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Club news

Each month in INTERFACE we feature news and contact addresses for local user groups. Please let us know if you've formed your own ZX80, ZX81 or Acorn Atom/Proton user groups.

The North London Hobby Computer Club has a ZX80/81 users group

meeting each Monday night from 6-9 pm. It is held at the North London Polytechnic, Holloway Road, London, N7 (diagonally opposite Holloway Road tube station)

If you'd like to join a London-based Atom/Proton user group, ring C Holt on 01-427 6088 or M Jaffer on 01-429 0842.

Other local groups:

- Roger Pyatt, 23 Arundel Drive, Orpington, Kent (66) 20281.
 Austin Knott, 269 Telegraph Road, Deal, CT14 9EJ.
- Christoph Moeller, Gross Kurfurstenstasse 41a, 4800 Bielefeld 1,
- Danmarks Nationale ZX80 og ZX81 Club, Skovmosvej 6, 4200 Slagelse Dk Denmark
- Steve Brumby, 38 Eastfield Road, Messingham, Scunthorpe, Sth Humberside
- ◆ Ken Knight, 22 Mount Street, Aylesbury, Bucks, HP20 2SE (0296)
- David Blagden, PO Box 159, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey, KT2 5YQ.
 Anthony Quinn, Heckenrosenweg 6, 3170 Gifhorn, W. Germany.

- Conrad Roe, 25 Cherry Tree Avenue, Walsall, WS5 4LH. Ian Watt, 107 Greenwood Road, Clarkeston, Glasgow. J Palmer, 56 Meadowfield Drive, Edinburgh (031-661 3181).
- Leeds Microcomputer Users Group. Meets fortnightly on Thurs eve in Leeds, new members welcome. Contact: Paul O'Higgins, 20 Brudenell Mt, Leeds 6, tel: (0532) 742347 after 6.
- Manchester Atom Users' Group. Meets last Tues monthly during school terms at Abraham Moss Centre, Crescent Rd, Manchester 8. Contact: John Ashurst, 061-370 5121 ext 27 (day), 061-681 4962 (eves).
- Medway Atom Users' Group. Meets last Tues monthly during school terms at St John Fisher School, Ordnance St, Chatham. Contact: Clem Rutter, (0634) 42811 (day).
- Would anyone interested in forming a computer club in the Portsmouth area please contact Dave Cocker on Portsmouth 751156
- Brunel Computer Club: meets alternate Wednesdays, 1900-2200 hrs at St Werburgh's Community Centre. Contact: Mr R Sampson, 4 The Coots,
- Worle Computer Club: meets alternate Mondays 1900-22.30 at Woodsprings Inn Function Rooms. Contact: S Rabone, 18 Castle Rd, Worle, Weston-Super-Mare, Avon, tel: 0934 513068.
- KAOS—the official 6502 users' group of Australia. Has a range of projects within special interest groups: hardware, software, amateur radio, Pascal, education. Publishes monthly newsletter. Contact: Mr Ian Eyles, 10 Forbes St,
- Essondon, Victoria, Australia 3040.

 P Compton, 29 North Marine Road, Scarborough, Nth Yorks, Y012 7EY.
- Alan Gunnell, 66 Nursery Road, Hookend, Nr Brentwood, Essex
- Jonathan Meyer, Vanspaen Straat 22, 6524 H.N. Nymegen, Holland.

Royston H Wallis, 22 Mallard Crescent, Pagham, Bognor Regis, West Sussex, PO21 4UU.

Raymond Betx, Chemin du Moulin 38, 1328 Ohain, Belgium

If you write to us, please allow up to a month for a reply. We get over 130 letters a day now, so the backlog, at times, can be pretty bad. The 44-46 Earls Court Road address is just for mail. There is nobody working there who is associated with the club, so a visit to the address is fruitless.

The North London Hobby Computer Club's ZX81 User Group has printed the first issue of their newsletter which points out that the group feels it is not getting a reasonable share of the larger groups resources, considering the proportion of members involved. A "heavy" committee meeting was proposing to try and rectify the situation. The group also pointed out that they had been given the business card of Chris Robins, CWR Developments, 6 Jackson Road, Islington, N7 6EJ, who does ZX81 repairs. The group has for sale a number of ZX81 dust covers (plastic wallet type) for f2.95. The committee in charge of the group is Harry Binysh, Irving Brand, Dennis Menich and John Maunsell. You can contact the group at the Polytechnic of North London, Holloway Road, London N7 8DB (tel: 01-607 2789).

Paul King has written to INTERFACE from Hassocks, in West Sussex. His group is called the ZX Microcomputer Users Group, and he explains:

We meet in members' houses to save the expense of hiring a hall, which must limit membership to the immediate area, BUT we are more than willing to put folk from other areas in Mid-Sussex in touch with each other if they would care to give me a call (tel: Hassocks 4530). In particular, anyone willing to take on *organising* such groups would obviously be most welcome.

Our aims are mutual assistance, program and literature exchange and the furtherance of the many uses to which these machines can be put. Meetings are informal and at present are held in those members' houses which are capable of accommodating us (which could call for a limit on numbers and/or the formation of a second group)

Membership is free but we leave something – currently 10p per head – for heat and light and any refreshments which may be offered. We try to meet every fourth-week subject to a host being able to offer meeting space. Inability to make such offers is no bar to membership. Members are invited to give their phone numbers and/or addresses for communication to other members, such

information being given on the clear understanding that calls will only be made

at reasonable hours with due regard to Sundays and other holidays!

It is also suggested that a register of books, programs, hardware, etc., owned by members be kept, with the prime aim of enabling prospective purchasers to see what is available before buying. With a little luck we shall then all only buy one item of doubtful value which will serve as a warning to others! What must be almost mandatory however, is the labelling of anything you bring along to our meetings, be it your computer, power supply, recorder, cassettes, programs, books, magazines, etc. If everyone does this the sorting out at the end of the meeting should be easy with no problems as to who owns what. We shall try to avoid any "management structure" worth the name, but obviously someone has to co-ordinate the activities, so we have:

Seniors co-ordinator Paul King Juniors co-ordinator David King 25 Fir Tree Way, Hassocks. Tel: Hassocks 4530.

Our arrangements for meetings must of necessity confine membership to residents of Hassocks and the immediate surrounding area but our coordinators would be pleased to put applicants from "foreign parts" in touch with each other. Where possible we use the "young persons" network at the local schools to circulate details of meetings and other activities, with other arrangements as necessary.

Inverclyde

The Inverciyde ZX Users' Club meets fortnightly on Mondays at Greenock in the halls of the Greenock Society for the Deaf, Kelly Street. Robert Watt (tel: 30067 evenings) has full information.

At the last meeting, the Club thought it would be a good idea if Sinclair could be approached to see if a list of contacts could be supplied with machines sold.

(Note from TIM: This is a very good idea. We'll try and put together a list of User Groups and then see what Uncle C thinks about it. Please let me know even if you are already being mentioned in INTERFACE - about your local club; meeting times, number of members, main contacts and the like, so we can create a good, up-to-date, comprehensive list). Just send this information, plus any other news on your local activities, to: Local Club News, National ZX Users Club, 44–46 Earls Court Road, London W8 6EJ).

George Merrill writes to us from the New Brighton Computer Club, Merseyside, pointing out that the group now has meetings every other Monday evening. Details on 051-639 6712. This club has just been started. New members will be made most welcome.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH 1K?

If your answer is "not much", then you must read the new book from V&H, 'What Can I Do With 1K? (40 programs and routines for the 1K Sinclair ZX81)'.

Here at last are some serious (and some fun!) programs which all run in 1K.

Don't be misled by the titles: 'Roulette' actually analyses gambling systems; 'Chinese Horoscope' reveals your birth sign, month sign, element and ascendant, 'Payroll' handles ALL tax bands. These are not just simple programs.

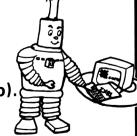
FREE OFFER!!!

A free listing of 'Chess in 1K' is included with all mail-orders mentioning this magazine!

'What Can I Do With 1K?' is available from most bookshops, computer shops, or direct from:-

V&H Computer Services ≰ 182c Kingston Rd. Staines Middx. Tel: Staines 58041

Price £4.95 (inc. p&p) Also available on cassette £4.95.



Aylesbury ZX Computer Club

The Aylesbury ZX Computer Club has been formed to help members get the most out of their Sinclair computer. The club provides a forum for the exchange of programs, hardware and ideas and help is always available from the more experienced members.

Members have access to a library of software, books and periodicals and the club also provides a newsletter which is growing with every issue.

Guest speakers and informal "teach-ins" are arranged from time to time on

subjects ranging from members' four-line programs to machine code.

Membership is open to anyone interested in Sinclair computers and costs £5.00 per year (£2.50 for under-17's and over-65's). No-one is expected to join on their first visit.

For more details of when they meet, or what other benefits you can expect, contact Ken Knight on Aylesbury (0296) 27446 during office hours.

Trowbridge

Dear INTERFACE,

As a ZX81 owner, I intend to start a Users Club in the Trowbridge area and would appreciate your assistance by publishing my name, address and telephone number in your magazine with a request for people interested to con-

Thanking you in anticipation.

L. HENSON, 2 Lark Down,

Trowbridge, Wilts. BA14 7JX. (Tel: Trow 67477)

Harlow

I thought it about time I told you about the Harlow Micro Users' Club. We have been meeting for six weeks now with a membership of about 15 regulars, half young ones and half not-so-young ones. I arrange for the hire of a suite of

rooms and collect 15 pence from everyone who wanders in, to cover costs.

The meetings are at Kingsmoor House, Parringdon Road, Harlow, from 7pm to 9.30pm every Monday night. Membership is open to anyone who dares enter. The atmosphere is as informal as we can keep it, with the emphasis on 'hands on'' experience and self-help so that non-owners can join in and learn about micro-computers.

As the club matures, members will be encouraged to form small informal groups for skill-sharing and discussion. Our long term aims are to set up a soft-ware library and act as a centre of information for local home-computer users. PETER KING.

Cardiff

Phoning Cardiff 371732 will get you Mike Hayes (54 Oakley Place, Grangetown, Cardiff) who helps organise "The 81 Club". Potential members are told the club is the "next best thing to your ZX81". As a member, you may telephone the club at any time for advice and information. The club also maintains a software library for use by club members.

Dear INTERFACE,

The Gwent Amateur Computer Club has been formed for several years to cater for all aspects of amateur computing in the South East Wales area.

I would be very grateful if you could bring this to the attention of

members, giving the address above for those who require information.

The club currently meets most Thursday evenings, around 7.30pm at St. Mary's Institute, Stow Hill, Newport.

IAN HAZELL (Secretary),

50 Ringwood Hill,

Newport, Gwent NPT 9EB

Sweden

Dear INTERFACE,

We would like to inform you that we have started a national users club for ZX81 here in Sweden. Would you please mention us in the next issue of INTER-FACE. The address is:

ZX81 Datorklubb, c/o Kenneth Nilsson, Drottninggarden 244 S-261 46 LANDSKRÓNA, Sweden.

Regards, KEN NILSONN.

The winner

The winner of our competition to write a three-handed draughts program for the ZX81 is 13-year-old C. P. Callender of Cove, Helensburgh, Dunbartonshire. The program runs in 3.5K on an 8K ROM machine. The listing follows, along with an assembly listing of the machine code subroutine used to print the board. It is POKEd into place by lines 9900 = 9992.

Congratulations! Your prize of £50.00 is on its way to you.

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3-HANDED"

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4050 PRINT "INPUT THE PLACE YOU WANT YOUR"

4060 PRINT "? TO BE MOVED FROM. INPUT THE"

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MICHAEL ORWIN'S ZX81 CASSETTES

CASSETTE ONE for 1K ZX81

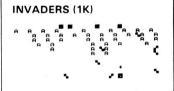
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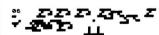
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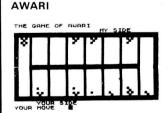


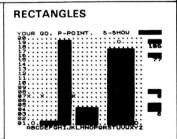
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Print A\$

I am pleased with my first copy of INTERFACE (Jan. 82) and hope that you

will soon be able to enlarge the monthly issues.

