



How to keep the computer revolution from becoming a revolt.

Computers are creating a revolution in the way we work. But because they sometimes lose or confuse information, they also create frustrating problems.

But not all computer errors are the computer's fault. Sometimes, it's a faulty flexible disk. Because of surface inconsistencies, some disks can lose their magnetic properties. And along with them, your information. The answer: Datalife® flexible disks. Certified 100% error free and backed by a 5-year warranty, they perform flawlessly time after time.

So now you can join in the computer revolution without losing data or your temper. Use Datalife by Verbatim, the world's leading producer of flexible disks.

Call your nearest Verbatim dealer or master New Zealand distributors

COMPUDATA MEDIA SYSTEMS LTD

AUCKLAND: Box 3273, Ph: 444-6085 Tlx: 60835 WELLINGTON: Box 11-091, Ph: 851-548 Tlx: 3909

10Mnds

EDITOR: ERIC McCALL

PRODUCTION: **ASHLEY NOBLE** JOEL NIELSEN

ADVERTISING: JACK NOBLE

COLUMNISTS: TOM CHERRIE **OLWEN WILLIAMS BRIAN BROWN MARTIN HALL FAYE HALL**

PUBLISHED BY: NOMAC PUBLISHING

TYPESETTING & PRINTING BY: **CLARK & MATHESON** LTD.

DISTRIBUTION BY: GORDON & GOTCH (NZ) LTD.

COMPUTER INPUT MAGAZINE P.O. Box 39-278 Auckland West. **Telephone:** 496-943

ARTICLES

We would be happy to receive any kind of material about home or micro computers. Please contact us about rates for articles

We will receive programs in almost any form (though preferably computer printed or on cassette). We will return cassettes

If return of material is desired, then please say so and we shall do our utmost to return the copy in the condition it was received. (Please at all times, include your name and address, and if possible, your phone number, on all submissions).

SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Have "COMPUTER INPUT" sent straight to you; the subscription rate is \$13.00 a year.

THE OPINIONS AND VIEWS EXPRESSED IN "COMPUTER INPUT" ARE NOT NECESSARILY THOSE OF THE PUBLISHER.

ALL MATERIAL PUBLISHED IN "COMPUTER INPUT" BECOMES THE PROPERTY OF THE PUBLISHERS AND THEREFORE COPYRIGHT.

COMPUTE

NEW ZEALAND'S HOME COMPUTING MAGAZINE

"SEE YOU AT THE SHOW"

That's our catch cry this month. On June 16th, the Microcomputer Club of NZ is having its annual Computer Show in Auckland at the Showgrounds. COMPUTER INPUT will be there as well as supplies of hardware, peripherals and software. As well as displaying our illustrious magazine, we will also be selling T-shirts, products from our mail order and best of all we will be running competitions with great prizes of new software for the computer of you choice, PLUS free subscriptions to lucky winners.

We will also be launching our new magazine

PROGRAM INPUT

printed in the same quality format as this publication.

We are having difficulty giving away the VZ200 in our competition on SPOT THE DELIBERATE ERROR. Perhaps we are being too tricky!! I'll give you a clue — It's not in the program listings, the Mail Order or, heaven forbid, the Editorial. If we have a winner in time for the show, we can have the winner brought to the show for a big presentation.

SOFTWARE REVIEW

This month's software review is on Commodore 64 software. So many good new games are being marketed that we have made them a feature this time. Next month, BBC, SPectrum and the new Acorn Electron software.

HARDWARE REVIEW

We look at the new Sharp MZ721, a new entry into 64K RAM race, with built-in data cassette and optional printer. it will be interesting to see how it shapes up along side the more established brands.

So, once again, read on, good luck with the competition and SEE YOU AT THE SHOW. I'll be the one wearing the COMPUTER INPUT T-shirt. (I hope it's not too cold!).

Publication of the name of any firm in Computer Input, whether in the body of the text or in any advertisement, is made in good faith and does not imply that the firm is accorded any special standing. Computer Input accepts no responsibility for any of the statements in advertisements appearing in this publication and the inclusion of any particular advertisement is no guarantee that goods or services advertised therein have official approval. It is also recommended that normal commercial precaution be taken before business is transacted. Readers of this publication who are interested in dealing with firms advertised should communicate with them direct.

At last – the portable, professional, colour computer!



Commodore SX 64 Executive, base price \$2995.*

Computer-power where you need it: Commodore SX 64 travels easily between office and home in its role as professional computer for executive, small-business-owner, salesman, and professional person.

Software available now: A large number of programs includes spreadsheets for budgeting, cashflow forecasting, statistics; database for keeping track of files — debtors' system, invoicing and sales analysis, creditors' system, general ledger, stock control; award-winning farming programs; games.

*Less sales tax rebate for Government-approved industries. Printer optional extra



Commodore Computer (NZ) Ltd. P.O. Box 33847 Takapuna, Auckland 9.



Overseas Input

This month, a bit of background information on Sinclair Research Ltd and software for the QL.

Eric's Answers

More answers from Eric and a few technical tit-bits.

Hardware Review

The new Sharp 700 series is reviewed.



Genie Input

This month a secret message for the Colour Genie from **Geoff Jenkins**.



VIC20 Input

The first VIC20 input. Two interesting articles from **John Osborne** and **M. Vickers.**

SEGA Input

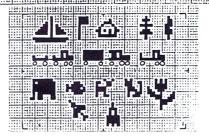


Cassette Routines, Auto Run, Text, Cursor Positioning and a table of useful ROM/RAM addresses.

Graphics ZX81

19

HECDEFCHIDKLYNO PORSTUVWXYZ



Graphics on the ZX81 from Patricia Hopkins.

Software Review Program of the Month

This month —

STAR BATTLE
by Timeworks: C-64 Disc

for the Commodore 64

Software Review

21

20

Spectrum and 64 games as well as a review on **3D DEFENDER** for the ZX81 16K by **David Gilbert**.

Mail order

23

Software Input

29

More programs from our readers — over 13 pages!

Club Page

43

Spectravideo Users Group information.

BUY — SELL — SWAP

43

Rewards

16

45

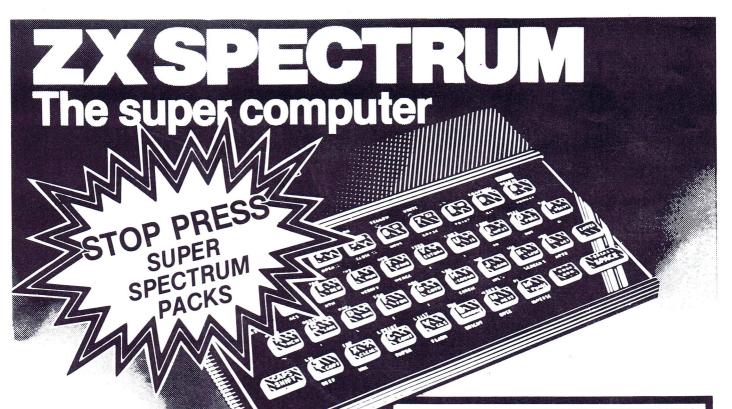
Competitions

46

Next Month

48

May 1984 — COMPUTER INPUT 3



At only \$399* the Sinclair Spectrum is an exciting proposition in anybody's language!

The Sinclair price advantage is just the beginning! As a Sinclair owner, you enter the world's biggest home computer community — Sinclair owners have access to the largest range of pre-recorded programs, games and books and if you write your own programs you win again because Sinclair BASIC is the world's most widely used computer language!

The success of Sinclair computers world wide is undisputed, yet the 48K Spectrum — the most powerful computer in it's class on earth — costs under \$600!

16K Model was \$499

Now \$399 including K5 program recorder (worth \$149)

48K Model was \$699

Now \$599 including K5 program recorder

Imported and distributed by

DAVID REID ELECTRONICS



ZX Microdrives deliver fast access to massive amounts of data via microdrive cartridges (85K per cart.) Suddenly, you've got all the advantages of floppy disk storage at just a fraction of the cost — and it's fast — a 48K program can be loaded in 9 seconds flat!

was \$395 NOW ONLY \$295

ZX INTERFACE 1 SAVE \$120

— Allows programs or data to be sent or received from Microdrive. Controls up to 8 microdrives! Incorporates RS 232 Interface that gives your Spectrum the power to drive full size printers. SPECIAL NETWORKING FACILITY links up 64 Spectrums . . . perfect for schools, games etc!

Was \$395

\$275

NEW INTERFACE 2

— enables you to use the new ZX ROM cartridges (plug in programs that load instantly) and 2 joysticks!

So, get your ROMS ready, plug in your joysticks and watch the fun REALLY start!

ONLY \$99.95!

NEW ZX ROM CARTRIDGES!

No waiting. No delay. You just plug in and play! Experience the excitement of TRANZ AM ... pit your skills against Deadly Black Turbos in your Super Red Racer or blast your way around the galaxy in JET PAC!

'TOP TEN' Titles include HUNGRY HORACE, SPACE RAIDERS, BACKGAMMON, CHESS and PLANETOIDS — \$79.95 each

NORRIE 1838

OL SOFTWARE SUITE ANNOUNCED

Each Sinclair QL is supplied complete with a powerful immediately useful and integrated software system with applications programs and full supporting documentation.

Equally valuable in the home or office the suite contains QL Abacus for spreadsheet analysis, Archive for database management, Easel for graphics and Quill for wordprocessing.

Written by, and licensed from, Psion the fully-interactive packages are based on the concepts of 'Inform and Decide', 'Do and See' and 'What You See is What You Get' (WYSIWYG).

Psion's managing director, David Potter, said that "the fundamental quality of the software – which has taken 18 months to develop - is its useability. Each program is more powerful and functional than the existing products for desk-top computers costing up to £5000.

Yet it is designed to be used with no prior training or computer knowledge. The software understands the user rather than the user having to understand the software.

All four programs incorporate state-of-the-art developments in each subject area, share a common style and have been designed, above all, for ease-of-use. With direct entry available to the most regularly required features every owner can be operational at a basic but useful level within a few moments.

Thereafter as his experience grows he can move through each program's pyramidal structure progressively taking control of more sophisticated functions.

Eliminating the delays of batch-processing, most results are displayed immediately, in real-time, and in the same format as they will be printed.

Throughout operation full information is displayed on current status and command availability. HELP is always available - even during input - and, after consultation, will return the user to exactly the same place in the original work.

As an invaluable aid to say, report writing or planning development, data can be transferred from program to program within the suite using IMPORT and EXPORT commands, and modified at the destination point before return.

An important and innovative new service to users is the Sinclair QL Users Bureau (QLUB) which will automatically supply software updates free to members. In addition Psion will provide written response to technical queries on software. QLUB will also mail six free newsletters each year containing technical tips, applications suggestions and latest news on Sinclair QL hardware, software and peripherals. Membership is £35 per year.

SINCLAIR RESEARCH LIMITED - BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Sinclair Research was founded by its chairman, Sir Clive Sinclair in July 1979, to conceive, develop and market new consumer electronics products.

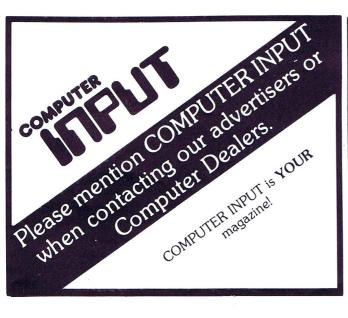
In four years the company has established itself as a world-leader in the personal computer market with total sales in excess of 2,300,000 units and monthly production of over 100,000 units. Recently it entered a second major market area by launching

Sinclair Research is 85% owned by Sir Clive and a further 10% is held by a group of institutional investors who in February 1983 subscribed £13.6 million gross by private placement - capitalising the company at £135.9 million.

Company turnover doubled to £54.53 (£27.17) million in the year to March 1983 while profits before taxation and exceptional item were £14.03 (£8.55) million.

Sinclair Research concentrates itself on R & D and marketing and subcontrcts all production. Current Sinclair Research projects include a new range of personal computers, computer peripherals, flat-screen TV developments and consumer applications of solid state technology.

Based in Cambridge, Sinclair Research has branch offices in London and Boston USA, and additional research laboratories in Winchester and St Ives, Cambs.



COMPUTER INPUT New Zealand's complete Home Computing magazine. Tell your friends! Write to us about anything! That's what we're here for!

Whitcoulls 21 Computer Centres throughout N.Z.

MICRO-COMPUTER

The BBC Microcomputer can genuinely claim to satisfy the needs of novice and expert alike. It is a fast, powerful system generating high resolution colour graphics and which can synthesise music and speech. The keyboard uses a conventional layout and electric typewriter "feel."

You can connect directly to cassette recorder,

You can connect directly to cassette recorder, domestic television, video monitor, disc drives, printers (dot matrix and daisy wheel) and paddles.

Optional extras include:

- •18" Colour Monitor •Disc Drive Unit •Sanyo Tape-Recorder •Connector Leads
- •Monochrome Screen MORE THAN 200 SOFTWARE PACKAGES AVAILABLE

BBC MODEL B COMPUTER - \$1699



The New Home Computer.

acorn electron

32 K RAM 32 K ROM \$795

KEY FEATURES:—

- * 7 Display mode.
- * BBC Basic and assembler and single entry Keywords
- * High resolution graphics.
- * Masses of Software.
- * Works on T.V. Set.
- * Own cassette tape required.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT OUR COMPUTER CENTRES

OUN CUIVIFUIEN CEN
AUCKLAND:
CITY: 186 Queen St.
NORTH SHORE: 148 Sunnybrae Rd.
NEWMARKET (Sinciair Only) 312 Broadway
TAURANGA: 97 Gray St.
ROTORUA: Tutenekai St.
GISBORNE: 183 Gledstone Rd.
NEW PLYMOUTH: 163 Devon St. East
TAUPO: Horomatanga St.
NAPIER: 27 Dickens St.
HASTINGS: 113E Heretaunga St.
WANGANUI: 148 Victoria Ave

Phone 778-329 Phone 489-128 Phone 543-129 Phone 877-38 Phone 83-669

Phone 83-888 Phone 85-866 Phone 89-966 Phone 59-841 Phone 84-394 PALMERSTON NORTH: Broadway Mail WELLINGTON: 312 Lambton Quay NELSON: 198 Trafalger St. BLENNEIM: Market Place CHRISTCHURCH: — CITY MALL 91 PETERBOROUGH ST. ASHBURTON: 188 East St. TIMARU: 182 Stafford St. DUNEDIN: 188 Princes St. INVERCARGILL: 66 Dee St.

Phone 85-033 Phone 721-921 Phone 84-418 Phone 88-039

Phone 794-58 Phone 795-70 Phone 567 Phone 88-18 Phone 774-12 Phone 86-06

Eric's Answers

Dear Eric,

Could you please give me some information concerning printers for my VIC20. I would like one in the future for school work, word processing, letters, graphical art, recording events and data, etc. I don't know much about printers, so some advice on a relatively cheap one to suit my needs would be appreciated. Also could you give me some advice on word processor-type software available for the VIC20?

Daniel Travers WAIHI BEACH

Daniel,

- 1 Small Dot Matric printers are available for the VIC20 from about \$750 upwards. Some require special interfaces, unfortunately, which would make them dear. Perhaps someone could tell us how to interface a ZX printer???? and judging by your nougts and crosses program in our February issue, I can see why you need one. Also with reference to the C-64 typewriter program on Page 30 of our March issue, this program by John Algar could simply be convertéd to the VIC by changing the pokes (which only control the colour of the border and screen) and checking the TAB and SPC commands with those of the VIC-20.
- We are creating a NEW column on Basic which will help readers less informed on Basic programing.
- 3 What a good idea. I will have to put the pressure on our advertisers for an update on their available products, in this country and of course the current prices.

ERIC

Dear Eric,

Do you know of any company or agency which sells or is going to stock the "Mattel" Aquarius computer?

David J. Eke DARGAVILLE

David,

It is my understanding that the Mattel Aquarius is to be handled by Fountain Marketing Ltd. As far back as December last year, I had discussions with regards to reviewing the Aquarius in our illustrious mag.

ED.

Dear Eric,

Since some of my programs seem to develop to monumental proportions, I would like to know if there is any simple method of checking how much memory has been used or how much memory is left?

Mrs P. A. Hopkins PAEKAKARIKI

Mrs Hopkins,

THANK YOU. The only way I know of checking remaining memory is to ???

Dear Eric.

In order to speed up programs written in Basic on the SEGA, is it possible to disable the keyboard scan and TIME\$ update interrupts, thereby reducing programing time? Is there any way of saving data on cassette other than loading it as data statements in a program, i.e. is it possible to maintain updateable data files? I am, of course, again referring to Basic programing rather than machine coded routines.

Stuart McLachlan NAPIER

Stuart,

Sega Basic is slow and I would tend to try Machine Code as an easier way of speeding things up. I have put your question to Brian and he will give you a more appropriate answer next issue.

ED.

Dear Eric,

Having recently purchased a SEGA SC-3000 home computer, I re-read your review in the November '83 edition of this fine magazine. At one point in the review, it is written that the operating manual is "extremely comprehensive," whereas, to me, being a relative newcomer to the computer world, I found a lot of omissions. Words like "erase," "not" and "XOR" were not explained enough for my liking and the word "sound" has left me totally confused since I don't really know what it can do and how to get certain sounds.

I would also like to know if the SEGA is backed with software books as well as all other home computers are, and if so, where I can get these books from.

Does the SEGA work of normal Z80 machine code, or does it need a special set of instructions.

I'm not doubting the computer itself, I have found it to be very good, but parts of the manual and the lack of back-up material leaves a lot to be desired.

Coul you please fill me in on these details?

Rodney Fraser WAINUIOMATA

Rodney

All will be revealed in our Sega column by Brian, as manual converted from Japanese to English don't always make sense. Also, very shortly we will be publishing a Programers Guide to the Sega. So keep reading COMPUTER INPUT.

ED.

Dear Eric,

I have found a mistake in the Spectrum 48K Space Chase program. It is written

for an issue 3 Spectrum which, due to Rom/Ula upgrades by Sinclair is slightly different in some aspects. The most apparent difference is that the "In" command is different on the issues 1 and 2 to the issue 3. If you can't get the program to opperate correctly, here is a conversion list for In results:

ISSUE 3	ISSUES 1&2
191	255
190	254
189	253

and so on.

So this is a mistake that makes the program un-runable on the earlier issue Spectrums.

D. Mackenzie REMUER

ED. Not quite a Reward, but worth a mention!

Dear Eric.

Could you please tell me if the Dragon 32 microcomputer will be available in NZ, and if so, how much would it cost, and where would it be available from?

I think the Dragon is an excellent micro and I am looking forward to its arrival in N7

Chris Caldwell WANGANUI

Chris,

Software for this machine is available from Alpine Software, and I understand that the Dragon 32 is available from John Gilberts Electronics in Auckland.

ED.

Dear Eric,

A word or three to our letters column. Have any of you ZX81 users come across circuit diagrams for interfacing this great machine?

I require diagrams for I/O ports, RS232 or Centronics interface, programable joysticks, etc. All replies to:

P. R. Boyce ASHBURTON

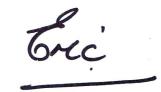
Ta very much Ed. Give yourself a big pat on the back from me, for a great mag. (Say HI to the rest of the crew.)

Pete Boyce

Pete.

As far as I can tell, interfacers for the ZX81 to do the tasks that you require would cost more than twice the original cost of the ZX81 with 16K RAM. Everything seems geared towards the Spectrum with Interface 1 and 2 plus microdrives, etc., but, perhaps, a reader could prove me wrong and help you out. Keep those letters coming folks.

ED.



COMPUTER GAMES FOR HIRE

Games available for weekly hire for the following computers.

> **★ ATARI 400/800 ★** * APPLE * ★ TRS 80/SYSTEM 80 ★ **★ VIC 20 ★** * BBC * * C-64 *

Send for catalogue and membership details to:

COMPUTER GAME RENTALS P.O. BOX 30947 Lower Hutt

Name	
Address	
Type of	
Type of Computer	

Software for

THE COMMODORE 64



DEBTORS C64-\$299

500 Customers - 3000 transactions per month - Customer lists - Aged trial balances - standard statement forms - monthly and annual aging -all on single disk - single program.

CASH BOOK C64-\$180

150 payment codes - 50 deposit codes split cheque entry - Full analysis by code - Bank reconcillation showing uncashed cheques - Audit control of input - M.T.D. and Y.T.D. balances.

TIME & COST C64-\$299

320 Jobs - 47 Employees or Cost Stations - Full records by job and analysis by employee - 91 transactions per job Analysis by date - Analysis by cost station - Job selective printing.

GEN LEDGER C64-\$160

single

PAYROLL C64-\$299

118 Employees - mixed pay periods
-50 extra and deduction codes - full tax calculations - prints pay slips dep analysis - IR12 printing - banking and cash breakdown - single

250 definable codes · Compiles trial balance · Entries referenced to page or journal number · Entries grouped by code · Month code balances · Year to date balances · Very quick.

-SPECIAL FEATURES-

All programs compiled - Single disk holds both program and data files -Several printer types supported inc. user port to centronics - Written in N.Z. - Fully supported - guaranteed.

Contact your nearest COMMODORE 64 Dealer or

James Electronics Ltd (Thames Computer Services)

> P.O. BOX 527 THAMES PHONE(0843)86-893

OMPARE

PLUS BACKUP SERVICE AND GUARANTEE

COMMODORE C64 \$835 SPECTRUM 48K power pack)

(POST FREE)

KEMPSTON JOYSTICK & INTERFACE \$95 DK'TRONICS KEYBOARD \$185 - LIGHT PEN \$95

MICRODRIVE/INTERFACE 1 \$495 (\$247.50 EACH)

DATA CASSETTE \$ 95 COMMODORE SX64 1541 DISK DRIVE \$835 1526 PRINTER \$965

Plus \$575 FREE SOFTWARE INCL!

2000000000000000000000

- MAIL ORDER ONLY (RETAIL BY APPOINTMENT)
- OVERNIGHT DELIVERY N.Z. WIDE (NOT 14-28 DAYS)
- SPECTRUM & COMMODORE PARTS & SERVICE
- ALL CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED (Except Sale Items)
- SEND CHEQUE, M.O., ETC. PLUS \$10.00 P&P
- PHONE OR WRITE NOW Mon to Sat 9 am to 6 pm

PH. AK 266-5979 P.O. BOX 76-310 **MANUKAU CITY** (26 Smedley St.)

