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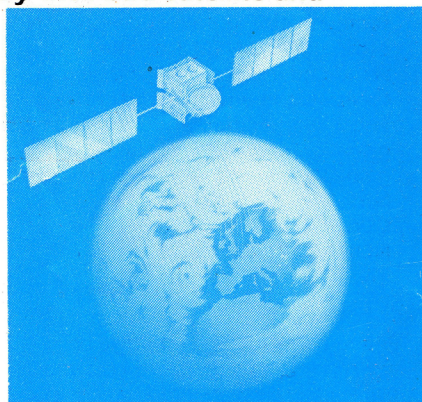
CODE: SRX100/60

PRICE: £199.99

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PRICE: £259.99

All Satellite dishes sold by the User Club must be installed by KBS Limited to validate the guarantee. KBS Ltd., Unit 2, 129 Coldharbour Lane, Camberwell, London, SE5 9NU.



NEW COMPUTER TRAINING!

Due to overwhelming demand from our members we can now offer training for CPC6128 users. Reel Time have developed a special self-teach pack - The Complete Introduction to CP/M Computing for the CPC6128 - an audio visual package which helps you learn at the pace you choose. The pack includes a free working spreadsheet and database program!
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The User Club has its own nationwide network of Learning Centres which offer a portfolio of all the popular packages for PC and PCW machine. Why not learn CP/M on the PCW from qualified and experienced trainers, which will translate simply to the CPC6128? We are also running a special "Two for the Price of One" offer for either 4 or 7 hour training sessions -

RING 091 5108787 for all the details now while the offer lasts!

OFFER! OFFER! OFFER!
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When you buy a DMP2160 printer for your CPC computer this month we'll give you a fantastic Disc Box which holds 10 discs worth £7.95 absolutely free!

CODE: DMP2160
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Please quote "DMP2160 OFFER" on all orders.

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GREAT NEW PRODUCTS

BIGFOOT

Bigfoot's cartoon adventure. Explore caves, gulp down fairy cakes and spinach, collect fuses then detonate the TNT - but don't sit on the lava or else you'll burn ya Bum!
This is a really great game, loads of puzzles, rooms, caves, bigfoot disco, killer model aeroplanes - brilliant fun. CODE: BIGFOOT001 (TAPE) NON-MEMBERS: £2.99 **MEMBERS: £2.54**

BMX FREESTYLE

Amazing freestyle action. Wheelie racing, ramp jumpin', tricks trackin', slow races - mega fun! Ride the pipe but don't go over the edge.

CODE: BMX FREESTYLE (TAPE)
NON-MEMBERS: £2.99 **MEMBERS: £2.54**

10 COMPUTER HITS VOLUME 5

A great compilation package featuring the following 10 games: Dark Sceptre • Tarzan • Catch 23 • Mystery of the Nile • Endurance • Meg Apocalypse • Ninja hamster • Activator • TheBoggit • Enlightenment • Druid II

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CODE: HITS001 (TAPE)
NON-MEMBERS £12.95 **MEMBERS £11.00**

DOOMSDAY BLUES

Incarcerated in the prison headquarters of the robots that have exterminated all other life on Earth, you are awaiting whatever evil experiments the robots have instored for you when you hear the sound of girls voices through the bars of your cell - you are not alone - there is someone else left alive - a reason to escape...FIND HER! This stunning arcade adventure will leave you breathless in your search for the girl. The 3-D animation and cartoon style graphics, coupled with superb gameplay is what your Amstrad has been waiting for.

CODE: DOOMS001 (TAPE)
NON-MEMBERS: £9.95
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GAME OVER II

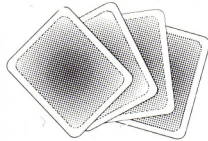
First rescue Arkos...then struggle on to take charge of the Imperial Planet. To achieve this you must steal a helicopter and descend into the depths of the planet to arrive at the prison where Arkos is being held. It is heavily fortified and defended, and success or failure will depend on your skill and ingenuity. Packed with fast action and superb graphics for total gameplay satisfaction.