I should like to thank Sinclair Research for solving the problems with my ZX81. Those people, like L. Roffey and W. S. Meadows (see Jan. INTERFACE), who cannot get a response from Sinclair Research should try writing to the Sales Manager, Sinclair Research Limited, 6 King's Parade, Cambridge CB2

I think Jeremy Ruston has not understood Jacinta West's problems (see Ruston Replies). If Jacinta understands how the sine wave plotting program on page 119 of "ZX81 BASIC Programming" (ZX81 manual) works then she should be able to understand how this program works:

FOR N = Ø TO 126

PLOT N/2, 22 + 20*SIN(N/2/32*PI) 20

30 NEXT N

It is practically the same program but plots a contiguous graph. To explain how it works would require me to do a lot of hard work — I think one can easily intuit how it works by RUNning the program.

If Jacinta needs a routine which connects two points by a "straight" line

then she need look no further than page 121 of the ZX81 manual. I hope the above is of general interest.

Yours faithfully, SUBHASH M. PARMAR

Dear INTERFACE,

In Easter, I would have had my ZX81 for a year. I have been with INTER-FACE since last June. During this time I have seen some tips sent in to magazines which I had thought of, and cursed myself for not sending them in. Well, here is one tip I have never seen anywhere else. By POKEing 16389,76 it cuts off 10 seconds from the SAVEing time by not SAVEing the display on a

16K machine. It is already 76 on 1K machine.
One small point is on moving graphics. This program produces a moving dot - with flicker.

FOR A = 0 TO 31 10

20 PRINT AT 21,A;"*___"

NEXT A

One familiar BASIC line is: PEEK (PEEK 16398 + 256*PEEK 16399)

This tells you the CHR\$ at the current print position. I have devised a machine code routine to do this job quicker.

LD BC,(16398)

LD A,(BC) LD C,A LD B,0

Hex-code ED4BØE4Ø ØA. 4F

If this is poked into a REM statement the BASIC line can be replaced by: IF USR 16515 = \dots THEN \dots Why does Toni Baker in his book "Mastering VC" go about POKEing the

screen to simulate "PRINT AT" in machine code? There is already a sub-routine in the ROM.

PUSH BC PUSH HL PUSH DE

SAVE THE MAIN REGISTERS

This is equivalent to "PRINT AT B,C;" NOTE: This only changes to PRINT AT POSITION and does not print a CHR\$. MARTIN ROSE

Dear INTERFACE.

I am an A-level student in the process of starting a major project that forms one year of my design course. I am hoping to design and make a complete table for the ZX81 and accessories.

I would be extremely grateful if any ZX81 owners would be prepared to send me information on the problems that they have encountered when using their ZX81 and accessories. For example does your computer often crash due to the movement of the RAM pack, do cassettes get littered around the table being used, do you use a monitor or the families' television, does your cassette recorder work itself into awkward positions and any other features which you feel are important?

Please send return letters to: — JULIAN GILSTRAM, 25. Brander Drive. Knutsford, Cheshire, WA16 8ÉJ

Dear INTERFACE,

ZX81 ROM

With reference to the letter from Michael O'Donnell published in your January 1982 issue, let me say that I for one would be extremely interested in reading an article on the potential use of the part of ROM in which the characterset is stored.

I would be extremely interested in any article about using any part of the ROM. Furthermore, I would be interested to see a continuation of the series you started, twice, on Programming in Machine Code — you got about as far as telling us the deciminal codes for INC HL and RET, and that was it!

It seems to me that, loaded down as you must be up there with 16K RAM packs, printers, Acorn Atoms, etc., you have completely lost sight of the fact that a 1K or ZX81 is capable of so very much more if the user programs in Machine Code, making use of ROM sub-routines, rather than in BASIC. Do all our members really go charging off to buy a 16K RAM just as soon as they discover that their 1K ZX81 takes only 35 lines of BASIC with a minimal display?

Would you not be doing members a greater service if, instead of publishing 234-line Othello programs (and guess how this works!!), you published helpful explanatory articles on programming methods and techniques — particularly in the field of Machine Code and disassembly of the ROM, with which the capability of a 1K machine can be increased three – or four-fold?

D. P. RICHARDSON

PASCAL FOR HUMAN BEINGS:

Jeremy Ruston's first book - Pascal for Human Beings - has just been published by INTERFACE. The book contains a 12K compiler, dumped from the BBC Micro, which will run on most microcomputers using Microsoft.

The compiler will convert a Pascal program into its BASIC equivalent.

Contents of this fine new book:

- Simple Pascal programs
- How numbers work
- Variables (simple types)
- CHAR type variables and CONSTants
- Rudyards bit (IF)
- Standard functions
- FOR loops
- REPEAT UNTIL loops

- WHILE loops
- Arrays
- The CASE statement
- The TYPE declaration
- User defined functions
- User defined procedures
- The 12K compiler

You can order PASCAL FOR HUMAN BEINGS using the form inside the back cover.

ZX81 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Another new book from INTERFACE this month is written by Stephen Adams. This book -- 20 SIMPLE ELECTRONIC PROJECTS FOR THE ZX81 -- is the book for you if you hanker to build things to hook onto your computer to extend its usefulness.

Projects include a numeric key pad, score board, thermometer, burglar alarm and light pen. Details inside the back cover.

A new name — and two The launch magazines

With with launch of the ZX Spectrum, we've changed our name to the National ZX Users' Group. We've also decided that INTERFACE is getting a little crowded, so from now on there will be two magazines — ZX-INTERFACE for ZX80, ZX81 and Spectrum; and Acorn-INTERFACE for the Atom and the BBC Microcomputer.

We've had many discussions with club members at the last two computer shows. The splitting of INTERFACE is a result of many people's suggestions. As well, we'll try to make INTERFACE more "serious" as time goes on, to better serve the interests of club members who have advanced beyond the simple

BASIC program stage. We'd be interested in your views on this.

Recently we reviewed "Byteing Deeper into your ZX81" by Mark Harrison.

The publishers (Sigma) and distributers (John Wiley and Sons Ltd.) said the review was wonderful, but were miffed they had not been mentioned. Consider

The ZX Spectrum

The big news, of course, is the launch of Clive's new computer, the ZX Spectrum. A little wider than the ZX81, but not so deep, this is the first Sinclair computer which features keys, rather than a touch-sensitive membrane keyboard. It costs just £125 for the 16K version, around £170 for a 48K Spectrum. There is a built-in loudspeaker which is very easy to use (the command is SOUND, 1,2 where the first number is the length of the note in seconds, and the second is the pitch of the note, the higher the number the higher the note) as well as colour, which can be used for the screen, the writing and the border.

First impressions are most favourable, except that the "one key entry"

system is getting pretty complicated. You now have two different shift keys, which do different things, and some commands need you to press both at once, then press one of them again, before the command appears.

ZX81 compatibility

ZX81 BASIC is essentially a subset of ZX Spectrum BASIC. The differences are as follows.

FAST and SLOW: the ZX Spectrum operates at the speed of the ZX81 in FAST mode with the steady display of SLOW mode, and does not include these

SCROLL: the ZX Spectrum scrolls automatically, asking the operator oll?" every time a screen is filled.
UNPLOT: the ZX Spectrum can unplot a pixel using PLOT OVER, and thus

achieves unplot.

Character set: the ZX Spectrum uses the ASCII character set, as opposed to the ZX81 non-standard set.

ZX81 programs may be typed into the ZX Spectrum with very little change, but may of course now be considerably improved. The ZX Spectrum is fully compatible with the ZX Printer, which can now print out a full upper and lower case character set, and the high resolution graphics; using LLIST, LPRINT and COPY. ZX81 software cassettes and the ZX 16K RAM pack will not operate with the ZX Spectrum.

ZX MICROFAIR

New Century Hall, Corporation Street, Manchester. 29/30 May 1982 Saturday 10.00 - 8.30pm 10.00 - 5.30pm Sunday

Everything for the ZX80/81. Biggest selection anywhere. Hardwarem software, books, magazines, the National ZX80 and ZX81 Users' Club.

Admission - Adults - 50p, children 30p Advance tickets - adults £1, children 50p

Organiser: Mike Johnston, 71 Park Lane, Tottenham, N17 OHG

At the press conference to launch the computer, Uncle Clive was in fine form. He first told the press that there had been a lot of argument back at headquarters regarding the name of the new computer. The most popular choice, he said, was "Not the BBC Micro"

The press conference was most impressive. A demonstration program showing a chess board, with user-defined chess pieces, and a teletext-like display, was shown. Also unveiled, but no-one was allowed to touch the thing, was a "Microdrive", a small black box, smaller than a pack of cigarettes, which can hold 100K of program on a disc-like object (which we were not allowed to see). Uncle C announced he would load a program from the Microdrive. It took about $1\frac{1}{2}$ seconds to load a 48K program. The Microdrive will be available at the end of the year, for around £50. Up to eight of them can be connected at any one

Manuals

The Spectrum comes with two separate manuals, one for beginners, and a second one (which is not very much more complicated) for those who have previous experience of computing.

Dimensions

Width 233mm Depth 144mm Height 30mm

CPU/memory

Z80A microprocessor running at 3.5 MHz. 16K-byte ROM containing BASIC interpreter and operating system.

16K-byte RAM (plus optional 32K-byte RAM on internal expansion board) or 48K-byte RAM.

Keyboard

40-moving-key keyboard with full upper and lower case with capitals lock feature. All BASIC words obtained by single keys, plus 16 graphics characters, 22 colour control codes, and 21 user-definable graphics characters. All keys

Display

Memory-mapped display of 256 pixels × 192 pixels; plus one attributes byte per character square, defining one of eight foreground colours, one of eight background colours, normal or extra brightness and flashing or steady. Screen border colour also settable to one of eight colours. Will drive a PAL UHF colour TV set, or black and white set (which will give a scale of grey), on channel

Sound

Internal loudspeaker can be operated over more than 10 octaves (actually 130 semitones) via basic BEEP command. Jack sockets at the rear of computer allow connections to external amplifier/speaker.

Graphics

Point, line, circle and arc drawing commands in high-resolution graphics. 16 pre-defined graphics characters plus 21 user-definable graphics characters. Also functions to yield character at a given position, attribute at a given position (colours, brightness and flash) and whether a given pixel is set. Text may be written on the screen on 24 lines of 32 characters. Text and graphics may be freely mixed.

Colours

Foreground and background colours, brightness and flashing are set by BASIC INK, PAPER, BRIGHT and FLASH commands. OVER may also be set, which performs an exclusive — or operation to overwrite any printing or plotting that is already on the screen. INVERSE will give inverse video printing. These six commands may be set globally to cover all further PRINT, PLOT, DRAW or CIRCLE commands, or locally within these commands to cover only the results of that command. They may also be set locally to cover text printed by an INPUT statement. Colour-control codes, which may be accessed from the keyboard, may be inserted into text or program listing, and when displayed will override the

globally set colours until another control code is encountered. Brightness and flashing codes may be inserted into program or text, similarly. Colour-control codes in a program listing have no effect on its execution. Border colour is set by a BORDER command. The eight colours available are black, blue, red, magenta, green, cyan, yellow and white. All eight colours may be present on the screen at once, with some areas flashing and others steady, and any area may be highlighted extra bright.

Screen

The screen is divided into two sections. The top section - normally the first 22 lines — displays the program listing or the results of program or command execution. The bottom section - normally the last 2 lines - shows the command or program line currently being entered, or the program line currently being edited. It also shows the report messages. Full editing facilities of cursor left, cursor right, insert and delete (with auto-repeat facility) are available over this line. The bottom section will expand to accept a current line of up to 22

Cassette interface

The ZX Spectrum incorporates an advanced cassette interface. A tone leader is recorded before the information to overcome the automatic recording level fluctuations of some tape recorders, and a Schmitt trigger is used to remove noise on playback.

All saved information is started with a header containing information as to its type, title, length and address information. Program, screens, blocks of memory, string and character arrays may all be saved separately.

Programs, blocks of memory and arrays may be verified after saving to confirm successful saving.