HOTTEST SELLING HOME COMPUTER IN UK AND EUROPE — OVER 30,000 PER MONTH — AND RECENTLY NAMED 'HOME COMPUTER OF THE YEAR' IN FRANCE!



NOW AVAILABLE TO NEW ZEALAND

Only through these dealers

ASHBURNETT T.V. & STEREO LTD.

161 B ASHBURTON

DAVID BRICE ELECTRONICS 87 Kimbotson Rd FIELDING

JOHNSON ELECTRONICS 52 Essex St BALCLUTHA

ABC ELECTRONICS 332-6 Great South Rd PAPATOETOE

HILL & STEWART 3078 Gt South Rd NEW LYNN

BROWNS BAY SOUND CENTRE BROWNS BAY

STAN BREHAUT LTD. 185-189 Stafford St TIMARU

GIBSON & BRETT APPLIANCES LTD 90 Palmerston St WESTPORT

SHORELINE ELECTRONICS Porter Drive HAVELOCK NORTH

WEST CITY COMPUTING **NEW LYNN**

VIEWRIGHT TV LTD Town Centre HIBISCUS COAST

WIZ ELECTRONICS HELENSVILLE

DOLLAR SAVE COMPUT.A.CENTRE B3 Govt Life Centre Ward St

W.G.G. CUDDEN LTD. BLENHEIM

HEATH RADIO TV LTD 50 King St PUKEKOHE

TOWNLEY ELECTRICAL SERVICES LTD 58 Union St MILTON

BOB BROWNS HI FI 73 Victoria Si CHRISTCHURCH

SELCOM ELECTRONICS 2A Basin View Drive **PANMURE**

WEST CITY COMPUTER CENTRE Shop 14 357 Gt. North Rd HENDERSON

hardware review SHARP

MZ721 HOME COMPUTER

by Martin and Faye Hall

The Sharp MZ-700 series is one of the newest series of personal computers to reach the home computer market. The series consists of three models, each model uses the Z-80A (3.5 MHz) microprocessor and has a 64K byte RAM. The MZ-711 is the cheapest of the 3 models and can be considered the basic computer unit. It can be connected to your own data cassette recorder and television set or colour monitor.

The next model in the series, the MZ-721 (review model) has the added feature of a built-in cassette data recorder.

The third model, MZ-731, has both a built-in cassette data recorder and plotter printer (colour). The additional data recorder and plotter printer fit into the basic computer unit with a minimum of fuss making for a very tidy system. The series has been designed in a modular fashion so that later enhancement of the basic computing unit with peripherals is very simple. The Owners' Manual which accompanies the computer shows very clearly how the additional modules may be added.

Overall, to look at, the complete system is very neat, tidy and compact. One unit houses the computer, the data recorder and the plotter printer. There is no messy jungle of cables and cords. The system comes with two leads, the power lead which plugs into a standard 230V socket, and an RF lead to the television set. (Additional leads are required if you are using your own cassette data recorder.) A disappointing feature was that the RF lead supplied was only one metre long. After the computer was connected, to the television, we were sitting only half a metre from the screen and we found this distance impractical if we were playing games, and also very hard on our eyes if we looked at the screen too long. We would suggest that a longer RF lead be obtained.

'Clean' Computer

The Sharp MZ-700 series are "clean computers", to quote the Owners' Manual. This means that when the power is first turned on, the computer's memory is completely blank. At this point, no commands should be entered into the computer as none will be understood, and no programs should be loaded into the computer as you will be unable to run them. (NOTE: Only Machine Code programs can be loaded into the computer whilst the computer is "clean" as these do not require a language interpreter.)

To make the computer operational, a language must be loaded. A basic language cassette tape is included with the purchase of the computer. The contents of this tape must be loaded into the computer each time the power for the computer is switched on or the RESET button at the rear of the computer is pressed. The BASIC interpreter takes $3\frac{1}{2}$ minutes to load from tape and uses a sizeable portion of the 64K bytes of total memory available. After loading the maximum available storage space for the user is reduced to 36K bytes. This operation may seem tiresome, but has been included so that languages other than BASIC can be easily loaded into the computer. We suggest that you look after your BASIC language tape well, as continually replacing it could get expensive.

Owners' Manual

The Owners' manual provided with the system is very good and carefully explains all the concepts of computing for a beginner. It has a handy index of BASIC commands so that more experienced users of the BASIC language can quickly get a reference for command syntax. The manual does lack a comprehensive index, though. It was noted that the manual only deals with BASIC commands, we were not too sure about what information would be available if another language was to be used. The Basic Error Message List was a little hard to find in the manual, but it did provide adequate explanations to help you debug a program if you happen to get an error when running it. The error detecting procedures within the computer were found to be quite sophisticated. A chapter in the Owners' Manual has been dedicated to the hardware of the MZ-700 series. This chapter features diagrams of memory configurations and maps, and

also all the circuit diagrams associated with each part of the computer.

Keyboard

The keyboard is set out in the standard QWERTY format, with each key having four functions. The computer can be operated in two modes, alphanumeric mode and graphic mode. In each mode, the SHIFT key is used to obtain the second function of a key. The GRAPH key is used to put the computer in graphics mode. So that the user can see which mode the computer is in, the cursor shows up differently in each mode.

To the right of the alphanumeric keys are a group of four keys which control cursor movement. These keys do not need to be pushed at the same time as another key (this is often the case in other computers) and perform the same function no matter what mode the computer is in.

The INSERT and DELETE keys have also been separated from the main kevpad to make editing of programs easier. When the SHIFT is pressed in conjunction with the above two keys the CLEAR screen and HOME functions are obtained (HOME sets the cursor to the top left hand position of the screen.)

Above the main keypad are the five user definable keys. These keys can be set by the user to register 10 frequently-used commands. The 10 commands are accessible by pressing the function key or the SHIFT and function key together. Sets of sticky labels are supplied with the computer so that you can label the function keys with your commands. The function keys are initially set when the BASIC interpreter is loaded to be: RUN, LIST, AUTO, RENUM, COLOR, CHR\$, DEF KEY, CONT, SAVE, LOAD. The DEF KEY statement is used to change the function on the key.

The 'CTRL' control key is used with other character keys to obtain special functions such as carriage return, set upper case, set lower case, insert, etc.

The 'BREAK' key when pressed during the running of a program will stop the program running but when it is released will allow the program to continue run-

This Year . . . don't buy your children a gift, buy them a future!

Your children are the most precious investment you can ever make. So it makes sense to give them the best possible start in life.

And in 1984 that means making sure they know how to handle a computer. Because only the computer literate will make it in the decades to come.

The new Sharp MZ721 Home Computer is the ideal Family Computer for you. Go along and see it, you'll be convinced, we are.

SHARP MZ721 HOME COMPUTER

- Large 64K Bytes of Ram
- Full Size Keyboard
- Plugs into your TV
- Expandable
- 4 Colour Printer/ Plotter (Optional)



- Includes
 Built in
 Cassette
 Recorder
- Large Software Selection Available
- Program in Basic/ Pascal or machine Languages

Available from Authorised Sharp Stockists throughout NZ

NZ Distributers Excelsior Supply Co Ltd







CREATED FOR PERSONAL GROWTH

SHARP

HARDWARE REVIEW

ning. When the SHIFT and BREAK are pressed together the program running is interrupted and will no longer run when the keys are released.

When the spacebar is pressed, a space is entered regardless of the computer mode. The spacebar can also be used to pause a program that is being listed. The program listing will not scroll until the spacebar is released.

Editing Features

The editing features available on this computer are very comprehensive. Many of the aids used in editing have already been mentioned in the keyboard discussion. A few of the special editing features included are: automatic line numbering (AUTO command), deleting of specific lines or a group of lines in a program (DELETE command), renumbering the whole program (RENUM command), and a command to merge two files, i.e. a program which is read from cassette into memory is added onto the end of a program already in memory (MERGE command). Another special feature of the NZ-700 series is that all of the commands, instructions and statements (eg Print, if—then, Music) can be abbreviated to at the most two letters and a full stop. This saves a bit of time when a long program has to be entered into the computer.

Sound

The Sharp MZ-700 has its own built-in sound generator with an external volume control. The system has a 3 octave note range and this includes all the sharps and flats inbetween. There are 9 different note durations available and the tempo of your composition can be held using the TEMPO statement. Programing music is very simple — all you have to do is put the notes and their duration that you wish to hear into a string and then play them using the MUSIC statement.

Graphics

Graphic techniques available on the MZ-700 are very good and give the user a lot of freedom to design, display and plot the images created. Two very useful statements available in graphics mode are the LINE statements, which when executed draws lines between specified screen coordinated and the CIRCLE command, which draws a circle of specified radius at a specified position on the screen.

There are eight different colours available for both background and foreground colours. They are: Black, Blue, Red, Purple, Green, Light Blue, Yellow, and White. The COLOR statement is used to change the colour. A very useful parameter in this statement is the ability to change to colour of a specific point on

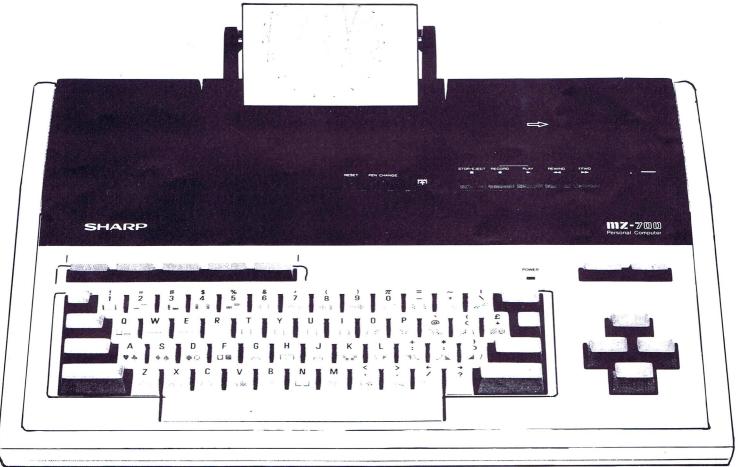
the screen whilst maintaining the screen colour around it. In the graphics mode, the display is 80 by 50 pixels whilst in the text (alpha) mode it is 40 characters by 25 lines.

Software Availability

At present there are some 40 software packages available for the MZ-700 series. The range is from games and educational software to aids for the small business, which include order tracking programs, and budgeting programs.

Summary

The Sharp MZ-700 series of computers are very compact, yet extremely versatile. They have been designed to cater for a wide range of applications. Their overall design has been made with the user in mind, making learning easy for the beginner, whilst not boring the more experienced user. The special editing and graphical features make this system very comprehensive and good competition for more expensive computers. Priced at \$995 for the basic computer unit with the built-in data recorder (MZ-721) this computer is well worth a look. With future enhancements of twin disc drives and joysticks, this computer system can only be more appealing.



Specifications MZ-700 Series

CPU

Z-80A

ROM

4K-byte Monitor 2K-byte Character generator:

RAM

64K-byte Program: 4K-byte V-RAM:

Keys

ASCII keyboard Cursor control key Definable function key

INS, DEL keys

Display

Screen construction: 40 characters x 25 lines

Graphics: 80 x 50 dots (8 colours)

Home TV (PAL system) or special monitor TV is used. Built-in RF modulator for the use of home colour TV

RGB terminal

Composite terminal

Interface

Built-in printer interface and cassette interface

Maximum output power: 500 mW

Speaker (Built-in) Clock function

Power source

AC: local voltage, 50/60 Hz

Power consumption

Approx. 20W

Temperature

Operating: 0°-35°C (32°-95°F) Storage: -20°-60°C (-4°-140°F) Service humidity: 85% or less (RM)

Humidity Dimensions MZ-731: $440(\mathring{W}) \times 305(D) \times 102(\mathring{H})$ mm MZ-721: 440(W) x 305 (D) x 86 (H)mm MZ-711: 440(W) x 305 (D) x 86 (H)mm

MZ-731: 4.6kg MZ-721: 4.0kg MZ-711: 3.6kg

Weight

Data Recorder (MZ-1T01)

Tape

Standard audio cassette tape

Data transfer

1200 bit/sec.

(Sharp PW M system)

Colour Plotter Printer (MZ-1P01)

Colour Printing digits Black, Blue, Red and Green 80, 40 or 26 per line

GENIE WAUT

SECRET MESSAGE FOR COLOUR GENIE

BY GEOFF JENKINS, WAIHI

One command that intrigued me on the Colour Genie was the VARPTR. After playing around with it for an hour or two I came up with this little program that allows a simple program to be included at the end of a BASIC program which you cannot DELETE, EDIT or LIST without some difficulty.

The secret of the program, is to use illegal line numbers. The AUTO line numbering allows lines up to and including line 65527 to be used. Lines 65528 and 65529 can be used manually, but use of 65530 to 65535 the theoretical limit, results in an SN error. These are illegal line numbers. Although not obvious to the average computerist, BASIC does not care about line numbering unless a line number is specified in a direct (LIST, RUN, EDIT, etc.) or a program (GOTO, GOSUB, etc.) command. It will plod through each line in turn until it is told otherwise. A simple program with no branches can have all line numbers the same (Note 1) or even in reverse order (Note 2). BASIC will not branch to an illegal line number, nor will it find a line number "hidden" by a higher line number used before it. When it gets to a line number greater than the line required, it aborts its

So where does VARPTR come in? By placing a DATA line just below the block of program to be moved and using a READ statement, VARPTR (names) returns the address of three bytes of information concerning names. The first byte contains the length of string and the second and third bytes contain the starting address the string is stored at in the memory - in Lo Hi order. This is a very convenient and quick way to find this address which is actually the memory location of the DATA string in the program. It is right to assume that the program block is located between this address and topof-memory. (32768 in 32K Genie).

Lines are stored in the following format by BASIC. Line number Lo byte, line number Hi byte, two byte link address, program line in ASCII and BASIC tokens, 00 byte. By using line numbers above 65280, the line number Hi byte will be 255 and since the link addresses only go to 32K, the only other way for a 255 to be in the memory is to use the last graphics character on page 122 of the manual - one to avoid. Between the program block and top-of-memory in an area of unused RAM of unknown random content so to avoid running into this area I have chosen to count off the lines as they are altered. (There are other ways).



All that is left to do is find these Hi bytes and POKE a new Lo byte of 251 to 255 at the address below them. This byte can be the same for every line as explained earlier but no calls can be made to this illegal line number from within or outside the secret program.

To call it from legal line numbers use a GOTO or GOSUB to a dummy line with a legal number at say 65500. Use a REM line.

The secret program can contain IN-PUT statements and can branch to any legal line number in the regular BASIC program it is used with. It could contain DATA statements for games like

Hangman, a copyright message or the decoding program for other DATA used by a program. Use your immagination!

Finally, the quick person may have noticed that line 65530 (Lo byte 250) has been excluded in this discussion. This line is illegal but can be listed. It can't be DELETED directly but if it casuses an SN error when BASIC runs into it, the resulting EDIT mode can be used to alter or delete it. If it is a normal BASIC line or has a REM or END statment at the start it will be "safe" alone with any other lines of the same line number that follow.

Listing 1 - An example of the use of line 65530.

Notice the use of a colon to set BASIC to insert leading spaces in the lines.

Listing 2

1000 INPUT "NUMBER OF LINES TO MOVE ";N 1010 RERD A\$: V=VARPTR(A\$) 1020 S=PEEK(V+1)+256*(PEEK(V+2)) 1030 FOR A=S TO 32768 1040 IF PEEK(A)=255 THEN POKER-1,252:N=N-1 1050 IF N>0 THEN NEXT ELSE END

64000 DATA A\$
65285 CLS
65290 FOR A=1 TO 10
65295 PRINT@325,"THIS IS A SECRET MESSAGE"
65300 FOR T=1 TO 200 : NEXT
65305 CLS
65310 FOR T=1 TO 200 : NEXT
65315 NEXT : GOTO 100

Listing 3

10 GOTO 65500 100 PRINT "HOW WAS THAT!" 110 END 65500 REM

To use the program in Listing 2 1 Enter secret program above line

2 Test the program before moving it 3 Enter a DATA line at 65280 or lower

4 Enter the "move" program somewhere convenient

5 RUN the "move" program 6 DELETE 1000-64000

Enter Listing 3 and RUN it. Note 1: In line 1040, POKEA-1, 0 Note 2: In line 1040, POKE A-1, N Finally, further Genie Input New owners of Colour Genie's are

probably having trouble finding their way round the EG2000 BASIC Manual. I have prepared a contents and index page which fits inside the back cover and will supply these in return for your name and address and \$1. Geoff Jenkins, 10 Smith Street, Waihi.

Colour Genie Scrapbook

Here are a few miscellaneous tips on the Colour Genie.

- 1 Holding down the shift key or having shift lock on, and pressing @, will stop a program listing or stop a program running. This is useful when you want to freeze a program to see what is happening. Pressing any other key will start it going again.
- 2 Holding down the repeat key while a program is running or while doing a listing will slow down the process.
- 3 If you are using the line editor to change a program line, you can put backspace characters into a line by

pressing C then left arrow. This is either wonderful because you can put them into a comment on the end of a line to hide what was there before, or a curse, because you do it accidentally and the line looks OK, but you get a syntax error and you can't tell what is wrong. Also try pressing C then the function keys for some characters that you might not have seen before.

- 4 Try redefining programable graphics characters while you are displaying the character on the screen. This is a good way of introducing movement to your programable graphics charac-
- ters. Also try switching character sets (using the CHAR instruction) while you are displaying graphics charac-
- 5 You can get some very strange effects with the OUT command. Try OUT 255,x where x is a number between 0 and 255. This command is used to send a value to an output port. Port number 255 controls many of the screen functions as well as the RS-232 and cassette interfaces. The effects that you get when you do this are caused by this control of the screen functions.

If you have any problems whatsover or any technical enquiries about the Colour Genie then we will be happy to hear from you. Send all enquiries to:

Genie Input, Freepost 671, P.O. Box 39-278, Auckland West.

and remember — no stamps needed!!

The Family will send you **Computing Centre**

full details of its most comprehensive range of hardware, software and computer-related books, magazines and peripherals. If you would like to receive regular, up-to- date catalogues to keep you in touch with the latest developments and in-store specials — clip the panel below, indicating your requirments.

Name	HARDWARE	SOFTWARE
	☐ Apple IIe	☐ Educational
Return To: The Family Computing Centre 320 Broadway P.O. Box 9070, Newmarket	□ BBC□ Commodore 64□ Commodore Vic 20□ Sinclair ZX81	☐ Business☐ Recreational
We look forward to being of service to you!	☐ Spectrum 16K & 48K☐ Atari☐ Dick Smith VZ 200☐ Texas Instruments TI 99/4A	

VIC 20 WAY

Here is a tip for VIC-20 owners which actually allows you to control the speed of your program. It comes in handy in games, etc. when different skill levels are required. It can also be used to speed up old forgotten programs to make them more enjoyable to play, etc.

To gain this added speed (or to slow down a program) simply POKE the location 37879 with a number between

0 and 255.

RANGE: 0-128 slow to average speed 128-255 fast to very fast

When music is to be played, however, the computer must be returned to its normal speed or the music won't sound like music. This is achieved by:

POKE 37879,78

and after the music has played we POKE 37879 back with the required speed.

Another thing to note is the speed of the cursor. If we speed up the program to its fullest extent by poking 37879 with 255, the cursor will slow right down. If we poke 37879,1 the program will slow right down but the cursor will speed up. (To return cursor to normal speed type RUN/STOP and RESTORE.)

Although changing the speed of the program has its advantages, e.g. making a game harder as the player's skill improves we must also remember that by changing the speed of the VIC the time clock is no



longer real time so you must decide whether you want speed or a "time-keeper."

M. Vickers AUCKLAND

Enclosed is a short routine for the unexpanded VIC-20 to bring back a newed program.

First the newed program must have a REM at the very beginning of the pro-

gram. Then once you new it, you can get it back by POKE4097,7:POKE4098,16 and you should have your program back.

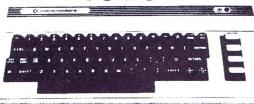
10 rem 20 print"test" NEW

POKE4097,7:POKE4098,16

John Osborne AUCKLAND

Glamuzinas

YOU DON'T NEED A PERSONAL COMPUTER TO FIGURE OUT WHICH PERSONAL COMPUTER TO BUY.



THE COMMODORE 64: ONLY \$ 995

All you need is a little common sense and \$995 You'll get personal computer performance no one can equal at more than double the price.

COMMODORE 64 SOFTWARE

. \$ 99.00
\$145.00
\$249.00
\$199.00
\$299.00
\$150.00
\$165.00
\$145.00
\$ 79.95
\$ 99.95
\$ 59.00
\$195.00
\$195.00
\$195.00
\$ 49.95
\$ 59.95
\$ 59.95
\$ 95.00
\$129.95
\$149.00
\$ 79.95

these are a few of the hundreds of programs we have

DISKETTES 5.25" \$4.50 - \$42.00 for 10

Ph 836-6758

Cnr Gt Nth & Te Atatu Rds Glendene Late Night Fri. Open Sat 9-1 Mail Order P.O. Box 69-024 Glendene



INPUT

The SEGA Cassette Routines

78EF Load Filename. 7982 Load program bytes.

The following program illustrates the loading of the program using machine code, and instead of writing the bytes to memory, writes them to the video screen.

7A59 Save Filename 7AB9 Save sync bytes 7AD2 Save bytes to tape

Other locations used for the cassette routines.

82A3 10 locations hold the filename being

saved (16 character).

82A2 Filename found flag, if zero then load the next program, else skip it.

83A3 Holds the filename of the program

being loaded. 3A03 Small delay.

3A0F Write sync bytes to tape.

3A12 Write byte to tape. 7B07

Making Programs Auto Run After Loading

This is easier than it sounds. The trick is to poke a small machine code routine into memory, this routine loads the program, then calls &H6C37 which runs the program. A basic program to do this is as follows:

More About Writing Text Using Machine Code

In a previous article it was shown that loading the HL register to point to the text string, etc, then calling &H2400. A better method is:

LD HL, Text string address

CALL &H4A6F

RET

This will print all of the text string to the screen at the current cursor position, and return upon finding &H0D at the end of the text string.

