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## TONIC FOR THE TROOPS

Dear Sir,  
I am at present serving in the Falkland Islands, working out of Port Stanley.

We are trying to get a computer club started in the evenings to try and eliminate some of the boredom of off-duty hours. At present we have limited facilities — 2 ZX81 Sinclair computers — and no recognised instructors.

Could I therefore ask you for some back issues of your magazine to assist us with our club, plus any other information/leads that may be of use to us?

S/Sgt Brown  
30 FD SQN R.E.  
BFPO 666

**Editor's reply: Those back numbers are at this moment winging their way to you SSGT Brown. We hope they'll be useful in setting up your club.**

## ADVENTURER NEEDS HELP!

Dear Sir,  
I would like you to print this letter because if so it will — hopefully — provide me with an answer to a question that has been niggling me for months. It concerns the game Ulysses and the Golden Fleece produced by On-Line Systems.

So far, for three frustrating months I have been plodding around the opening scenario without proceeding on to the second stage. I have tried everything, wandered round the forest for the day, pounding the shopkeeper with questions, threatening the guards with death — mine! — and still have not got into see the King.

So please, please, I beg, any Apple owner out there

with the game and who have passed the first stage, please write into *Computer and Video Games* as soon as possible. Thank you! I wait eagerly.

Keep the Apple games coming — Imphotep and Alien Lemmings were excellent.

Michael Tallent,  
Langport,  
Somerset.

## BOMBED OUT BOMBER!

Dear Sir,  
I have just received the September issue of *Computer and Video Games* and I have typed into my 32K Atari 800 the program called Bomber only to find that it did not run. The program has been written or converted in such a way that it will only run on a 16K Atari.

I have converted it so it will run on any memory size Atari. First add lines  
0 GRAPHICS 0 :REM CLEAR SCREEN.

8 DL = PEEK(560) + 256\*PEEK(561) :REM (Find number of top left screen location. This varies with different sizes of memory).

Then change lines 10, 70, 80, 130, 190, 250, 310, 440, 450, 500, 560, 630, 690, 910 and 1030.

In these lines you will find the numbers, 15745, 15764, 15923, 15943, 15965, 15983, 16003, 16183, 16205. Change these numbers to: 15745 TO DL+353, 15764 TO DL+372, 15923 TO DL+531, 15943 TO DL+551, 15965 TO DL+573, 15983 TO DL+591, 16003 TO DL+611, 16183 TO DL+791, 16205 TO DL+813.

G. A. Ferguson,  
Darlington,  
County Durham.

## POKEING THE TRS-80 . . .

Dear Sir,  
Here are some pokes for the TRS-80. I found them in the *Basic Programmers Notebook* by Earl R. Savage.

POKE 16396,23 — disables break key.

POKE 16396,201 — enables break key.

POKE 16396,165 — replaces break with shift break.

Bypass 1 for printer.

10 POKE 16422,67:POKE 16423,0.

Line 10 causes the TRS-80 to automatically bypass all the statements which address the printer.

Bypass 2 for printer 20 POKE 16414,141:POKE 16415,5.

Line 100 is the screen bypass.

Line 200 resets line 100.

200 POKE 16414, 88:POKE 16415, 4

The book has many more 'tricks' for the TRS-80, I recommend it.

Sunil Parekh,  
Eccles,  
Manchester.

## PLEASE, LET'S STAY SHARP

Dear Sir,  
I have become rather disturbed of late by what seems to me to be a running down of interest in the Sharp MZ-80K both in advertising and articles on this splendid machine.