Programs and arrays may be merged from tape to combine them with the existing contents of memory. Where two line numbers of variables names coincide, the old one is overwritten.

Programs may be saved with a line number, where execution will start immediately on loading.

The cassette interface runs at 1500 baud, through two 3.5 mm jack plugs.

Expansion port

This has the full data, address and control busses from the Z80A, and is used to interface to the ZX Printer, the RS232 and NET interfaces and the ZX

IN and OUT commands give the I/O port equivalents of PEEK and POKE.

Mathematical operations and **functions**

Arithmetic operations of +, -, \times , +, and raise to a power. Mathematical functions of sine, cosine, tangent and their inverses; natural logs and exponentials; sign function, absolute value function, and integer function; square root function, random number generator, and pi

Numbers are stored as five bytes of floating point binary — giving a range of $+3 \times 10^{-39}$ to $+7 \times 10^{38}$ accurate to $9\frac{1}{2}$ decimal digits.

Binary numbers may be entered directly with the BIN function.

=,>,<,>=,< = and <> may be used to compare string or arithmetic values or variables to yield 0 (false) or 1 (true). Logical operators AND, or and NOT yield boolean results but will accept 0 (false) and any number (true).

User-definable functions are defined using DEFFN, and called using FN.

They may take up to 26 numeric and 26 string arguments, and may yield string or numeric results.

There is a full DATA mechanism, using the commands READ, DATA and RESTORE

A real-time clock is obtainable.

String operations and **functions**

Strings can be concatenated with +. String variables or values may be compared with =,>,<,>=,<=,<> to give boolean results. String functions are VAL, VAL\$, STR\$ and LEN. CHR\$ and CODE convert numbers to characters and vice versa, using the ASCII code.

A very powerful string slicing mechanism exists, using the form a\$ (x TO y).

Variable names

Numeric — any string starting with a letter (upper and lower case are not distinguished between, and spaces are ignored). String — A\$ to Z\$.

FOR-NEXT loops — A-Z. Numeric arrays — A-Z. String arrays — A\$ to Z\$.

Simple variables and arrays with the same name are allowed and distinguished between.

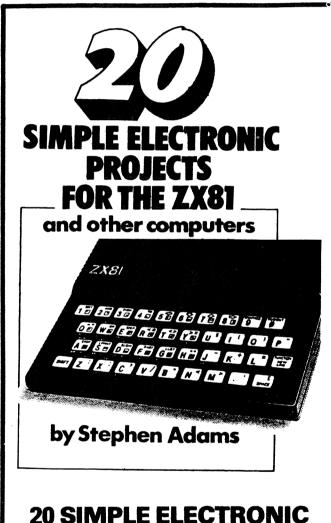
Arrays

Arrays may be multi-dimensional, with subscripts starting at 1. String arrays, technically character arrays, may have their last subscript omitted, yielding

Expression evaluator

A full expression evaluator is called during program execution whenever an expression, constant or variable is encountered. This allows the use of expressions as arguments to GOTO, GOSUB, etc.

It also operates on commands allowing the ZX Spectrum to operate as a calculator.



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Spectrum programs

```
1 REM ___Simon___

5 LET a$=""

10 FLASH 1

20 PAPER 7

30 FOR a=1 TO 7

32 PRINT AT 10,10; "Please stan

by"

35 BORDER RND *7

40 LET a#=a#45TP# (INT (PND *4))
       40 LET a$=a$+STR$ (INT (RND*4)
 +11
       45
                PAUSE 5
                NEXT a
FLASH 0: CLS
       50
   55 FLASH 0: CLS
60 LET x=1
70 FOR q=1 TO x
72 LET l=4*(CODE a$(q)-48)
73 LET t=UAL a$(q)
75 BEEP .05,10*t
80 PRINT AT l,7; INK t;""";"
";a$(q);AT l+1,7;"";AT l-1,7
       55
35 BORDER RND*7
90 PAUSE 20-x
100 PRINT AT (,7; INK 6;""";
AT (+1,7;"" AT (-1,7;"""")
102 PAUSE 4
105 CLS
110 NEXT q
120 FOR b=1 TO x
122 IF INKEY$<>"" THEN GO TO 12
\circ
123 LET t$=INKEY$
124 IF CODE t$=0 THEN GO TO 123
125 CLS
126 LET y=4*(CODE t$-48)
130 PRINT AT y,7; INK y,4;"
; t$;AT y-1,7;"
; t$;
145 BEEP .04,2.5*9
146 IF CODE ($<>CODE (a$(6)) TH
EN GO TO 300
147 PAUSE 7
    148 CLS
150 NEXT
155 IF X=
    150 NEXT b
155 IF x=7 THEN PRINT "YOU win!
: BORDER RND*7: PAPER RND*7: GO
   TO 155
160 LET X = X +1
   165 PAUSE 50
170 GO TO 70
300 PRINT "You scored ";x+1
310 BORDER RND*7
320 PAPER RND*7
   320
330
              BEEP .02,RND #30
GO TO 300
                REM Greyhound
REM @ Gourlay,Hartnett 1982
RANDOMIZE
      7 GO SUB 200
10 FOR x=1 TO 22
20 PRINT INK 4; TAB 30; "#"
                NEXT X
PRINT AT 0,6; "You bet on nu
       35
      er "; w

40 DIM a(9)

50 FOR x=1 TO 9

60 PRINT AT 2*X,a(x); " "

70 LET a(x) = a(x) + RND #2

80 PRINT AT 2*x,a(x); INK x/2;
mber
* 85 BEEP .01,3*x
90 IF a(x);30 THEN GO TO 115
100 NEXT x
110 GO TO 50
115 FOR g=1 TO 50 STEP 2
120 PRINT AT 18,6; INK RNO*7; x;
" is the winner!"
123 BEEP .02,9
125 IF w=x THEN PRINT AT 20,3;
INK RND*7; "And you are the winner too!!"
130 FLASH RND
   130 FLASH RND
140 NEXT 9
```

```
145 FLASH 0

150 RUN

200 BORDER 0

205 PRINT AT 3,1; INK 2; "Uelcome

to the greyhound track"

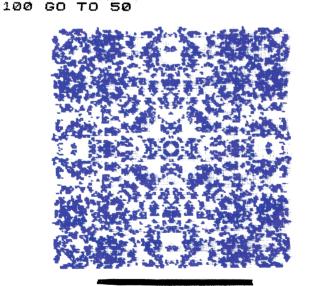
210 PRINT AT 5,6; INK 4; There

are nine dogs."

220 INPUT ( INK 2; "Place your be

t for a win "); w

230 IF w<1 OR w>9 THEN GO TO 22
        235 BORDER 2
240 CLS : RETURN
               10 REM Tesseract
12 REM © Gourlay, Hartnell
15 BORDER 1+RND: PAPER 7: CLS
   #URDER 1+RND: PAPER 7: CL5
20 RANDOMIZE
25 LET p=85: LET s=45
30 LET x=RND*p: LET y=RND*p
35 INK RND*6
37 FOR g=1 TO RND*30
40 PLOT p+x+s,p+y
50 PLOT p+y+s,p+x
60 PLOT p-x+s,p-y
70 PLOT p-y+s,p-x
80 PLOT p-y+s,p-x
100 PLOT p-y+s,p-x
120 LET x=x+RND+RND-1
130 LET y=y+RND+RND-1
135 NEXT g
140 IF RND<.2 OR ABS x>p OR y>p
THEN GO TO 40
150 RUN
            10 REM Galaxy
20 PAPER 0: BORDER 0: CLS
30 LET c=255: LET d=175
40 INK RND*7
50 LET a=c*RND
60 LET b=d*RND
70 PLOT a,b: PLOT a,d-b
80 PLOT c-a,b: PLOT c-a,d-b
90 IF RND>.5 THEN GO TO 60
95 INK RND*7
```