Altering the Cursor Position Using Machine Code

The computer writes to video RAM using an auto-incrementing address register located within the VDP chip. This register is set up using two bytes, and then when data is sent to the register it writes it to video RAM, and increments the address ready for the next byte. The address is sent to the VDP chip (port &HBF) while data is written or read from port &HBE. A Basic program to illustrate this follows:

This program is as stated;

A000 Disable interrupts

A001 Call 2C51; Read status register. A004 Ld HL with the address you want. Call 2C44; Output address to register. A007 A00A Ld A with byte to be written. A00C Call 2C3D; Write byte to address. Return. A00F

HL values in the range 0000 to 17FF is the graphics screen, while values of 3C00 to 3FBF is the text screen. It must be noted, however, that interrupts must be disabled, and the status register must be read before you write to the VDP, else the VDP can think that you are writing data and not an address into a register with the VDP.

WRITING BYTES TO THE VIDEO

5 SCREEN 1,1:CLS:PRINT"LOADING"

10 FOR X= &HA000 TO &HA022

20 READ A: POKE X,A: NEXT X

30 CALL &HA000 : STOP

40 DATA &HF3,&HCD,&H00,&H3A,&HCD,&H06

50 DATA &H3A,&HFE,&H17,&H20,&HF5,&H2A

60 DATA &H60,&H81,&H06,&H00,&HCD,&H0A

70 DATA &H7A,&HD3,&HBE,&H3E,&H3F,&HC4

80 DATA &H48,&H24,&H23,&H1B,&H7A,&HB3

90 DATA &H20,&HF0,&HC3,&HA9,&H79

BASIC LOADER AND AUTO-RUN

10 SCREEN 1,1:CLS

20 FOR X = \$HF000 TO \$HF005

30 READ A: POKE X, A: NEXT X

40 POKE &H82A2,0: PRINT "Press PLAY to

ioad program"

50 CALL &HF000: STOP

60 DATA &HCD, &HD5, &H78, &HCD, &H37, &H6C

ALTERING CURSOR USING ML

10 SCREEN 1,1:CLS

15 FOR X=&HA000 TO &HA00F

20 READ A: POKE X, A: NEXT X

30 FOR Y=&H30 TO &H80: POKE &HA00B,Y

40 CALL &HA000: FOR DE=1 TO 50: NEXT

45 NEXT Y

50 GOTO 50

60 DATA &HF3, &HCD, &H51, &H2C, &H21, &H10

70 DATA &H3C,&HCD,&H44,&H2C,&H3E,&H38

80 DATA &HCD, &H3D, &H2C, &HC9

ALTERING CURSOR POS PROG 2

10 SCREEN 1,1:CLS:Y=&H30

20 FOR X=&HA000 TO &HA00F

30 READ A: POKE X,A: NEXT X

40 FOR ST=&H10 TO &HDE

50 POKE &HA005,ST

60 Y=Y+1: POKE &HA00B, Y

70 CALL &HA000

80 NEXT ST

90 CURSOR 10,10:STOP

100 DATA &HF3,&HCD,&H51,&H2C,&H21,&H10

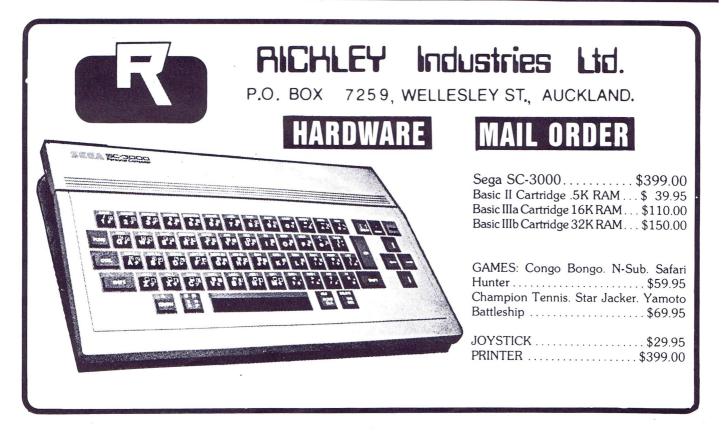
110 DATA &H3C,&HCD,&H44,&H2C,&H3E,&H38

120 DATA &HCD,&H3D,&H2C,&HC9

Same program but updates the address and writes to next location, etc. NOTE: All printing is done by machine code located at &HA000.

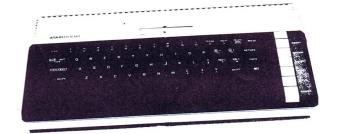
A Table of Useful ROM/RAM Addresses

MANUFACTURE TO SERVE THE SERVE OF THE SERVE			
10C0-17BF	Character table for VDP.	77BB?	VERIFY routine.
17C0-19FF	Basic keywords. (1FAE,F6)	77F7	SKIP routine.
1A20-1A82	Jump tables.	7822	FOUND routine.
1CB1-	FRE routine.	7850	VERIFY END routine.
1FAC-	Keyword/token fetch.	788F-789E	VERIFY ERROR routine.
2310 (1A29)	Get next character.	78EF-	Load Filename.
2400-245F	Jump tables.	78D5-	LOAD START rotine.
2B52 (2400)	Print char in A,B times.	792B-	LOAD SKIP routine.
2B80-2B03	Jump tables.	7956-	LOAD FOUND routine.
2C2A (2BCE)	READ DATA VRAM.	7982-	Load program.
ZCZI (ZDCZ)	IN A, BE RET.	79AA-	LOADING END routine.
2C32 (2BCB)	OUTPUT ADDRESS TO VDPREG	79E9-	TAPE READ ERROR routine.
ZCOZ (ZBCB)	Set up register for reading.	7A40-	SAVE START routine.
2C3D (2BC8)	WRITE DATA VRAM.	7A59-	Write Filename.
2005 (2500)	Out (BE), A RET	7AED-	SAVE END routine.
2C44 (2BC5)	OUTPUT ADDRESS TO BDPREG.	7B07-	Write byte to tape.
2011 (2800)	Set up register for writing.	8160-8161	Start basic pointer.
2C51 (2BC2)	READ STATUS REG.	8162-8163	End basic pointer.
2001 (2802)	IN A, (BF) RET.	8164-8165	String storage pointer.
359B (2B89)	&H Decode	8166-8167	Top of string storage difference
3604 (2B86)	Hex conversion routine.	0100 0107	between next is free space.
39D0-3A12	Jump tables.	8168-8169	Top of memory pointer.
3A15 (3A12)	Write byte to tape.	82A2	Prog found flag, 0=found.
3A4D (3A0F)	Write byte to tape. Write sync bytes to tape.	92A2 (+16)	Filename being loaded.
3AC3 (3A03)	Delay using BC.	83A3 (+16)	
3FA0-411F	Keyboard characters arranged in rows.	9336	Filename being saved.
4120-4258	Basic keyboard symbols.	9339	Screen control byte. (6DF1, 72B8) Colour text screen byte.
4A6F-	Print text string pointed to by HL.	933A	
6800 (6847)	Reset.	9411	Colour graph screen byte. (7C9D, 7CA3)
6803 (6978)	Restart 38H.	9412	Top range of CURSOR.
6806 (6E48)	NMI routine.	9484	Bottom range of CURSOR. CURS control,0,2=graph.
6AB5-	PRINT FRE routine.	9485	CURS control,0,1=l/case.
6C37-	RUN routine.	9486	CURS control,0,1=1/case. CURS control,0,1=no beep. (69E8)
73B7-73E4	Print ERROR messages.	948E	TIME\$ seconds.
73E8-7676	Basic ERROR messages.	948F	TIMES seconds. TIMES minutes.
779F?	VERIFY routine.	9490	TIME\$ minutes. TIME\$ hours.
	VEIM I TOUTHE.	J 1 JU	ΠΙΝΙΣΦ ΠΟUIS.



STOP PRESS

ATARI 800XL \$895 ATARI 600XL \$595 ATARI 1050 DISC \$995 ATARI 1027 PRINTER \$795



NOW AVAILABLE

800 XL 600 XL

WEST The most sophisticated Home Computer

available: 8 Languages, Full Keyboard, Help Key, 5 Text modes, 11 Graphics modes, 320x192 Resolution, 4 voices, CP/M option.

"NOW ON DISPLAY"

DIRECT FROM THE UK:

Very latest high-quality brands making complete use of your computer graphic capabilities.



- Dr. Soft
- Software Invasion
- Kansas
- Alligata (software with bite)

INTERODUCING:

Mr Chip Software

A WIDE RANGE OF EXCITING AND CHALLENGING GAMES! SIMILAR QUALITY UP TO \$75.00!

FREE CATALOGUE — SEND TODAY!!

NEW DELUXE JOYSTICK with doubleacting speed buttons, firm suction pads, suitable for all video games systems.

GUARANTEED	PRODUCTS	LTD

Box 25-170 St Heliers (37 Piccadilly PI, AK 5)

Please send Free catalogue of exciting games. Avantec Joystick(s) \$19.95 Post Free. ADDRESS:

★★★ALL PRODUCTS GUARANTEED★★★

GRAPHICS

Getting Started with Graphics

Patricia Hopkins

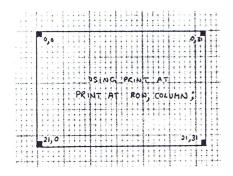
Having experimented for some time with low-resolution monochrome graphics capabilities of my Sinclair ZX81, I have come to the conclusion that some very effective graphics statements are possible.

All programs, whether education, business, domestic, or games, are enhanced by the use of good graphics and a well-thought out layout.

I like to start my programs with an eyecatching title. I feel this is particularly important when working with young children. A title that attracts attention will focus the concentration on the program that follows.

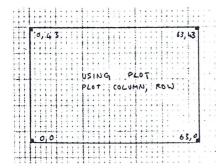
It is a simple matter to draw a screen layout on a sheet of graph paper. First mark out the exact number of pixels on the screen; mine is 64*44. Also mark centre points on each side of and the centre of the screen.

Now decide what design lettering is to be used and rough it out in pencil. When you are satisfied with the design fill in the chosen area with ink and rub out surplus pencil work.



If you are using "PRINT" positions lightly rule in every second line in a different colour and number the "PRINT" positions starting from the top left hand corner 0,0.

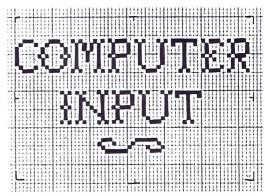
If you are using "PLOT" positions number the positions from the bottom left hand corner 0.0.



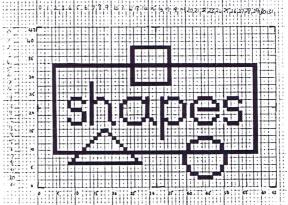
There are several programing techniques that can be used to transfer the design from paper to screen. Possibly the easiest to use is the "ARRAY". The ZX81 has superb array handling capabilities. Straightforward designs such as "CITY" or "COMPUTER INPUT" can be typed in as a single array or divided and typed in as two arrays. This may be quicker as things get a bit slow towards the end of a long array. The flashing Christmas Tree in the December issue of Computer Input was two alternating arrays that I found extremely effective.

The "SHAPES" title I handled differently as each shape is drawn separately on the screen using "PLOT" and "PRINT AT" statements.

I have enjoyed working on these programs very much and have learnt a great deal from them



```
3010
3026
3030
3040
              FOR Y=4
PLOT Y,
PLOT Y,
NEXT Y
FOR X=3
                           (=4 TO
Y,33
              rGR X=38
PLOT 4
PLOT
 3050
                                       TO
                                                     STEP -1
                            4,X
53,X
X
             PLOT 4,X
PLOT 58,X
NEX1 X
FOR Z=25 TO 35
PLOT Z,38
PLOT Z,28
NEXT Z
FOR T=08 TO 28 STEP
PLOT 25,T
PLOT 25,T
NEXF T
FOR U=9 TO 26
PLOT U,6
NEXT U
PRINT AT 18,4;"#"
PRINT AT 18,13;"%"
3050
3070
3050
3090
3190
 3200
                                        18,
 3210
              PHINT
                                                 1
3220
              PRINT
              PRINT
16
              PRINT
PRINT
PRINT
PRINT
PRINT
                                        16,7
16,7
15,1
14,6
                               AT
                               AT
                                     TO J*12
J*2*SIN (I/(J*6,*PI
I/(J*6)*PI)
3330
              1*2*CO
NEXT
                                        789
                                           . . .
                                             4
                                        14,16;
15,16;
0 50
              PRINT
PRINT
FOR 1
   420
 3430
              NEXT
 3440
```



SOFTVARE REVIEW

In the Software Review section we review new games and utilities that become available for sale in New Zealand. However, there are hundreds, if not thousands, of exisitng software programs in use in New Zealand. What we want is for you, the reader, to review any software that you already have, for some of the "Golden Oldies" are still amongst the best.

We would like your views, for who would know better than the person who

has paid out hard cash.

If possible, please use our format for reviews, with a brief description of the software and your overall conclusion.

We will publish the facts about any software or hardware that seem to be (by owners statements) at either end of the scale. So if you bought a game that turned out to be a complete waste of money or a program that kept you up all night (or even an average one), I'm sure the rest of New Zealand would like to know about it.

Our Ratings are:

• VISUAL:

Based on the use of graphics, colour, special effects, and special features.

SOUND:

Based on skillful sound effects, musical variation, and complexity of the notes used.

PROGRAM:

How well written, and how well it exploits computer capabilities.

DIFFICULTY:

Levels of skill required, degree of interest, and time to complete the game or each stage.

OVERALL:

We review programs of a wide price range, rating each on value for money, interest, and overall presentation.

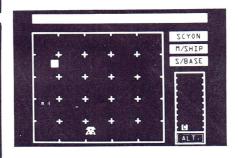
- Hopeless
- ** Sub-Standard
- *** What we would expect
- **** Very Good
- **** Exceptional

PROGRAM OF THE MONTH

STAR BATTLE by Timeworks: C-64 Disc

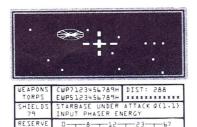
"Strategic Deep Space Combat adventure to save Earth."

It makes you wonder if we will see old age, doesn't it. This game was an advanced form of a game I had played years ago on the ZX81 called Star Trek. This game would be enjoyed by people who enjoy plotting strategy, navigation and using an attack computer to control weapons and the ship as well as just shoot 'em up and knock 'em down game skills.



The moving graphics give a good 3-D effect. Game completion time suggests at least 1-3 hours.

The game involves the use of a joystick plus the use of 10 keys on the keyboard of the C-64. An overlay card with keyboard instructions is included in the price.

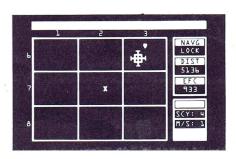


Your ship is able to move around 64 quadrants in a 3-D galaxy with the screen display that of you looking out of the pilot seat into space.

As shown in the inserts, full instrumentation is displayed on the screen, with different screens showing navigation, short-range scans, long-range scans, status reports, galactic record and the attack computer controls. Also a comprehensive 16-page game manual is supplied to help players with their game with easy-to-follow instructions (written in America).

TROPAR ZUTATZ	COLUMBIA	OBJECTIVE
49.00		al addition to
ANGLES X/Z	138/98	384/91
LIFE SUPPORT	50	*
WARP DRIVE	0%	100%
四万900周年8日	Mary	(B) (A) (7) (2) (B)
TEMPORA	SERVICE SERVICES	Man Hoyana
TORPEDOES	13%	100%
NAVIGATION	0%	100%
OO:ES:3TACRATZ	:12.11 EFF	ICIENCY: D
RETURN	TO STARBA	32

The object is to seek out enemy ships and destroy them. Just like the TV show Star Trek, you set your deflector shields, set your warp speed, set your phase energy levels, prime your torpedoes, plot your navigational course and activate the warp drive to reach your objective. After engaging the enemy Scyons, a damage report is given and you can set a course to land on a Base Star for repairs.



Visual	***
Sound	***
Program	***
Difficulty	***
Overall	***



SOFTWARE REVIEW

ZX81 16K 3D DEFENDER

3D Defender is an excellent game for the ZX81. Written totally in machine code, the speed is incredible. The 3D effects are flawless, there is a good onscreen introduction and a high score facility.

The game starts off with the player sitting in the cockpit of a Defender craft. As you rise, the landscape moves and if you climb high enough, it disappears off the bottom of the screen. You start with 10 shield points and lose one every time you are shot or collide with an enemy ship. There is a radar at the top of the screen (very helpful), an altitude indicator and a proximity warning indicator (which I find totally useless!). The enemy start attacking one by one. If you fail to shoot the ship as it flies past you, it will land and you lose 50 points. If you manage to hit it you see a spectacular explosion and gain 250 points. Every now and then a bunch of meteors comes flying through and all you can do is dodge them.

Overall this is a very good game, but I do have one bad thing to say about it. Once you have become reasonably good at the program, it takes quite a long time before the game starts getting harder.

I think it is an excellent buy at \$16.50.

VISUAL PROGRAM DIFFICULTY OVERALL **** *** ***

David Gilbert RANGIORA NTH

C-64

WAVY NAVY by Sirius: Disc

"A raging battle on the high seas, featuring amusing graphics, sound effects and maritime music. Kamikaze fighters, helicopters an Exocet missiles assail you while huge rolling waves force you to continuously change position."

With that kind of build up I could hardly wait for the program to load. Wavy Navy is a new game on the Space Invaders theme. You are in command of a boat which you control by joystick across the screen up and over huge rolling waves. The sky is full of planes and helicopters which you must destroy by firing missiles up at them Every so often, a helicopter peals off and attacks with a burst of machine gun fire (HINT: Shoot the helicopters ASAP).

After a successful run, bonus points are issued and a rating given to the player for each round completed. There are 10 levels of screens, each one getting harder, with ratings from Galley Slave to President. My best was deckhand on level 4.

 Visual
 ★★★

 Sound
 ★★

 Program
 ★★

 Difficulty
 ★★★

 Overall
 ★★★

CANDY BANDIT by T&F Software USA: Cassette

This is a good one for the kids, as the following plot suggests:

"So your sweet tooth has gotten out of hand? Well, this time the sherrif is after you and he's no sweetheart. There he is now! Quick! Grab all the candy in sight and dive for the doorway! Don't look now, the doors are rotating... better be good at getting out of sticky situations, 'cause if you hit the wall you're stuck with it! ... etc."



The screen display has 5 horizontal lines across, the same distance apart, with a gap in each which is constantly moving back and forwards. In each sector is displayed toffee apples, lollypops, etc. and you control a little muncher that gobbles them up, moving from section to section through the gaps. Another muncher with a cowboy hat on is the sherrif, and, you guessed it, he's after your mucher!

 Visual
 ★★★

 Sound
 ★★★

 Program
 ★★★

 Difficulty
 ★★★

 Overall
 ★★★

SPECTRUM

TRAX

This is one of the new games from Quicksilva that have finally reached New Zealand. Those of you who are familiar with Gridrunner will be right at home with the basics of the game. The screen is divided up into a grid of squares green in colour with you the "fly" and the computer as the two "spiders." The object is to complete the grid square by square until

the screen is complete before the spiders get you. Lots of skill with the keyboard required or else joysticks with Interface 2.

Visual	***
Sound	***
Program	***
Difficulty	***
Overall	***

3D STRATEGY

The game has full instructions listed on the screen before the rest of the program is run. This is a big help for players who aren't sure as to what's happening. The game instructions intrigued me when they stated that this program would "defeat the most highly-intelligent of humans in a sheer battle of wits." "If your ego can stand the shock of being bested by a small micro in a completely fair challenge." The rules are essentially those of Noughts and Crosses but played in 3 dimensions on a 4 x 4 x 4 cube. To win you must get 4 of your symbols in a straight line (horizontal, verticle or diagonal). With four levels of skill even the most patient, expert, Nought and Crosses player gets beaten. So, let's hear about some high scores.

Visual	***
Sound	***
Program	****
Difficulty	****
Overall	***

FRENZY

The basic of this game is a screen showing an outer parameter of red fencing plus individual obstacles internally at random places 1-4 squares long. You have a number of men trying to eliminate you and to retaliate you manoeuvre your man around the squares and obstructions on the screen to put him in a position to shoot at and destroy the groups of men closing in. Once again, having a number of lives helps as skillful hand control is required to be super successful at this game.

Visual	***
Sound	***
Program	****
Difficulty	***
Overall	+++

ASTRO BLASTER

I expected Meteors or Asteroids with the title of Astro Blaster. But instead what appears is a screen with a space ship at the base which fires lasers or missiles up the screen at Space Invader-type meanies with flapping wings which work their way down the screen in great numbers, dropping bombs trying to eliminate you. You have five lives to assist you in avoiding being hit. Lovers of Space Invaders will enjoy this advanced format and pit their skills against the computer. You need to be handy with your keyboard dexterity to master this exciting game.

 Visual
 ★★★

 Sound
 ★★

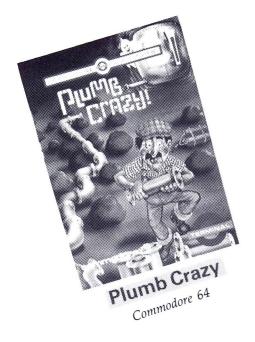
 Program
 ★★★

 Difficulty
 ★★★

 Overall
 ★★★

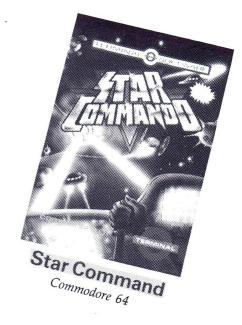
TERMINAL SOFTWARE

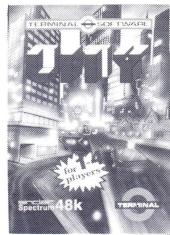




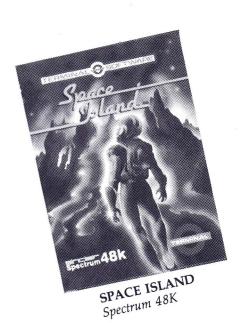


SUPER DOG FIGHT Commodore 64





CITY Spectrum 48K





VAMPIRE VILLAGE Spectrum 48K





P.O. Box 33-865 TAKAPUNA

STELLAR DODGER

Commodore 64

MAIL ORDER

COMPUTER BUTTER

SPECTRUM

MAZEMAN (Spectrum 16K + 48K) \$29.95. Use your skill to collect as many squares as you can but beware the hungry Hobgoblins. They chase relentlessly and you have only three lines. Grasp the magic Abersword and you have approx 10 seconds to counter attack and earn bonus points. Can you do it.