You have featured the MZ-80K in the Hardcore section,

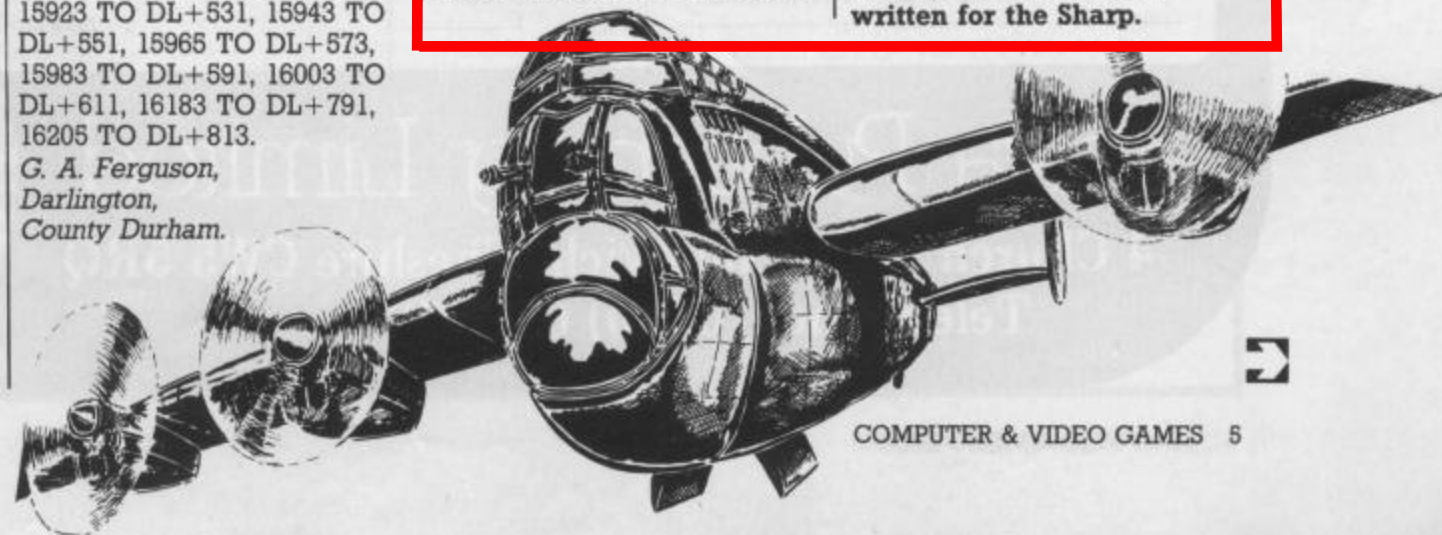
but really this is preaching to the converted and is of no use to someone who is already an owner.

I wonder if any of your readers would be able to supply games converted from another format? I am particularly interested in the 747 Simulator, which is only available for TRS-80 -Genie owners.

In conclusion, I realise that you cannot provide listings for every machine every month, but it does seem that a lot of space is taken up with new machines i.e. Spectrum and BBC etc and no doubt we will be flooded with Dragon articles. Please remember that there are specific mags for these machines, and people such as myself depend on you, in the absence of a Sharp Users magazine.

J. D. Carson,  
Lurgan,  
Co. Armagh

**Editor's reply: You are in luck Mr Carson, a letter came into our office the other day from a group of people who are considering starting up a Sharp users magazine. The subscription rate would be between £4 to £6 and the magazine would be bi-monthly. The person to contact is Mr J. P. Griffiths, 104 Waterloo Road, Southport, Merseyside. And may we respectfully remind you that some of the best games we have published — for instance World Cup Manager — have been written for the Sharp.**



## ALIENS WILL GIVE YOU THE SHAKES

### KAMIKAZE ALIENS

Aliens are zooming down towards planet Earth with suicidal determination. They will crash into your ship — killing themselves and taking you with them without a pause for thought.

These kamikaze aliens are launched from the mother ship which zaps back and forth across the top of the screen sending a deadly rain of little green men down at your defences.

Shoot fast to stay alive in this new Vic game from Audiogenic. The game is obtainable from the Reading-based firm at £7.99.

Another new space theme game from Audiogenic this month is Satellites and Meteorites.

You are the commander of a meteorite destroyer ship on a mission to neutralise a storm of meteorites that are threatening your planet.

The only way to destroy the giant rocks is to blast them with your lasers — dodging the ones you cannot get in your sights.

Your mission is made more difficult by a squadron of enemy satellites which fly in after the meteorites.

If you survive the meteorites and the satellites you must then avoid the black hole to complete your mission.

Satellites and Meteorites is a cartridge game and plugs into the back of your Vic. Available at £24.99.

## THE HAPPY EATER IS STILL BITING

### GOBBLEMAN

Gobbleman, Munchman, Munchyman, Snapper — even Munch 'n' Crunch. Come on guys — let's have some more original names for Pacman style games! Better still let's have some original and exciting new games.



Meanwhile, back in the maze, the ghosts and the little yellow disk with the insatiable appetite are running around the circuits of the Sinclair Spectrum. Gobbleman is fairly close to the arcade version although it does not feature the cage at the centre of the maze.

The game is the latest addition to the Artic computing range of games for the Spectrum. It is available from the Hull-based firm at £4.95.

The range also includes a high resolution graphics version of Space Invaders at £4.95 and a Chess tape with seven levels of play at £9.95. All games will run on the 16K or 48K Spectrum.