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Amateur radio

Here's a program which enables a ZX80 (with new ROM) or ZX81 to work out the distance between stations, score for contests to print out a log on the printer, keeping an updated record of the best (dx) long distance contact. It comes from John Anthony, G4NNG, of Bedford.

```
REM "CONTEST SCORE PROGRAM
3.JULY 1981"
LET 05=0
     \bar{\mathfrak{z}}
         LET
                 D7=0
         LET
                 D8=0
     T567
                 D3=@
CV=@
         LET
         LET
                 DX=0
         TRIBE
      8
                     "PLEASE INPUT YOUR OR
A
      CODE
        LET J$="0"
INPUT L$
LPRINT "C/S
";TAB 25;"BEST DX"
LPRINT "-----
    10
    11
                                                          PO
INTS
12
    20
         G05UB 900
         GOSUB ซึ่งข
CLS
         PRINT "MY LOCATOR....";L
PRINT "LAT";L1;" LONG ";L2
         LET 01=L1
LET 02=L2
         PRINT
    50
                            PRINT
PRINT
INPUT
   51
   52
53
54
                     "ENTER CALLSIGN"
                     Ϊ$
54 PRINT
                                    ENTER OTHER L
         ÎNPUT
CLS
GOSUB
GOSUB
   55
56
                     上生
   68
65
                     900
                     800
   68
69
         PRINT
                     上事
         PRINT
    0777777778
         PRINT
PRINT
GOSUB
                     "LAT"; L1; " LONG "; L2
                     700
                D=INT D
NT "DIST=";D;" KMS"
         LET
         PRINT
         PRINT
         PRINT "R.S.

PRINT "R.S.

GOSUB 977

PRINT DS

LET D6=D6+D

LET D7=D7+D

LET D8=D8+D

PRINT "-*-*
                     "R.5.G.B. SCORE: -
977
    80
   81
82
   83
84
                 D8=D8+D5
    85
                    "-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*-*
    86
         PRINT
   87
         PRINT
         PRINT
    88
                     "TOTALS SO FAR
    89
   98
         PRINT
                     "I.T.U. "; D6; " R.S.G.
       ; D8
   91
93
95
         PRINT
         PRINT
         PRINT
                     "DISTANCE "; D6; " KM."
         PRINT
    96
                CU=CU+1
NT "NO.DF.CONTACTS ";CU
G$=""
    97
         LET
         PRINT
LET G
    98
             D>DX THEN LET
D>DX THEN LET
  \frac{110}{111}
                                          G $ = " * * ...

り 幸 = ド 幸
         IF D>DX THEN LET G$="##"

IF D>DX THEN LET DX=D

LPRINT I$;TAB 10;L$;TAB 20;

RB 28;G$

PRINT "BEST DX ";DX;

PRINT "KMS TO QRA ";J$

GOTO 50

LET 71=01*07**
  115
  ī ī ē
05:TAB
120 PI
130 PI
  150
500
705
710
                 ) 10
Z1=01*PI/180
Z2=02*PI/180
Z3=L1*PI/180
Z4=L2*PI/180
Z=COS (Z1)*COS
         LET
         LET
  715
         LET
  728
725
(Z4
         LET
                                              (Z3) *COS
         Z2)
         LET
                 Z=Z+(SIN
D=60*ACS
  730
                                    (Z1) #SIN
                                                     (Z3))
                                   (Z) *180/PI
```

```
D=D*1.850
  750
805
            RETURN
            LET
                      丹生=L生(
                                       TO
            LET H$=L$( 10 1)

LET B$=L$(3 TO 4)

LET C$=L$(5 TO 5)

LET L2=0

IF A$>"T" THEN GOTO 840

LET L2=L2-2*(CODE (A$)-38)
  818
815
825
825
835
            GOTO 845
LET L2=L2+2*(91-(CODE (A$)+
  840
27))
845
                   Z=VAL (B$)-1
Z1=INT (Z/10)*10
L2=L2-((Z-Z1)*.2)
C$="F" THEN GOTO 8
C$="G" THEN GOTO 8
C$="H" THEN GOTO 8
            LET
LET
IF
IF
  846
850
                                                             895
895
  855
  860
  865
                   C$="J"
  870
            LET
                                     THEN
THEN
  875
880
            IF
                                                 GOTO
            ĪF
                                                 GOTO
                                                              895
            IF
                    C$="A" THEN
   885
                                                  GOTO
                                                              895
   ēēē
            LET
                      L2=L2-.2/3
            RETURN
LET AS
LET CS
LET L1
  895
  ទ្ធឲ្យទ័
                      A$=L$(2 TO)
B$=L$(3 TO)
C$=L$(5 TO)
L1=40
L1=L1+(CODE
  910
915
920
                      L1=L1+(CODE (A$) -65+27)
L1=L1+(7-INT ((UA) (B*)
  925
930
            LET
                                                 GOTO
   935
                                     THEN
            ÎF
                                     THEN
                    C$="E"
                    54="5"
   945
950
955
                                                  GOTO
                   L1=L1+.125/3
C$="G" THEN G
C$="J" THEN G
C$="C" THEN G
            LET
                                                 GOTO
GOTO
  950
965
975
977
978
978
978
            ĨF
                                                              975
                                                 COTO
            LET L1
RETURN
                      L1=L1+.125/3
975 RETURN
977 LET D5=1
978 FOR W=50 TO 10000 STEP 50
979 IF D<=U THEN RETURN
980 LET D5=D5+2
985 NEXT W
990 REM ZX80+8K ROM/ZX81 ORA
OGRAM FOR CONTESTS COPYRIGHT
J.ANTHONY GLNNG OTHR
1000 SAVE "NFE"
1001 GOTO 1
                                                               ORA PR
1001
            PRINT
                           PEEK 16404+256*PEEK 1
6405-16509
 Dear INTERFACE.
      With regard to the letter from Switzerland concerning programs for radio-
 amateurs, I enclose the address of a UK organisation devoted to ZX81 applica-
 tions for radio-amateurs:
                      S.A.R.U.G.,
                      Paul Newman G4INP,
                      3 Red House Lane,
                      Leiston
                      Suffolk 1P16 4JZ.
                      England.
 Yours sincerely
 IAN WOOLLER,
 G8NMQ.
 Dear INTERFACE,
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In answer to Herr(?) Jürg Tüscher's letter in the February 1982 issue of INTERFACE, there has been a two-part article on satellite tracking in "Wireless World" (August and September 1981) and also in "Practical Computing" (March 1982)

The "Wireless World" articles contain a schematic of a Computer-Aerial Rotator Interface plus machine code and Burp programs for the "Wireless World" scientific computer.

The "Practical Computing" article is a program in what looks like BASIC or BURP but is not unfortunately ZX81 BASIC. I have no doubt that it could be used as a starting point for somebody who is a ZX81 addict. "Wireless World":

Satellite Tracking by Home Computer — By N. Kyriazis. Part 1, Aug. 81, Vol. 87, No. 1547 (Page 44 to 46). Part 2, Sept. 81, Vol 87, No. 1548 (Page 66 to 68).

"Practical Computing" Satellite Tracker Scans the Skies — Vol. 5, Issue 3 (Page 104/05). R. HUTCHINSON, West Yorkshire.

£3,500 prize

Keith Purkiss, who developed the first colour board for the Sinclair ZX81, has won the £3,500 top prize in the Daily Express Philishave Get Up and Go Awards scheme.

Nineteen-year-old Purkiss was chosen for his Haven Hardware, set up last July to design and market computer hardware products. These include a programmable character generator, rotatiung key module, input-output port, memory expansion and full size keyboard for the Sinclair ZX80 and ZX81.

The awards were open to 16 to 21-year-olds with a workable business idea

or project.

Purkiss, from Workington in Cumbria, plans to spend his money on expanding his computer business.

Letters to hard facts

Replies by Stephen Adams

N. Draper, 40 Northcliffe, Blackburn, Lancashire, saw an advert for a firm producing a kit to improve the LOAD on a ZX81 and wants to know where he can contact the firm. — The firm is GWYNEED COMPUTER SERVICES, Tel: 0248-810748 *BUT* the product is advertised for the ZX80, not the ZX81. It costs £9 if you are still interested, plus £3 for fitting if you send your machine to them.

D. Gomer, Pontypridd, Mid Glamorgan, wanted to know how to connect up his tape recorder, which has two pin DIN sockets up to the 3.5mm sockets on

the ZX81. — No connection should be made from any cassette recorder which uses a voltage greater than 12 volts (except portable tape recorders) otherwise it can damage the ZX81. Also, the volume control must be kept well down for the same reason. If it is safe then use the circuit below.

down for the same reason. If it is safe then use the circuit below.

P.L.D. Grove, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, wanted to know if the 16K RAM packs advertised are better than Sinclair's. ——YES, the ones on sale for about £35 or less in black plastic boxes are very good value as they do not HUM

or suffer from "whiteouts"

Miss D.A. Watkinson, Southsea, Hampshire, wanted to know if there are any "good buys" in ZX81 hardware. — Most of the companies producing hardware for the ZX81 give good value for money, ZX81 users insist on it! Keyboards and the Memotech extra memory being good examples.

John Lomax wants a circuit that will connect up a ZX81 to a 32 character LCD display. —— I know only that the display is obtainable from AMBIT INTERNATIONAL, 200 Service Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4SG. The price is £45.45 + VAT and postage. It could be memory mapped like a port as it has CS, RD and WR connections, but as it only gives a display to ASCII codes software will have to be written to do the conversion.

C.J. Medway, Bitterne, Southampton, wants to know how the screen on the ZX81 works and if it was possible to alter the interrupt lines to change the graphics. — The U.L.A. accesses the ROM during the REFSH cycle using the character as one part of the address, the interrupt register I as another and a line counter as last part. This collects the required byte from the ROM containing the dots needed loading it into a SHIFT register within the U.L.A., so that it can be put out on to the screen one dot at a time.

The interrupt line is used to output only 32 characters and so should not be disconnected from address line A6. Any use of this line could result in the crash of the system, so no interrupts can be done on ZX80's or ZX81's.

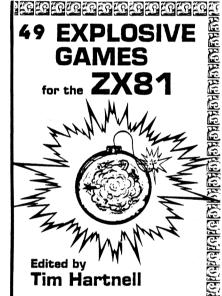
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Young stuff

This month we are going to look at simulating READ and DATA on the ZX81 (or the ZX80 new ROM). There are 6 separate programs which I will explain separately. These Read and Data programs will work on the 1K machines

but be careful not to define a lot of memory.

Unfortunately the other program is for users with the RAM pack, as it is very hard to write a PONTOON program in 1K — I would say, virtually impossible. (By all means accept this as a challenge!)

The result of the competition will be coming out in the June issue. I hope you can wait that long!

Read and data

The 1st program, called Read And Data enables you to read in strings and puts this string into the array b\$.

```
: FRED : PAUL : SIMON : PETER :
             REM
JOHŘ: 1
10
10
10
                       B$ (5,10)
B=1
X=16514
             DIM
             LET
             LET
            LET A$=A$+CHR$ (PEEK X)
LET X=X+1
IF PEEK X=14 THEN GOTO 95
IF PEEK X=128 THEN GOTO 120
     8<u>0</u>
95
             GOTO 50
            GOTO 50

LET B$(B) = A$(2 TO )

LET B$=#1

LET A$=""

GOTO 50

FOR B=1 TO 5

PRINT B$(B)

NEXT B
   100
105
   110
   120
   130
```

The data, which must be in the form of a REM statement coming first in the program, is separated by a colon (:). This tells the computer that it is the beginning of a new item of data, or the end of the previous one. The inverse space at the end of the line tells the computer that it is the end of the data.

Line 70 looks for the colon

Line 75 looks for the inverse space

When the computer gets to the inverse space, it then jumps to a routine that prints out all the data — already stored in the array B\$. You could replace line 120 onwards with the rest of your program if desired.

The 2nd program works in the same way, but by reading numbers into A\$ and then assigning the VAL(A\$) to array B. (To get the 2nd program just change the appropriate lines.)

```
1 REM : 1:2:3:4:5:3
20 DIM B(5)
95 LET B(B) = UAL A$(2 TO )
130 PRINT B(B)
```

The 3rd program has an added benefit — you can put data on separate REM lines, as long as you end the last item of data with a colon, inverse space and then an inverse colon. Explanation — when the computer gets to an inverse

```
REM : FRED : PAUL : SIMON : PETER :
1: NHOU
             EM DAVID MARK DULIE: 
REM DANE CLAIRE: 
IM 01(10,10)
IF PEEK X=120 THEN GOTO 500
ET 86(8) = A1(2 TO)
OR 8=1 TO 10
           REM
REM
BEH
  FOR
                  "X=X+1
PEEK X=142 THEN GOTO 128
PEEK X=14 THEN GOTO 185
O 580
           肆
```

space, it goes to a routine that looks for the next colon and then, when this has been found, goes back to the original program. BUT, if it comes to an inverse colon, the computer will print out the data. This program obviously takes longer

```
SIMON 5.GREGORY.INTERFACE."

19 DIM B (5.19)

20 FOR B 1 TO 5

30 LET A 5 A 5 LET A 5
```

The 4th program does not put the data into a REM statement but stores it in a string variable. There is no need to separate the data with a colon but, as in this program, put the data in lengths of 10 characters, using spaces to fill up each item. Explanation — The computer takes A\$X, assigns the first 10 characters to the array B\$ and then strips A\$ of the first 10 characters.

The 5th program does exactly the same thing, but puts the data in lengths of 5 characters.

```
A$="FREDAPAUL SIMON"
B$(3,5)
B=1 TO 3
B$(B) =A$( TO 5)
A$=A$(6 TO )
        LET
DIM
FOR
20
40
50
        LE) C. A NEXT B FOR B=1 TO 3 PRINT B (B)
5Ø
7Ø
```

The 6th and last program uses the same method as described in program 4 and 5 above, but the data is numeric, using preceeding 0's instead of spaces.

```
1 LET A$="0001201234000030067
      DIM
             B(5)
B=1 TO 5
B(B) =VAL
   10
   20
       FOR
                           8$ ( TO 5)
   30
       LET
             A$=A$ (6 TO
      LET AS = |
NEXT B
FOR B=1
PRINT B
   60
                B (8)
   80
```

Next month there will be a program using a READ and DATA program.

Pontoon

This program simulates the game of PONTOON like the machines found at the fair. It is self-explanatory to use and the computer does not cheat, so there is a 50/50 chance of you winning.

The computer is banker and you start off with £1 (mean, isn't he?). The good thing is, though, that you can go into debt (e.g. -£4). To win you must beat his score and to get maximum money you must get pontoon, which is an ACE and a 10, JACK, QUEEN or KING.

An ace can take the value of a 1 or 11, and you will be asked to make your decision during the game. (NB: once you have made the decision you cannot go

back on it.) Beneath are a list of all the inverse letters used and variables.