ADVENTURE (484 Spectrum) \$34.95. Can you solve the secret of the caves. The original adventure game that will keep you busy for hours. PSST. Drop the black rod when you see the bird.

THE KNIGHTS QUEST (48K Spectrum) \$34.95. You are a Knight of Camelot, set on finding the lost treasures of Merlin. On your way you will discover a princess held by the Wicked Wizard of Trill, battle Scorpions, elves, eagles. The list is almost endless! A full blooded adventure using split-screen graphics and text.

ABERSOFT — THE WIZARDS WARRIORS (48K Spectrum) \$34.95. Control your warrior using your chosen method selected from the many options included in the program. Pit your wits against the denizens of the wizards crypt. But beware for they become even more difficult to evade. Can you withstand them in the final battle of the Abyss with nowhere to hide? Kill the Magic Eagle or Wizard for maximum points.

SPECTIPEDE (16K Spectrum) \$19.95. See how long you can keep the Spectipede at bay as they descend upon you. You'll have the help of poison mushrooms and your gun which both kill the Spectipede. But look out for the spider — he will try to jump on you. For 1 or 2 players. Oeprates with most leading Joysticks or the keyboard.

PI-BALLED (48K Spectrum) \$24.95. There you are, wandering the desert, contemplating wobbly

spherical objects and minding your own business at the mystical pyramid of Pi, when your stumble across Burt, being badly bothered by the Ball Brothers, Bobby and Billy. Naturally, your first though is to help poor Burt, but you didn't reckon with Sid Snake and the Pixel Princes Col and Jas. Neither did you reckon with becoming addicted to this amazing arcade style game. Neither did you reckon with possibly the worst Reggae music ever committed, on the flipside of this cassette.

GOLF (16K Spectrum) \$19.95. Similar to ZX81 Golf, but utilizing the Spectrum colour graphics and sound. For 1 or 2 players.

STYX (ZX Spectrum) \$24.95. An arcade-style game where you have to battle your way across the River Styx towards Hades. The game is in three phases and armed with your laser gun you must move your way through the spider-filled maze and dive into eRiver Styx. The river holds a few surprises when you come up against deadly pirahna who don't seem too keen to let you past. Having dragged yourself out on the far beach, you find yourself fighting your way through the spirits of the dead, towards an encounter with the dark one himself.

PIMANIA (48K Spectrum) \$34.95. The longest-running, cult-following, best-selling adventure quest ever. With the famous £6000 (\$NZ12,000) Golden Sundail of Pi still to be won. If you have not heards its praises then we think you may be new to the computer business. With a free disco single on the flipside by Clair Sinclive and the PiMen.

MANIC MINER (48K ZX Spectrum) \$24.95. Miner Willy, while prospecting, stumbles on an ancient long-forgotten mine shaft built by a superior civilisation. After centuries of peace the civilisation was torn apart by war, but nobody told the robots to stop working. So, can you guide Miner Willy through the 20 underground caverns to the surface,

avoiding nasties like the Wacky Amoebatrons, Eugenes Lair, Mutant Telephones and Malevolant Toilets and sinking earth? Unbelievable graphics.

GNASHER (16K Spectrum) \$19.95. The ultimate maze game. Eat the dots but look out for the ghosts. They could eat you! If you eat an energy pill you can eat the ghost. Full colour graphics and sound. Operates with most leading Joysticks or the keyboard.

STAR TREK (48K Spectrum) \$24.95. See if you can rid the galaxy of the evil Klingons, save the Federation from the trecherous Romulans, race to protect your star-bases from attack. Are you star-ship commander material?

GO TO JAIL (48K Spectrum) \$24.95. The definitive computer version of the best known board game in the world. For up to 5 players including the Spectrum. Save game facility, moving board display, we dare you to play against your computer. But, beware, it may well beat you.

ZX81

CHESS 1-4 (ZX81) \$29.95. Now play up to 10 different levels of chess on your ZX81 castling and En Passant captures all included. Plus printer output for either permanent record of all moves or copy of graphics board.

ADVENTURE TAPE 1 — Full Adventures for the 16K ZX81 \$29.95. Greedy Gulch — Discover the lost treasure mines in a deserted town. Pharaoh's Tomb — try to discover the long dead Pharoah's treasures. Magic Mountain — Recover the ancient Scrolls of Wisdom.

INVADERS (ZX81) \$24.95. The old favourite space invaders — what else can we say but go get 'em.

May 1984 — COMPUTER INPUT 23

NOWATNIK PUZZLE AND OTHER DIVERSIONS \$29.95. For either the ZX81 or 16K Spectrum. This is a program ideally suited to the T.V. display. A mind boggling challenge for puzzle enthusiasts, millions of different permutations.

BBC

CASSETTE 1 — STAR TREK. A superb version with 8 x 8 Galaxy Klingons, Phasers, Torpedoes, etc. — CANDY FLOOS. A tremendous new game in which you run a candy floss stall on Blackpool's Golden Mile. But watch the weather and the donkeys! **Only \$34.95 MODEL A MODEL B**

CASSETTE 2 — Contains an exciting collection of games with music and graphics to keep the family amused for hours: HANGMAN, KRYPTOGRAM, DICE, BEETLE, GRAND NATIONAL and MUSIC. Only \$24.95 MODEL A MODEL B

CASSETTE 3

MUTANT INVADERS. A brilliant new game. You can destroy the mutants before they land and try to destroy you with their radioactivity. BREAKOUT: A terrific version of the arcade game. Only \$34.95 MODEL A MODEL B

CASSETTE 4 — BEEP-BEEP. Excellent version of the popular 'Simon' game. Very much enjoyed by children. Only \$24.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)

CASSETTE 5 — Contains BEEB-MUNCH. Our version of the record breaking PACMAN arcade game. Stunning hi-resolution colour graphics. Only \$34.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)

CASSETTE 6 — Contains SUPER HANGMAN. The special feature of this version is the hi-resolution animated man. Categories from educational to just plain fun! Only \$24.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)

CASSETTE 7 — Contains 3D MAZE. Pit your wits againts the computers logic in this highly realistic graphical game. Only \$24.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)

cassette 12 — FLAGS. A superb educational program. The flags of the world are drawn in hi-resolution colour graphics. The program then tests your knowledge of flags and georgaphy. Have fun while learning. Only \$24.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)

CASSETTE 13 — HYPERDRIVE — A new, very addictive machine code arcade game. Guide your laser tanks around the network of passages destroying the drone Aliens — but beware, evil OTTO lies in wait! Only \$24.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)

CASSETTE 9 — Contains Model B Invaders. A superb feature adaptation of the arcade 'Space Invaders' game in machine code and hi-resolution colour graphics. **Only \$34.95 For MODEL B** (or + 32K)

CASSETTE 11 — ATLANTIS. The superb fast action arcade game written in machine code to illustrate to the full the machines fantastic colour graphics and capabilities. This game includes all the usual ATLANTIS/SCRAMBLE features. Only \$34.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)

CASSETTE 14 — STREATOBOMBER — Arcade game. Can you keep the enemy fleet at bay, destroy the rogue Star Ship before it destroys your home planet? Superb graphics. Only \$34.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)

CASSETTE 15 — LEAP FROG — At last the fabulous Frogger game reaches the BBC Micro. Superbly written full colour machine code. The best version. **Only \$34.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)**

CASSETTE 16 — PONTOON & PATIENCE — Excellent rendition of the two very popular card games. \$34.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)

CASSETTE 17 — 5-A-SIDE SOCCA — At last!! The 2 player m/c game you have all been asking for. Uses joysticks or keyboard. Really exciting. **\$34.95 For MODEL B (or + 32K)**

VIC20

SHARK ATTACK. Can you avoid the sharks and the octopi while you trail your atomic net? Very addictive game. Requirements — 3K expansion. **\$19.95**

MARTIAN RAIDER. Fly across the enemy landscape, bombing as you go, but watch out for missiles! 3K expansion. **\$19.95**

VIXEL No. 3. 3 Programs on one tape. In WARP you fly a space craft down an ever narrowing tunnel. FIFTEEN is a version of the classic puzzle (usually sold as a plastic toy). RAIL. Easy when there's only one train, but as you keep succeeding so the number of trains to be controlled keeps growing. Requirements — joystick for WARP & FIFTEEN — minimum of 3K memory expansion for RAIL.

REBEL DEFENDER. The imperial forces have just invaded your base planet, the water world of Aakwa. They have brought with them their most awesome weapon, the imperial stalker. Requirements — 8K expansion, paddles. **\$24.95**

ULTIMATE TANK. The year is 1999.

Earth is being overrun by mutant spiders and giant space eyes. Each battle zone is patrolled by 1 or 2 nuclear tanks. Their mission is to search out and destroy. Requirements — 8K expansion, joystick. **\$24.95**

CHIMP CHASE. The object of chimp chase is to guide a small yellow chimp through the zoo in order to open all the cages. Good colour and sound effects. Requirements — Unexpanded VIC, joystick optional. **\$24.95**

COSMIC CRYSTALS. As commander of a Cosmic Space Station it is your mission to defend a sector of the force field vault where the 'Cosmic Crystals' are kept. Requirements — Unexpanded VIC, paddles. \$24.95

BLASTEROIDS. As the captain of a fleet of 3 space cruisers, your mission is to eliminate an asteroid field. Good colour and sound; 3 skill levels. Requirements — Unexpanded VIC, joystick optional. **\$24.95**

CRIBBAGE. The age-old card game for 2 players — sorry! I meant for one player and his computer! Requirements — 16K expansion. **\$24.95**

MARTIAN RAIDER. Similar to skramble. Your mission is to fly across the Martain landscape destroying their cities, but it's not easy! Enemy missiles and UFO's are out to get you. Your fuel range can be extended by hitting enemy fuel dumps. Requirements — Unexpanded VIC, joystick optional. \$19.95

CITY BOMBER. Flatten the buildings with bombs so that you can land your plane safely. Very addictive. Requirements — Unexpanded VIC. **\$19.95**

MIS CHECKBOOK. Keep track of your cashbook; results filed on tape. Running cheque balances, dates, search by criteria, analyses, etc. Requirements — Unexpanded VIC. \$19.95

MULTISOUND SYNTHESIZER. The electronic music synthesizer, for the VIC. **\$19.95**

MICROHEX ASSEMBLER/

EDITOR. Microhex is 6502 Assembler /editor which allows you to produce a machine code listing using the 6502 Mnemonic Instruction set. Requirements — Minimum 3K expansion. **\$24.95**

VIC AMORTISATION. This'll help you to be a bit better informed about the next loan you want! Requirements — Unexpanded VIC. \$24.95

vic TRIP & PARTY PLANNERS. 2 programs which will help you to accurately plan what the costs are likely to be for your next trip or party. Requirements — Unexpanded VIC \$24.95

MAIL-IT 20. A very easy to use mailing list/label program for the VIC. Re-

quirements — minimum 8K expansion — datasette and/or 15401541 disk drive — — VIC or RS 232 printer.

\$24.95

STOCK MASTER 20. Stock Master is an inventory control program. Requirements — 8K expansion — datasette or 1540/1541 disk drive — 1525/26 printer (optional). **\$24.95**

C64

REPTON — Diskette Only \$84.50. Repton is a 'Defender' type game, but more complicated and sophisticated than any you'll have seen. The lower part of the screen gives you a cockpit view of the battle area, a nice blend of defender and flight simulation. Simply amazing. What more can we say!

FAST EDDIE — **Diskette Only \$84.50.** Just send Fast Eddie around the screen using a joystick, climb up and down ladders and grab point-scoring objects. Easy. Well it would be if it wasn't for these nasty little critters that keep racing at fast Eddie. This game is more challenging and difficult to master than most.

SQUISH 'EM — Diskette Only \$84.50. You're in a partly constructed building, and you must climb to the top to retrieve various objects by climbing up pipes from floor to floor. See Software Review.

JAWBREAKER — Diskette Only \$73.00. If you like the propsect of being let loose in a candy store then you'll love this game. If not then you'll still probably love this game! The most hilarious moment occurs when a toothbrush races out to brush your teeth! (So perhaps it even qualifies as educational!!!) Beautiful musical effects, making the most out of the 64's sound capabilities.

TEMPLE OF APSHAI - Disk or Cassette \$89.00. Enter the "Temple of Apshai," the first in our DUNJON-QUEST series, the computer game that offers you the chance to perform heroic deeds in a labyrinth filled with treasures, traps and monsters. Animated colour graphics portray the "Temple" and all its contents magic, monsters, doomed cities and damsels in distress. Do battle in real time, with over 20 types of monsters, each represented by a unique graphic shape. Special sound effects intensify your quest, with arrows flying, wings beating and footsteps approaching in the dark.

Curse of Ra — Upper Reaches of Apshai. Expansion modules for Temple of Apshai, which provide further thrill: NOTE: these are not complete games in themselves — you must

have Temple of Apshai to use them. Available on diskette or cassette. **Price** (each) \$58.00

MONOPOLY. The great board game on computer for 2 players. This is a long well written program that should provide hours of fun. Excellent colour graphics and sound. The board is displayed on screen. **\$19.95**

OTHELLO/REVERSI. It is a game of skill, played on an 8 x 8 square board. The object is for a player to occupy more spaces on the board than his opponent. **\$19.95**

COLLISON. A fast paced game requiring a joystick and lots of time, as it's rather addictive. Choice of whether you play the computer or two players, each with a joystick, play each other. **\$19.95**

MATCHMAKER. This is an enhanced variant of the card game 'pairs'. Each player (several can play) chooses two cards which the computer turns face up to display if they are the same then that player scores points. **\$19.95**

DELTA RACE. A version of the popular moon-landing type games with excellent high resolution graphics and sound effects. Once you've landed successfully, you must negotiate your way through an underground silo. Joystick required. **\$19.95**

TRONIC CYCLE. You are the driver of a high speed cycle which you must manouvre within a predetermined grid, avoid randomly placed obstacles. Action sound effects, multiple skill levels, joystick or keyboard control. **\$24.95**

BREAKEVEN. Examine the relationship between fixed costs, variable costs, prices and discounts, on a specific project or product and to establish the resulting profit, loss and breakeven point. **\$24.95**

MAIL-IT 64. Mail-It 64 is an easy to use mailing list/label program designed for the 64 Requirements — Datasette and/or 1541 disk drive — VIC or RS232 printer. **\$24.95**

STOCKMASTER 64. Stockmaster 64 is an inventory control program. Tape or diskette. Printer optional. **\$24.95**

SUPER SPRITE. Sprites are an amazing feature of the Commodore 64. Super Sprite makes this so much easier, by allowing you to draw and edit sprites on a large screen the data can the be saved on cassette or diskette. Price — **Tape \$24.95: Diskette \$34.95**

TRIP & PARTY PLANNERS 64. 2 programs which will help you to accurately plan what costs are likely to be for your next trip or party. **\$24.95**

\$89.00

JUMPMAN. Disk or Cassette. FROGGER. \$84.50 Disk Only.

SWORD OF FARGOAL. Adventure at the highest level. Sound, graphics, hours of fun. **\$74.00.** Disk or cassette.

BEACH-HEAD

The ultimate "War" game. A peaceful island is being held by a ruthless dictator and his military troops. As Chief Commander of land and sea forces in the Pacific, you must obtain a quick naval victory and then invade the island with land forces. If your troops succeed in penetrating the island defense systems, the most difficult challange still remains; capturing the enemy fortress of KUHN-LIN.

GENESIS

In GENESIS, you're transformed into the deadly king scorpion fighting to protect your domain. The fatally venemous spiders continue crawling from the earth's core as they attempt to destroy you. The spiders gnaw away at the tunnel, as you blast them with your deadly venom. Balanced cautiously on the edge of your domain, you must avoid falling into the deadly pit. The battle intensifies as the spiders eat away at the walls of the tunnel, and you become more limited in movement. Your only hope is the special brick which allows you to rebuild. Grab it if you can.

CROSSFIRE

They have landed and are taking over the city. Steadily they make their way across town, destroying everything in their paths. The town has been evacuated, and your regiment has retreated, leaving you alone in the city at the mercy of the aliens. The aliens have you surrounded, and laser shots fly from all directions. Your movements are confined but you haven't given up. If you are to live, you'll have to concentrate on where the shots are coming from and where you're going because if you don't you'll get caught in the CROSSFIRE.

BLUE MAX

You are Blue Max of the R.A.F. in of command a biplane Fighter/bomber. Your mission is to pulverize the enemy's airfields and bridges and to destroy as many enemy fighters as possible. From out of the sun, enemy planes dive and attack, machine guns chattering. From the ground, huge guns boom their deadly welcome. You smile grimly to yourself as another bird trails a smoking plume to the ground. Bombs away and God save the King!

O' RILEY'S MINE

Prospectors and miners have made fortunes overnight deep within the enchanting Mother Lode country of California. Their wild tales of buried treasure still excite a world dazzled by

May 1984 — COMPUTER INPUT 25

easy money. One such miner is a mad Irishman named Timothy O'Riley. He is in search of coal, oil, gold, rubies and diamonds. You'll guide him through the mysterious depths of the earth as he attempts to dig up hidden riches. But watch out! Deathly dangers and unknown creatures lurk there also. He's disturbed their peace building his mine shaft and now they want revenge. And since they haven't had a miner to eat in many years, they're more than just hungry! Being wise and cunning, O' Riley's prepared, for he's brought dynamite along. He must set his explosions at exactly the right time, though, or risk drowning in a rushing subterranean river.

ALL RETAL AT \$79.95 UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED.

POOYAN Retail \$79.95

Bring all the excitement and fun of POOYAN into your home! Experience the colourful hi-res graphics, fast action, and arcade-style play on your own computer. It's a game of quick reflexes and fast thinking as you battle a pack of vicious, hungry wolves in order to protect your helpless piglets roaming the forest. Your weapon at hand is a bow-and-arrow. And in your dispair you toss chunks of meat at your enemy hoping to lure him out of battle while you catch your breath! The wolves don't give up easily and you won't either! Once you play this game you can't put it away! Clinging to airfilled balloons, the wolves travel up and down the forest valley as you glide up and down in your tram car. As they hurl objects at you, you must fight them foff with your arrows and meat.

Pop their balloons and look out below!

FINAL FLIGHT Retail \$65.00 Imagine yourself at the controls of a small single applies plane 10,000 feet

small single engine plane, 10,000 feet in the air, on your final approach to the runway and safety. You're running low on fuel, but your instruments show that you're on the glide path, and lined up with the runway. It's a beautiful, sunny day, and you can see the airport in the distance, across the grassy fields. But the crosswind is tricky, there are other planes in the air, and it will take all your skill to land safely. Written entirely in machine language, there are four levels of difficulty, and you may choose clear or foggy weather, with or without instruments, and with or without the real-time view from the cockpit. Multiple screen updates per second give a realistic feel of flying.

COMPUTER BOOKS

MASTERING THE VIC-20 by John Herriott \$19.95 TAB

The VIC-20 is an amazingly powerful computing machine capable of all kinds of exciting home and business applications. The author's engaging style makes it more interesting than the average programming manual. You'll quickly discover that the author believes in introducing advanced features making you wade through tons of background material.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY TIMEX 1000, TIMEX 1500 or ZX81? Valentine \$23.95 Wiley

56 complete programs ready to run on your TS1000, TS1500, ZX81 complete programs including 35 programs that run on the 1K or 2K versions! Sophisticated games, fortune telling and gambling, file programs payroll deductions, graphics, a "checkbook," and many many others.

MORE THAN 32 BASIC PROGRAMS FOR VIC-20

Rugg-Feldman \$47.95 dilithium
This book is chock full of programs
designed specifically for your
machine; includes games, applications, educational programs, graphics,
mathematics and various
miscellaneous programs. Provides
complete source listing of each pro-

DOES YOUR SMALL BUSINESS NEED A COMPUTER?

gram, its purpose, and how to use it.

by Eischen \$24.50 TAB

This practical, up-to-the minute sourcebook comes to the rescue of every small businessman who's thinking of acquiring a computer system of any type; look at the advantages and the perils of converting business recordkeeping to computerization; realistic advice to make such decisions as how much computing power is needed; what the system should cost; choose

the right computer hardware and software components, do you need an outside consultant to help in planning your system.

BASIC COMPUTER SIMULATION by Lawrence L. McNitt \$32.95 TAB

Use your computer to explore the unknown. This exceptional sourcebook introduces you to the specifics of modelling and creating simulations; a broad range of sample programs written in a universal subset of BASIC that can be used on any model computer!

PROGRAMMING YOUR APPLE 11TM COMPUTER

by Paul Bryan \$22.50 TAB

A complete minicourse on the Apple II. Learn how the system operates what it is capable of doing, a thorough understanding of basic programming techniques.

PRACTICAL GUIDE TO CP/M
— Townsend \$32.95 dilithium

For the serious CP/M user who has had some experience. Full of information, tricks and tutorials, Practical Guide CP/M deciphers the codes of CP/M and teaches you how to:

Interface hardware and software Save your programs Use PIP and SUBMIT

Create CP/M systems

Recover lost programs and more An extensive appendix to make this book an invaluable working manual for any CP/M user.

THE EASY GUIDE TO YOUR COMMODORE 64 by Kascmer \$17.95 SYBEX

Commodore 64 in a matter of hours; become familiar with the keyboard, video screen, and add-on devices.

Write your own BASIC programs; learn how to get started with commercially available software.

Everything you need to know to get started with your Commodore 64 personal computer is revealed in a friendly, jargon-free style.

PRACTICAL WORDSTAR USERS by ARCA \$29.95 SYBEX

This book will show beginners how simple it is to use Wordstar. And experienced users will learn new and more efficient ways of using the specail features of Wordstar. Step-by-Step instructions for performing typical word processing tasks and realistic examples using sample give instant hands-on experience with Wordstar.

