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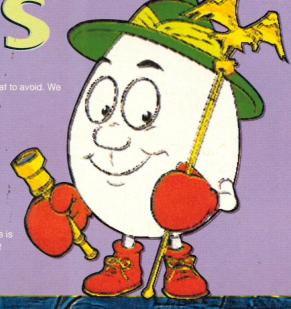
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# **16 PREVIEWS**

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Six crammed pages with over 30 hot new releases that'll be hitting our Sega games playing system over the next few months including Robocop vs Terminator, Asterix, Rebel Assault, Last Action Hero, Cliffhanger, EA Soccer, NHL '94, Gauntlet 4 and Race Drivin

# **28 PRODATES**

Some may say that ProDates is a waste of time, but where else can you see which games Sega intend to release over the coming months. It only covers the period that you'll want to know about. If you're looking to buy a new game, then this should be one of your first ports of call

# **84 PROFILE**

Contains every Sega game that's ever been released, whether it has been discontinued or not. It's the only place you need look if you want information. There's also ProTips, which may not look as if it's taking up a lot of room, but only the best tips make it here!

# **96 PROGUIDES**

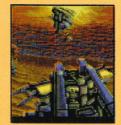
The mammoth Jungle Strike and the amazing Ranger-X come under the scrutiny of our master tipsters. What you'll find is seven pages of pure unadulterated games playing tips, with level codes, Action Replay codes and comprehensive talkthrough guides

# **108 PROTEST**

Ever wanted to know what other readers from around the world think? Have a read at the CD Con and Games Are Too Easy protests. But most importantly, can Jane Elsley get her mum to lift the NO SEGAPRO ban? Maybe not, but you'll never know until you catch up on the gossip.









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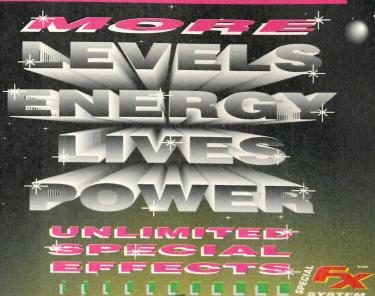


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# **NEW LOOK ISSUE**

Welcome to the new-look SegaPRo. If you are a regular reader, you may have noticed that the changes have been made over the past few months. We thought it was better to do this rather than implementing too many new features at once which has allowed us to try out new ideas without setting them in stone. The new SEGAPRO logo uses the same elements that have been used elsewhere in the issue, such as ProFile. ProDates, and now ProNews and ProTest.

This month, we have exclusive reviews of F-15 Strike Eagle II, Star Wars and James Pond II, exclusive news on CD Sonic, exclusive Street Fighter II transfers and the last four posters in our SF II collection.

Although the summer period has proven very quiet, we have continued to cover all the Sega releases with no less than 33 previews and 27 reviews in this issue alone! This only confirms out motto, "If you want to be totally in the know, plug into SEGAPRO!"





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Special talent: Ignoring facts



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Special talent: knowing absolutely everyone in Bournemouth

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Dislikes: dead matches in a match box

Fave games ever: Jungle Strike, J League Pro Striker

special talent: acting incredibly thick





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Fave games ever: Mortal Kombat

Special talent: knows every swear word in the book!

# SEGA'S WORLD



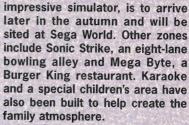
Sega are leading the way into the future, not only in home entertainment, but in the arcades too. Unlike Nintendo, Sega appear are planning the opening of huge family entertainment centres across the country. The first of these has just opened in Bournemouth, home of SEGAPRO, and boy is it impressive.

Having developed from the early arcade days of Space Invaders and Pac-Man, Sega's Amusement Centres will include the latest arcade games in a bright and friendly environment. We were there when Sonic was still drying on the walls to bring you exclusive details on one of the biggest arcade centres in the country.

Sega World. Bournemouth, comprises nine zones, each of which is based on a particular theme. The best is The Driving Edge. Machines include The R360, Virtua

Racing - with eightplayer race-and Outrunners - also an eight-player race.