```
Line 610 - "(6 inverse £) (inverse you win with pontoon) (5 inverse £)
Line 620 – "(4 inverse £) (inverse you win with a 5 carder) (4 inverse £)"
Line 630 – "(12 inverse £) (inverse you win) (13 inverse £)"
Line 640 – "(12 inverse £) (inverse you lose) (12 inverse £)"
Line 1015 to 1050 is:
inverse A – inverse T
inverse B – inverse J
inverse C – inverse Q
inverse D - inverse K
inverse I - inverse A
Lines 1070 to 1100 is inverse H, C, D, S.
```

Variables Used

Z - amount of money

a\$ - separating hands on screen

B\$ - 1st 2 of player's cards

D - player's score

computer's score

G - no. of cards the player has got

H-no. of aces each time the player has got

I - no. of cards the computer has got

value of card.

D\$ - type of suit

E - used for printing new cards on the screen

T – used in a loop for line no. in PRINT AT

Z - used to hold value whether the player wants his ace to be 1 or 11

10 PRINT TAB 9; "PONTOON"
20 PRINT AT 2,0; "********* AM
THE BANKER************
30 PRINT AT 4,0; "YOU MUST BEAT
THE SCORE OF MY CARDS TO WIN.
I PAY AS FOLLOWS:"
40 PRINT AT 7,0; "YOUR SCORE GR
EATER THAN MINE-£1"
50 PRINT AT 9,0; "YOU GET A 5 C
ARD TRICK-£3"
60 PRINT AT 11,0; "YOU GET PONT

```
70 PRINT AT 13,0;"I WILL ASSUME THAT YOU HAVE PLACED A £1
BET"
  ET"
80 PRINT AT 20,0;"TYPE ANY KEY
TO CONTINUE"
90 IF INKEY$="" THEN GOTO 90
101 LET Z=1
102 LET A$="
  103
         LET
                B$="
        LET
               D=0
F=0
  104
  105
                G=2
  106
               H=0
I=0
  107
         CLS
PRINT
  109
         PRINT AT
PRINT AS
PRINT AT
0.0; "YOU HAVE £"; Z
  120
00
255
         PRINT AT 21,0;"(5) STICK (C
  260 P
       IF INKEY$="" THEN GOTO 280
IF INKEY$="5" THEN GOTO 50
FOR T=12 TO 18
PRINT AT T,12+E;B$
NEXT T
GOSUB 1000
  280
  290
  300
  310
  330
```



```
340 PRINT AT 12,12+E; C$; TAB 16+
340$
5,50$
5,50$
5,365
2,777
3,365
3,777
3,366
5,065
                                 PRINT AT 18,12+E; D$; TAB 16+
                                LET D=D+C

IF C=11 THEN GOSUB 2000

LET E=E+6

LET G=G+1

IF D>21 THEN GOTO 601

IF E=18 THEN LET E=12

GOTO 260

LET E=0

IF F=21 AND I=2 THEN GOTO 6
        500
        511
          512 IF D=21 AND I=2 THEN GOTO 6
  05
                                IF F>=D THEN GOTO 605
FOR T=3 TO 9
PRINT AT T,E; B$
NEXT T
GOSUB 1000
        515
520
530
540
                               NEXT T

GOSUB 1000

IF C=11 THEN GOSUB 3000

PRINT AT 3,E;C$;TAB E+4;D$

PRINT AT 9,E;D$;TAB E+4;C$

LET F=F+C

LET E=E+6

LET I=I+1

IF E=30 THEN LET E=24
         55Ø
         555
         560
570
         580
         590
         595
                                GOTO 510
LET D=-1
IF F>21 THEN LET F=0
POINT AT 20,0;"
         596
         500
         601
         605
         606 PRINT
  610 IF D=21 AND G=2 THEN PRINT
AT 21.0; "ESPECIAL PRINT | 520 IF D>F AND G=5 THEN PRINT | 521.0; "ESPECIAL PRINT | 530 IF (D>F AND G<>2 AND G<>5) THE PRINT AT 21.0; "ESPECIAL PRINT AT 21.0; "ESPEC
        650 IF D=21 AND G=2 THEN LET Z=
     Z+5
           660 IF D>F AND G=5 THEN LET Z=Z
     £4
                       Ø IF (D>F AND G<>2 AND G<>5)
(D>F AND D<>21 AND G<>5) THE
           670
                                                                                                                                                                                     THEN
                                 Z=Z+1
IF F>=D THEN LET Z=Z-1
           688
                                   IF F>=D THEN LET Z=Z-:
PAUSE 150
GOTO 104
LET A=INT (RND+12)+29
LET C=A-28
IF C>10 THEN LET C=10
IF A=29 THEN LET C=11
LET C$=CHR$ (A+128)
IF C$="" THEN LET C$
           690
700
      1000
       1001
       1002
       1003
                                                    A=29 THEN LET C=11

C$=CHR$ (A+128)

C$=""" THEN LET C$

B=1NT (RND*4)+1

B=1 THEN LET D$=""

B=2 THEN LET D$=""

B=3 THEN LET D$=""

B=4 THEN LET D$=""