USING THE COMMODORE 64 by Peter Gerrard \$37.50 Duckworth

An essential book for any user of the latest home computer from Commodore Business Machines. A refresher course in Basic programming through Machine Code, then considering in great detail sprites graphics and sound.

THE ABC'S OF THE IBM PC Lassellen Ramsay \$21.95 SYBEX

Designed to give you hands-on experience with your computer — style clear and non-technical. Learn to: set the date and time on your PC, use basic commands, menu selections, and handle, store, and protect diskettes properly name, list, copy, rename, and delete files use application programs

Have fun while achieving greater productivity.

ZX81 TIMEX: PROGRAMMING IN BASIC MACHINE

ANG: Floeged \$24.50 'Elcomp'

The ZX81 is a small computer, but of great importance.

The programs in this book range from games to data management and machine code. Though they are ready to go programs you can still make your own changes.

Sega SC-3000 Home Computer



Now you can choose the Sega Home Computer pack to suit your needs, and if your needs change, you can upgrade economically any time.

Sega Popular Pack includes computer and power adaptor plus free Basic IIA Memory Cartridge worth \$40.00 to get you started. \$399

Sega Family pack includes computer, power adaptor, plus Basic IIIA 16K

Memory and free cheque book reconciliation worth \$20. **\$499**

Sega Advanced Pack includes computer and power adaptor and Basic IIIB 32K Memory. Only \$550

The Sega is easy to command and edit, and has a typewriter layout keyboard, great colour and sound and a free manual takes you through the operations steps easily.

Accessories are readily available.

Joysticks — \$31.50

Printer — \$399

Disc Drive Unit (available May) — \$599.95

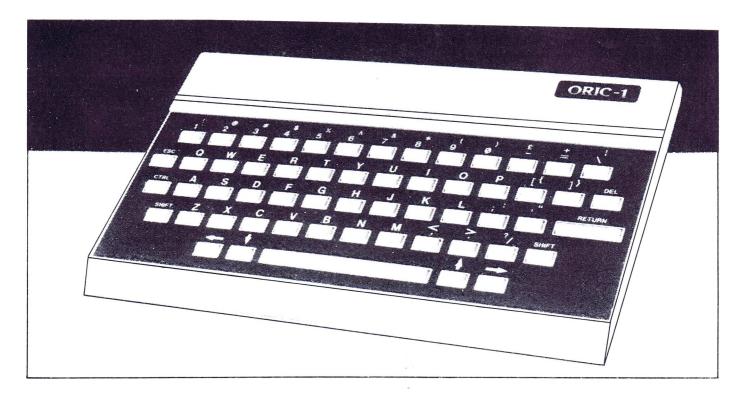
Music Cartridge — \$125 Data Recorder — \$89.95 Game Cartridges from — \$59.95 User Cassettes — \$19.95

OTHER ACCESSORY PRICES ON REQUEST

COMPUTER HTTPLT

GET THIS IN THE MAIL TODAY: To buy, cut out this coupon and Post to: I would like to Order:	FREE POST 671 NOMAC PUBLISHING LTD. P.O. Box 39-278 AUCKLAND WEST	I enclose payment: Visa Bankcard
		Cardholder signature
		Date card expires
		Cheque Cheque No
NAME:		Postal Order Postal note
ADDRESS:		
		Please note:
(zone)		THESE GOODS WILL BE MAILED FREE ANYWHERE IN NEW ZEALAND
* SOFTWARE MAKE GREAT GIFTS — Be in first with	ı your order.	ALL SOFTWARE GUARANTEED

ORIC SOFTWARE



GAMES PACK 48K — \$58.75. The brilliant value for money mult-games pack has no less than seven exciting games. Unlike most programs, you can eventually become tired of playing the same old thing — not so with the multi-games pack. When you have played one through, you can move on to another. The programs vary from fast reaction arcade games to real brain teasers. They are: Laser Station, Obstruction, Mazatronic, Maths Test, Milliblox, Demolition, Noughts and Crosses.

HARRIER ATTACK — \$48.95. You pilot a Harrier Jump Jet and your mission is to destroy a heavily defended inner island installation. You will have to travel at over 700 MPH so as to maximise your fuel use. En route, you will encounter ship-toair missiles, heavy ground fire and from difficult-to-defend attacks Mirage Jets complete with heatseeking missiles. If you can successfully defend yourself with your own guns and bombs, you will reach your target. Fly down and commence your bombing run. The more you destroy the more points you get. Then, if you are still alove and have not run out of fuel, you can then land on another carrier at the other side of the island. (Whew).

We guarantee that you won't get through this game for at least fifteen times even on Level 1.5 skill levels. All sound effects.

INVADERS — \$58.75. This classic arcade game, which has built up a cult following amongst game fanatics, is reproduced here for the ORIC Micro. This full feature machine code game includes smooth action walking invaders and options for choice of missile speed, bomb speed, invader speed, invisible invaders and overall game difficulty.

STARFIGHTER — **\$48.95.** Really stirring stuff.

Welcome to the game Starfighter. You have just volunteered to captain one of the Federation's most powerful intergalactic starships on a mission to clear the Andromedan galaxy of alien intruders. Before entering this galaxy you'll have to destroy the aliens which have infiltrated past the starfleet's outlying fighters, and are now jamming the star-gate to Andromeda. To complete your mission you must wipe out all the aliens in the nine sectors of this galaxy, and then bring your ship safely through the last star-gate back to the war-free zone. You will be protected by powerful but limited energy shields, and will have both long-range photon-torpedoes and short-range three dimensional phasors with which to engage the enemy.

THE QUEST OF THE HOLY GRAIL

— **\$48.95.** The aim of this high-adventure game is to find the Holy Grail which has been hidden in the Castle Precarious. For you, it will prove a test of skill, logic, intelligence and luck.

In yor quest you will encounter a whole host of monsters but luckily you will also find weapons and armour to fight with. Your strength starts at 250 but you can increase this by buying strength units from traders with jewels and gold which you will win on your journey. A trader can also sell you wound ointment to help you recover from encounters with the monsters in battle and at the end, the Holy Grail awaits.

XENON 1 — \$58.75. You are a fleet commander. Your mission is to journey to the planet Rodon and protect it from the Zorgon Battle Star. En route you will encounter the warlike Aars who test your skills with their hypnotic rotating battle formation. They have the ability to clone on destruction. If you survive this battle you travel through deep space avoiding meteorite showers, then skilfully refuel to arrive at the planet Rodon and protect it from airborne attacks of the Paratrons. Finally, the ultimate accolade: try to destroy the Zorgon Battle Star.

This game has been reviewed overseas and given 5 out of 5 for quality and speed.

"SOFTWARE INPUT" file gives you the opportunity to have your programs, ideas or discoveries published. Please check that the programs are correct and please give a note explaining items such as graphics (the computer of course), the memory required and any part of the program which will be needed by fellow readers. We will pay between \$10 and \$30, depending on the size and quality of the program for each contribution published.

SPECTRUM

Pucman

Donald MacKenzie

AUCKLAND

Here is my version of the popular arcade game Pacman. I have seen many in other magazines, but none that make full use of Spectrum's sound and graphics capabilities. This is what I have set out to do. The game features 5 different fruits — an apple, cherries, an orange, a pretzel and a banana, which are put up in order. I have also made it possible to catch the ghost (a feature lacking in most of the Pacman games), but you had better be close to the ghost when you eat him as you have only a limited time in which to eat him! The ghost is intelligent and fast, except it is possible to trap him and thus render him immobile if he comes across a corner in the right way. Don't worry! This is not a mistake — it is a chance for you to get a go at the dots. It is quite hard to trap him, but not impossible, and well worth while when he is. There is only one ghost and the maze is Atari-ish in style. The program is long and uses nearly all of the Spectrum's memory. The listing is long so type it in carefully and if it doesn't go in successfully at first, check and then re-check, as it will be worth it in the end. I am 14 and got my Spectrum for Christmas and have been on it about 2-3 hours a day since then. Before this time, I had had no computer experience at all.

```
RESTORE
REM Pucman
GO SUB 900
GO SUB 700
       10
      20
30
35
                                     9000:
                                                       LET hi=@
                                    7000
## OU DUS 8000

SO PRINT INK 6; AT v, h; "8"

SO LET as=INKEYs

100 LET ps=("3" AND as="0")+("6"

"AND as="2")+("9" AND as="0")+("6"

"AND as="2")

110 LET h=h+(INKFV+-"-"
   ## AND a = "z";

110 LET h = h + (INKEY = "p" AND ATT;

(v,h+1)(>5) - (INKEY = "p" AND ATT;

R (v,h-1)(>5)

120 LET v = v + (INKEY = "z" AND ATT;

(v+1,h)(>5) - (INKEY = "z" AND ATT;

R (v-1,h)(>5)

125 IF ATTA (v,h) = 64 + frucot THE;

BEEP .05,20: LET sc=sc+50 + fru:

LET fru=fru+1

130 IF ATTA (v,h) = 2 THEN GO TO
 1000
135 IF
UB 3000
                       ATTR (v,h)=131 THEN GO 5
                        ATTR (v,h)=4 THEM LET
BEEP .005,6: LET dot=d
                    BEEP
                                                            LET dot=dot+
   145 PRINT INK 7; AT 18,7; sc
146 IF dot=tot THEN LET fru=fru
1: GO SUB 8000: LET dot=0
150 PRINT AT v1, b1; INK 0;"":
ET v1=v: LET b1=b
150 PRINT AT V,h; INK 5;p$
180 LET gh=gh+(gh<h AND ATTR
V,gh+1)<>5)-(gh>h AND ATTR (g'h-1)<>5)
                                                                                    (98.9
   THEN PRIN
93
189 IF ATTR (gv,gh) = 64+frucol T

HEN PRINT AT gv,gh; INK frucol;

BRIGHT 1; CHR$ (fru+154): LET gh =

9h+(gh(=h)-(gh)h)

190 PRINT AT gv1,gh1; INK 4;"."

193 IF ATTR (gv,gh) = 6 THEN GO T
       1000
                                                                9V1=9V
/THEN GO TO
    195
197
                            gh1=gh:
                                                    LET
                        gh=h AND gv=v
    1000
    200
                PRINT
                                                                 INK 2; "A"
                                  AT
                                           gv,gh;
                         TO
                GD
    500
                                  30
```

```
v=v1: LET h=h1
                                            INK
                                           BEEP 1,10
PRINT AT V
                                           BEEP
 stor
                                                                                                                         (V.h;"≙"
 1020
                                           BEEP 1,9
PRINT AT
  1030
                                                                                                                           V / h ) ''살''
                                         BEEP .1.8
PRINT AT v,h; "\"
BEEP .1.7
PRINT AT w,h; "\="
BEEP ...
 1040
   1050
 1060
1070
                                    BEEP 1, 7
PRINT AT w.h; "="
BEEP 1, 6
PRINT AT w.h; "="
BEERT AT w.h; "="
BEET w.h; INK @; "="
LET w.h; INK @; "="
BEET w.h; INK @; "="
BEERT AT w.h; INK BEERT AT W.h; INK BEERT AT W.h; INK BEERT W
 1080
                                                                                                                           V.b;"="
 1090
1200
  11-1:
1210
1220
1:AT
   3000
3010
  Vi=v:
                                                      LET_h1=h
 VIEV: LC: NIEN
3020 PRINT AT 9V,9h;
3030 BEEP .1,6: BEEP
.2.16: BEEP .1,4: BE
3040 FOR (=1 TO 10
3080 PRINT INK 6: AT V
                                                                                                                                                                       ; IMK 7;"#
EP 11,10: 8
BEEP 13,15
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        BEEF
  3090 LET a = INKEY = "P" AND ATT

3100 LET b = b ( ) (INKEY = "P" AND ATT

31100 LET b = b ( ) (INKEY = "P" AND ATT

3090 LET ( ) (INKEY = "P" AND ATT

3090 PAIN ( ) (INKEY = "P" AND ATT
 3300
3140
                                           IF ATTR (v,h)=4
1: LET dot=dot+1
PRINT INK 7;AT 3
                                                                                                                                                                                          THEN LET SC
```

go sub sooo: THEN LET go sub sooo: LET dot: print at vi,hi; INK vi=v: LET hi=h print at v.h; INK 6: beep oo va 3146 IF fru=fru dot=0 INK 0;" +1: (130 7.1. LET v1=v: 3160 PRINT 3170 BEEP 3180 LET 9 LET V1=V: LET h1=h
3160 PRINT AT V.h; INK 6; P\$
3170 BEEP .03,20: BEEP .04,10
3180 LET gh=gh+(INT (RND+2)+1 AN
D ATTR (gw,gh+1)<05)-(INT (RND+2)
)+1 AND ATTR (gv,gh-1)<05)
3185 LET gv=gw+(INT (RND+2)+1 AN
D ATTR (gw+1,gh)<05)-(INT (RND+2)
)+1 AND ATTR (gw-1,gh)<05)
3188 IF ATTR (gw,gh)=0 THEN PRIN
T AT gw1,gh1; INK 0; ": GD TD 3 193 3189 IF ATTR (gv,gh) =64+frucel T HEN PRINT AT gv,gh; INK frucel; BRIGHT 1; CHR* (fru+154): LET gh= 9h+(gh(=h)-(gh)h) 3190 PRINT AT 9v1 3193 TE ATTA (gw. 4; INK gw1,gh1; (gv,gh)=6 THEN GO T 5195 IF O 3300 3195 LET ATTR รด์4ติ Bลูโร่ห้า ,2; "5180 PRINT INK 6; AT 9,22;"
11,22;"&"; AT 13,22;"A"; AT
"5"; INK 5; AT 9,24;"A"; AT
"P"; AT 13,24;"Z"; AT 15,24;
5190 PAUSE 0
5200 RETURN
5000 PRINT AT 9,10; "Anothe "**\"**";AT 15,22; 11,24; RETURN
PRINT AT 9,10; "Another go?"
LET at INKEYT
IF at "y" THEN GO TO 30
IF at "n" THEN STOP
GO TO 6010
LET 5C = 0
LET v=13: LET h=15: LET v1=
T b1=b 9010 SAPA 5030 5040 7000 7010 h1=h ET li=3: LET LET 7020 LET dot=0: LET to t=275 7030 LET 9v=5: LET 9 7050 LET 9v1=9v: LET 7060 LET frv=1 gh=15gh1=gh NE,CKM 8140 FOR f=17 TO 21: FOR g=0 TO 31: PRINT PAPER 1;AT f,g;"";: EXT g: NEXT f EXT 9: NEXT f 8150 BORDER 1: 08 f=1 TO 14 S PAPER 0: INK 5: 4: PRINT AT STEP NEXT 8152

": NEXT f
8190 FOR (=1 TO 17 STEP 16: PR
T AT f-1,0:"
": NEXT f
8210 INK 4: FOR f=1 TO 14 STEP
: PRINT AT f,1;": ": ";AT
,12;"";AT
F8222 FEE PRIN F **": NEXT f
8220 FOR f=2 TO 15 STEP 4: PRINT
AT f,1;"";AT f,5;"";AT f,7;""
";AT f,10;"";AT f,12;""";AT f,1
9;"";AT f,21;"";AT f,24;"";AT f
f,26;"";AT f,30;"": NEXT f
8230 FOR f=3 TO 16 STEP 4: PRINT
AT f,1;"";AT f,26;"".": NEX
T f BESO PRINT INK 5; AT 7, 13; " 8255 PAPER 0: INK 3: PRINT FLASH 1;AT 2,1;"\$";AT 2,20;"\$";AT 14, 1;"\$";AT 14,70;"\$" 8260 PRINT INK 7;AT 18,1;"Score FLASH ลี25¢ PRint ";sc 8270 8270 PRINT INK 7; AT 18,22; "Lives ": FOR f=1 TO Li: PRINT AT 18,2 7+f; INK 6; "E": NEXT f 8273 IF scohi THEN LET hi=sc 8275 PRINT INK 7; AT 19,12; "Hi "; 18,2 hi GO TO SAMO LE free 8280 THEN PAINT AT 18,28 ; 0: G 8500 Fru=1 THEN LET THEN GO TO 8510 THEN GO TO 8520 THEN GO TO 8520 IF 8501 fru=1 IF 8502 8503 8504 fru=2 THEN IF ĞŌ TF fru=4 TO 8540 fru=5 TO 8550 8505 IF THEN GO 8510 LET ; BRIGHT frucol=4: PRINT AT 1; INK frucol; "#": 520 LET BRIGHT ucol=2: PRINT AT INK frucol; "4": 8520 frucol=2: 1; ; ÁN COL=6: PRINT AT INK frucol; "@": CI, E RETU 8530 frucol=6: LET BRIGHT 1; ŔN 8540 COL=7: PRINT AT INK frucol; "%": frucol=7: BRIGHT frucol=8: PRINT AT 1; INK frucol;";": 3550 LET RETU BRIGHT RETURN
FOR a=USR "a" TO USR "s"+7
READ user: POKE a,user
NEXT a: RETURN 8990 9000 9910 9020 9025 DATA 60,126,255,255,255,255 ,126,60 DERE 1,255,251,255,255,2 26,60 9040 DATE 60,126,248,240,248,248 6125,60 9050 DATA 60,126,255,255,231,1**95** ,66,0 9060 DATA 60,126,31,15,15,31,126 ,60 9070 ,126 DATA 38,102,231,231,255,255 , 50 á<u>ě</u>šě DATA 0,0,129,195,255,255,12 5,50 9090 0,0,0,0,255,255,126,**50** 0,0,0,0,50,125,125,60 0,0,0,0,50,125,125,60 0,0,0,24,24,0,0,0 129,65,0,0,0,0,66,129 12,24,52,127,127,1 9100 DATA DHTH 9110 3158 DATH 9130 27,62 9140 DATA 3,2,5,10,50,113,45,4 50,125,251,253,255,255 9150 DA ,125,50 DATA áisa DATA 0,102,153,153,153,90,1

65,231 9170 DATA 6,2,6,14,30,60,243,112 9180 DATA 0,0,0,6,60,60,24,24 9190 DATA 60,102,255,165,165,255 ,102,60 9200 DATA 28,62,42,107,127,127,1

SEGA

Astro Laser David Palmer ROTORUA

My hi-score is 44,511.

The object of the game is to shoot down different letters and numerals as they fly across the screen, while at the same time, familiarising the keyboard. To shoot the character, just press the key that corresponds to that character.

The playing level, which you select at the start, determines how fast the characters move across the screen, and also how many points you get for each hit. The number of points for each hit is also dependant on how quickly it is hit, the fast the more points. To start with, you have five lives — each life being equal to ten hits. So after every ten hits, a life is lost. A life is also lost when a character goes right across the screen without being hit. Also after every ten hits, or a missed character, the game steps up a level. The game is designed so it is impossible to start in a slow round and get a high score. The way to get a high score is to start in as

high a round as you can handle.

THINGS TO WATCH OUT FOR:

Delete all spaces between words and statements so as to keep the speed up.

In lines 310, 330, 350, 400, 1250 you put graphics characters inside the quotation marks. In line 1280, there are 14 graphics symbols, a space, then words "letters and numbers".

Be careful when typing in the data or else the whole screen will be painted green and the game ruined.

When asked if you want instructions or not, input either one or two then press CR.