CODE: GAME200 (TAPE) NON-MEMBERS: £8.95 **MEMBERS: £7.60**
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4 x 4 OFF ROAD RACING

Put yourself and your driving skills against the clock and computer controlled opponents to challenge for the Victor's Cup. Off-Road Racing is a test of speed and survival. Customise your vehicle and prepare to race over some of the worlds toughest terrain. Four of the toughest, roughest courses gives you the ultimate driving challenge: the Georgian mud flat, the Michigan Winter Wreck-off, the Death Valley Trek or the Baja Challenge. Snow, ice, mud and desert all combine to make Off-Road Racing the most hazardous road game yet. It makes the Grand Prix look like child's play.

CODE: 4x4001 (TAPE)
NON-MEMBERS: £9.99
MEMBERS: £8.49
CODE: 4x40001 (DISC)
NON-MEMBERS: £14.99
MEMBERS: £12.74



VIXEN

Lively arcade action game with a fantastic sideways scrolling, cinema-style, video digitized animated action and sound effects. Our lone heroine fights against hordes of evil and vicious nasties with her magic whip! CODE: VIXEN001 (TAPE)
NON-MEMBERS: £9.99 **MEMBERS: £8.49**
CODE: VIXEN0001 (DISC)
NON-MEMBERS: £14.99 **MEMBERS: £12.74**

GAMES SOFTWARE

CONTAMINATION

Contamination is more than just a game. Not only will it test your reflexes but it will stretch your mind as you embark on the most dramatic simulation in the history of mankind. Your task is complex. Unknown viruses have been spreading throughout the globe at an alarming rate. The death toll is rising out of control. You have been elected to the post of the head of the World Health Organisation and the fate of mankind rests with you and your team of scientists. You will have every assistance from the governments of the World. Time is running out - can you save the world from total "Contamination"? CODE: CONTAM001 (TAPE) NON-MEMBERS: £9.95 **MEMBERS: £8.45**
CODE: CONTAM0001 (DISC)
NON-MEMBERS: £14.95 **MEMBERS: £12.70**

DRAGON NINJA

The opponents in your battle for supremacy are four types of Evil Ninja star-throwing Assassins whose skills are manifold and dangerous. Also out to spoil your day are Acrobatic Women Warriors and vicious Guard Dogs. At the end of each level you must overcome the Ninja Master in order to progress - some examples of these superhuman villains are: A fire-breathing Fat Man, an Armour Clad Giant and the Green and gruesome Giant Ninja - who has a disconcerting habit of suddenly multiplying into an army!

CODE: DRAGON001 (TAPE) NON-MEMBERS: £9.95 **MEMBERS: £8.45**

MOTOR MASSACRE

The holocaust has come, plunging Cities, Continents and Civilisation into the depths of the murkiest hell on earth. 3 games in one.

1. Drive your ATV (all terrain vehicle) around the streets looking for buildings to enter. 2. Once inside the building you need to fight off the mutants, collect food and look for the Arena pass. 3. "The Arena" - once you have found the pass - the final showdown - can you survive the Arena - to continue onto the next city? CODE: MOTOR001 (TAPE) NON-MEMBERS: £9.99 **MEMBERS: £8.49**
CODE: MOTOR0001 (DISC)
NON-MEMBERS: £14.99 **MEMBERS: £12.74**

ANCIENT BATTLES

Designed to recreate pitched battles in the world of antiquity, 'Ancient Battles' lets you command the armies of Julius Caesar, Alexander the Great, Hannibal and Attila the Hun, in the great battles of the ancient world. An easy to use system allows players to design their own armies in a matter of minutes so that every game can be different. Forces can be selected from those available to any one of 24 different nations. The game comes with a number of preset scenarios and includes comprehensive Historical Notes, covering battle notes, warfare in the ancient world and Army Notes.

CODE: ANCIENT001 (TAPE) NON-MEMBERS: £14.95
MEMBERS: £12.70

ARCTICFOX

The Place...The Antarctic. The Enemy...An Alien Force. The Defence...Arcticfox, The World's most advanced Tank. Superb Graphics: 3-D landscape. Variable weather conditions. Fully functional control panel. 1st person perspective from the cockpit. Incredible Action: Fully armed and defended. Laser canon and mines. Full tactical combat. 4 enemy bases to find and destroy.