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Just incase you're sick of the never ending stream of beat-'emup machines, then prepare yourself for something completely different! Sonic the Hedgehog arcade machine is coming soon! It features Dr Robotnik who is up to his usual tricks and Sonic must put a stop to him. He's helped along by two extra friends this time, Ray and Mighty.

Up to three people can play the machine at any one time, or you can choose Sonic to play on his

> own! This adventure is very



platform format - the graphics look totally brilliant! It's controlled trackball (with an extra button so you can jump) and is

viewed from overhead.





op conversion, you may have to buy hardware! Sega Alternatively, companies such as Sony, Panasonic, JVC and the likes may have to make a deal with Sega whereby software is not exclusive licensed to either party's hardware!

# ARCADE VR

Another forthcoming attraction that will be appearing in the early part of 1994 is Virtual Reality, or VR as it is commonly known. A small company based in Leicester, W Industries, recently signed an agreement with Sega to develop VR systems for the arcades and Sega World will be the first place in the UK for their new developments are to be sited.



W Industries are the world leader in Immersive Virtual Reality entertainment systems. This is the use of a head-mounted system placing the user in an omni-present environment where a computer mimics the movements of the human body in real time. They are the company who developed the innovative Virtuality system and introduced it to arcades, such as the Trocadero in London.



At the Sega World press day, we didn't spot the Sonic machine, but there was a Sonic the Hedgehog console version. Specially designed for youngsters, several machines including Sonic were half-size allowing children an easier reach. Expect to see the new Sonic and many more at Sega World in the very near future.



# **ARCADES**

Sega appear to be planning their future very nicely indeed. Sega World is the first of many planned family entertainment centres and their first mini-theme park is opening early next year in Japan. Sega's amusement department account for 80% of their business in Japan and they want a similar share in Europe. The R&D department at Sega Japan involves 27% of their work force and machines, such as the 32-bit home system (Saturn), are currently being developed there.

Not only do Sega have a firm grip of the amusement side, their home consoles are one of the leading brands in the world. Licensing of games, both at home and in the arcade, is an important area for Sega to work on, especially with machines such as the 3DO and LaserActive appearing on the market.

Because of Sega's dominance in the arcade market, we could soon see Sega being very large players in the coin-op conversion market. So, for instance, Sony's future CD machine could be the one to buy for film and movie licence conversions, but if you want a coin-







Spectravideo are planning to release two new joypads, although both of them won't available until at least October. Both products have six firing buttons with the Logipad costing £17.99 and the Phantom Stick, which has an eight foot extension lead, costing £24.99. Look out for them both in a couple of months.

EWSFLASH...Virgin Games have changed their name to Virgin Interactive Entertainment, so that the public is aware that they are more than just games publishers . . . STOP

# NOT UP TO SCRATCH

Many potential UK releases arrive on Sega's doorstep, but did you know that not all of them are accepted? Sometimes, a game won't reach Sega's standard of quality, so it won't be released. Since games have become much more widespread, releasing quality titles is much more important. In the past, we've reported that Greendog, Surf Ninjas,

Tecmo Cup Soccer and Golden Axe 3 will be available

soon in the UK. Unfortunately, since those reports, Sega have changed their mind, so none of these games will be available officially. You will be able to buy them on import, but if Sega don't want them, surely that says it all?



If you've followed ProNews over the last couple of months, you may have noticed the Awesome Mega Drive Secrets books popping up here and there. Paragon Publishing (that's us!) have published the latest book in the series.
Awesome Mega Drive Secrets III gives you the

most up to date tips and solutions for your Mega Drive. It costs £9.99 and is available from all good book shops now! However, if you fancy the chance of winning one of the ten free copies we have to give away, then enter our compo! All you have to do is answer this simple question and send

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O What was the name of the cheat book given away free in SEGAPRO#20?

.....Postcode..... Entries to reach us by 10 September 1993.