10 REM ASTRO#2	310 CURSOR 5,11:PRINT"(GRAPHICS,SHIFT+
20 REM BY DAUID PALMER:31/3/84	G)*13"
30 CLS	320 CURSOR 5,13:PRINT"1. INSTRUCTIONS 0
40 SCREEN 2,2:COLOR11,1,(0,0)-(255,191	N HOW TO PLAY."
),1	330 CURSOR 5,16;PRINT"(GRAPHICS,SHIFT+
50 &\$="ASTRO LASER"	N)*2"
60 LINE (20,110)-(215,113),12,BF	340 CURSOR5,16:PRINT"2.TO START GAME."
70 LINE (20,87)-(215,90),12,BF	350 CURSOR 5,17:PRINT "(GRAPHICS, SHIFT
80 U=23	+N)*2"
90 FOR Z=1 TO LEN(Z\$)	360 INPUT F
100 COLOR11,1	370 IF F=1 THEN GOSUB 1230
110 S\$=MID\$(Z\$,Z,1)	380 SCREEN 1,1:CLS
120 FOR X=240 TO U STEP -20	390 CURSOR 5,10:PRINT "INPUT LEVEL:1 T
130 SOUND1,X+90,15	0 10"
140 CURSORX,96:PRINTCHR\$(17);S\$	400 CURSOR 5,11:PRINT "(GRAPHICS, SHIFT
150 CURSORX,96:PRINT CHR\$(8)	+B)*19"
160 NEXT X	410 INPUT F
170 CURSOR V,96;PRINT CHR\$(17);S\$	420 SCREEN 2,2:CLS:COLOR15,1,(0,0)-(25
180 U=U+15	5, 191), 1
190 NEXT 2	430 S=0
200 SOUND 0	440 PATTERN S#0,"010507FF7F3F077F"
210 FOR 8=23 TO 203 STEP 15	450 PATTERN S#2,"0040C0FEFCF8C0FC"
220 LINE (125,191)-(2+7,101),8	460 PATTERN S#4,"004020101D0F270F"
230 BLINE (125,191)-(2+7,101)	470 PATTERN S#5,"FF0F070F1D182040"
240 CURSORZ,96:PRINT CHR\$(8)	480 PATTERN S#6,"8081929CBCF8F0F8"
250 SOUND1, 2+90,15	490 PATTERN S#7, "FFF8F0F8DC8C8281"
260 NEXT Z	500 PATTERN S#8, "0008241C7F1C2A08"
270 SOUND0	510 PATTERN S#12, "0103070F1F3F7F7F"
280 RESTORE1400	520 PATTERN S#16, "7F7F3F1F0F070301"
290 SCREEN 1,1:CLS:COLOR1,7	530 MAG 1
300 CURSOR 5,10:PRINT"DO YOU WANT:-"	540 LINE(1,1)-(255,3),5,BF

```
1000 IF L>10 THEN F=F+2:L=0
550 LINE (255,3)-(253,190),5,BF
                                        1010 GOTO 710
560 LINE (253,190)-(1,188),5,BF
                                        1020 X$="GAME OVER!"
570 LINE (1,188)-(3,1),5,BF
                                        1030 I=40
580 LINE (10,22)-(245,25),8,BF
                                        1040 SOUND 0
590 GOSUB 1400
                                       1050 COLOR 9,1
600 CIRCLE (30,35),5,11,1,0,1,BF
610 CIRCLE (200,50),10,11,1,0,1,BF 1060 FOR G=1 TO LEN(X$)
620 BCIRCLE(190,50),17,11,1,.75,.25,BF 1070 Y$=MID$(X$,G,1)
                                        1080 LINE(125,96)-(I+6,132),9
                                       1090 BLINE(125,96)-(I+6,132),9
630 CIRCLE (100,70),3,8,1,0,1,BF
                                        1100 I = I + 14
640 SPRITE 0, (118, 165), 0, 11
                                       1110 FOR 2 =15 TO 1 STEP -2
650 SPRITE 12, (245, 85), 12,5
                                        1120 SOUND 1,320, %: SOUND 0: SOUND1,330,
660 SPRITE 16, (245, 105), 16, 5
670 K=F+15
                                        1130 NEXT 2
680 FOR A=1T070
690 B=INT(RND(1)*138)+6:C=INT(RND(1)*2 1140 CURSOR I,133:PRINT CHR$(17);Y$
                                       1150 LINE (I-8,146)-(I+15,146),9,BF
40)+8:PSET(C,B),11:NEXT A
700 CURSOR 10,10:PRINTCHR$(17); "YOUR S 1160 SOUND 0
                                        1170 NEXT G
CORE IS:0000"
710 D=INT(RND(1)*42)+48:A$=CHR$(D):L=L 1180 FOR AD=15 TO 1 STEP -1
                                       1190 A=[NT(RND(1)*200)
720 FOR E=245 TO 10 STEP - F:CURSOR E, 1200 SOUND 1,310,AD:SOUND 1,360,AD:SOU
96:PRINT CHR$(16);A$:SOUND1,E*11,15:B$ ND 1,410,AD
                                        1220 GOTO 270
730 CURSOR E,96:PRINT CHR$(8):IF B$=A$ 1230 SCREEN 1,1:CLS
                                        1240 CURSOR 9,1:PRINT "*INSTLICTIONS*"
 THEN 780
                                        1250 CURSOR 9,2:PRINT "(GRAPHICS, SHIFT
740 NEXT E
                                        +B)*14)"
750 F=F+3
                                        1260 CURSOR 0,4:PRINT "OBJECT OF GAME
260 IF K<F THEN 1020
770 GOTO 710
                                        1270 CURSOR 16,4:PRINT "TO SHOOT DOWN
780 IF KKF THEN 1020
                                       INVADING"
790 LINE (124,165)-(E,96),8
                                       1280 CURSOR 0,5:PRINT "(GRAPHICS, SHIFT
800 LINE (126,165)-(E,96),8
                                       +B)*14) LETTERS AND NUMBERS."
810 BLINE (124,165)-(E,96)
                                        1290 CURSOR 0,7:PRINT "THIS IS DONE BY
820 BLINE (126,125)-(E,96)
                                         PRESSING THE KEY OF"
830 COLOR 9,1
840 CURSOR E,96:PRINT CHR$(16);"*"
                                        1300 CURSOR 0,9:PRINT "THE LETTER OR N
                                        UMBER OF THE CHARACTER"
850 SPRITE 8, (E, 96), 8, 9
                                        1310 CURSOR 0,11:PRINT "FLYING ACROSS
860 FOR Q=1TO 30:NEXT Q
870 CURSOR E,96;PRINT CHR$(17);"*"
                                        THE SCREEN "
                                        1320 CURSOR 2,13:PRINT "WHEN ASKED TO
880 SPRITE 4, (E-7,89),4,9
                                        INPUT PLAYING LEVEL"
890 FOR Q=1 TO 40; NEXT Q
900 CURSOR E,96:PRINTCHR$(8)
                                        1330 CURSOR 0,15:PRINT "IT IS AS FOLLO
910 SPRITE 8,(E,96),8,0:SPRITE 4,(E-7, WS :-"
                                        1340 CURSOR 0,17:PRINT "THE HIGHER THE
89),4,0
                                         LEVEL THE FASTER THE"
920 SOUND 4,1,15
                                        1350 CURSOR 0,19;PRINT "CHARACTERS MOV
930 FOR T=1 TO 20 NEXT T
                                        E ACROSS THE SCREEN "
940 SOUND 4,2,0
                                        1360 CURSOR 2,22 PRINT "PRESS ANY KEY
950 COLOR 11,1
960 FOR Z=175 TO 235 STEP 12:SOUND 1, TO START."
                                        1370 AS=INKEY$
INT(RND(1)*300)+110,15
                                        1380 IF A$="" THEN 1370"
970 CURSOR 2,10:PRINT CHR$(8)
                                        1390 RETURN
990 S=S+INT(E*F/4):CURSOR 175,10:PRINT 1400 DATA 12,166,25,159,25,159,35,174,
                                        35, 174, 42, 168, 42, 168, 49, 177
 CHR$(17);S
```

162,211,162,222,143,222,143,230,169
1460 DATA 230,169,243,152,243,152,247,
159,247,159,247,185,8,140,12,166
1470 DATA 8,140,8,185,8,185,247,185,24
7,185,247,185
1480 FOR I=1 TO 30*READ X1,Y1,X2,Y2:LI
NE(X1,Y1)-(X2,Y2),12*NEXT I
1490 PAINT(9,184),12
1500 RETURN

1410 DATA 49,177,60,156,60,156,69,179,69,179,74,164
1420 DATA 74,164,85,177,85,177,93,164,93,164,104,179,104,179,107,173
1430 DATA 107,173,145,173,145,173,148,177,148,177,161,159,161,159,165,162
1440 DATA 165,162,172,150,172,150,183,174,183,174,191,166,191,166,194,168
1450 DATA 194,168,200,149,200,149,211,

JR100V

NIM

M. K. Moffatt

GLENFIELD

The program will run on practically any machine as the program is straight BASIC. Instructions are in the program.

```
5 REM NIM BY MURRAY MOFFATT
10 CLS
20 LET M=17
        "DO YOU WANT INSTRUCTIONS (Y/N)"
25 PRINT
30 IMPUT Q$
40 IF Q$="N" THEN 90
50 PRINT
         "IMAGINE THERE ARE 17 MATCHES"
60 PRINT
70 PRINT "AND YOU CAN CHOOSE 1,2 OR 3 AT"
         "EACH GO. THE OBJECT IS NOT TO"
75 PRINT
80 PRINT "BE LEFT TAKING THE LAST MATCH"
90 LET K=0
95 PRINT
100 LET K=K+1
110 IF K=5 THEN 180
120 PRINT "HOW MANY MATCHES DO YOU WANT"
125 PRINT "THIS IS ATTEMPT"; K
130 INPUT J
135 LET M=M-J
140 LET C=4-J
150 PRINT "OK I CHOOSE";C
155 LET M=M-C
160 PRINT "THERE ARE"; M; " MATCHES LEFT"
170 GOTO 100
180 PRINT "YOU LOSE"
190 END
```

SPECTRUM

Line Re-number James Palmer

DUNEDIN

Line Re-number was written on a 48K Spectrum, but I see no reason why it shouldn't work on the 16K model. Great care must be taken when entering the program, as even an extra space would stop it working properly. Goto's and Gosub's are not changed. To use type 'Goto 9000.'

```
9010 INPUT "Starting Line Number 9020 INPUT "Incrementation "; x 9030 LET a=PEEK 23635+256*PEEK 2 3636 LET b=PEEK 23627+256*PEEK 2 3628 LET b=b-353 9045 IF a=b THEN STOP
```

9050 POKE a,INT (y/256): POKE a+ 1,y-256*INT (y/256) 9060 LET a=a+2: LET c=PEEK (a)+2 56*PEEK (a+1) 9065 LET a=a+2 9070 LET a=a+c: LET y=y+x: IF a< b THEN GO TO 9050 9080 PRINT "Renumber Complete"

VIC 20 (UNEX) GHOST MAZE

P. HANSEN

This game is a maze that you are put in if in a random place you can only see right in front of you the maze walls are you are . The object of the game is to get to spots marked in as less moves as you can, but watch out for the ghosts marked if you get too close to them you will get zapped off to

another place in the maze. The game

is a bit hard to get used to because you move forward with x turn right (90°) with m and left (90°) with n. Even though you move, you don't really move – the maze moves around you. You can have fun putting more sound in changing colours and graphic characters so here is the program:

5 POKE 36879.28 10 DIM E(70) 20 DIM V\$(4,3) 30 DIM F(3) 40 W\$="" 50 W\$=W\$+"0000000000" 60 W\$=W\$+"0111100110" 70 W\$=W\$+"001101010" 80 W\$=W\$+"0011010110" 90 W\$=W\$+"001101010" 100 W\$=W\$+"0011111100" 110 W\$=W\$+"00000000" 120 FORI=1T070 130 E(I)=VAL(MID\$(W\$,I,1)) 140 NEXTI 150 S=-1 160 G=0 170 X=INT(RND(1)*50)+10 180 IFE(X)<)1THEN GOTO170 190 GOSUB860	510 F(2)=X+10*T 520 F(3)=X+10*T+1
20 DTM V\$(4,3)	530 GOTO570
70 DIM F(3)	540 F(1)=X-T-10
40 同事=""	550 F(2)=X-I
50 W\$=W\$+"000000000"	560 F(3)=X-T+10
60 W#=W#+"01111VU11V"	570 FORJ=1TO3 580 IFF(J)<10RF(J)>69THENGOTO840
AR MAHMATARIARIAN	590 IFE(F(J))=0THENV\$(I,J)="\"
00 M*-M*T 0011010110 90 M*=M*+"011010010	600 IFE(F(J))=1THENV\$(I,J)=" "
100 M#=M#+"0011111100"	610 IFE(F(J))=9TMENV\$(I,J)="*"
110 W\$ ≃W\$+" 0000009000"	620 IFE(F(J))=2THENV $\$(I,J)$ ="\\ddf"
120 FORI=1T070	630 NEXTJ
130 $E(I) = VAL(MID\$(W\$,I,1))$	640 NEXTI
140 MEXTI	650 V\$(1,2)="1"
	660 PRINT""" 670 PRINT
150 5=0 170 9=1177015713 8 503440	680 PRINT"****6HOST MAZE****"
100 A-1914KBBV17#J07710 100 IES/Y\2\1TUFN GOTO170	690 PRINT
190 GOSUB860	700 PRINT"FORWARD X"
COR Test KIT (PKH (1) # 21) # 4	Y LATE HE POLITICAL TO A LIBERTAL POLITICAL AND A LIBERTAL AND A CONTRACTOR AND A CONTRACTO
210 IFX=G+100 RX=G-10THE N GOT0170	720 PRINT"TURN LEFT N"
210 IFX=G+100 RX=G-10THE N GOT0170 220 IFX=G+10RX=G-1THEN GOT0170 230 H=H+1	730 FORI=1TO5
230 H=H+1	740 PRINT
240 IFH=5THEN GOSUB860	/DM NEXI!
250 0050E390	700 FURI=41UIOIEFTI 776 Da-4 4
200 UE!M# 	780 FORT=3TO1STFP-1
220 TEG4="M"THEND=D+1	790 P#=P#+V#(T.T)
290 TFA\$="N"THFND=D-1	800 NEXTJ
230 H=H+1 240 IFH=5THEN GOSUB860 250 GOSUB390 260 GETA\$ 270 IFA\$=""THEN GOTO260 280 IFA\$="M"THEND=D+1 290 IFA\$="N"THEND=D-1 300 IFD=5THEN D=1 310 IFD=0THEND=4	810 PRINTTAB(7);P\$
310 IFD=0THEND=4	820 MEXTI
310 IFD=01HEND=4 320 IFA\$<>"X"THEN GOTO210 330 IFD=1ANDE(X-10)<>0THENX=X-10 340 IFD=3ANDE(X+10)<>0THENX=X+10 350 IFD=2ANDE(X+1)<>0THENX=X+1	830 RETURN
330 IFD=1ANDE(X-10)	840 V\$(I,J)="%"
340 [F]=3HNDE(X+10)<20(HENX=X+10	850 GOTO630 860 E(G)=1
350 IFD=2MNDE(X+1/K/01MEMX=X+1 360 IFD=4ANDE(X-1)<>0THENX=X-1	870 G=INT(RND(1)*50)+10
370 IFE(X)=9THENGOTO930	880 IFE(G) ()1THENGOTO870
380 GOTO210	890 E(G)=2
390 FORISITO4	900 H=0
400 T=I-1	910 8=8+1
410 ONDGOTO420,460,500,540	920 RETURN
420 F(1)=X-10*T+1	930 PRINT"YOUYVE ESCAPED"
430 F(2)=X-10*T	931 POKE36878,15 932 FORL=1T0100
440 F(3)=X-10*T-1 450 GOTO570	933 POKE36876,INT(RND(1)*128)+128
430 5010370 460 F(1)=X+10+T	934 FORM=1T010
470 F(2)=X+T	935 NEXTM: NEXTL
480 F(3)=X-10+T	936 POKE36878,0
490 GOT0570	937 POKE36876,0
500 F(1)=X+10*T-1	940 PRINT"IN";S*5+H"MOVES"

PROGRAM MAP

ZX81 16K

Moon Patrol

SHAYNE BURBERY GLEN EDEN AUCKLAND 7

2 to 240 Variables 7 570 to 800 Stage 1 7 820 to 1110 Stage 2 8 2010 to 2270 Stage 3 8 4500 to 5030 Crash spaceship	6500 to 6590 7000 to 7180 7500 to 7600 8000 to 8010 8500 to 8600 9000 to 9230 9500 to 9990 All grey characters ar	Title Set up screen Jump Shoot Bonus Game Over Instructions e Graphics shifted H.
---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------

KEYS USED

1 to 5 Jump

6 to 0 Shoot

Q to T Back Y to P Forward

K [®] 3 GOSUB MIKX4 POKE	AST SGN Y 177 TAN 6+256*PEEK 1
10 LET J=1000 20 LET E\$=" EXEX " 30 LET L=3	
40 LET K=0 50 LET B=1 60 DIM A\$(2,4) 70 DIM B\$(4,4)	
80 DIM 0\$(2,3) 90 DIM 0\$(2,2) 100 DIM F\$(4,3)	···
110 LET A\$(1) = "" 120 LET A\$(2) = "" 130 LET B\$(1) = "" 140 LET B\$(2) = "" 150 LET B\$(3) = "F	## ***
160 LET B\$(4) ="F 17 170 LET C\$(1) =" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " "	
190 LET D\$(1) ="""""" 200 LET D\$(2) =""""" 210 LET F\$(1) =""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""""	:
220 LET F\$(2) =" }"." 230 LET F\$(3) =" }"." 240 LET F\$(4) ="]" 420 GOSUB 5500 410 GOSUB, 9500	
500 GOSUB 7000 510 LET Z=1 550 FOR F=1 TO 200	-a ras
SZM ROSHE SMAN	
180 PAINT AT X,Y;" 5;As(Z) AND F/7=INT D>M/10;AT 17,25;Bs(I) AND F/10=INT (F/12 10;TAB USR 16514;AT	(F/7) AND AN INT (AND+2+1) 1) AND AND>M/ 1,1+F/10;"." -1;"";AT
590 PRINT AT G-1,H- G,H;K# 600 LET G=G+1 610 LET H=H+1	-1;" ==== ";8T
520 IF G=17 THEN GC 530 LET D=PEEK 1642 635 IF D=255 THEN G	OTO 700
636 PRINT AT X,Y;" 640 LET Y=Y+(D=223 =251 AND Y>3) 650 IF D=247 THEN 6	AND Y(10) - (D
650 IF D=247 THEN G 660 IF D=239 THEN G 700 IF PEEK (C+X+33 HEN GOTO 6000	908UB 7500 908UB 8000 9+Y+4)<>128 T
710 IF PEEK (C+X*33 THEN GOTO 5000 720 LET K=K+2	3+Y+37)<> 135
500 NEXT F 810 605UB 8500 820 605UB 7000 830 LET H=M-2 1000 FOR F=1 TO 200	,
1005 PRINT AT 1,1+F/ 1010 PRINT AT X,Y;" 8:D*(TNT (PND*2+1))	10;" <u>B</u> " ************************************
(6/6) AND RND>M/10;7 - 1020 LET D=PEEK 1642 - 1030 TE D=955 THEN 8	TAB USR 16514 21 2070 1090
1040 PRINT AT X,Y;"	2 1

```
1050 LET Y=Y+(D=223 AND Y(10)-(D=251 AND Y)3)
1050 IF D=247 THEN 90508 7500
1090 IF PEEK (C+X+33+Y+4) (>128 THEN 90508 IF PEEK (C+X+33+Y+4) (>128 THEN 9050 IF K=K+3
1100 LET K=K+3
1100 PEEK 17,25; "= *** AND AND
1100 NEXT F
2000 GOSUB 8500
2010 GOSUB 850
 2070 IF D=255 THEN GOTO 2200
2080 PRINT AT X,Y;"
2090 IF D=247 THEN GOSUB 7500
2100 IF D=239 THEN GOSUB 8000
2110 LET Y=Y+(D=223 AND Y<10)
=251 AND Y>3)
2200 IF PFFF
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                Y(10)-(D
   2200 ÎF PEÉK (C+X*33+Y+4) <>128 T
HEN GOTO 6000
2210 IF PEEK (C+X*33+Y+37) <>136
  2210 IF PER (C+X+33+1+37)()130
THEN GOTO 5000
2220 LET G=G+1
2230 LET H=H+1
2240 PRINT AT G-1,H-1;"
 5016 LET H=INT (RND#10+0)
5020 LET K#=F#(INT (RND#4+1))
5030 RETURN
5500 FCR I=0 TO 21
5510 PRINT AT I,0;""
5520 NEXT I
5530 PRINT AT 1,4;""
5530 PRINT AT 1,4;"
5530 PRINT AT 1,4;"
6016 FC GREEN "; 2000 #B; AT 13,4;"
6016 FC GREEN "; 2000 #B; AT 13,4;"
6016 FC GREEN "; 2000 #B; AT 15,4;"
6017 GEFS GREEN "; AT 15,4;"
6018 CET L=L+1
   5540 LET L=L+1
5540 LET B=B+1
5550 PRINT AT 3,4;"5" ";L
5560 FOR E=1 TO 10*B
5570 LET K=K+200
                                                        PRINT AT
                                                                                                                                                    5,4;"SEEEEE";K
     5580
                                                       NEXT E
LET M=M-1
FOR E=1 TO 20
NEXT E
     5590
     5600
                610
     5620
```

```
RETURN
LET T=-1
LET U=X
                                                                                                                                                                               ,990
5005
                                 5005
        5007
        5005
5010
5030
7530
THEN
                                                                                                                                              X,Y+F
                                                                                                                                                                                                             GOTO
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      5000
                                                                                                                                                                                                         'NEXT E
RAND USR 16514
FOR E=0 TO 1
_IF_PEEK_(C+X*33+Y+34+E)<>13
                                                                                                                                                                                  7540
                                  LET X=X+T
IF X <=12 THEN
IF X>=17 THEN
                                                                                                                                                                                  7545
                                                                                                      LET
                                                                                                                         T=1
T=-1
                                                                                                                                                                                  7550
                                                                                                                                                                                  7560
                                                                                                                                                                                 6 THEN GO
                                                                                                                                                                                           THEN GOTO 6000
                                                                            X,RND*9+U-3;CHR* I
                                                                                                                                                                                                         RETURN
                                                                                                                                                                                  7600
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       AT X,Y;" TEST";AT
                                PRINT H. ..
(RND *8)
NEXT F
LET L=L-1
IF L=0 THEN GOTO 9000
FOR E=1 TO 15
                                                                                                                                                                                                         PRINT
                                                                                                                                                                                8000
                                                                           X-1,V-2+RND#9;CHR$
                                                                                                                                                                                X,Y+3;
8010 RE
                                                                                                                                                                                                         RÉTURN
FOR E=1
PRINT_A
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      AT TO
                                                                                                                                                                                8500
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 100
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    10,5;"
       IF L=0 TM
FOR E=1 TO
FOR E=1 TO
CLS
IF D=1 OR
THEN GOTO
IF D=2 OR
                                                                                                                                                                                                         NEXT E
FOR I=0
                                                                                                                                                                                 8520
                                                                                                                                                                                                               OR I=0 TO 21
RINT AT I.0;"
                                                                                                                                                                                 8530
                                                                                                                                                                                 8540
                                                                                                                                                                                                          PRINT
                                                                                  (8-1)/3=INT
500
(8-2)/3=INT
                                                                                                                                                   ((B-1
                                                                                                                                                                                8550 NEXT I
8560 PRINT AT 1,4;" MURES ";B;"
8560 PRINT AT 3,4;" "";L;AT
5,4;"SECREE";K;AT 7,4;"BONUSE";
                      3) [MEN GOID 500
35 IF D=2 OR (8-2)/5=INT
3) THEN GOTO 820
40 GOTO 2010
40 PRINT AT X,Y-2;"9
X-1,Y-3;"10 ... 20";AT X
                                                                                                                                                   ((B-2
                                                                                                                                                                                5,4; "BGGBB"; K; AT 7,4; "BGNGB"; 1000*B
8565 PRINT AT 9,4; "FFBBBBB"; J; AT 11,4; "BW"; E$; AT 15,4; "FBWBBB"
8570 FOR E=1 TO 5*B
8575 LET K=K+200
         5140
                                                                                                                                       X-2,Y-3
         5200
                                 RETURN
RETURN
         6300
         6490
                                                                                                                                                                                                          PRINT
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       5,4;"EEEEE";K
                                                                                                                                                                                 8575
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      AT
         5500
                                  CLS
                                                                                                                                                                                                         HAIN: H: 5,4;
NEXT E
FOR E=1 TO 20
NEXT E
LET B=8+1
CL5
                                                                                                                                                                                8580
8590
                                 PRINT AT
                                                                                                  Tarken in the state of the stat
                                                                              6505
                                                                                                                                                                                 8592
8595
8597
                                 6515
                                                                                                                                                                                                         S.B.BURB
                                                                                                                                                                                 8600
        ERY"
8517
6520
5590
                                                                                                                                                                                  9000
                                  FOR E=1 TO 100
NEXT E
RETURN
                                                                                                                                                                                           12,
                                                                                                                                                                                  1000
                                                                                                                                                                                 9002 IF K=J THEN
           7000
                                  CLS
                                                                                                                                                                                                           IF K=J THEN INPUT E$
IF LEN E$>10 THEN GOTO 9003
PRINT AT 20,4;" THE EST STATE
                                 FOR
                                                     I=0 TO 17
                                                                                                                                                                                  9003
         7010
                                  PRINT
                                                                                                                                                                                  9004
          7020
                                                                                                                                                                                 9005
9006
                                                                                                                                                                                                        PRINT
        7030
7040
                                MEXT
                                                                                                                                                                                                        PRINT AT 15,4;"
                                                    I=18
                                                                            TO
                                                                                                                                                                                  9015
                                 PRINT
         7050
                                                                                                                                                                                  ā
                                                                                                                                                                                                          IF INKEY$="N"
GOTO 9010
LET X=0
LET X=0
LET B=1
GOTO 500
CLS
                                                                                                                                                                                 8516
8526
8636
8650
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                THEN GOTO 30
                                 NEXT
PRINT
         7060
         7070
                                                                               0,0;
                                                                         TO 5
' I,0,"8",AT
                                FORI
        7080
                                                                                                                                                                                 9520
9230
9220
                                                                                                                                  I,SI,"
        7090
        7100
7110
                                NEXT I
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        2 3 ES
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           MODE PHIELD
                                                                                                                                                                                  9510
                                                                                                                                                                                                           PRINT
                                                                              6,9; 📜
                                                                                                                                                                                 9515 PRINT "DE
,"6 TO 0=SHOOT
TO P=RIGHT"
9520 PRINT ,,"
                                               NT AT 1,1;"
      7130 PRINT AT 3,1; "Problem"; AT 4,1; "Estat 3,20; "Estat 3,20; "Estat 3,20; "Estat 3,20; "Estat 4,20; "Estat 3,0; "Estat 4,20; "Estat 3,0; "Estat 4,20; "Estat 3,0; "Estat 4,20; "Estat 4,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        "CEEE",,"1 TO S=JUMP"
100T","0 TO T=LEFT","Y
                                                                                                                                                                                 9520 PRINT ,,
CRATERS AND
OCTING ROCKS.
RIGHT YOU GO
CE YOU CAN
THE ALIEN
9600 PRINT ,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    OUER
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             JUMP
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        THE MINES WHILE SH
THE CLOSER TO THE
THE GREATER DISTAN
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          SH
                                                                                                                                                                                 THE GREATER DISTANT OF THE ALIEN SPACE SHIPS."

9600 PRINT "ENTER SKILLED"

9610 IF INKEY 4.""
      7,0;" 7150 LET X=17
7150 LET X=17
7150 LET Y=6
7170 PRINT AT X,Y;" 717 19,5
;" 100 RETURN
7180 RETURN
7500 RAND USA 16514
7505 RAND USA 18514
7510 PRINT AT X-1,Y;" 7180 USA 1
                                                                                                                                                                                        THEN GOTO 9610
                                                                                                                                                                                                         LET M=UAL
LET M=M+2
                                                                                                                                                                                   9700
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               INKEYS
                                                                                                                                                                                   9800
```

COMPUTER INPUT

New Zealand's complete Home Computing magazine.