## THEY CAME FROM THE ARCADES . . .

### ARCADIANS

Two new games based closely on arcade money-spinners Asteroids and Galaxians are the latest offerings from Acornsoft for the BBC Model B.

Arcadians — the Galaxians clone — looks almost identical to the arcade version and, if its anything like Acornsoft Defender it will play as well as the arcade version too.

The Asteroids type game is called Meteors and again is a close copy of the arcade version with the added improvement of colour.

The games are available from Cambridge-based Acornsoft at £9.95.

## AXE MAN MEETS THE MONSTERS

### ESCAPE

Escape is the name of the game in a 3D maze full of prehistoric monsters.

In order to escape from the maze you must first find an axe that is hidden somewhere in the maze. You need this to get through the

blue door to freedom.

The monsters track you at half your speed until you find the axe. This heavy weapon slows you down considerably and you may need to drop it in order to make a quick get away before you get through the blue door.

There are five different skill levels in this game — these change the number of monsters chasing you. It is also possible to alter the speed of the monsters.

Escape runs on a 16K Sinclair Spectrum and is available from Bristol-based New Generation Software at £4.95.

## THE GAME OF MANY WORDS . . .

### SCRABBLE

Scrabble fans will welcome this computerised version of the popular word-making board game.

The game is exactly like the board game except you must pit your wits against the computer. There are four skill levels — from easy to downright impossible and the computer keeps the score.

Scrabble runs off a disc for the 48K Apple and costs £24.95 from London-based Little Genius.

## CHAMP OR CHUMP ON THE TRACK?

### CARS

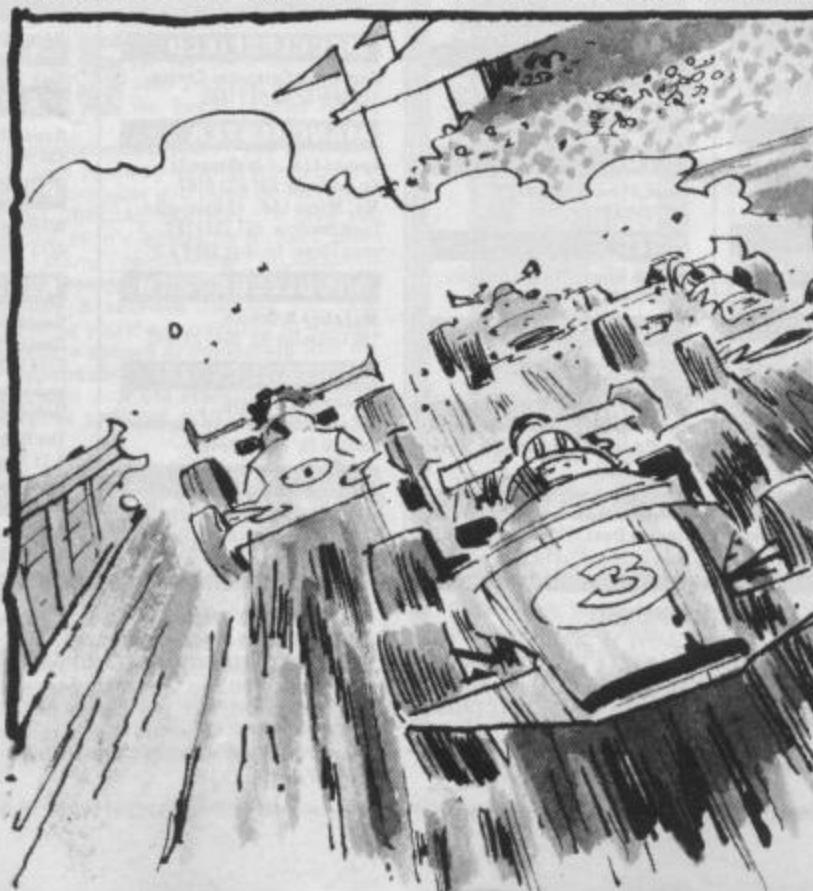
Bring the thrills and spills of the grand prix track to the keyboard of your Sharp MZ-80K.

You could become a world champ in Cars, the latest racing game for this computer.

Nine gears help you to accelerate around the twists and turns of the race track.

But its not only acceleration you'll need if you want to pop the champagne at the end of this race though. You must have quick reactions to steer in and out of all the other racers.

Cars is the latest game from Sharpsoft for the MZ-80K. It is available at £5.00 from the London-based company.



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