# SONIC SCRATCHIN

If you're feeling the pinch and can't afford any new games, why not shell out 50p for a Sonic scratch card? Produced in conjunction with the Scout Association, the scratch cards will be sold by Scouts



all over the country. Each card will ask three questions and they are answered correctly, the player could win a prize. The top prize is a Mega-CD, with 10 Mega Drives, 20 Game Gears, 50 Master Systems and 5000 Sonic the Hedgehog badges as other prizes! Even if you don't win a prize, answering all three questions correctly will give you 10% off Sega software at any Comet store. Sonic scratch cards will be available from the beginning of September and there's an added bonus for Scouts. They'll be provided

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# **VIRGIN RELEASES**

As reported in Whispers #22, Virgin Interactive Entertainment are moving into the video game/film crossover. They will definitely team up with Warner Bros to produce a Mega-CD and Mega Drive version of **Demolition Man.** 

Sylvester Stallone and Wesley Snipes, stars of the film, will star in the game, which will include lots of footage from the movie. The two

celebrities have been specially filmed for the game and have attended film shoots alongside the big screen production. Expect to see some exclusive footage in the game whose release date has not been confirmed, although it's expected early next

vear.



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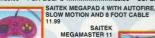


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the next series of Gamesmaster. Apparently the producers want to give the show more international appeal and cheeky Dom doesn't fit the bill. Aaaah. . . . STOP

● Codemasters will release a Dizzy compilation for the Mega Drive later this year. The exact content isn't known yet, but it should include at least three of the egg's adventures. They are also producing a Dizzy game for the Mega-CD and guess what? They're yet another software house that's producing a footie game! It won't be released until next year, although it is known that it will be called World League Soccer.

 Although Disney have only worked with Virgin and Sega in the past, it seems as if other companies can't wait to get their hands on them. Expect to see many company tie-ins with Disney in the forthcoming year.

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● Electronic Arts have just landed a licence that all the major software houses were competing for. *Jelly Boy* won't be released until next year, but believe me, it's going to be big!

 Renegade have announced that they have recently won a contract to produce games for those nice touch-tone telephones. Television programmes will broadcast the game, then the viewer will play by using the buttons on the telephone. Sky's Games World has already announced plans to run games such as these on its daily computer games show.

• Sunsoft will release two versions of the Disney classic Beauty and the Beast. The girls' version is called *Belle's Quest* and features puzzles and fairy tale action. *The Beast's Revenge* is the title for the boys' version features beat-'em-up action.

● On the same note, Hi-Tec will release Mega Drive and Game Gear versions of Barbie. The object is to guide Barbs to super model fame. If you're lucky, you'll reach the bonus level where Barbie's hair and makeup must be rearranged. You would have thought they'd learned their lesson when this was released on the Game Boy.

# **MISSION AHOY**

Already released on the PC and Amiga, Dune is set to hit the Mega-CD in time for Christmas. As in the film version, the Atreides family is sent by the Emperor of Caladen to the planet Dune, to mine for Melange. Unfortunately, vicious Harkonnens have a monopoly over the spice production and won't let anyone else near it. As Paul, Son of Duke Leto Atreides, your mission is to gain control of the planet Dune. Although most of the gameplay is taken from the PC version, many of the graphics have been changed and the sound has been totally revamped.



# TAP INTO THIS

Electronic Arts have developed a four-player adapter, the 4-WAY PLAY. It will allow gamers to compete against three friends in a variety of games: General Chaos, EA Soccer, Bill Walsh's College Football and NHL Hockey '94, to name but a few. General Chaos and College Football don't work with the Sega Tap at present, but they hope to discuss with Sega the possibility of making a multicompatible unit. Expect to see the 4-WAY PLAY out in the shops for October, priced £20.

**EWSFLASH...** Psygnosis are to produce their own soccer game, but it won't be ready until next year. No name has been arranged at the moment **STOP** 

# LETHAL MENACE

Konami are currently working on a plastic replica gun to rival the Menacer. With the forthcoming release of Lethal Enforcers, as reported in last month's News from Japan, Konami have decided to give their game an added touch of realism. The Menacer will not be compatible with Lethal Enforcers, but there is a rumour that Probe are currently working on a game for Sega's add-on.