B=4 THEN LET D$=""
       1010
                                                                                                                                                             C$="0
C$="0
C$="0
C$="0
       1015
                                     IF
IF
IF
       1020
       1030
      1040
1050
                                     LET
       1060
       1070
                                      ĪF
       1080
                                     IF
       1090
                                     IF
       1100
   1110 RETURN
2000 PRINT AT 21,0; " 1 OR 11
(FOR 11 KEY 2) " THEN GOTO 2005
2010 LET Z=URL INKEY$
2020 IF Z=2 THEN GOTO 2040
2030 LET D=D-10
2040 LET H=H-1
2050 IF H=1 THEN GOTO 2000
2060 RETURN
3000 IF F+11<=21 OR (F+11>=D AND F+11<=21) THEN RETURN
3010 LET C=1
3020 RETURN
One last point — it is possible to have more than 5 cards the last card in inter-
                                     RETURN
       1110
```

One last point — it is possible to have more than 5 cards, the last card is just printed over again. HAPPY PONTOONING!

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ZX82

Suffering as I do from quite unwarranted megalocephaly (big-headedness) I have long felt a bit sad that Uncle Clive hasn't come crawling to EZUG for assistance with the design of ZX82.

Late in winter when rumours of imminent ZX82 became particularly frequent, I sent a letter expressing that sadness. The response was immediate -

want to say what ZX82 ("whatever that may be") should be like, why not? Here, then, are some points from my reply. The views are largely the result of huge volumes of correspondence from the teachers, parents and pupils who have joined the Educational ZX Users' Group. They are coloured too, by my being a teacher, with educational needs uppermost in my mind. Still, teachers' needs do not differ much from the needs of real people — we all hope for increased facilities and improved reliability for a reduced price, don't we?

Assuming that a ZX82 (whether produced by Sinclair or by someone else) does appear, what new features do we need? We can look at these under the headings of BASIC, Memory and Peripherals.

Some people feel that BASIC is not the best modern general-purpose language in existence. A few dislike the Sinclair dialect. Me? I love the Sinclair dialect — it is, I think, uniquely easy for children and adult beginners and even in sophisticated programming, offers a great deal of value. There are none of its special features that I would be happy to lose. However, there are features of some other BASICs that EZUG members would particularly welcome in ZX82. They include (in no special order):

- a REPEAT key/facility;
- integral RENUMBER (preferably partial);

- DELETE (= partial NEW); ELSE with IF...THEN...; multiple statements on a line;
- other loop structures like WHILE...DO, DO...UNTIL.

Some of these are not much more than cosmetic; others would greatly improve the ZX programmer's power. Here too, we must note the need to extend the accessible character set — lower case characters are essential (especially in teaching) and we would like other symbols (vertical line, exclamation point, apostrophe and so on, as well as specialist ones) and a few user-definable characters would be a lovely bonus.

The minimal "1K" of the ZX81 is great for keeping the price down — but it should be raised in the ZX82 to at least a (true) 2K. 16K would be better (of course) and should be incorporated at rock-bottom price.

My major plea here is for a socket for (EP)ROMs carrying programs and routines. We are used to this with Atari video games; "real" computers — including Sorceror, Atom and BBC — have this invaluable facility too. ROM sockets are surely the way of the future; no more tiresome lengthy LOADing!

ZX82 must have an OLDLOAD instruction - it must be able to accept ZX81 programs for editing even if not for running. The whole LOAD/SAVE business still needs some general improvement (but few machines are 100% reliable in this context). Colour in the basic model is not necessary, but the generation of a few simple sounds for the video speaker would be useful and should not be difficult. A range of short tones plus white noise would suffice. It is time to say "Goodbye" to the famous Sinclair screen flicker — the screen display should be maintained in FAST and when using the printer. (But FAST/SLOW is worth keeping.)

As far as the printer is concerned it would be nice to have an ECHO command (which reflects keyboard entries automatically to printer). Of course we still want the printer bugs to be eradicated.

Whether ZX disc systems become common or not, the cassette SAVE/LOAD procedures can still do with some improvement. It would be nice to have, in addition, VERIFY (a command to check that what's on tape matches what's in memory), cassette control and a screen display of file-name and perhaps block number, during LOADs.

Few of these suggestions would present much difficulty to Sinclair in developing a cheap powerful successor to the ZX81. I am convinced that the ZX80-ZX81-ZX82 route is the right path to a future of effective personal computing for all. Indeed, unless Tim tells me to shut up, I'll take another break from Education next month and describe my fantasies of the ZX92. ERIC DEESON,

Highgate School, Birmingham 12.

(Note from TIM: I shall most certainly not tell Eric to shut up. As you've probably guessed, all the foregoing was written before the ZX Spectrum was launched. It is pleasing to see how many of the features which Eric thought were important have, in fact, been incorporated into the ZX Spectrum. We look forward to Eric's predictions for the ZX92.)

ZX81 cassette control unit

If you are fed up with swapping and changing leads around when you are SAVEing and LOADing programs on your ZX81, then for about £4.50 you can easily build yourself this cassette control unit.

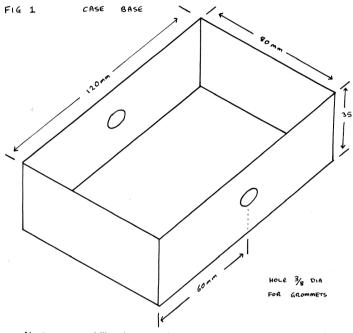
You will need the following items. These can all be obtained from Maplin

Electronic Supplies:

- 1 Case. Vero type 303. Part 202-21390D 2 Small PVC Grommets

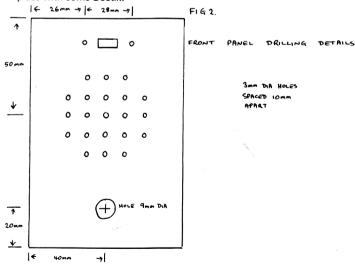
- 64 ohm Miniature loudspeaker
- 2-pole 6-way Rotary switch
- Metre single screened cable Standard slide switch
- Stick-on feet
- 3.5mm Jack plugs, black body
- 3.5mm Jack plugs, silver body 2.5mm Jack plug, black body Pointer control knob to fit rotary switch
- Size M3 screws for slide switch
 - Rub down lettering or Dymo Tape for front panel lettering

Begin by removing the lid from the case and drill two holes of %ths diameter either side for the grommets as shown in Figure 1. Stick the 4 feet on to the underside of the case, one in each corner.



Next you must drill and prepare the lid as shown in Figure 2. The spindle of the rotary switch will need to be cut to about 1cm in length to accommodate the knob. Ensure that the locking washer, if fitted, on the rotary switch is in the correct position to allow four positions out of the possible six available

The side switch is held in place by two small bolts (size M3). If you wish you can cover the loudspeaker holes with a small piece of cloth before gluing the LS in place with some Bostik.



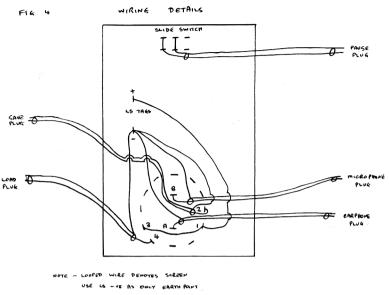
Now cut the length of screened cable into five equal lengths and strip and tin each end ready for use. Solder one jack plug to each length of wire as shown in Figure 3. Two different types of 3.5mm plug are used to aid with identification when connecting the unit up. Black type for SAVE, silver type for LOAD. You don't need screened cable for the pause switch but it saves having to buy a separate length of two core wire.

F14 3 CONNECTINE DETAILS

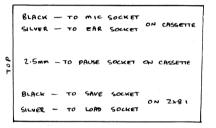


Insert one each of the 3.5mm leads plus the 2.5mm lead through the left side grommet and the other two leads through the right grommet ready for wiring up.

Now solder the leads up as shown in the diagram in Figure 4. The lid of the case with items fitted is drawn face down.

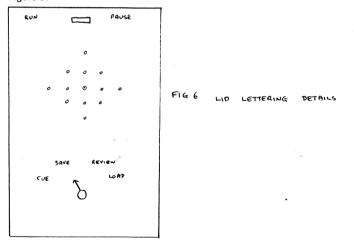


When complete the lid can be screwed back onto the case and the unit is then ready for use. As a reminder make a small label as shown in Figure 5 and sellotape this to the underside of the case. You then have a permanent record of which lead goes where, should you forget.



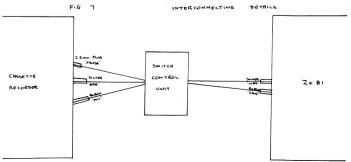
Label the lid with Dymo tape or Letraset rub down lettering as detailed in Figure 6.

FIG



Finally connect the unit between your cassette recorder and the ZX81 as shown in Figure 7. To use the unit it is a simple matter of switching through the range from cue to load: 1 CUE Cassette or

Cassette on record. Speak the name of the program. The unit loudspeaker is acting as a microphone.



Press the save key on the ZX to record the program onto cassette. 3 REVIEW After cassette rewind, enables you to hear the recording you have just made.

To play back the program to load back into the computer.

All this can be done of course without disconnecting any of the leads at all. Between stages the tape can be stopped or started with the aid of the pause switch. This has the effect on most machines of stopping the cassette motor. It is included for those who do not have a pause switch on their recorder, as it takes the place of the microphone pause switch. M. SMALL.

Avlesbury.

Hard facts

Sinclair 4K and 8K BASIC for your ZX80 and **ZX81**

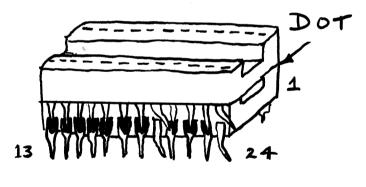
By Stephen Adams

The first thing to obtain is a ROM, a 4K one for a ZX81 or an 8K for a ZX80 (YES, it does work!) The other items required are a 24 pin I.C. socket, some wire, craft knife, double-poled changeover switch, soldering iron and solder etc. A start must be made by removing the ZX80 or ZX81 from its case - BUT no work should be done while any power is still connected! ZX80

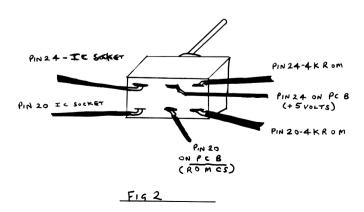
Push up the centre pins of ALL the case fasteners, including the ones holding the keyboard down. Take the top off and with a pair of pliers holding the fastener, push the fastener down through and out the bottom of the case. This should release the P.C.E. when all three fasterners are removed.

Remove the three rubber feet covering up the screws. These are the top left and bottom two looking at the underside of the ZX81 with the keyboard towards you. There should now be five screws exposed and these should be removed with a cross-headed screwdriver. Save the screws for putting it back together later. Unscrew the two screws holding the P.C.B. to the case and turn it over, leaving the keyboard "tails" attached to the P.C.B.

Remove the ROM carefully by levering it up with a screwdriver first at one end, then the other, so as not to bend the pins. Bend the pins 20 and 24 of the 4K ROM out by 45°. The pins are numbered from the dot on the top of the ROM, which is pin 1. Pin 24 is on the opposite side to pin 1 and pin 20 is the fifth pin down on that side. Solder on two wires to these pins, make them different colours if you can. Now solder the 24 pin I.C. socket on top of the 4K ROM, all except pins 20 and 24. Solder two more wires, different colours again, on to the I.C. sockets pins 20 and 24. Now put some insulator between the I.C. sockets pins 20 and 24 and the ROM, a piece of paper will do. The ROM should now look like Figure 1.



Insert the 4K ROM back into the socket, leaving pins 24 and 20 hanging over the outside. Now solder yet another two wires to pins 20 and 24 of the ROM socket on the printed circuit board. These two wires go to the centre positions of the changeover switch shown in Figure 2.



The other wires from the I.C. socket go to one side of the switch and the 4K ROM wires the other side. This switch is used to change over the power supply +5 volts and NOT CHIP SELECT LINE. This line is used to turn on the ROM when the correct address is detected by the Sinclair Computer Logic (U.L.A.). It is required to go to Binary 0 at this time and Binary 1 on any other. As it works to a Binary 0 it is written as CS. The reason the power supply is changed over, is that Sinclair's power pack could not cope with the power drain caused by running two ROMs at the same time.

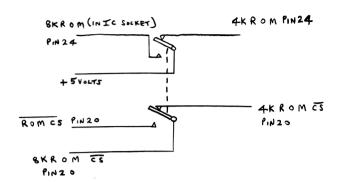


FIG 3 Circuit DIAGRAM

The leads to the switch should be kept fairly short and the switch mounted on the top of the case for the ZX80, in front of the video modulator. The ZX81 switch should be fitted to the side of the ZX81 in a convenient position. After all the soldering has been done and CHECKED for solder bridges between the pins, the switch should be operated so as to connect up the 4K ROM.

On replacing the jack plug from the power pack, the inverse "K" should appear. If not, check your connections again and make sure none of the wires touch the printed circuit board. The power should now be removed again and the 8K ROM placed in the I.C. socket. Switch the switch to the 8K ROM, this should ONLY be done when the power is switched off. If this is done while the power is ON, the program will not only crash but it might damage the ROM.

should ONLY be done when the power is switched off. If this is done while the power is ON, the program will not only crash but it might damage the ROM.

Apply the power again and the inverse "K" should again appear but this time if a key is pressed the symbol might be different. Again check the connections if this does not happen. This will not give the ZX80 a "SLOW" mode!

You now have a choice of BASIC a full floating point 8K one or an INTEGER only RAM saving BASIC. Thre are advantages in both not least if which is that the ZX81 can now use 4K ROM software as long as it does not operate the "SLOW" mode which the 4K ROM cannot cope with.

ZX81 programs Invoice

INVOICE PROGRAM DESCRIPTION.

THIS INVOICE PROGRAM PRINTS OUT A FORMATTED INVOICE FOR CUSTOMERS OF MY MAIL-ORDER XMAS CATALOGUE AGENCY. BECAUSE OF MEMORY CONSTRAINTS ALL DATA HAS TO BE INPUT FOR EACH INVOICE, AND INVOICE DETAILS ARE NOT STORED IN MEMORY. THE PROGRAM TOTALS THE INVOICE, AND WORKS OUT A BREAKDOWN OF THE COMMISSION ON EACH ORDER.

45-70 INPUTS VARIABLE INV = INVOICE NUMBER .THE NO. OF THE LAST INVOICE PRINTED IS INPUT AT START OF EACH RUN.

90-170 INPUT OF DATE TO APPEAR ON INVOICES.

180 VARIABLE "COUNT" = NO. OF INVOICES PRODUCED THIS RUN.

190 CCT= CARD COMMISSION

200 GCT= GIFT COMM. TOTAL.

240 CT= CARD TOTAL.

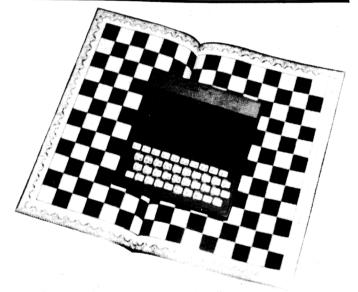
250 GT= GIFT TOTAL.

260 CC= CARD COMM. (ON CURRENT INVOICE.

34 Amazing Games for the 1K ZX 81

By Alastair Gourlay

This incredible collection of tested games programs shows just how flexible and exciting the 1K ZX81 can be. If you have no additional memory, you need this great new book from Alastair Gourlay, a member of the users' club from Scotland.



Programs include SUICIDE MISSION, NIAGARA, CHARIOTEER, ICBM, STOCKMARKET, OUTLAW, ALONG THE WIRE, BREAKOUT, SQUASH AND SPACE AMBUSH. As well there is information on making the most of 1K, scrolling, keyboard reading from machine code, how to emulate ON GOTO and ON...PRINT, and selective string assignment.

PRINT AT 12,5; """
INPUT C\$
PRINT AT 12,5; "" "; C\$
FOR Z=1 TO 40
NEXT Z
CLS
REM HANGE HERES
LPRINT " 330 340 350 GC= GIFT COMM. (AS CC) 270 290-370 ENTER CUSTOMER NAME. 360 370 HEADER 390-580 LPRINTED INVOICE 388 390 ROUTINES TO INPUT ONE
OF DATA (CAT.NO.;
TY; DESCRIPTION; PRICE) 600-925 LINE 410 LPRINT " DATA (DESCRIPTION; O SCREEN THEN GUANTITY; DESCRI PRINT IT TO SCRE IT IN A STANDARD LPRINT FORMAT. 430 LPRINT CARD AND GIFT 930-970 UPDATE AND" TOTALS 440 LPRINT 450 LPRINT 980-1010 GOTO IF ANY MORE ITEMS. GOTO INPUT ROUTINE 1020-1080 LPR CURRENT INVOICE. LPRINT TOTAL FOR 460 LPRINT 470 LPRINT 480 LPRINT 490 LPRINT LPRINT INVOICE 1100-1170 TRAILER. "## : F\$; INU; PRINT BREAKDOWN 1190-1400 "*****INVOICE DATE " LPRINT INVOICE: BARD COMMISSION ON COMM. (25 0/0) GIFT 520 LPRINT TAB 5; "AGENT - ROY A. COMM. (10 OUTH (ED 0/0); GIFT CO 0/0); TOTAL COMM. ON INVOICE; TOTAL CARD AN COMMS. ON ALL INVOICES THIS RUN; AVERAGE COMM. THIS RUN. COMM. ON CURRENT AND GIFT S PRINTED JOODWARD"
530 LPRINT
540 LPRINT TAB ((21-LEN C\$)/2);
'CUSTOMER-";C\$
550 LPRINT
560 LPRINT
570 LPRINT "CAT.NO.";TAB 8;"GTY
';TAB 13;"ITEM";TAB 27;"PRICE"
580 LPRINT ";TAB 27;"PRICE"
580 LPRINT ";TAB 27;" COMM/INVOICE 1410-1450 CHOICE: LPRINT COMM. FOR CURRENT INVOICE; START WITH NEW CUSTOMER; END THIS RUN. 1455-1527 PRINT COMM. DATA ON CLS REM CURRENT INVOICE. REM INBUT BOUTINE PRINT AT 4,4;" INBUT CATALO NUMBER " 500 RUN 1550-1570 ROUTINE. LOAD AND 620 INPUT N\$
630 IF N\$="" THEN GOTO 610
640 IF LEN N\$=5 THEN LET C=1
650 IF LEN N\$=6 THEN LET C=0
660 IF C=1 THEN PRINT AT 10,13;
N\$;AT 12,4;"-THIS ITEM IS FROM T
HE";AT 13,6;"ACE EEE CATALOGUE. ACE INVOICE PROGRAM UBBBUARD 1 REM 5 10 15 20 670 IF C=0 THEN PRINT AT 10.13; N\$;AT 12,4;"-THIS ITEM IS FROM T HE";AT 13,6;"ACE SIZE CATALOGUE. LET AS="ACE INVOICE PROGRAM 40 LET F\$="INVOICE NO." 45 PRINT AT 3,6;A\$;AT 4,6;B\$ 50 PRINT AT 10,0; "INPUT LAST INVOICE NO. B"; 680 FOR Z=1 TO 40 690 NEXT Z 700 CL5 720 PRINT AT 11,0; "CAT.NO."; TAB 8; "QTY"; TAB 13; "ITEM"; TAB 27; "P PRINT AT 10,0; "INPUT LAST ICE NO. B"; INPUT INV PRINT INV FOR Z=1 TO 30 NEXT Z CLS REM MIRES SEE PRINT AT 3,6; A\$; AT 4,6; B\$ PRINT AT 8,5; "FIRE FILLS"; TAB 9; "(AS ""12/09/81 60 65 70 PRINT AT 12.0:"";TAB 27;" 730 88 740 PRINT AT 13,0;N\$; 750 INPUT 0 760 PRINT TAB 9;0; 100 9:0; 4,4; INPUT U\$

IF U\$="" THEN GOTO 120

IF LEN U\$<>8 THEN GOTO

PRINT AT 11,11;" "; U\$

FOR Z=1 TO 30

NEXT Z

LET COUNT=0

LET GCT=0

CLS

LET COUNT=00

LET COUNT=00 PRINT 120 INPUT DS 130 4,4; "FINDUT PRICES 140 150 790 PRINT AT 13,12;05; 160 170 180 800 THE DIT THEN PRINT THE 24;0, 190 200 840 IF VAL P\$ (10 THEN PRINT TAB LET IF VAL P\$>10 THEN PRINT TAB COUNT = COUNT + 1 845 220 Ē"; 230 CT = 0 CC = 0 CC = 0 FOR M=1 TO 30 E 850 855 240 250 P\$ (1 THEN PRINT "0"; 270 850 870 LET LET PRINT AT PRINT AT PRINT AT LPRINT LPRINT N\$; TAB 9; 0; TAB 12; D\$ 298 3,6;A\$;AT 4,6;B\$ 6,9;F\$;INU 7,9;"----888 300 310 900 IF 0>1 THEN LPRINT TAB 24; Q 320 PRINT AT 10,5; " EFFE 910 IF VAL P\$ (10 THEN LPRINT TA

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26;"£ ";
915 IF VAL P$<1 THEN LPRINT "0"
         IF VAL P$>10 THEN LPRINT "E";
                                                          TA
 920
   26;
6
         LPRINT P$
REM PRESENCE TO F
IF C=1 AND Q<=1
  925
                                TOTA
  930
                                        THEN LET
  940
               P$
C=0 AND 0<=1 THEN LET
P$
C=1 AND 0>1 THEN LET
 CT+VAL
950 IF
≖ĞŤ ŦVĀL
  960
         IF
                                                         CT =
CT+(0*UAL P$)
970 IF C=0 AND 0>1 THEN LET
970 IF C=0 A
GT+(0*VAL P$)
980 PRINT AT
                           19.8
                  56,5;
          "; AT
          INPUT
  990
                    G s
         ÇĽS
IF
 000
               GS="" THEN GOTO 590
1010
         REM LPRINT
1020
  025
         LPRINT
1030
                       TAB 7: " TAB
         LET FT=CT+GT
IF FT<10 THEN LPRINT '
IF FT>=10 THEN LPRINT '
FOR Z=1 TO 40
NEXT Z
CLS
PEM
 040
1050
 .060
.070
1080
1090
1090 CLS
1100 REM PRINT INVOICE TRAILERS
1110 LPRINT
1120 LPRINT TAB 3; "THANKYOU FO
R YOUR ORDERS"
1130 PRINT AT 10,0; "PRESS ""NEWL
INE" ONLY TO PRINT"; TAB 5; "XMAS
TRAILER."
1140 TNOIT TE
         INPUT I
1140
1150
1160
1170
                     I$
"" THEN GOTO 1180
         LPRINT
                   T TAB 7;"
 AB 7
          TAB 7
1180
         REM I
                      "COMMISSION ON
                                                   THIS
         PRINT
RDER
1210
         PRINT
1220
1230
1240
         PRINT
         LET CC=(INT (CT*25))/166
LET CCT=CCT+CC
PRINT "CARD COMMISSION= £";
1250
1250
1260
1270
         PRINT
         LET GC=(INT (GT*10))/100
LET GCT=GCT+GC
PRINT "GIFT COMMISSION= £";
1280
GC
1290
         PRINT
1300
         PRINT
1310
         PRINT
1320
         PRINT
                      "COMMISSION ON "; COUN
       ORDER";
OIF COUNT 1 THEN PRINT
PRINT TAB 0;"-----
  330
1340 PRINT
       PRINT
1350
                      "TOTAL CARD COMMISSIO
N = £";CCT
1360 PRINT
N = £";GCT
1370 PRINT
RDER= £";(
*100))/100
1380 PRINT
1390 PRINT
                      "TOTAL GIFT COMMISSIO
                     "AVERAGE COMMISSION/O
NT (((CCT+GCT)/COUNT)
                  (INT
1400 PRINT AT 15,0; "TO PRINT TOT
ALS AND COMMISSION ON THIS ORDE
R PRESS ""P""
  410 PRINT AT 18.9;"
                                       TEB
1420 PRINT AT 20,0 "TO END THIS
RUN PRESS ""S" ONLY"
1430 IF INKEY == "" THEN GOTO 1430
1440 IF INKEY == CHR + 118 THEN GOT
1440
0 210
1450
                INKEY $= "S" THEN STOP
          IF
         LPRINT
1455
```

```
1460 LPRINT
                  "********"; F$; INU; "
**********
1470 LPRIN
1470 LPRÎNT
1480 LPRINT
"CUSTOMER-"
                  TAB ((21-LEN C$)/2);
                 ; C$
1490
       LPRINT
1500
       LPRINT
                  TAB 6; "TOTAL -----
    -£
1520 LPRINT TAB 4; "TOTAL COMMISS
ION - £"; CC+GC
10N
1525
         £";CC+GC
PRINT
       LPRINT
CLS
1527
1530
1540
1550
       GOTO
STOP
SAVE
GOTO
               210
1560
1570
                "ACB"
               30
```

