

ADAM'S APPLE

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EDITOR'S NOTE

Dear ADAM owner:

I know you are feeling miserable because Coleco Inds. pulled out of the computer business, but don't worry. We are here to back you all the way. First of all we have news in this issue for all modem owners concerning electronic mail from Compuserve. We also have all the software you need right here. We're sorry for the confusion about our Public Domain Software and we have made a new order form. There is a rumor that Coleco will still make software for the ADAM and there will, of course, still be third party software. If you would like another subscription to the ADAM's APPLE you can look in the March and April issues of Family Computing. Next month we will begin publishing the ADAM's APPLE newsletter bi-monthly.

Sincerely,

Charles Kolin, Ed

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

I'm having a problem on a program I am working on.
It just isn't doing what it's supposed to do.

Donald Kurtz
Findly, Oh

Dear Donald,

I am not sure what you're trying to perform. I think you are trying to work math functions. And the way you went about it is wrong. You were not using numerical variables which are a lot easier. Below is the corrected version of the program you sent in:

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5 REM CABLE
6 INPUT "OUTPUT OF AMP";a
15 ? : INPUT "NUMBER OF FEET";b
20 INPUT "CABLE LOSS";c
40 ? : INPUT "TAP LOSS";d
50 INPUT "INSERTION LOSS";e
70 f = ((a-b)*c-d-e)
100 ? f
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When I bought my ADAM I discovered that I made an error. I bought Expansion Module 3 instead of the stand alone. I am interested in modifying the system for composite video operation. I was wondering if you have any info on doing this.

John Linger
Havelock, Nc

Dear John,

I don't understand why you didn't return the system for the stand alone. Anyhow we do have information on your problem. You can write to Peter Hinkle who wrote a technical book which may help you. Take a look at the second issue for details.

I received your second newsletter and think you are going to have a worthwhile newsletter. I am 45 years, and teach Math/Industrial Arts at a local high school. I own two ADAM's. I am a computer novice

but I did have a small amount of programming training on the IBM-360 about 15 years ago. I was wondering if you could be a bit more specific with your Public Domain Software. I am not sure how you charge or go about it.

Donald Zimmerman
Silver Springs, Ny

Dear Donald,

Thank you for your compliment. We are going to publish a section for the Domain Programs in this newsletter. We hope you won't give up on the ADAM and keep working with it.

*Editor reserves the right to edit any materials sent in.

CLUB NOTES

ATTENTION LOCAL USERS' GROUPS AND BBS's

As a service of the ADAM's APPLE we print local users' groups and bulletin board systems for ADAM. If you know of a user group or a BBS for the ADAM, please send us the following:

- 1) NAME OF THE GROUP OR BBS
- 2) FULL ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER

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DONALD K. ZIMMERMAN
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SILVER SPRINGS, NY 14550
(719) 493-5998

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The ADAM'S APPLE is interested in setting up a new ELECTRONIC MAIL DIRECTORY from Compuserve. If you are a member of Compuserve, please send us your User Id. With this information we can have on-line meetings on Compuserve in the near future. We will also be able to answer your questions by ELECTRONIC MAIL. We'll keep you posted on any developments. And if any ADAM owners do not have a modem, they may talk to us by calling (216) 291-2865.

BOOK REVIEW

"LEARNING TOGETHER WITH ADAM"

By Peter Scharf; McGraw Hill Co.

This book gets into Smartwriter, SmartBasic, and Smartlogo and is recommended for beginning ADAM programmers. We think Smartwriter and Smartlogo were explained very well. SmartBasic could have been worked on a little more though. I liked how Mr. Scharf prepared an encyclopedia of software and hardware currently available for the ADAM. But I fear that the price quotations may soon be obsolete. I enjoyed how he put his personality into his work. I recommend this book for families just approaching the computer.

ADAM PROGRAMMING

MUSIC

Music can be called with a few simple calls and pokes. The following program shows our progress in research with ADAM. We discovered when we poke different values in different sequences, we get different sounds.

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100 HIMEN :53000
110 FOR X=1 TO 7
120 READ D
122 POKE 53000 + X,d
130 NEXT X
200 INPUT "NUMBER 1-255";N
210 POKE 53002, N
220 CALL 53001
230 GOTO 200
1000 DATA 62,0,14,245,237,121,201
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For more music programs, see K-Power magazine.

RECENT BOOKS PUBLISHED

LEARNING TOGETHER WITH ADAM
ADAM GAMES & RECREATION
ADAM SMARTWRITER WORD PROCESSING GUIDE
KIDS, BASIC, AND THE COLECO ADAM
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HEY! LETS PLAY WITH THE ADAM
HOW TO USE COLECO ADAM
JOY OF BASIC FOR COLECO ADAM
MASTERING THE COLECO ADAM
SMARTBASIC FOR THE ADAM
THE COLECO ADAM ENTERTAINER

You can write to us for more information on these and other books and how to receive them.

REVIEW ON DISK DRIVE

The disk drive is one of the greatest things that happened to the ADAM. It's faster than the digital data pack drive, looks nicer, and is a better saving device. The color matches the console. It's 1/2 to 4 inches high and 10 to 12 inches long. It is a 5 1/4 inch disk drive with 160K BYTE storage. It takes single sided double density disks. You may attach 2 drives to the console if you desire. Included with it are:

DISK MANAGER (Formats disks)
OPERATION MANUAL
HAND REFERENCE CARD

Don't ever put the disk drive on the top of the memory console or you may start to have problems. Putting it on the side would be the best option. You may run software off it or use it in SMARTWRITER, SMARTBASIC, or SMARTLOGO. To me the disk drive is a better buy and you may find yourself using it more than the DATA PACK DRIVE.

QUIZ #3

This issue's quiz is the most commonly used words in computer talk, but do you know what they mean?

WHAT DOES BASIC STAND FOR? _____
WHAT DOES IBM STAND FOR? _____
WHAT DOES RAM STAND FOR? _____
WHAT DOES ROM STAND FOR? _____

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THE FORGETS & FORGOT SECTION

We forgot to mention in CLUB NOTES that in the next month or so our BULLETIN BOARD SYSTEM will be ONLINE. We would like to know how many people will be interested in participating with it. The estimated cost is \$10 to \$15 per semester. The board will include DOWNLOADING, UPLOADING, ELECTRONIC MAIL, and other known categories. We have to have an estimated member range before all preparations are made. We are eager to await your decision.

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ADAM'S APPLE

Dear ADAM owner:

Here is the catalog of the year. You will find the lowest prices in this catalog. All items in this catalog are compatible with the ADAM home computer. We are very eager to please you as much as possible.

To all non-members of the ADAM'S APPLE please add \$1.50 to each item ordered. If you wish to be a member look under Books & Memberships for details.

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