# STYLE GURUS



Until now, it's been pretty difficult to get hold of gaming clothes. There may have been the odd Sonic T-shirt kicking around, but that was about it. Well, worry no more, because it's all about to change! Outer Limits have just launched a gaming T-shirt range, all at the reasonable price of £9.99 (adult) or £7.99 (child) each! All major gaming stars are featured on the T-shirts, from Sonic and



Lemmings, to James Pond and Street Fighter II! If you want to order a T-shirt, or find out more about their product range, then phone their mail order hotline on (0272) 768989.

Alternatively, enter our brill compo! We've got 30 of the T-shirts to give away, just for answering one weeny question.

Name three of the competitors in Street Fighter II.

Name.......Address....

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Send your entries to: Trendiest Kid on the Block, SEGAPRO, Paragon Publishing, 124 Old Christchurch Road, Bournemouth BH1 1NF, by September 10th, 1993.

# OXFORD STREET MASSACRE

HMV have only just entered into the gaming world, but they already have big plans for their in-store games departments.

Scheduled to open in September, their latest store in London's shopping centre, Oxford Street, will stock over 10,000 games. It even has a special game challenge area for customer tournaments and celebrity appearances, such as East 17's Tony Mortimer. HMV aim to become the UK's number one console games retailer and plan to open another 40 stores by the end of the year.

My life and works must always be secret. The only reason I can tell you now is that no one will accept these tales as true.

# 21st September 1693

The year of 1693 had been one of great change for both my beloved wife, who was fast approaching labour, and myself. This day its fulfillment would be seen in my great experiment for I would die before the day was through.

Thad spent all day setting up the controller for the rare gas ionising transmitters in the marshes and moors just outside of Consett I found myself sitting on a large rock near my home pondering what had been done and what was to come that night.

My home was a huge cavern divided with wooden walls and floors. The entrance was small and totally obscured from view by well planted wild grasses and bushes. Each room inside was filled with my inventions, tools and experiments. I had come to the local area for many of the same reasons that the swordmakers were being brought over. There was the river Derwent which flowed fast with radio-active waters and bedded with small stones for grinding. It was far enough away from London and other main centres that my existence could remain unnoticed but was close enough to Newcastle whose famous dock the Derwent flowed into. There was a plentiful supply of coal and ores of iron lead copper and other necessities. And there was the story of King Arthur's Cave where he and his loyal followers slept for a glorious awakening..... maybe one day I would meet Merlin.

Over the previous week I had installed the 16 steel structures in an equidistant pattern on a perimeter of a circle 8 miles in diameter. The last 2 days had me travelling the 42 miles to install the control cables and fill the gas jars. I now had to connect them to what has become known as a computer and run its self test program. Then I would drink the mixture which would cause my death, wish my friends well, fasten the monitoring leads to myself and my wife and wait.

I considered the future- one day others would discover the uses of electricity and perhaps create computers. There may be games of great imagination to play on them for diversion from ordinary life. It was a great pity that I could not share my discoveries and see more people work on them instead of waiting for others to catch up.

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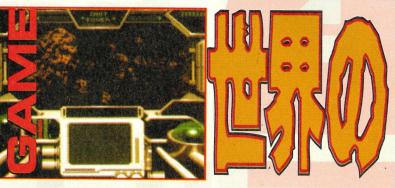


# OH GREAT POLITICAL WORLD

Have you ever fancied being President of Japan for the day? Well, in Japan there are many, who dream of this position every day, and now they can be with The Great Political World of Ishii Hisaichi, is unmatched. Now the chance to do just this has been given with this console game for the Mega Drive.