Homer

Dear INTERFACE.

I hope you enjoy my listing overleaf for "Homer", and I would be very grateful if you could find space to print it in the next issue.

The program just squeezes into **1K of ZX81**. The game consists of 3 dots. The one at the centre remains stationary, and is the "booby-trap" bomb. The player is one of the other two dots and the malevolent "Homer" (hom-

ing device), the other. The identity of each quickly becomes apparent.

The "Homer" chases after the player; the player moves in whichever direction he inputs commands (5,6,7, & 8). The player moves twice as fast as the Homer, but this is partially made up for, by the fact the "Homer" moves diagonally. If the "Homer" catches the player, the player loses.

The only way for the player to win is to lure the chasing "Homer" into the "booby-trap" bomb in the centre, (not as difficult as it sounds but not easy either) I

An added hardship is that, as the Homer gets near the player (five "plot-

spaces"") it's speed increases to match the player.

For those with more than 1K; the listing has been left open at line 97 (if the player hits the "booby-trap" bomb) and a suitable PRINT statement can be made at 500.

TREVOR LAWFORD

Middlesex

```
REM "HOMER"
         LETD = \emptyset
         LET A = INT(RND*64)
 20
         LET B = INT(RND*44)
 30
 40
         LET X = INT(RND*64)
         LET Y = INT(RND*44)
 50
 60
         PLOT A, B
         PLOT X, Y
 .90
         PLOT 31.22
 95
         IF A = 31 AND B = 22 THEN GOTO 300
 .97
         IF X = 31 AND Y = 22 THEN GOTO 500
         IF X = A AND Y = B THEN GOTO 400
100
         IF X = A AND Y = B THEN GOTO 4000

IF ABS(X - A) OR ABS(Y - B) < 5 THEN LET S = 2

IF ABS(X - A) OR ABS(Y - B) > 5 THEN LET S = 1

IF INKEY$ = "5" THEN LET X = X - 2

IF INKEY$ = "6" THEN LET Y = Y - 2

IF INKEY$ = "7" THEN LET Y = Y + 2

IF INKEY$ = "7" THEN LET X = X + 2
120
130
140
150
160
         IF A < A THEN LET A = A - S
         IF X > A THEN LET A = A + S
IF Y < B THEN LET B = B - S
IF Y > B THEN LET B = B + S
180
1.90
200
2Ø5
         LETD = D + 1
210
          GOTO 60
          PRINT AT 20,2; "YAHOO, YOU DESTROYED THE HOMER"
310
         PRINT AT 20,0; "YOURE DEAD, AND IN ONLY": D/2;"*DAYS"
```

Alphabet

Hans Meier from Rustenburg, South Africa sent the club this fine program:

A PROGRAM THAT COMPUTES THE NUMBER OF TIMES A LETTER OCCURS IN A TEXT.
IT WILL ALSO PRINT A GRAPH IF DESIRED.
THE SCREEN WILL FLASH AND GO BLACK DURING THE PROGRAM. THIS IS NORMAL. 15 NORMAL.
TO CONTINUE AT ANY TIME PRESS
NEWLINE FOR HARD COPY ENTER A
WHEN A "B" IS DISPLAYED.
PRESS NEWLINE WHEN READY THE
SCREEN WILL CLEAR AND YOU CAN
THEN ENTER THE TEXT. WHEN TEXT
COMPLETE PRESS NEWLINE AGRIN. IS

```
H.O.MEIER 1981
DIM D(26)
LET M=0
        100
        110
120
120 LET M=0

130 PRINT AT 0,11; "ALPHABET"

140 PRINT AT 1,11; "====="

150 PRINT AT 3,0; "A PROGRAM THA

T COMPUTES THE NUMBER OF TIM

ES A LETTER OCCURS IN A TEXT."

160 PRINT AT 6,0; "IT WILL ALSO

PRINT A GRAPH IF DESIRED."

170 PRINT AT 8,0; "THE SCREEN WI

LL FLASH AND GO BLACK DURING

THE PROGRAH.THIS ISNORMAL."

180 PRINT AT 11,0; "TO CONTINUE

AT ANY TIME PRESS NEWLINE.FOR

HARD COPY ENTER A C WHEN A """

" IS DISPLAYED."

190 PRINT AT 14,0; "PRESS NEWLIN

E UHEN READY THE SCREEN WILL

CLEAR AND YOU CAN THEN ENTER T

SS NEWLINE AGAIN."

200 INPUT H$

210 CLS

220 FAST
      200 INF
210 CL5
210 FAST
                        FAST
INPUT A$
IF A$="" THEN GOTO 230
CLS
LET LEN=LEN A$
SLOW
LET LG=LEN
FOR L=1 TO LEN
PRINT A$(L);
LET U=CODE A$(L)
IF U(=37 THEN LET LG=LG-1
IF U(=37 THEN GOTO 360
LET U=U-37
LET D(V)=D(V)+1
NEXT L
INPUT H$
IF H$="C" THEN COPY
IF H$="C" THEN LPRINT
CLS
FOR L=1 TO 26
       240
250
       260
270
       280
       290
       300
        310
       320
330
       340
350
       360
       370
       วฮดี
       300
       400
                         FOR L=1 TO 26
LET P=(INT (D(L)/(LG)*10000
       410
        420
  IF D(L)>M THEN LET M=D(L)
PRINT CHR$ (L+37);"=";D(L);
       450
450
                        P,
NEXT L
INPUT C$
IF C$="C" THEN COPY
IF C$="C" THEN LPRINT
       450
470
       480
                        IF C$= CCLS
FAST
FOR D=.01 TO 200 STEP .01
IF M/D <= 40 THEN GOTO 540
NEXT D
SLOW
FOR B=1 TO 26
TOTAL AT 21,B; CHR$ (B+37)
       490
       500
       510
       520
       530
  540 SLOW

550 FOR B=1 TO 26

550 PRINT AT 21,B; CHR$ (B+37)

570 NEXT B

580 LET P=(INT (H/LG*100))

590 PRINT AT 1,27; P; AT 5,27; P*,

75; AT 10,27; P/2; AT 15,27; P*,25; A

T 20,27; "0"

600 FOR B=1 TO 26

610 LET G=INT D(B)/D

620 FOR L=1 TO G

630 PLOT (B) *2,L+2

640 NEXT L

650 NEXT B

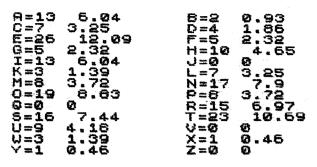
660 INPUT C$

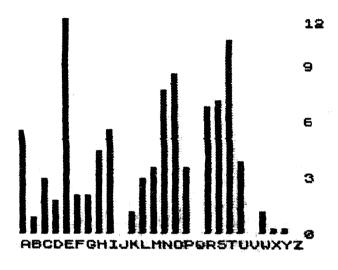
670 F C$="C" THEN GOPY

680 STOP

690 SAVE "ALPHARE®"
       540
                            SAVE "ALPHABED"
       698
                            GOTO 110
```

THE COMPUTER WILL IGNORE SPACES, NUMBERS AND PUNCTUATION MARKS. THE LENGTH OF THE TEXT IS LIMITED TO WHAT ONE CAN GET ON A SCREEN. THIS SHOULD BE ENOUGH FOR MOST PURPOSES. THIS PROGRAM WILL NOT FIT INTO 1K. AS YOU CAN SEE IT MAKES USE OF THE PRINTER FOR A PERHANENT RECORD.