Tell your friends!

VIC20

Find and Merge Grant Drake NORTHCOTE

This program is both a "Find" and "Merge" program — the "Find" routine will locate any variable, letter or word in a program — e.g. if searching for statement GOTO 10, it will also find (if there is one) GOTO 100, since it contains GOTO 10 in its line. Further instructions are in the program, as well as for the "merge" routine. This routine is very simple, and "stacks" the programs on top of each other. Both routines will stay in the computer until it is reset by SYS64824 or SYS64802 or it is switched off.

```
1 POKE36879,125:PRINT"[[M準備的例:FIND: UTILITY":PRINT"[操作的]
2 PRINT"XXXXITHIS PROGRAM IS USED XXXO FIND ANY VARIABLES XXVORDS OR STATEMENTS"
   PRINT"WIN A PROGRAM LISTING.
4 PRINT" MHALL YOU HAVE TO DO
                                                          MIS CREATE A LINE THAT WIS THE FIRST IN A
                                                                                                                                                原尼
OGRAM -".
5 PRINT" LIKE THIS"
   PRINT" MALINE NO.
                                     VARZWORZSTA"
   PRINT"DIMMN PRESS ANY KEY";
8 POKE198,0:WAIT198,1
9 PRINT"COMPRED FINDS UTILITY": PRINT"COMPRED
10 PRINT"XX¥EG. ₪1 SC 😭 ORM 1 HULLO"
11 PRINT" MEND THEN TYPE"
13 PRINT" MINING LIST OF NUMBERS
                                                             WMILL APPEAR WHICH ARE WITHE LINE NUMBERS THAT W
YOUR ";
14 PRINT"(VAR/WOR/STA) IS MIN.THE LINE YOU MADE MICAN THEN BE DELETED."
15 PRINT" ( ) PRINT" (
16 POKE198,0:WAIT198,1
     18 PRINT" X IS USED TO MERGEWING BASIC PROGRAMS
                                                                                                         WITOGETHER, HOWEVER, THEREW
19 PRINT"ARE CERTAIN LIMITS:":PRINT"陳明1 THE PROGRAM MUST
                                                                                                                    MBE TOTALLY BASIC.
20 PRINT" DE THE SECOND PROGRAM
                                                                MMUST HAVE HIGHER
                                                                                                           MLINE NUMBERS THAN"
21 FRINT" NEWTHE FIRST.";
22 POKE198,0:WAIT198,1:POKE198,0
23 PRINT"INFARMENCE UTILITY": PRINT" COMMENDED
24 PRINT" MEMBAYE THE PROGRAM WITHMTHE LOWER LINE NUMBERSMIN MEMORY AND THEN"
25 PRINT" XMITYPEM SYS 560": PRINT" XMMMEXT LOAD THE SECOND XMPART OF THE PROGRAM
                                                                                                                                                    AND TYPE MSYS 580
26 PRINT" WINTHE NEW PROGRAM CAN
                                                             MNOW BE LISTED OR SAVED
27 PRINT":咖啡咖啡RESS ANY KEY"; :POKE198,0:WAIT198,1:POKE198,
28 PRINT"D∷ LOADING MACHINE CODE ":PRINT"DFOR 'FIND' ROUTINE"
29 S=PEEK(43)+256*PEEK(44)+4:H=INT(S/256):L=S-256*H
30 FORA=680T0764:READB
31 IFB=999THENPOKEA,L:A=A+1:POKEA,H:GOTO33
32 POKEA, B
33 NEXTA
34 PRINT"∭#∰ LOADING MACHINE CODE ":PRINT"∳₩#FOR /MERGE/ UTILITY"
35 FORC=560T0591:READD:POKEI,D:NEXT
36 PRINT"MNNTHESE ROUTINES WILL XISTAY IN MEMORY UNTIL XITHE COMPUTER IS TURNEDX
OFF."
37 END
38 REM
39 REM 米米米米米米米米米米米米米米
40 REM *FIND ROUTINE*
41 尺巨門 米米米米米米米米米米米米米
42 REM
43 DATA234,166,43,134,0,166,44,134,1,160,3,200,177,,205,999,240,26,201,,208,244,
160,
44 DATA177,,133,2,200,177,,133,1,165,2,133,,5,1,201,,208,221,96,132,2,162,,232,2
00,189
45 DATA999,201,240,6,209,,240,243,208,16,160,2,177,,170,200,177,,32,205,221,169
46 DATA 32,32,210,255,164,2,184,80,182,234
47 REM
48 REM#############
49 REM*MERGE ROUTINE*
50 REM未来未来未来未来未来来来
51 REM
52 DATA165,43,166,44,133,251,134,252,166,45,202,202,134,43,166,46,134,44,96
53 DATA234,234,234,165,251,133,43,165,252,133,44,96,0
```

SEGA

Sprite Pattern Generator Stuart McLachlan **NAPIER**

260 IFX<0THENX=0

270 IFY (OTHENY=0

38 COMPUTER INPUT - May 1984

This program allows the user to draft a sprite shape and obtain a pattern statement for it. It can then be displayed on the graphics screen and then modified if required. The instructions to operate the program are contained in it. No doubt many readers will wish to leave out the REM statements to save time, the program will run without them, but I would advise anyone doing so to make a note of the remarks in lines 40 and 50.

At the end of the listing is a sample of the printout obtained for a sample sprite when a printer is attached and line 510 is

```
amended in accordance with line 50.
10 REM. SPRITE PATTERN GENERATOR
                                            280 IFX>15THENX=15
                                            290 IFY>15THENY=15
20 REM. BY STUART MCLACHLAN. JAN1983
                                            300 CURSORX, Y:PRINT"
30 REM. Program to draw sprite using bl
ock graphics and then convert to patte
                                            310 IFT=1THENCURSORX, Y:PRINT
                                            320 IFT>1THENBEEP:CURSOR0,22:PRINT "WA
rn statements
                                            IT WHILE I CALCULATE" GOTO 350
40 REM. For Mag1/3 graphics. If using
                                            330 GOTO 230
mag0/2 then only use top left quadrant
                                            340 REM Loops to read desired blocks
 of drawing area.
                                            350 D=&H3C02;E=0;F=0
50 REM. If printer attached, insert :400
                                            360 FORA=0T0280STEP40;GOSUB 610
PY at end of Line No 510
60 REM Variables:LOOP COUNTERS(A,B);CU
                                            370 F=F+2: NEXTA; E=1:F=0
                                            380 FORA=320T0600STEP40;GOSUB 610
RSOR LOCATIONS(X,Y); JOYSTICK(S); TRIGGE
R(T); SUBSCRIPT VALUES(E,F)
                                            390 F=F+2: NEXTA:E=2:F=0
70 REM START OF TEXT URAM(D); VALUE OF
                                            400 FORA=0T0280STEP40:GOSUB 700
                                            410 F=F+2:NEXTA:E=3:F=0
BLOCK LOCATION(UP); DEC VALUE OF BLOCK
                                            420 FORA=320T0600STEP40:GOSUB 700
GROUP(P); HEX VALUE OF BLOCK GROUP(P$)
                                            430 F=F+2: NEXTA
80 REM Instructions Display
90 CLS: PRINT "SPRITE PATTERN GENERATO
                                            440 REM Convert groups from dec to hex
R"
100 PRINT "
                                            450 FORA=0T03:A$(A)="":FORB=0T015
110 PRINT: PRINT "USE THE JOYSTICK TO DR
                                            460 P$(A,B)=HEX$(P(A,B)):A$(A)=A$(A)+P
                                            $(A,B):NEXTB:NEXTA
AW A SPRITE. "
120 PRINT"THE LEFT HAND BUTTON ERASES
                                            470 REM Print hex codes
                                            480 CURSOR0,17
BLOCKS AND SHOWS THE CURSOR LOCATION"
130 PRINT "WHEN YOU ARE HAPPY WITH YOU
                                            490 FORA=0T03:FORB=0T015
                                            500 PRINT P$(A,B);
R DESIGN,"
                                            510 NEXTB:PRINT:NEXTA
140 PRINT "PUSH THE RIGHT HAND BUTTON.
                                            515 FORA=0T03:PATTERNS#A, A$(A):NEXT
                                            520 CURSOR17,0:PRINT"1
150 PRINT "AFTER A PAUSE, THE FOUR PAT
                                                                     END"
                                            530 CURSOR17,1:PRINT"2
                                                                     REDRAW"
TERN CODES FOR YOUR SPRITE WILL BE PRI
NTED"
                                            540 CURSOR17,2:PRINT "3
                                                                      NEW SPRITE"
160 PRINT "IT WILL TAKE ABOUT 20 SECON
                                            545 CURSOR17,3;PRINT "4
                                                                      DISPLAY SPRIT
DS"
                                            F 1:
                                            550 CONSOLE21,3,:CLS
170 PRINT
180 PRINT "PRESS ANY KEY TO START"
                                            560 CURSORO, 23; INPUT"SELECT NUMBER"; A
190 IF INKEY$=""THEN190
                                            570 IFA>40RA<1THEN550
200 REM Sprite Drawing
                                            590 ONAGOTO770, 225,220,780
210 DIMP(3,16):DIMP$(3,16):DIMVP(15)
                                            600 REM Reads blocks 0 and 1 in binary
220 CLS
225 CONSOLE0,24
                                            610 FORB=0T07:UP(B)=UPEEK(D+A+B)
230 S=STICK(1):T=STRIG(1)
                                            620 IFUP(B)=2290RUP(B)=42THENUP(B)=1:U
240 X=X-(S)1ANDS(5)+(S)5ANDS(9)
                                            POKE(D+A+B),42;GOTO 640
250 \text{ Y=Y-(S>3ANDS}(2)+(S=10RS=20RS=8)
                                            630 VP(B)=0
```

640 NEXTB

650 REM Converts binary to dec



The NZ Microcomputer Club (inc.) proudly present's...



The 5th NZ Microcomputer exhibition

NEW PRODUCTS · DEMONSTRATIONS DOZENS OF DIFFERENT COMPUTERS AUDIO-VISUAL DISPLAYS ROBOTS · USER GROUPS

AUCKLAND SHOWGROUNDS Sat. June 16 from 9a.m. to 5p.m. tickets \$2 ~ family group \$5

660 P(E,F)=(UP(0)*8)+(UP(1)*4)+(UP(1)*	** **	
2)+UP(3)	** **	
670 P(E,F+1)=(VP(4)*8)+(VP(5)*4)+(VP(6	. *********	
1*2)+UP(7)	******	
680 RETURN	** * **	
690 REM Reads blocks 2 and 3	** * **	
700 FORB=8T015:UP(B)=UPEEK(D+A+B)	******	
710 IFUP(B)=2290RUP(B)=42THENUP(B)=1:U	*****	
POKE(D+A+B),42:GOTO 730	*** ***	
720 UP(B)=0	*** ***	
730 NEXTB	*****	
740 P(E,F)=(UP(8)*8)+(UP(9)*4)+(UP(10)	****	
*2)+UP(11)		
750 P(E,F+1)=(VP(12)*8)+(VP(13)*4)+(VP		
(14)*2)+UP(15)		
760 RETURN		
770 CLS:END	0018181F0F0C0C0F	
780 SCREEN 2,2:CLS :MAG1	0707070301000000	
790 SPRITE0,(100,95),0,1	000303FFFE4646FE	
795 FORA=1T01000:NEXT	FC1C1CF8F0000000	
796 MAG3:FORA=1T01000:NEXT		
800 SCREEN 1,1:GOTO560	WAIT WHILE I CALCULATE	Ξ

SPECTRUM

Times Table Richard Ingram BIRKENHEAD

This program is intended to teach Times Tables.

The program has all the instructions needed. It is best to save the program with "Save 'Name' Line 1." This can be used with any program and auto runs it once loaded.

```
BORDER 7:
PRINT AT Ø
PRINT '"1
                           OLS "MENU"
    10
                                 Display times
    20
ables"
                    ....5
3Ø
        PRINT
                                 Test on any tab
                     ....3
    40
         PRINT
                                 Test on
                                                a
                                                    parti
        r table"
PRINT '" PRESSING
cular
                                              "M" WILL
    42
 RETURN YOU
                           TO
                                 THE MAIN
                                                  MENU
         PAUSE Ø
         LET as=INKEYs
LET as="2" THEN GO TO
LF as="3" THEN CLS:
    50
                                                   1000
    60
    70
2000
         INPUT "Please enter
                                               the
    80
                                                        tim
   table youwish to learn
85 CLS
87 PRINT AT 0,9;t;" time
25
                                          times
                                                     tabl
 86 PRINT ''
90 FOR [=0 TO 12
100 PRINT [;" x ";t;" = ";
110 NEXT [
120 IF INKEY$="m" THEN RUN
130 PRINT AT 21,0;"Press "|
enter another table"
140 IF INKEY$="a" THEN GO
150 GO TO 120
150 GO PRINT AT 0,0;"Test on
imes tables"
                                                "; f *t
                                                           to
                                     THEN GO TO 80
1000
                                                    the
         tables
CLS
LET a=
imes
1005
               a=INT (RND*13)
b=INT (RND*13)
INKEY*="m" THEN
1010
         IFT.
1020
                                              x "; b; "
                           10,9;a;
                     AT
                                            X
```

1040 INPUT "Please enter your gu SUB 9000 1063 BEE r 17,0;"Sorry t correct answer that r is PRINT AT 10,21;a**
PAUSE 0
IF INKEY\$="m" THEN RUN
GO TO 1000
PRINT AT 0,6;"Test on
times table" 2000 on a par ticular ti 2010 INPUT le you wish to be tested on ";t 2020 LET a=INT (RND*13) 2025 IF INKEY\$="m" THEN RUN 2030 CLS 2040 PRINT AT 10,10;a;" x ";t;" 2040 2050 INPUT "Please enter your gu ; 9 IF ess 2055 INKEY = "" " THEN g=a*t THEN g=a*t THEN IF g=a*t THEN GO SUB 9000
IF g=a*t THEN GO TO 2020
FOR f=1 TO -20 STEP -1: BEE
./: NEXT /: PRINT AT 15,0;" IF 2050 2065 2070 P .0 .01, f: NEX; .cry that is WRI res is ";a*t 15,0; " correct Sorry that is WRONG.
answer is ";a*t
2080 PAUSE 0: GO TO
9000 FOR f=1 TO 30:
RND*8): BEEP .01,f:
9010 PRINT AT 5,10;
rect": PAUSE 0: RETU WRONG. 5050 30: BORDER INT (l,f: NEXT / 10: FLASH 1;"Cor RETURN

VIC20

Defender Tim Davey PORIRUA

This is a program for the Unexpanded VIC20. It is a type of defender scene. It asks for a speed at which to move a ship, 1 being the slowest. It can easily be made to work on the Commodore 64.

1 POKE36879,24 2 PRINT"" INPUT"SPEED";D 7 PRINT"D" 10 PRINT"> 3" ___ " 15 FORK=1T070 20 PRINT"斑貝 IIII" 30 POKE36878,15 40 POKE36877,220 50 FORT=1TOD: NEXT 60 NEXTK 70 POKE36877,0 111 PRINT"DOL 112 PRINT" SOMO SE 115 FORT=1T05000:NEXT 120 RUN

THE N.Z.
COMPUTER
GAMES CLUB

APPLE

C64

CALLING ALL HOME COMPUTER and HOME VIDEO GAMES SYSTEM OWNERS

MEMBERSHIP OF THE N.Z. COMPUTER GAMES CLUB MEANS YOU CAN:

- 1. Hire computer and video games to try in your home before purchasing.
- 2. Hire games on a weekly basis at a fraction of their cost and exchange for different games when you wish.
- 3. Purchase games by mail from the largest selection in N.Z. at discount prices.

Fill In The Form Below For Details Of Cost. Titles Available Etc.

Post to: THE N.Z. COMPUTER GAMES CLUB,
P.O. Box 93, Rangiora. Phone 6200 Rangiora.

Name
Address

ATARI 400/800 SYS80 VIC 20 SPECTRUM
ATARI CX2600 TRS 80 ZX81 WIZZARD

FOUNTAIN

VZ200

TUNIX

BBC

PET

SEGA 3000

SPECTRUM COMMODORE 64 VIC-20 BBC Software

Over 100 titles available from the follow leading British Software Houses

(watch out for their ads in o/seas mags)

Software House Top Selling Title

Legend Valhalla Manic Miner Bug-Byte Mikro-Gen Mad Martha Bear Bovver Artic Automata Pimania, Groucho R&R Software Gnasher, Star Trek Tasman Tasword II Phipps Assoc. The Forest Black Crystal Carnell Image Systems Spelling Bee Cambell Systems Masterfile Comp. Rentals LtdGlug Glug

NEW RELEASES

SPECTRUM

Valhalla — Legend 48K \$49.95 St Bernard — Carnell 48K \$34.95 Dominoes — Phipps 16K \$19.95 SAS Assault — Mikro-gen 48K \$24.95 Cavern Fighter - Bug Byte 48K \$24.95

COMMODORE 64

Twin Valley Kingdom — Bug Byte \$34.95
Valhalla — Legend \$49.95
Derby Day — CRL \$29.95
Omega Run — CRL \$29.95

VIC-20

Cosmiads — Bug Byte\$24.95Panic — Bug Byte\$24.95Chess — Bug Byte\$24.95Gammon — Bug Byte\$24.95

BBC

Pimania — Automata \$24.95 Test Match — CRL \$29.95 Old Father Time — Bug Byte \$34.95 Cit Defence — But Byte \$29.95

Selected titles are available at Whitcoulls and leading retailers throughout New Zealand or order direct by enclosing cheque/postal order to:

Software Supplies P.O. Box 865 Christchurch

FUII catalogue available be sending S.A.E. to above address.
Trade Enquiries Welcome.
NEW: Centronics Interface for Spectrum by Tasman (UK).
Fully compatible with Tasword II and Masterfile.
Ribbon Cable and Software supplied

Catalogue available on sending S.A.E.

96



Trade inquiries welcome

"The 3D expert MALCOLM EVANS"

Escape for 16K Spectrum One of the best and most original games we have seen for the Spectrum' Sinclair User

3D Monster Maze for 16K ZX81 'Brilliant, Brilliant, Brilliant. Popular Computing Weekly 3D Defender for 16K ZX81 'Another 3D Winner' Sinclair User.

Corridors of Genon for 48K Spectrum Knot in 3D for 48K Spectrum 'the most outstanding thing you'll see for a long time' Popular Computing Weekly

3D Tunnel for 16K/48K Spectrum A masterpiece of programming Computer and Video Games.

and new 'Trashman' in 3D compatable with interface and Joysticks. Time Scape 'Wild West Hero'

Up to 80 moving characters on the Screen at one time. Quoted as: Better than ultimate games.

Plus our other Quality games. Available from your local Sinclair agent

if not write direct to:



P.O. Box 80-075 Auckland 7.

See us at the Microcomputer Fair

[Stand 52]

IF YOU LIKE THE COMMODORE 64 You'll Love The Spectravideo SV 328.



SV328 PERSONAL COMPUTER

Whilst the SV-318 is the home computer "with everything we have been waiting for," the SV-328 fills another important niche. The SV-328 is specially designed for the advanced home computer used as well as for small business applications.