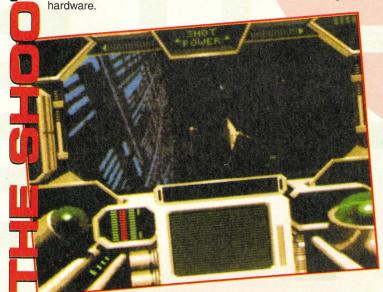
News broadcasts, public rallies and door-to-door canvassing are all used to boost your popularity in the run-up to a general election. Everything about this sounds very good and realistic, but tediously boring. Sim City and the like appeal to a large section of games players, but a Japanese scenario may be too much for even these sad people. Don't expect to see this over here, besides, it's a text oriented game and is in Japanese!





A 3-D shooting game by the name of *AX 101* is being worked on at present and is set for a December release. The Mega-CD game is going to be a mega-blaster with a *Cobra Command* style cockpit and a movie-like framework. The graphics and sound are some of the best yet seen on the Mega-CD, rivalling *Silpheed VR*.

The film-quality graphics are further enhanced by an element of speed. You fly through the city limits pressing left or right to avoid buildings and the like. This may sound very similar to *Cobra Command* and, indeed, there is a strong resemblance, but *AX 101* is going to be an updated version that takes full advantage of the hardware





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A Mega-CD game, that hopes to change the future of gaming on the currently unpopular machine, has been revealed. *Dream Mansion* tries putting the game player in a different environment: inside a television monitor! This is one of a handful of games that simply was too big to fit onto cartridge and that alone makes it look promising.

You are given the opportunity to control time and space, two elements that have previously been impossible to alter. This gives you the feeling of Virtual Reality, not in the same way as with a VR headset, but as close as is possible to the usual environment of a video game.

The innovative adventure uses no icons, cursors, windows or letters. You simply move around the house and explore various paths, etc. The D-pad is used to move about in a way similar to that on a VR machine. It may sound confusing, but if you take a look at the screen shots, you'll begin to understand how it works.

As for the story to the game, you are a little boy trying to save his sister, who is lost in the mansion. She was enchanted into the house by a shining butterfly – following the mythical story of how the devil changes a man into a butterfly.

This sounds like one of those mad, but interesting, Japanese ideas that is sure to be a bit strange at first, but could develop into a totally new and popular style of game.



- Japanese toy and video game fans went absolutely nuts when the Tokyo Toy Show arrived in town. Featuring everything that's electronic and geared to the young, Sega made the biggest impression with their latest software, including the secret Rolling Thunder 3. Scantily clad dancing girls, I must admit, were a personal favourite and far more impressive.
- Another impressive looking shoot-'em-up is to be released in Japan very soon. Bari-Arm features more baddies and power-ups than ever before and the graphics are likely to be on a par with Ranger-X.
- Sonic Chaos may have interested a few readers last month in the Summer CES report, so here's a little more information for Game Gear owners. Sonic and Tails GG is currently under production and is to be a 4Mbit version. It is going to allow you to play as Sonic or Tails and is the first time GG players have been given this option.
- An exciting Mega-CD project currently 50% finished is Popple Mail, a cartoon based RPG. There is little information available at the moment, but it looks like a Manga film conversion. Presumably, it will be practically unplayable because of the Japanese text, but you never know
- Until now there have been very few quiz games for Mega Drive owners. There is now to be a game called Party Quiz Mega Q that will allow a group of party people to star in their very own game show. Realistic graphics have been used to provide players with a studio set and commentator, but the on-screen Japanese text tends to spoil everything. Don't expect this one to appear as an official release.
- The best colour-screen handheld video game machine, the Sega Game Gear, has now sold over one million units. This was up to the end of June 1993 and coincides with the release of the new Sonic The Hedgehog 2 pack. What with the new 4Mbit games being released for the Gear, it looks as if two million units isn't that far away.





Agent 009 (yes, I know it's a tad similar to one British agent James Bond 007) is on a mission. His task, as a trial cyborg product, is to rescue the family of agent 003 – a sexy sprite if ever I've seen one – from the Black Ghost. This may sound too much like a weak storyline, but in Japan this has been the grounding for a popular 009 cartoon series called 'The Underground Kingdom of Hell.'