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DOWN

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the direction indicated
RIGHT

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edit line

off
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ZX80 programs 24 hour clock

This program comes from Brian Theasby of Hartlepool. It can easily be converted to run on a ZX81.

```
DIM A(4)
          PRINT "24 HOUR TIME INTO A.M. OR P.M."
PRINT
          PRINT "INPUT TIME IN 24 HOUR MODE (01.05) OR PN/L FOR
 40
          COMMAND MODE
 50
          PRINT
 50
60
70
80
          FOR A = 0 TO 5
          PRINT
          INPUT A$
          PRINT A$;"*HOURS = ";
IF A$ = "P" THEN LIST
FORB = 0T05
90
100
110
          LETA(B) = CODE(A$) - 28
LET A$ = TL$(A$)
120
130
          NEXT B
          LET H = A(0)*10 + A(1)
LET M = A(3)*10 + A(4)
160
         LET M = A(3)^{-1}0 + A(4)

IF H < 13 THEN LETB$ = "*\frac{1}{2}A.M."

IF H = 12 AND M = 0 THEN LET B$ = "*\frac{1}{2}NOON"

IF H = 12 AND M > 0 OR H > 12 THEN LET B$ = "*\frac{1}{2}P.M."

IF H = 24 OR H = 0 AND M = 0 THEN LET B$ = "*\frac{1}{2}MIDNIGHT"
170
180
190
         IF H> 12 THEN LET H = H - 12
IF M> 9 THEN PRINT H;".";M;B$
220
          IF M< 10 THEN PRINT H;"0";M;B$
230
240
250
          PRINT
260
          PRINT "PRESS N/L"
          INPUT C$
          RUN
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```

Progress

"Progress" is a financial game for the 1K The program will just about fit on the 1K memory; variants on it may be made with greater memory. The first thing the computer will do, when you run the program, is print: "OBTAIN £X"

X may be £2000, £3000, or £4000. This is your goal and you must obtain it within 15 fiscal years. In each fiscal year it will print "PROPERTY?" and you must enter your choice of 10 properties, each one being £50 more than the last e.g. 1> £50, 2> £100, 3> 150, etc. Bear in mind, though, that the computer will more probably land on the middle numbers than the extremes e.g. more likely 4, 5, or 6 than 1 or 10. When the computer lands on one of your properties you will The computer will then print "shares>0". This asks you if you want any

shares put in how many, if not put in O. The shares cost £50 each. In the next fiscal year the O will change to the number of shares you have bought.

The computer will then decide whether it landed on your property and print your bank account. It will then work out shares (you don't receive any money unless you have 2 shares or more).

At the end of the 15 fiseal years it will tell you whether you've won or not depending on your bank balance.

```
CLEAR
LET 2=0
      RANDOMISE
      LET M = (RND(4) + 2)*50
      DIM D(10)
      LET A = (RND(75) + 25)*10
      PRINT "PROGRESS"
      PRINT
      LET K = (RND (2) + 2)*1000
      PRINT "OBTAIN £";K
      PRINT
GOSUB 1100
      GOSUB 1200
      INPUT B
      IF B = 0 THEN GOTO 190
     LET D(B) = B
LET A = A - (B*50)
130
      CLS
GOSUB 1100
140
150
160
      GOTO90
      CLS
      IF A = 0 OR A < 0 THEN GOSUB 1300
     GOSUB 1100
PRINT "PROPERTIES"
FOR F = 1 TO 10
PRINT D(F);"";
230
     NEXT F
```

```
270
       PRINT
        PRINT "SHARES> ":H
        INPUT G
        If G = 0 THEN GOTO600
 430
       IF A< (G*50) THEN GOSUB 1300
       LET A = A - (G*50)
GOSUB 1100
 440
 450
       LET H = H + G
LET Z = Z + 1
 460
 600
 605
       PRINT Z
       IF Z= 15 THEN GOTO 1000
 615
       LETM = (RND(4) + 1)
       LET A = A + M
PRINT "SALLARY $";M
GOSUB 1100
 620
 630
 640
       LET I = RND(4) + RND(5) + 1
IF D(I) = I THEN GOTO 700
       LET N = RND(50)*(H/2)
       LET A = A + N
PRINT "SHARES" GIVE £";N
GOSUB 1100
 695
 680
       GOTO 90
       PRINT "LANDED ON";I
LET A = A + IX50
GOSUB 1100
 720
730
       GOT0665
       IF A> K THEN PRINT "YOU'VE WON"
IF A< K+1 THEN PRINT "YOU'VE LOST"
1000
1010
1020
       PRINT "£";A
1100
1110
       PRINT
       RETURN
1120
       PRINT "PROPERTY?"
1200
1210
       PRINT
       RETURN
       PRINT "OUT OF CASH"
```

Card shuffle, bingo call

Dear INTERFACE.

Here are a couple of programs. Both are similar nature and principle. They are simpler and much quicker than the usual "card shuffle" type pron and work by string manipulation.

Only the absolute minimum random numbers are required as every one

```
REM CARD SHUFFLE
LET A$ = ""
 20
        FOR N = 1TO52
        LET A$ = A$ + CHR$(N)
        NEXT N
        RANDOMISE
        LET R = 52

FOR N = 1TO52
        LETA = INT(RNDXR + 1)
        LET B$ = A$(A)
        SCROLL
       PRINT "CARD—";N, CODEB$
LET C$ = A$(1TOA-1)
LET D$ = A$(A + 1 TO LEN A$)
LET_A$ = D$ + C$
140
150
        LETR = R - 1
       NEXT N
```

Lines 3050 put all 52 cards in a string, as characters.

Lines 90100 selects a random card from the pack. Lines 120 displays the selected card, as a number.

Lines 130 150 reduce the number of cards left in the pack by taking out the selected card and cutting the pack each time.

Line 160 reduces the maximum random number to the number of cards left in the pack.

In this way every random number is used.

Program can be further expanded by converting the numbers into named

```
REM BINGO CALL
      LET A$ = "
      FOR N = 1 TO 99
      LETB = N
      IF B > 63 THEN LET B = B + 64
      LET A$ = A$CHR$(B)
      NEXT N
      RANDOMISE
      LET R = 99
FOR N = 1 TO 99
80
90
      LET A = (RNDXR + 1)
100
      LET B$ = A$(A)
110
      SCROLL
      LETB = CODEB$
     IFB > = 128 THEN LETB = B - 64
```

120 PRINT "CALL-";N,B 130 LET C\$ = A\$(1 TO A - 1) 140 LET D\$ = A\$(A + 1 TO LEN A\$) 150 LET A\$ = D\$ + A\$ 160 LET R = R - 1 170 NEXT N

This is similar to CARD SHUFFLE but puts 99 characters into the string store. L. F. SINFIELD

Space Invader

```
LET B = \emptyset \\
LET J = 3

         LET D = 11
LET I$ = "
                               "(8 SPACES)
         RANDOMISE
 5
6
8
10
         LET Y$ =
        CLS
LET A$ = "
                                          "(20SPACES)
50
20
         LET K$ = A$
        LET N = A9

FOR L = 1 TO 999

LET D = """ (MULTIPLICATION SIGN)

IF L > 15 AND L < 30 THEN LET D = CHR (148)

FOR 0 = 1 TO RND(5)
40
50
60
70
80
         LET A$ = TL$(A$)
IF A$ = "" THEN LET A$ = K$
         NEXT 0
         IF L= 1 THEN GOTO 100
INPUT Y$
IF Y$ = "S" THEN STOP
 88
90
100
110
         PRINT B," INVADERS "
         IF A$ = I$ AND Y$ = "F" THEN GOSUB 400
120
         PRINT A$;D$
IF NOT A$ = I$ AND Y$ = "F" THEN GOSUB 800
IF D = 0 THEN PRINT, "INVASION"
130
135
138
139
         IF D = 0 THEN 210
          FOR U = 1 TO D
         IF A$ = I$ AND NOT Y$ = "F" THEN PRINT, "."
IF NOT I$ = A$ AND NOT Y$ = "F" THEN PRINT
IF Y$ = "F" THEN PRINT,":"
153
155
         NEXT U
158
         IF I$ = A$ AND NOT Y$ = "F" THEN GOSUB 300
160
161
          PRINT, CHR$(174)
         FOR R = 1 TO J
PRINT CHR$(174);
         NFXT R
166
170
          PRINT
         PRINT
```

```
PRINT "F TO FIRE.N/L:S TO STOP"
180
      NEXT L
210
      INPUT G$
      GOTO 1
PRINT, "BOOM"
300
      LETJ = J - 1
310
      IF J = 0 THEN PRINT, "DESTRUCTION"
315
      ID J = Ø THEN GOTO 210
318
400
      PRINT, "EXPLOSION"
410
      LET B = B + 20
      IF L> 15 AND L < 30 THEN LET B = B + 80 RETURN
420
430
      LETD = D - 1
800
      RETURN
```

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Vertical Graph of RND (20)

DIM A (9) FOR B = 1 TO 21 LET D = 22 - B PRINT "(shift Q)"; FOR E = 0 TO 9 IF D = 21 THEN LET A (E) = RND(20) LET F = A(E) IF F = D - 1 THEN PRINT F;''*'; IF F= D - 1 AND F< 10 THEN PRINT "*";

IF F= D THEN PRINT "(shift A) (shift A) (shift Q)";

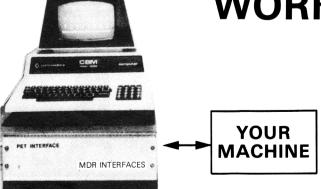
IF F< D - 1 THEN PRINT "(3 spaces)"; IF F = D THEN LET A(E) = F - 1NFXT F 130 140 PRINT 150 NEXT B 160 CLEAR FOR G = 1 TO 30 PRINT CHR\$(131); 190 NFXT G INPUT A\$ 200 210 CLS GOTO 10

TO USE THIS PROGRAM: -

ENTER RUN (and in a few seconds the graph will appear) This short program produces a graph of ten columns, where each column represents a random number between 1 and 20. Each of the ten columns has its Random number value displayed on top of its individual column. The reason for the CLEAR instruction on line 160 of the program is to make space in the RAM for the Printing of line 180.

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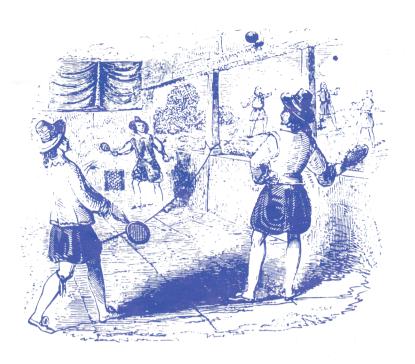
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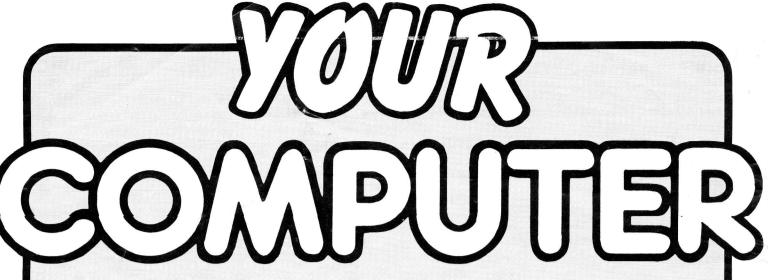
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Each month we print the magazine INTERFACE, which gives at least six programs each for both the ZX80 and the ZX81, plus hints and tips, letters from other members, book, software and hardware reviews, and contact addresses of local ZX80 and ZX81 user groups. The national club acts to co-ordinate the local clubs, helping them with publicity or anything else they request.

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5 LET A$=""
10 LET H=7
20 LET Z=M/M
30 FOR A=Z TO M
40 LET A$=**STR$ (INT (RND$4)
40 LET A$=*A$+STR$ (INT (RND$4)
40 LET A$=A$+STR$ (INT (RND$4)
40 LET X=Z
70 FOR B=Z TO M
120 NEXT A
60 LET X=Z
70 FOR B=Z TO X
75 LET L=4*(CODE A$(0)-29)
80 PRINT AT L,M;A$(0)
90 FOR J=Z TO 20-X
100 NEXT J
102 LET X=X+Z
100 NEXT J
103 LET K=RND*AND
105 CLS

100 PRINT AT L,M;"
100 PRINT "YOU SCORED ";X-Z
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