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OINK

Across the far side of the galaxy, the deadly Moof of Thrunge are about to enter battle with the peaceful People of Nostrillia, legendary throughout infinity armpit sweat..

But who cares about that anyway? You are uncle proprietor of OINK! the world's funniest comic, a get the next issue out on time.

With your trotters you've got to assemble pages zitty adventures of Pete and his Enormous Pimple Crude Crusader), and that happy hooligan, Tom 1. For some reason, Mary Lighthouse, Campaigner and clean toilets has taken against OINK! and won best to stop you!

Butcher back into it, and save Uncle Pigg's bacon (P.S. The Moose faced Warlocks won on penalties) CODE: OINK001 (TAPE) NON-MEMBERS: £1.99 **MEMBERS: £1.70**

OPERATION WOLF

The No.1 arcade game of 1988 is recreated perfectly - 6 levels of thrilling coin-op action are brought to life on your home micro. Without fast and accurate shooting skills you will never complete your mission, which takes you through steaming jungles and enemy strongholds as you attempt to liberate the prisoners and secure a safe getaway. With all the original arcade play features - magazine reloads, energy bottles, hidden supplies, rocket grenades and much, much more.

CODE: OPWOLF001 (TAPE)
NON-MEMBERS: £9.95
MEMBERS: £8.45
CODE: OPWOLF0001 (DISC)
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MEMBERS £12.70

PHM PEGASUS

A high-speed action sim in the open seas develops the assistance of Boeing M Systems. Features: Chinese Italian or Israeli Hydrofo. 3 view points to study the Realistic 3-D graphics and effects. Full armament and defence capabilities. Tire compression settings to action to 28 times. 8 real missions in the danger today. Operational maps strategy and control sup vessels.

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NIGEL MANSSELL'S GRAND PRIX

This game puts you in the cockpit of a powerful turbo-charged Canon-Williams Honda powered Formula One racing car. Take on the world's top drivers as you attempt to win the World Championship.

This game reflects enormous advances in car design and technology, and captures all the speed and excitement of genuine Grand Prix racing.

CODE: NIGEL001 (TAPE)
NON-MEMBERS: £9.99
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CODE: NIGEL0001 (DISC)
NON-MEMBERS: £14.99
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RIK THE ROADIE

You are Rik, roadie to the world famous pop Alternative Rock to stay popular, you as the gig, take it to the hall, and set up the sound CODE: RIK001 (TAPE) NON-MEMBER

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CHART BUSTERS

A great compilation package of twenty hit games:
* Ghostbusters * F.A. Cup Final * Agent X2 * Kane
* L.A. Swat * Ninja Master * Rasputin * Ollie and
Lissa * Ricochet * Zolyx * Way of the Exploding Fist
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Superstar Challenge * Tau-Ceti * I-Ball
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Cars

CODE: CHART001 (TAPE)

NON-MEMBERS: £9.99

MEMBERS: £8.49

PACIFIC

The secret treasure of Atlantis has
haunted the minds and souls of explor-
ers for centuries - that it exists there is
no doubt, but where? Your task is to find
out.

As you make the final checks on your
diving suit and oxygen and run a test on
your sub-aqua pistol you take a long look
around the horizon. You know that the
next time you see the sky you will have
wealth beyond all your dreams - either
that or you will take your last breath 500
fathoms down and die trying.

CODE: PACIF001 (TAPE)

NON-MEMBERS: £9.95

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CODE: PACIF0001 (DISC)

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SUPREME CHALLENGE

Beau - Jolly bring you 5 great games
in a supreme challenge.

* Elite * Starglider * Tetris

* Ace II * The Sentinel

CODE: SUPREM0001 (DISC)

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MEMBERS: £14.40

CODE: SUPREM001 (TAPE)

NON-MEMBERS: £12.95

MEMBERS: £9.50

THE TRAIN

The date...August 1944.