Stars of the cartoon have been included in the game, including Apollo, Skull and Black Ghost. The six stages have various settings, such as a mansion house, highway and grotto. Between each stage, as has become normal for recent CD releases such as Devastator and Hook, there is an animated sequence telling the story so far.

Stage one is set within the mansion house where Black Skull's cyborgs are waiting for you.

Fight through to the level guardian and you'll meet 0012: the 12th cyborg that was created to kill 009 – a bit like Terminator here! This is sure to appear as an official release soon, but with it 95% finished and due for release this Christmas in Japan, don't hold your breath.

# COMING TO SEGA SYSTEMS

Welcome to this new section where we bring you all the latest games news. Sam "out to lunch" Hickman has been given orders to wine and dine with only the best software companies to ensure that we bring you the most conclusive previews ever seen – every month!

There are lots of previews for Mega-CD and Mega Drive, but only a few for 8bit releases. This is mainly because the games that we have seen, or been sent info on, have been supplied on Mega Drive or Mega-CD format only. The software companies are aware of this and promise that there'll be more 8-bit support in future.

# NHL '94 EA • SEPTEMBER • £44.99 • 8Mbit

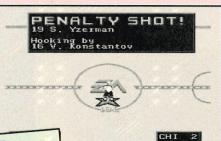




The name may have changed, but this hockey sim continues EA's famous Ice Hockey series. Both the National Hockey League and the National Hockey Players' Association have collaborated with EA so that the most up-to-date player information is included. This is yet another EA release that will use their own four-player adapter. It will allow players to take part in two-on-two games as well as the standard twoplayer versus or teammate options. Among the new features is a manual goalkeeper: instead of the

goalies' moves being down to pure luck, in this version you can make him dive, lunge and even kick save! Also included are the penalty options within game, separate penalty options (in case

the score is a draw),





new crowd animation and many new checking moves.

There's a game save for up to seven human players. All player ratings and statistics have been updated and the music has been changed too! If you loved NHLPA Hockey '93, look out for this!

# TENGEN • OCTOBER • E39.99 • SMbit This is one of the first non-Sega titles to use the four-player



tap. The arcade machine was a huge hit and this is another release that is aiming to stay close to the arcade version. Thor, Thyra Merlin and Questor must search their way through a strange universe to find magic codes. There are hundreds of mazes to negotiate and even more enemies than before. A competitive mode has been added where players can either play two-againsttwo or a team of four can play against the CPU.



# JAMES BOND





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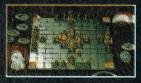
Bond, James Bond is back! After waiting for what seems like years, Bond finally appears on the hand held. Once again, he takes on his old arch rival, Professor Greypen, in a bid to stop the evil mega-lomanic controlling the world. There are four

missions to complete in all, taking you through 12 stages of fiendish plots and sinister gameplay.



# gametek • November • £39.99

Ragnarok takes its roots from Norse mythology. It represents the time of change from the old year to the new year - it's also when the gods engage in a gory battle.



Before anyone can be killed, they must lose at a board game known as the King's Table. It's a mixture between chess and the Chinese game Go, so strategy fans should have a field day! There are two different versions of the game and one is slightly easier than the other. Two people can play against each other or a CPU opponent can be selected. While this isn't the sort of game that usually appears on the Mega Drive, it certainly adds variety to the Sega catalogue!





# IMPORT • OCTOBER • £39.99 • 8Mbit

The Dashin' Desperadoes follow in the footsteps of all great comedy duos. Unfortunately, with names like Will and Rick, they're not going to make much of an impression.