- 32k ROM Expandable to 96K
 80K RAM expandable to 144K
 Built-In SV Microsoft Extended BASIC
- Z80A Microprocessor (3.6 MHz clock) Built-in CP/M Compatibility
- Full-Stroke Professional Keyboard with 89 Keys 10 User-Definable Functions
- 16 Colours
- 3 Sound Channels, 8 Octaves/Channel Programmable A.D.S.R. Envelope Top loading cartridge slot

GOTO SYSTEMS 1990

313 GREAT SOUTH ROAD, PAPAKURA. **TELEPHONE: 298-6317**

STOCKISTS OF

★ COMMODORE ★ COLOUR GENIE ★ SPECRAVIDEO * SINCLAIR SPECTRUM * ALL PHERIPARALS

MSX/SPECTRAVIDEO COMP. CLUB (New Zealand) P.O. Box 22-620, Otahuhu

The inauguration of the above-names club took place on March 21st at the VHF Clubrooms, Hazel Ave, Mt Roskill. The organizers of the club were pleasantly surprised by a very large attendance and if the present trend continues, we may have to look for more spacious clubrooms.

The objects of the club are to help the owners of SpectraVideo and anyone interested in programing in MSX Basic.

The club will meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7.30 p.m. in the VHF clubrooms, Mt Roskill.

BUY

- SELL -

SWAP

If you have software, hardware or anything else to do with computers that you would like to buy, sell or swap, then drop us a line and give us the details and we will put it in this section free of charge. On any correspondence please give full name, address and phone number and send it to -

> BUY - SELL - SWAP FREEPOST 671 P.O. BOX 39-278 **AUCKLAND WEST**

and remember, no stamp needed!!

FOR SALE: Dick Smith Super 80 home computer, full sized keyboard, 16K RAM, built-in basic, stacks of programs including Dungeon Dilemna cassette

\$100. For further details contact: Vance Murdoch, 89 South Rd, New Plymouth.

Phone: 510-031.

FOR SALE-SWAP: Two game cartridg for the Wizzard Computer. Tennis and Planet Defender — \$30 each or swap for different game(s). Ring before Nine O'Clock each day during the week.

> Greg Kroon **AUCKLAND** Ph: 679-585

FOR SALE: 16K Rom pack for the ZX81 — \$65.

> C. P. Smith 98 Main Rd TITAHI BAY Ph: 368-482

FOR SALE: "Gridrunner" game cassette for the Unexpanded VIC-20 - \$12.

WANTED TO SWAP: 3 VIC-20 Unexpanded games. Contact:

Chris Ryder, 207 Tiro Tiro Rd, Levin.

Phone: 84-312.

FOR SALE: 2½-year-old Sanyo colour TV, specially converted for videos. Suitable for use as high quality monitor - \$650 ono.

David Stevens, 16 Archibald St, Dunedin.

Phone: 44-242.

FOR SALE: Mattel Aquarius colour and sound, complete with mini-expander, two games controllers and game cartridge. As new. — \$325.

> David J. Eke RD 9 **DARGAVILLE**



AICHLEY Industries Ltd.

P.O. BOX 7259, WELLESLEY ST., AUCKLAND.

SOFTWARE UPDATE

The latest software for Computers

Commodore 64, Spectrum, **VIC 20** Sega, and

FREE

SPECIAL OFFER

SPECIAL OFFER

SPECIAL OFFER

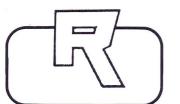
Members special discount prices.

» write now for membership form, giving details of your computer «

Name.....



Mail Order



Industries

P.O. BOX 7259, WELL'ESLEY ST., AUCKLAND.

COMMODORE 64

BEACH HEAD

57005

A peaceful island is being held by a ruthless dictator. As chief Commander you must obtain a quick naval victory and invade the island with land forces. It your troop succeed in penetrating the island detense systems, the most difficult challenge still remains, capturing the enemy fortress of KUHN HN

TEMPLE OF APSHAL*

Perform heoric deeds in the award-winning Temple of Apshar You grow stronger, more intelligent, and better equipped as you gain more experience One player

SPECIAL OFFER JUMPMAN*

save the Jupiter Command Centre from the fiendish ALIENATORS who have intiltrated the centre and planted bombs throughout its 30 levels. The mission diffuse the bombs. You must leap girders, climb ropes Now only

Journal Controlled 1.4 planers

\$ 79.95

PITSTOP *

Steer your race car around the track. Plan your race strategy carefully—the faster you go, the more fuel and tyres you burn up—the more pitstops you make the more time you lose.

1.4 planes Jourtick controlled

ZORK TRILOGY - SPECIAL OFFER

ZORK I.—The Great Underground Empire ZORK II—The Wizard of Frobozz

ZORK III. The Dungeon Master Vendable on disk only



598 00

STARFIRE

As a Startire commander you control the speed and direction of your ship. Manoeuver your craft into position. Let loose with a laser cannon blast and destroy the enemy before they destroy you and your base

FIRE ONE:

Destroy the enemy fleet before it reaches your home port. Tocate the enemy ships on your sonar screen. determine their range, then up periscope and torpedoes

STAR FIRE * and FIRE ONE * are available together on one Disk or Cassette - Joustick controlled - One planer

5-005

VIC-20

VIC-20 16K EXP

KRAZY KONG

GALACTIC ABDUCTORS

Experience the territying, releatlies sound of the approach of the Cybernetic space hawks. While you try to protect yourself from the awesome contents of their pods, they feed greedily on the helpless. humanoids. All machine code programme that tills the whole of the screen with stunning graphics while it feels your skills to the ultimate.

3D TIME TREK

A brilliant Star Trek game with a difference. Speciacular 3D graphics, real arcade action plus strategy against marauding space pirates.

STAR DEFENCE

Alten commandos and their robots are attacking in torce. Detend Earth. Full Detender-type action with Mutants. Landers and smart Bombs.

FIRE GALAXY

SKRAMBLE





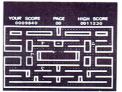
SEA INVASION

For the Unexpanded Vic 20 Fight off the attacking sea creatures for as long as you can Watch out for the crabs, startish



MARTIAN RAIDER

For the Unexpanded Vic 20 Skim as close as you dare to the surface of the planet, devastating the Martian cities, shooting down the ground to air missiles and UFOs, dodging or blasting the





For the Unexpanded Vic 20 A computer maltunction throws you off course, where you encoun-ter the evil Sistorian space fortress You must battle with its various deadly detence torces, then des

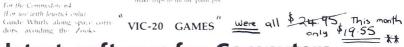


MINI KONG

BATTLEFIELD

The enemy has assembled in strength and is attacking. Destroy them and set up barriers by flying your glider across the battlefield. 10 levels and 10 screens.

A fast moving conneal game involving skill and strategy. Sam, the painter man, is chased by woodvorms he invovers while painting a large area. He must paint with skill to is olate them and make trips to fill the paint pot.



The latest software for Computers

Sega, VIC 20 and ZX81 Commodore 64, Spectrum,

PAICHLEY Ind. Ltd

How to order

Simply fill in the relevant sections on the order form Note that there is no postage or packing to pay on purchases. Please allow 28 days for delivery.

SPECIAL OFFER

Members special discount prices.

See Page 10

1	enclose	а	cheque/postal	orde
---	---------	---	---------------	------

*Please charge to my Visa/Bankcard Expiry Date.....

*Delete/complete as applicable

Signature

Mr/Mrs/Miss

Address

(Please print)

REWARDS



If this letter is published it will be my third "Rewards" letter in consecutive issues of your magazine! I don't say this as something to be proud of, I would much prefer that such a column wasn't necessary in your magazine — although the \$10 cheques are welcome! Suffice to say that I feel you have plenty of room for improvement.

Anyway, down to the error that I've spotted. It occurs in my machine code scroll program for the Commodore 64 that you included in the March '84 issue. Readers may have noticed an ominous looking gap at the bottom of page 35 following the notes about the program. As the first twenty lines of code in the program were missing, and as the gap seems just about enough for twenty lines, I can only presume that somebody at COMPUTER INPUT has been somewhat careless.

Anybody trying to run the program will have noticed that although it doesn't crash, "Example 8" just displays a few rows of very dull looking @ characters. This is because the dimensioning and initialisation of the arrays used in the example are in the missing lines. Also, any attempt to use the machine code in readers' own programs would have been hampered by the fact that the information required to use the machine code was also part of the missing code. Could you please include the missing lines in your April issue. One other very minor error is that in the notes accompanying the listing paragraph two should say ". . . just the screen characters or just the colours of

On program listing legibility I found that Bruce Brodie's program on Page 40 was too faded to read in several places and my own program on page 36 would definitely have benefitted from a better quality printer. It is important, especially in machine code programs, to have a very clear listing. Why couldn't both programs mentioned have been printed with a device such as that used for John Algar's program on Page 30. That was very clear — nothing should drop below that standard.

Frank Topp WELLINGTON

An unfortunate mishap in the March issue. Also the photographs on Page 11 were completely missed out (as well as the begining of your program on Page 35).

Apparently, during the printing process, the film which carried both pieces of material was mislaid. Although we try to keep track of the production from go to whoa, there are some processes that are beyond our control.

Most other mistakes have, up to now, come from two sources: The first is type-setting. Proof-reading has straightened a lot out in the last few issues (as well as a new typesetter!). The second, unfortunately, we have very little control over. Print-outs & copy received from our readers. We have been completely astounded by people claiming rewards from programs which were sent "as is" to us.

Despite the excuses, we are contrinually trying to make sure the content of COMPUTER INPUT is accurate. Who knows? Maybe one day we may have an issue completely mistake-free!

ED.

I spotted a mistake in your March iss of COMPUTER INPUT.

Page 22, the article "The Sega and Machine Code" had an item missing from the data line. Line 50 should read: 50 DATA &HCA, &HOF, &HAO, &HCD, &HOO, &H24

The byte inserted is the MSB of the JPZ instruction.

Alan Telford HASTINGS

I have spotted an error on Page 7 "Eric's Answers" under the Sega SC-3000 in line 90. It should be 90 GOTO 90.

Jeffrey McAlister MT EDEN

> Alistair Webb TE HANA

Sorry to gripe, but the C64 program on Page 40 of the March issue includes a couple of illegible numbers, in my copy anyway.

N. Woollaston NELSON

In the listing of "Parachute" for the SEGA SC-3000 in the March issue, the end of line 90 reads "ON A GOTO 100, 110, 120" where actually there is no line 110 printed in the magazine.

Andrew Selby WOODEND

I have discovered a mistake in the listing for the "Parachute" game in your March issue. It is that line 110 is missing. I assume it should be there because in line 90 there is a GOTO 110 statement. Looking forward to a reply.

T. Swain CHRISTCHURCH

It appears Brian Brown did include a line 110 on his original listing, then, however, he "twinked" it out, leaving the gap between the lines and the reference in line 90. To rectify the situation, either delete the reference to line 110 in line 90, or add the following line.

110 IFZ<1THENZ=31

ED

Congratulations! \$5 on the way to you all!



COMPETITIONS

ERROR COMPETITION

TEE SHIRT SALES

The prices are as follows:

•	Price	Price			
Size	(Sub)	(Non-Sub)			
22-32	\$ 9.00	\$10.00			
34-38	\$11.00	\$12.00			
40-44	\$13.00	\$14.00			

The choices are:

A. COMPUTER INPUT — New Zealand's tastiest byte.

B. COMPUTER INPUT — love at first bute.

C. COMPUTER INPUT.

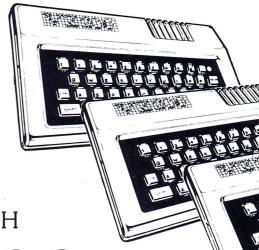
We will increase the choices as demand increases.

Please include your name, address, phone number, chest syze, choice of colour and choice of wording (A, B, C) on all orders.

NO ONE FOUND IT!

So our competition to find the deliberate error in COMPUTER INPUT continues. (Again **NOT** in the program listings).

The prize for finding the error is: A



DICK SMITH

VZ 200

computer system worth a total of \$450.

SEGA WINNER RECEIVES PRIZE



MR P. E. HUGHES the winner of the "Computer Input Is . . ." competition gets to grips with his new SEGA SC-3000 at COMPUTER INPUT.

FOR EXISTING SUBSCRIBERS ONLY

We continue this month with the Competitions Competition!! All you have to do is to tell us what kind of competition's you'd like to see in Computer Input and what kind of prizes should be

offered. The best ideas will be awarded "Computer Input" tee-shirts (also, should your idea for a competition be accepted – you won't be eligible to win it.)

Each month a **Program of the Month** will be chosen from those received that month. This puts the author in the running for **Program of the Year**, the overall prize for which is yet to be announced (and guaranteed to be worthwhile).

Each program will be judged on graphics, sound, setting out, playing levels and so on. Obviously the computer used will be taken into account.

PROGRAM OF THE MONTH

April '84 goes to **DEREK RICHARDS** of PAPAKURA for his "Thunderbird" program for the Commodore 64.

The "Program of the Year" entries so far are:

PETER McCARROLL, LOWER HUT — DEC '83. PAT POLAND, TE AKAU — FEB '84. PAUL BONNINGTON — MAR '84. DEREK RICHARDS, PAPAKURA — APR '84.

By the looks of things, someone's going to have a brand new computer system next Christmas!!

BRAIN TEASER CROSSWORD

Just fill the Crossword of computing jargon in and send it to us — fast!

The first correct entry received will win a software package for the sender's computer.



2		1		3	Г	4			6
						2	5		
3									
4	i	7	8			9	10		
					5				11
6									
8						7			
						9		5/4	

ACROSS

- 1 A command which moves cursor down one line or to move paper up (8)
- ! Universal code (5)
- 3 Command to proceed to another line (5)
- 4 A small computer based on a microprocessor (13)
- 5 You won't see this on a black or white TV (6)
- 6 The part of the computer that stores information (6)
- 7 A representation of a command (5)
- 8 A device with which you can view the video output (7)
- 9 The Baud _______ is the speed at which the computer processes information (4)

DOWN

- 1 A command to get a print out (5)
- What you type into the computer (7)
- 3 There are two types of these, mathematical and string (8)
- 4 To edit a mistake in a line (5)
- 5 Abreviation command to wipe the screen (3)
- 6 A device which gives you a hard copy (7)
- 7 Without ______ statements the computer doesn't know what to do (7)
- 8 You use the keyboard to the computer (7)
- 9 Device which produces a hard copy of graphics (7)
- 11 Command to commence program (3)

Please, on any correspondence to "Computer Input" state exactly what section the material is intended for. i.e. BRAIN TEASER, TEE-SHIRT COMPETITION, CLUB PAGE, SPECTRUM INPUT ETC. We have received a number of programs and have not been sure whether they were for the software section or competition. So please designate clearly what your material is for.

As usual the address is:

FREE POST 671 NOMAC PUBLISHING LTD. P.O. BOX 39-278 AUCKLAND WEST

> NO STAMP REQUIRED

Reviewing the



acorn electron



COMPUTER

COMPUTER INPUT
COMPUTER INPUT
Rew Zealand's fastest-growing
Home Computing magazine.
Home Please support our advertisers.

PUBLISHING



COMPUTER PUT

COME AND

COMPUTER INPUT is YOUR magazine!

WHAT'S YOUR GAME?

ALPINE BRINGS YOU THE WORLD'S **BEST SOFTWARE**

LITTLE WIZARD/MICROFLEX (USA)

REBEL DEFENDER (VIC) ULTIMATE TANK (VIC & 64) TERMINAL (UK) CHIMP CHASE (VIC) COSMIC CRYSTALS (VIC) BLASTEROIDS (VIC)

CRIBBAGE (VIC & 64) ASSEMBLER/EDITOR (VIC) METEOR BLASTER VIC AMORTISATION (VIC) VIC TRIP & PARTY PLANNERS

MAIL IT (VIC & 64) STOCK MASTER (VIC & 64)
SPECTRUM GAMES
SPACE INTRUDERS TRONIC CYCLE (VIC & 64) SUPER SPRITE (64)

PHOTOTRONICS (UK) BLACK GOLD (64)

HOLOCAUST (64) GLOBETROTTER (64) **BANANA REPUBLIC (64)** ARMAGEDDON (64) LOST IN SPACE (64) BOMBER (64) NINE LIVES (64)

I.J.K. (UK)

STAR TREK (BBC) CANDY FLOSS (BBC) **HANGMAN** KRYPTOGRAM DICE BEETLE GRAND NATIONAL MUSIC (BBC) MUTANT INVADERS BREAKOUT (BBC) BEEP-BEEP (BBC) BEEBMUNCH (BBC) SUPER HANGMAN (BBC) 3D MAZE (BBC) FLAGS (BBC) HYPERDRIVE (BBC) INVADERS (BBC) ATLANTIC (BBC) STRATOBOMBER (BBC) LEAP FROG (BBC) PONTOON AND PATIENCE 5-A-SIDE SOCCA (BBC)

SCRAMBLE

GET LOST **REVERSI/LINE UP 4 GRIDDER** TERMINAL INVADERS

METEOR STORM THE CHESS PLAYER **EASYSPEAK** TIME GATE MINED OUT **TRADER** A WORD PROCESSOR ASTRO BLASTER ASTRO BLASTER FRFN7Y

VIC 20 GAMES **TORNADO**

SKYHAWK SUBSPACE STRIKER & ZOR AQUAPLAN (64) STARQUEST & ENCOUNTER QUINTIC WARRIOR HARVESTER & BRAINSTORM THE GENERATORS PIXEL POWER

ATARI PROGRAMS

MAGIC WINDOW

BBC PROGRAMS

MINED-OUT MUSIC PROC. WIZARD **PROTECTOR**

DRAGON GAMES MINED OUT

SIMON HESSEL (UK) TRAVEL GAME (BBC)

INHERITANCE (BBC) G.B. LIMITED (BBC)

SPECTRUM ZX81 **VIC 20 COMMODORE 64**

DRAGON 32

BBC

QUICKSILVER **ZX81 GAMES**

CROAKA CRAWLA **MUNCHEES GALAXIANS & GLOPS** SUBSPACE STRIKER & ZOR TRADER STARQUEST & ENCOUNTER PIONEER TRAIL DAMPER & GLOOPER COSMIC GURFILLA OCEAN TRADER **BLACK STAR** QS DEFENDA **QS ASTEROIDS** OS INVADERS **QS SCRAMBLE PURPLE TURTLES** RING OF POWER

BEER-ART **BUYABOO TRIUXX**

GRID RUNNER ANT ATTACK

SYNTAX (CANADA) **CYCLONS 64 (64)**

CYCLONS (VIC) CRITTERS (VIC) TANK WAR (VIC) CRABS (VIC)

ROMIK SOFTWARE

SWORD OF HRAKEL PEDES AND MUTANTS QUADRANT **ALPHOIDS**

MULTISOUND SYNTHESIZER (VIC) TIME DESTROYERS (VIC) MOONS OF JUPITER (VIC) SEA INVASION (VIC) SPACE FORTRESS (VIC) MIND TWISTERS (VIC) STRATEGIC COMMAND (DRAGON) SUPER NINE (ZX81) MARTIAN RAIDER (VIC) SHARK ATTACK (VIC)

ANIROG (UK)

KRAZY KONG (VIC) ZENO II (VIC) GALACTIC ABDUCTORS (VIC) FROG RUN (VIC & 64 & SPECTRUM) CRAWLER (VIC) DOTMAN (VIC) CAVERN FIGHTER (VIC & 64) PHARAOH'S TOMB (VIC) ZORKS KINGDOM (VIC) TINY TOTS 7 (VIC & SPECTRUM) GAMES PACK 1 (VIC) GAMES PACK 2 (VIC) SLAP DAB (VIC, SPECTRUM) MOON BUGGY (64) 3D TIME TREK (VIC & 64) THE DUNGEONS (VIC) **OUR OWN NEW ZEALAND** MONOPOLY64 DELTA RACE

ERICS MATHS TUTOR PROWORD/64 WORDPROCESSOR **BREAKEVEN C64** DIG DUG (VIC) KNIGHTS QUEST (VIC) LUTHUATHIA RAID (VIC) CRICKET (64) PAINT PIC (64) MAC GAMES (UK) SPACE TRAVEL

GAMES PACK 1 ABERSOFT (UK) **INVADERS (ZX81)**

MAZEMAN (ZX81 & SPECTRUM) ADVENTURE 1 (ZX81 & SPECTRUM) CHESS 1-4 (ZX81)

THE WIZARD'S WARRIORS (SPECTRUM)

NEW ZEALAND PROGRAMMES FULLY SUPPORTED — ROYALTIES PAID

AVAILABLE FROM YOUR LOCAL COMPUTER DEALER RIGHT NOW OR VERY SOON -(DEALER ENQUIRIES MOST WELCOME)



WHAT GOOD IS THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY IF YOU CAN'T AFFORD IT?



BUT NOW, AT ONLY

WOLL CAN

The best technology at the best price. That's the Sega promise. So, if you want to know what state-of-the-art really means, familiarize yourself with the new standards of performance set by Sega.

The latest Sega SC 3000 will keep the family entertained for hours with its vast selection of arcade games. Enjoy the challenge of these thrilling games, recreated on your own TV screen with colourful, high-definition, quality graphics.

The streamlined keyboard ensures the easiest operating ever for those itchy trigger fingers. And if all the famous arcade games aren't hard enough, you can even programme your own.

Because the Sega SC 3000 is a computer, not just a video games machine, its other diverse uses include being an invaluable educational tool. A means of creative expression. Even an indispensible financial organiser.

Imagine how much more readily children will study their school subjects with the help of the SC 3000. Or how inspired any enthusiastic artist will be by the musical and 16 colour, graphic cartridges available.

And your Sega SC 3000 can grow with your family's changing needs. Joystick, printer and cassette deck are just some of its many low-cost expansion capabilities.

Seeing is believing, so don't buy a home computer without seeing the Sega SC 3000 first.
You'll be convinced that you need look no further.

GRANDSTAND



HOME COMPUTERS.

SPECIFICATIONS

- 32 independent sprites
 48K expandable memory
- 16K video ram - screen text 38 x 24

THE BRAINS OF THE FAMILY.