

HP-35A January 4, 1972 USA

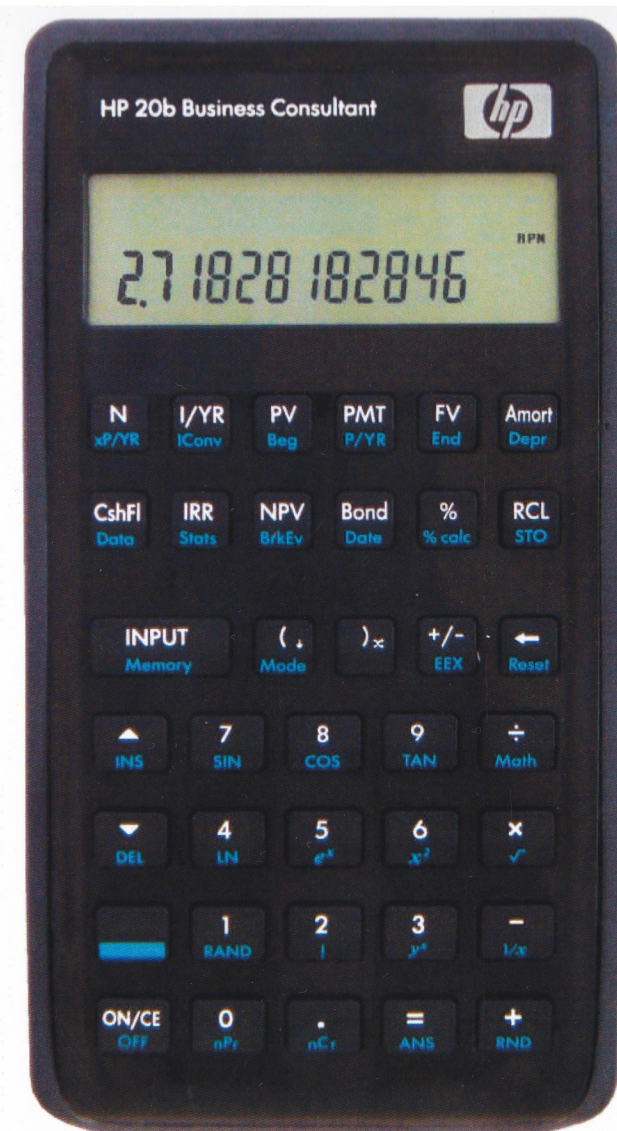


2009 Calendar of HP Personal Calculators

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2008

Celebrating 36 HP Years
1972 – 2008


January 2009 through December 2009



HP 20b June 10, 2008 Germany



This Calendar of HP Personal Calculators

up grades the  version originally suggested by Jake Schwartz over dinner at the 2007 Consumer Electronics Show in January in Las Vegas. Richard Nelson also thought it was a great idea because it could be done several times, it could cover a wide range of topics of interest to the HP Calculator User Community, and it would help document HP calculator history. Everyone needs a calendar and this “project” seemed especially practical. The first version (16 months) was thought financially possible because HP provided the HHC 2007 meeting facilities. This saves the attendees the \$ 1,500 room rental cost for typical hotel meeting facilities.

HP also provided the HHC 2008 meeting facilities, but a 2009 calendar was not complete and acceptable in terms of the planned theme content of being dedicated to the people of HP calculators – based on attendee comments. The HHC 2008 Conference Committee decided (at registration time in Corvallis) to financially separate the calendar project from the HHC 2008 Conference and the registration donation was reduced from the normal \$40 - \$50 to \$20. The calendar project last year, along with a slight HHC 2008 surplus (\$277) provided \$1,246 as seed money for printing the 2009 edition. See details in Appendix F of the *HHC 2008 Conference Report* posted on the HHC 2008 web site, <http://holyjoe.net/hhc/>.

The HHC 2008 Conference Committee worked on revising the 2008 Calendar and the result is what you see here. Initially there was concern that the original calendar could be made significantly better. The first improvement was redesigning the calendar to make the monthly date pages black and white. Reducing the number of full color pages reduced the cost (quantity dependent) to about half of the initial 2007/08 version. In order to better differentiate this calendar from the previous version we changed the background colors. The colors were chosen and ordered using a standard numerical color code. The table below provides additional improvement details. 200 Calendars were printed.

#	Month	Page/Series	2009 Edition Changes	#	Month	Page/Series	2009 Edition Changes
1	January	Classic <small>brown</small>	Added Sharon Butterfield & 35 logic board photos	8	August	Clamshell <small>gray</small>	Added Never-built hp19bII+ 2006 concept
2	February	Woodstock <small>red</small>	Added "HP67 is really a Woodstock" photo	9	September	Pioneer <small>Lt brown</small>	Added HP17bII+ gold and silver
3	March	Top Cat <small>orange</small>	Added "Bearcat" 95C codename	10	October	Charlemagne <small>Lt red</small>	Added photos of four Corvallis alumni
4	April	Sting/Roo/Titan	Added HP01 at 7/77	11	November	Student <small>Lt orange</small>	Added Xpander and Streamsmart 400
5	May	Spice/Spike <small>green</small>	Added William Kahan photo (HHC79)	12	December	ACO/San Diego <small>Lt Yelo</small>	Added hp 10bII new case and HP 20b
6	June	Nut <small>blue</small>	Added photos of clear cassette drive	13	Aux. 1	Named machines <small>Lt gm</small>	New
7	July	Voyager <small>violet</small>	Added Cyrille de Brebisson photo discussing 12C+	14	Aux. 2	All HP Calculators <small>Lt blu</small>	New

Thanks to Gene Vicino at HP for providing introduction date and code name information on the recent machines.

Extensive research was required to determine the date of announcement for many models. Most questions indicated in the 2008 version have been resolved. Some cancelled models (machines manufactured, manuals printed, etc.) are so well known that they had to be included. Recent machines are more easily prototyped and one of these is also included. Some dates were determined from the shows where they were announced.

The penultimate calendar page shows all of HP’s calculators from the HP-35A to the three new machines announced at CES on January 7th, 2009.

From a technical perspective the calendar was produced in Word ('09 covers, and date pages) and Paint Shop Pro (fourteen '09 photo pages). The individual files were converted to PDF files which were digitally printed by Alpha Graphics in Mesa AZ.

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