The Allies have landed and a heavily
armoured train filled with the art treasures
of Europe awaits its journey to Berlin. You
are the local leader of the French
Resistance. Your mission is to capture the
train intact and escort it safely through the
retreating enemy lines to the safety of the
Allies in Normandy. Traps, ambushes and
sabotage await you at every turn. You
need the skill, guts, strategy and luck to
succeed, and no-one has that much luck.

CODE: TRAIN001 (TAPE)

NON-MEMBERS £8.95

MEMBERS: £7.60

CODE: TRAIN0001 (DISC)

NON-MEMBERS: £14.95

MEMBERS: £12.70

THE MUNSTERS

131 Mockingbird Ave, has been invaded by
Ghouls, Zombies, Vampires, Ghosts...it
makes your blood run cold .

Because the Munsters are such nice guys
Old Nick has decided to teach them a
lesson in "ghoulology" and bring them back
to the underworld. To this end they have
kidnapped Marilyn - the swines!

Herman, Eddie, Grandpa and Lily need
your help to rescue her. Can you handle
it? The Munsters The Game, based on the
Television Series. This is a multi role all
action game with superb graphics and
gameplay. CODE: MUNSTER001 (TAPE)

NON-MEMBERS: 9.99 MEMBERS: £8.49

WHO DARES WINS

You have been selected for a mission of vital
importance to the war effort. You must go behind
enemy lines and rescue your captured comrades
from the firing squads. Armed only with an AR15
assault rifle and 5 grenades you face the
onslaught of the enemy hordes. Many townships
have fallen, their civic centres turned into
impenetrable strongholds. Where will the enemy
attack next? It could be from the roof tops of
ruined buildings or from foxholes dug in your path
It could be from behind boulders, or a stinging
attack from the air, only your special forces
training will help you.

CODE: DARES001 (TAPE)

NON-MEMBERS: £11.99

MEMBERS: £11.70

FUN SCHOOL 2

Fun School 2 consists of eight colourful and exciting programs that have been carefully designed by a
team of educationalists.

The computer itself monitors the child's progress. The skill level - initially set by the parents - is auto-
matically adjusted to suit the child's ability.

Now children can enjoy using their parents' computer while learning at their own pace.

Fun School 2 for the Under Sixes

consists of:

Shape Snap: Colourful shape recognition • Find the Mole: Experiment with number sizes

Teddy Count: Ideal introduction to numbers • Write a Letter: Creative fun at the keyboard

Colour Train: Play at spotting colours • Pick a Letter: Easy steps to word building

Spell a Word: Enjoy naming the pictures • Teddy Bears Picnic: Move around a maze

CODE: SCHOOL100 (TAPE) NON-MEMBERS £9.95 MEMBERS £8.45

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Fun School for 6-8 year olds

consists of:

Number Train: Calculations made enjoyable

Shopping: Which shops for which products?

Maths Maze: Fun improving arithmetical skills

Treasure Hunt: An introduction to co-ordinates

Bounce: Get to grips with angles

Packing: Discover interlocking shapes

Caterpillar: Word-building challenge

Number Jump: Have fun practicing tables

CODE: SCHOOL200 (TAPE)

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FUN SCHOOL 2 for the Over-8's

consists of:

Build a Bridge: Shape-fitting challenge

Passage of Guardians: Enjoy anagrams

Unicorn: A test of logical thought

Logic Doors: Mapping made easy

Souvenirs: An introduction to travel

Code Boxes: Discover binary arithmetic

Mystery Machine: Code-breaking fun

Escape: A final check on progress

CODE: SCHOOL300 (TAPE)

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CODE: SCHOOL3000 (DISC)

NON-MEMBERS £12.95 MEMBERS £11.00



BUSINESS SOFTWARE

INSTANT ACCESS

If you don't think that a database can solve your
problems then Instant Access is here to help. Pro-
viding a full range of programming utilities they
include Random Access filing - a first for the CPC
micros. They also contain editors, error trapping and
general enhancement commands. This full tool kit is
accessible from your programs to allow them to act
precisely how you want them to. Simple to use RSX
commands interface directly with the resident
BASIC allowing professional programs to be written
to your own style whilst making full use of Random
Access Files. You can even extract the 1000 name
and telephone numbers from your address book in
one command! These utilities have been fully tested
and proven by Random Access database.