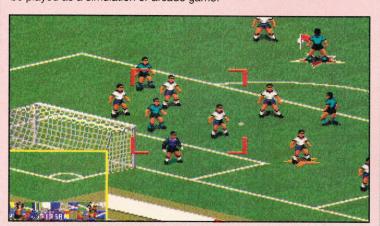
The duo face their toughest challenge when a certain Miss Jenny moves into town. Both of the brothers fall madly in love with her and, unfortunately, their friendship suffers. They both set off on an expedition around the world, hoping to reach Jenny first. The game can

# EA SOCCER EA • DECEMBER • £44.99 • 16Mbit

Electronic Arts are famous for their excellent sports sims, but to date they haven't attempted a football sim. *EA Sports Soccer*, due for release in November, aims to beat all other soccer games into the ground. Using EA's four-player tap, it has over 40 teams, each with different abilities and styles. Not only do the teams look like their real counterparts, they play like them too! EA say that this will be to football as *Bulls vs Blazers* is to basketball!

Players can select offensive and defensive strategies, and team line ups can be changed. There is a variety of field conditions, so that game-play can be as authentic as possible and accompanying sound changes according to the situation. Over 2,000 frames of player animation ensure that every possible move is incorporated into the sim with the choice of playing single or tournament games.

Unlike most soccer games of the past, *EA Soccer* has a 3D isometric view, allowing more depth and playability than a side scrolling view. It can be played as a simulation or arcade game.



# WOLFCHILD VIRGIN • OCTOBER • £32.99 • 2Mbit

Already released on Mega-CD (and deemed a flop), the 8-bit versions are almost ready. You play the son of Saul Morrow, a

talented scientist who has been kidnapped by evil forces. You are able to re-enact one of his father's experiments to become half man, half wolf. Your mission is to retrieve your father and put a stop to the evil terrorist group, Chimera. There are lots of secret rooms top be found and this is yet another 8-bit release that looks absolutely huge. To rescue your father, you'll have to make your way through five platform levels, each filled with many vicious enemies. Considering that this is only the meek Master System, it compares favourably to its CD counterpart.



# ESPN SUNDAY NIGHT FOOTBALI SONY • NOVEMBER • 239.99 • CD



Sunday Night Football, like Baseball Tonight, is a popular TV sport show in America and Sony have decided to convert the show into a game of football! Choose your team from 28 and take part in America's premier football league. Features digitised footage of both the television programme and real American football games.



# ROBOCOP v TERMINATOR VIRGIN • NOVEMBER • £44.99 • 16Mbi



Virgin are already plugging the CD release of *The Terminator*, but they have something just as spectacular on the Mega Drive! *Robocop v Terminator* sees Robocop on a quest for The Terminator's death!

While both Robocop and Terminator have already, or are about to feature in their own games (*Robocop 3* – Acclaim), they've never



appeared on the same cart before. There are eight levels to shoot your way through and at the end of each, Robocop will face a Terminator boss. This has a very mean and moody theme throughout, with millions of enemies to kill and loads of blood too. The graphics are very similar to the CD version of Terminator, so you can see just how well this release is shaping up!

# THE INCREDIBLE HULK US GOLD • NOVEMBER • £39.99 • 16Mbis



The Hulk has sold over 100 million comics world wide, so it's no surprise to see him in his own game. The Hulk will appear on the Mega Drive in November and shortly after that, he'll star in 8-bit adventures too! Although this is a five-level platform game, The Hulk has many moves against enemies, including super stomps, bear hugs and head butts. With 16Mbit of memory, US Gold will be able to

include loads of 3D graphics and superb sprite animation and they hope that this will be a big winter hit.

# GUNSHIP US GOLD • DECEMBER • 8Mbit • £39.99



Gunship is not the same as the old classic from Microprose! Although there are simulation sequences, a lot of the action is based on a scrolling shoot-

'em-up. You take control of an AH-64A Apache Chopper to participate in a fight for the skies and a selection of weapons is available. Among the enemies you'll be facing are S-60 tanks, aircraft cannons and ground troops. By the way, it uses the same choppers and troops as in the Desert Storm mission. It looks absolutely scrummy!



