheesy tactic is to use the computer cars to slow you down, basically by just ramming and bouncing off them.



Unlike other racing games, in GT the top speed and acceleration of the car is the same if you choose automatic or manual gears. The only advantage is you can drop gears before a turn. This slows you down but keeps the revs high. Keep your foot (finger/thumb) on the gas and accelerate away.



HANDLING

Front wheel, rear wheel and four wheel drive cars all behave very differently on corners. Front wheel cars tend to drag you round, so corner as perfectly as possible. Rear wheel machines skid out, so add some opposite lock to compensate for this. Four wheel drives tend to stick to the road, so you'll need to perfect the power-drifting to take corners at speed. This is easily achieved by steering in the opposite direction to the corner and braking.



If you absolutely, positively have to apply the brakes, it's a good idea to do it on a level, straight piece of track. Do it while cornering and things could get messy.



Sunday Cuc

A shopping trolley could blow away the competition in this field. Sadly there isn't one in the game, so make do with a Honda Prelude or Toyota Sprinter Truneo. If your car is tuned up, even better.



Clubman Cup



All you need to win this race is a car that has good suspension modifications, and is above 300ps. You can't fail... can you?

GT Cup

You'll need a fully tuned car to race with this lot. Without everything, you'll feel like Richard Harris at the end of The Wild Geese. Some recommend a full spec Nissan GT-R, it's way too powerful for these courses, but it's speed will help you escape from any mistakes.



World GT Cup

You'll need a fully tuned car weighing less than 1300kgs with more than 600ps. Due to the nature of these courses, you'll need a good all-rounder. Try to avoid rear wheels, unless you're up to it. Go for the Nissan GT-R once again. It's 4WD will help you survive here.





tt Race



The Honda Prelude SiR and Toyota Celica SSII are pretty cool, but the Mitsubishi FTO GP-R is the choice of champions

FR Race



Shall it be the Mazda RX-7, Toyota Supra or Honda NSX? Perhaps a lowly MR2, TVR or Viper. The choice is yours!

AWD Race

Are we getting boring, or can we not stress enough the brilliance of the Nissan GT-R? Oh wait, maybe try the Subaru Impreza Rally Edition, a car you can literally throw around corners. Shame about the top speed though.



Lightweight

Go for the Mitsubishi FTO GP-R, simple as that.



US Vs. Japanese

The Mitsubishi FTO Limited Edition pops its head up again, to destroy the competition. Easy now!



Japanese Vs. British

Mitsubishi FTO Limited Edition. If you want to keep things British, go for the race tuned Cerbera. You need loads of oversteer to tame this car. If you've won the Cerbera Limited Edition, then that's the one to fly the flag in.



British Vs. US



Overbearing
American patriots
go for the Viper
GTS-R, while the
Brits can take out
a fully tuned
Cerbera with a
racing body.

Meda

You'll need power and speed to survive this death race. Ben Hur is not invited. Go for the fully tuned, high-spec Mazda RX-7,



Toyota Supra RZ, Nissan GT-R, Honda NSX or Mitsubishi GTO. No chariots allowed!

Tuner

You'll need a super-tuned up motor, and the best you can hope for is the Nissan GT-R. It

has every add-on known to man, except the racing conversion. From here on in, the races get really tough.



Valley 300

Choose something fast, but more importantly, something you're really comfortable with, because this is a long race. By now you should have won the FTO Limited Edition racing car – that's the one we'd suggest.



Stage 11 Racing



Again, go for the FTO LM, it's best for these long races you see. Plus it's got a drinks holder, well ours has anyway!

Stage 11 Tuned

Bring out the Nissan GT-R again – it did you proud in the Tuned race and it'll serve you well

here. There's one small problem, the tyres wear out incredibly quickly. So you'll need to make several pit stops.



B1Start, Accelerate and Stop, part 1

The first part of the first licence, and it's a doddle. This is a test of your ability to brake and nothing else. From the off, floor it. Just before reaching 160 km/h brake. Alternatively when you reach around 930m brake. You'll fail if you brake slowly, meaning you ease the car over the line. In essence this is like an emergency stop test, and you only have one go at hitting the brakes.





B-8 B Licence Examination

Remember all the techniques you've learnt so far. Try to keep these speeds in mind for all the corners. Turn one full speed, turn two 150 km/h, turn three 120 km/h, turn four 125 km/h, turn five full speed and turn six at 135 km/h.





B2Start, Accelerate, and Stop, part 2

The same as B-1, but because of the faster car you'll need to hit the brakes just as you pass the 900m marker.



You're going too fast! Apply the brakes as soon as you're past this marker.

B-5 Basic Cornering, part 3

B-6 Basics of Multiple Corners, part

You'll need to watch the road for the next

part. Around 125km/h turn in where the

Choose auto gears and keep left at the start.

shadow gets thin. Keep the speed up and go

from full right lock to full left where the shad-

try to get the right line through the bends.

O Start to change direction here. If you don't you'll annoy some of the crowd.

ow goes diagonal. Use both rumble strips and

The same as B-4. but this time brake a little later and turn tighter at the same time. This will cause the car to skid slightly, so you should end up with a perfect line.

With a bit of concentration. you can get the line just right.

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A-3 Practical Cornering, part 3

After the long straight, there's a slight left turn and up slope. On the up slope, keep the

car in the centre of the track, then peak, ease off the throttle and gradually brake. Once vou've lost some speed and feel the car is stable brake hard until you reach a safe corner speed, say near 100km/h, then turn the corner and accelerate away.







B7 Basics of Multiple Corners, part 2 The same as B-6



but the rear wheel drive changes things a little. Keep an eye on your speed, and try to brake and turn on the corner to skid the car.