Included with the random access utilities are
various other commands such as sector editing,
formatting and other general BASIC enhancements.
The professional style editor with length and default
make INPUT obsolete. Error trapping has also been
carefully implemented. These useful utilities allow
easy access of up to 65500 records. The length of a
record may be a maximum 65535 bytes. Supplied
with full documentation, detailing each section it
also includes an explanation of an example
program.

CODE: ACCESS0001 (DISC)

NON-MEMBERS £29.95 MEMBERS £25.45

RANDOM ACCESS DATABASE

The most important requirement of a database
is getting a selected record out of the file and
back on the screen. Imagine having 3000
records and having to wait minutes on end
while the computer sequentially checks each
record until it finds the one you want. It
doesn't need much imagination to see that
your business and blood pressure would soon
suffer! We've solved that problem. The
MINERVA DATABASE uses the RANDOM
ACCESS which utilises the full storage capacity
of the disc and can find a name or duplicates of
that name in 2 or 3 seconds! Not content with
massive storage and superb searching, we
have introduced other important features.

Apart from being able to individually design
record cards with graphics and boxes, you can
use multiple print formats, standard letters,
labels, lists, etc, mix characters sizes on screen
and to the printer - features which other
databases just do not allow. Features inc:
6000 records per file (2970 on the CPC 664
and 464).
40 fields. 254 characters per field. 1500
characters per record. Help panel. Default
record. Unlimited print formats. ASCII file
import. Key field for a near instant find in the
file of thousands of records. Ascending or
descending maintainable sort of any definition.

CODE: DATA0001 (DISC)

NON-MEMBERS £29.95 MEMBERS £25.45

COMPETITION

LAST MONTH'S WINNER

Congratulations this month go to **MR D. R. LONGLEY of TONBRIDGE in KENT**, whose lucky entry was pulled from the depths of the cut-down beer barrel! He'll receive a great £10 credit voucher for the solution **TOBACCO!** Easy eh?

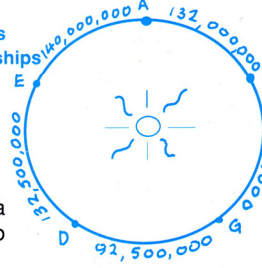
THIS MONTH'S COMPETITION

With the title "Dartswars", this month's teaser was sent in by **DAVID TURNER from ROTHERHAM in YORKSHIRE**, who'll receive a £25 credit voucher into the bargain!

Problem: Around the distant sun "Dartsma" spin 5 planets in the same orbit all with spacefaring civilisations. Their native names being unpronounceable I call them Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, Epsilon, and the distances between them are marked on the diagram in miles. These friendly traders of the Dartsma Confederation recently encountered and accidentally offended the Ittevil Empire which sent its mighty battle fleet to teach them a lesson. They attack the Delta fleet first. Given the following information, who won? And what was the size of the surviving fleet?

Ittevil fleet: 56,128 ships **Alpha fleet: 9,510 ships** **Beta fleet: 8,793 ships**
Gamma fleet: 9,916 ships **Delta fleet: 13,400 ships** **Epsilon fleet: 14,500 ships**

- The time taken for "HELP!!!" to be transmitted to the other planets may be disregarded.
- Travel between planets may be calculated as: $\text{time} = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{round orbit divided by } 1/20\text{th lightspeed (i.e. } 186,000 \text{ miles per second)}}$
- Losses for Dartsma fleets equivalent to 1% of enemy strength at the beginning of every 1/10th hour.
- Losses for Ittevil fleet 1.5% of enemy strength at beginning of every 1/10th hour.
- If at any point the home fleet Delta drops to nil the confident Ittevilans sit and wait for next contingent.
- It is a fight to annihilation and the surviving fleet numbered under 12,000.



MAD MARCH CLEAROUT!

Any of the following Knockdown discs

ONLY £2.99!

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- CODE: SOFT 1955 Brax Bluff
- CODE: SOFT 1964 Alex Higgins Pool

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- CODE SOFT 117 Roland in the Caves
- CODE: SOFT118 Roland on the Ropes
- CODE: SOFT113 Sultans Maze

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Recommended Retail Price: £19.95
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Recommended Retail Price: £39.95
KNOCKDOWN PRICE £29.95 Save Over £10!



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CONNECTING TAPE RECORDERS

Enquiries about connecting a tape recorder to a CPC 6128 are still cropping up from time to time, so let's sort out the problem once and for all. **First of all you have to use a tape recorder with Ear, Mic and remote connections, and it has to be able to output in mono not stereo, unless of course the data was recorded in stereo. Most commercial software is recorded in mono format. Secondly the CL-1 lead now has different coloured leads, but the manual still specifies the old colours. There is nothing to worry about, simply try swapping the mic and the ear leads around until you can load something into the computer. As for the remote lead, this only controls the tape recorders Motor, and it can only be inserted into one place, due to its diameter.**

TAPE BASED GAMES PROBLEMS

Many members who have bought a CPC 6128 and then added a Tape Recorder to play tape based games, have had problems when trying to load these tapes. The problem is usually connected with one of two things. The first is the volume setting on the Tape Recorder, this must be set correctly for the game to load, the best setting is usually just below maximum. The second reason is connected with the alignment of the heads on the Tape Recorder. If the heads are not correctly aligned then the information on the tape cannot be read correctly. The alignment must be carried out by a qualified engineer as damage could be caused if an inexperienced user tries it themselves.

Mr Warwick from Cornwall writes,

I have written quite a long file on my CPC 6128 and would like to save it as an ASCII file so it can be transferred to my friends PC. This is so that he can use it in a desk top publishing package and we can start producing newsletters. How will I go about transferring it into ASCII?

Ed writes, This is really very simple all you will need to do is to load the file up again and this time when you save it type in SAVE "Filename", A this will save the file in ASCII format.

Mr Attwell from Birmingham writes,

I am having some difficulty with DR.LOGO, I hope you can help.

I have just purchased a CPC 6128 and have become very interested in the DR.LOGO program.

I can load the program into the machine perfectly, but when I come to use the editor the arrow keys won't work.

I am also having a problem with the rotate command, when I enter a command such as:-

REPEAT 4 [FD 2 RT 6]

The program tells me that it can't understand the rotate function RT, but when I try it by itself it works perfectly. Could you help with these frustrating problems?

Ed replies,

First of all it seems that you are executing the program incorrectly. To run DR.LOGO you have to type in INSTALL LOGO2 or if you are using CPM plus then type INSTALL LOGO3. This will RUN a keys program to setup the array of keys so that you can use them within the edit section. Installing the program like this should also get rid of the ROTATE bug. I hope this is of assistance.



LAMPOST

Master P Leeman from Durham writes,

Dear User Club,

Please please help or give me advice as to what I should do next. My problem started when playing around with the ROMS in my Dads ROM Box. I started prizing one or two ROMS from their bed just out of curiosity and came across a tough one which wouldn't move, until, that is, I used a slightly larger lever. The thing is I seem to have bent (badly) one of the legs on the chip so much that I'm afraid to straighten it again in case it snaps. Is there any way of saving this chip or am I doomed.

Ed replies,

First of all I hope in the future, when removing ROMS that you power off your computer. Secondly it is quite common to find the odd ROM difficult to remove and to this end special tools are available that make removal a lot easier. However these are rather expensive items. Your problem has probably materialised due to the fact that you didn't endeavor to keep the ROM as level as possible when levering. Unfortunately since the slender metal legs are prone to fracture on bending back and forth. There seems to be no easy way out of this mess but to bend back the leg very slowly to its former position. Alternatively take it to a local computer repair shop who may be able to aid you further.

Prices are correct at time of going to press - all prices include V.A.T.. The Official Amstrad User Club and Amsoft Mail Order, Enterprise House, P.O.Box 10, Roper Street, Pallion Ind. Est., Sunderland SR4 6SN. TELEPHONE: (091) 510 8787.

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LASER BASIC COMPILER	£15
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