3 Your real-life driving instructor may not approve, but here you'll have to skid round the corner.







@ Remember, slow in fast out. Cornering in rear wheelers is made easy this way.

B-3 Basic Cornering, part 1

Select manual gears, go flat out and stay on the right. You should reach the corner in third gear, turn and drop a gear, halfway around go back up a gear. Remember to release the accelerator, fool!



B-4 Basic Cornering, part 2

Select auto gears and keep right on the straight. Brake and turn into the corner when you reach the second corner sign on the right. With this line you'll be able to easily accelerate out of the bend.



A-6 Applied Complex Cornering, part 3

After the short straight there's a killer Scurve, a hard left followed by a quick right. At the end of the straight, lower the speed to 110 km/h. At this speed, corners should be a

breeze. Take the next corner at the same speed. You should be able to go through the curve with the same steering angle. If you need to adjust the steering. you're attacking the corner too fast, or you started to turn

too late.





International Allicence Tests

At this point we abandon ship. Our only advice is to learn how to handle the highpowered rear wheel drive cars. If you still have problems, tune up your preferred drive to 500ps, and compete in the A-Licence races until you feel ready. Wuss!



You need powerful rear wheel drives.



G Can you handle all that power? You'll have to if you want to win anything.



A7 Special Technique



Olt's important to get your angles right to avoid puking.



There should be a warning on this test about puking. The tiny circuit and constant turning means it can become quite dizzy in here. Thankfully you only have to do five laps. Although the text suggests using the hand brake, you don't need to. Get the angles right, and use acceleration to slide the car around. Easy!

Final advice on licence tests

Remember, you can view demos of the following tests in the Replay Theatre. Those winning numbers are B-3, B-5, B-7, B-8, A-1, A-4, A-7, A-8 and IA-7. Keep 'em peeled, stop, look and listen and say what you see. In that order.



TOP TRUMPS

Presenting the stats to impress your friends, the cream of the Gran Turismo crop.

Most powerful car

A race tuned Nissan GT-R has peak power of 969ps. It's four wheel drive too!

Most powerful FF car

Race tuned Honda Prelude SiR

Most powerful FR car

Race tuned Toyota Supra RZ

MOST DOWERFUL lightweight Car Race tuned Mitsubishi FTO GP-R

Lightest FF car

Race tuned Mazda Demio A-Spec weighs 549 kg

Lightest FR car

Race tuned Toyota Trueno Apex is 619 kg

Lightest 4WD car

Race tuned Nissan GTi-R and Subaru '96 WRX Sti III are both 878 kg

Heaviest FF

Honda Accord Wagon SiR weighs 1430 kg

Heaviest FR

Aston Martin DB7 Volante is a lard-assed 1875 kg

Heaviest 4WD

Mitsubishi GTO Twin Turbo is 1710 kg

Fastest car

Race tuned Mitsubishi GTO MR when adjustments have been made will go over 400 km/h

Best all rounder

FTO Limited Edition. It has the power, good top speed and is an easy to handle 4WD

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WRITE FOR FREEPLAY

on't panic! Don't panic! Stay calm. Yes, you HAVE reached the end of another issue of your favourite mag-within-a-mag and you're already having withdrawal symptoms. We understand, but there's no need to snatch at the nearest pack of fags, for we will be back for another fun-packed issue next month. But we can can only be back if you want us back. I mean, hey, FreePlay is the product of your effort and affection, so keep sending your love to us and we'll give you back to you – with interest.

WRITE TO FREEPLAY AT THIS ADDRESS, BUT MAKE SURE TO WRITE ON THE ENVELOPE WHAT IT CONTAINS (eg HIGH SCORES, DRAWINZ OTHERWISE OUR SCHEDULES WILL BE DISRUPTED AND THE WELL-OILED PUBLISHING MACHINE THAT IS CVG WILL GRIND TO A HALT.

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ED'S TIPS

Judging from the number of crap contributions to High Scores we've had lately, hardly anybody's reading Ed's Tips. It's your loss, cos if you don't listen to Ed, you'll be forever sending him pathetic scores you've notched up on piss-easy games – and he'll just chuck 'em in the bin, because he's a ruthless gaming ogre like that is our Ed.

MOST WANTED

You can't always get what you want in this world – not unless you read FreePlay and CVG you can't anyway. With us, the generous souls that we are, not only do you get two magazines for the price of 8.4 cigarettes, but you get two magazines full of stuff you want – because you asked for it. But if you don't ask, you don't get. So get asking by filling in the form below.

HIGH SCORES

Show off your gaming skill by sending us your High Scores. But it has to be a genuinely big score – not an "It's a bit small, but I'm happy with it" score, of which we have had many this month. Look, it's not that we mind reading your crap scores – they make us laugh – but it's not the point is it?

BEST/WORST

Tell us what you think are the best or worst bits of this month's CVG. Choose your own categories if you want, but here are a few suggestions below. Don't get carried away now, but the best entries (basically, anyone who sends bribes) is likely to receive a free T-shirt. (Anyone who doesn't bribe us has to give us a free T-shirt!)

DRAWINZ

The National Gallery wants to show some Drawinz as a major exhibition of the pre-Millennial Crap Sketch Movement. The deadline is fast approaching, so send us your marseterpieces immediately.

MELTING POT

The new-look Melting Pot is the place where your ideas are read by Ferrari-driving playboys who have the power to make or break you – ie Alex Huhtala.

PANZINES

Rumour has it FreePlay nicks ideas from Fanzines you send in. We don't see it as nicking, but a natural consequence of the crossfertilisation which occurs as a result of normal intercourse with our beloved readers.

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