# REVIEWS

# SYLVESTER AND TWEETY TECMAGIK • NOVEMBER • £44.99 • 16Mbit

TECMAGIK NOVEMBER £44.99 16Mbi

Due to appear on Mega Drive, Master

System and Game Gear, Sylvester and

Due to appear on Mega Drive, Master System and Game Gear, Sylvester and Tweety follows the chaotic antics of these two old arch rivals. Sylvester can't wait to get his hands on Tweety, but there are various obstacles he'll have to get past before he can get anywhere near his feathered friend. One of the obstacles is Spike, Sylvester's most feared enemy. A 16Mbit cart has been used for this release and TecMagik don't intend to waste it either! They're using the extra memory to produce cartoon-like



animation, especially in

the main sprite, Sylvester. However, look out for the part where Tweety drinks a bottle of Hyde potion and turns into a monster! The exact amount of levels hasn't been confirmed yet, but this cartoon-style platform adventure is sure to please fans of the cartoon.

# ROAD RUNNER SEGA • OCTOBER • E32.99 • 4Mbit



ever had the pleasure to watch TV on the old S u n d a y slots, you can't have

missed Road Runner! If you have, don't worry, it's coming to Sega consoles. The game follows the cartoon theme as much as possible and stars Wile Coyote and Road Runner. Expect to see loads of cunning plans and slapstick action.

# PINK PANTHER TECMAGIK • NOVEMBER • £39.99 • 8Mbit

The Pink Panther has decided that he would like to star in a film, so enters him-



self for a local audition. Unfortunately, Inspector Clouseau has the same idea and when he sees Pink Panther, he's infuriated. After causing mayhem



on the set,
Clouseau
decides that
the panther
must be
stopped once
and for all. This
features lots
of cartoon
humour
and Henry
Mancini's
original
soundtrack

too.

# CLIFFHANGER SONY • DECEMBER • £39.99 • CD

Gabe Walker is just about the most trustworthy climber you could hope to find, but after a freak accident he completely loses his confidence. Unable to stay in the mountains, he flees to the city. Gabe starts to rebuild his life and returns to his old cabin shack to pick up

some belongings. While there, he becomes involved with a res-

cue attempt. Little does he know that the survivors are ruthless criminals.

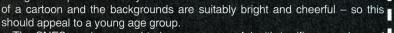
This is yet another Sony release that focuses on a combination of arcade and beat-'em-up action! It's also bound to have the obligatory video sequences and great sound. Look out for cartridge releases in the same month.



# ASTERIX AND THE MISSION SEGA • OCTOBER • 239.99 • 8Mbir

The famous comic strip hero is set to appear on the Mega Drive in October and is a completely different game than *Asterix* on MS.

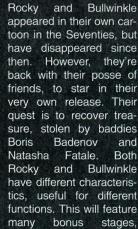
Asterix and the Mission is a platform structured adventure where you must take control of the famous character and make your way through a number of different levels where you'll meet other characters from the comics. The game is presented very much in the form



The SNES version proved to be very successful with terrific gameplay and a host of detailed and colourful sprites that captured the Asterix cartoon. It's Rocky and Butoo early to say whether the Mega Drive version will live up to the standard the SNES version set, but its appeal should certainly prove to be the major influential factor over how well it does in the shops.

Sega are have announced an October release date and you can expect to see the review of *Asterix* in SegaPRo soon.





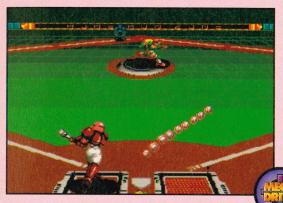
where the heroes can travel through time!





# SUPER BASEBALL 2020 EA SEPTEMBER E44.99 16Mbit

Although Super Baseball is a sport, it won't be included in EA Sports label. This is because it's not the same as real baseball!



The year is 2020 and the original rules of baseball have been forgotten. While the general rules still apply, males, females and robots all play in the same team. Sound familiar? This has already been released by EA on the Neo Geo, where it was very successful.

Players can choose from previously stored teams, or they can make up their own from a selection of stored players. There are twelve stored teams altogether, each with sixteen unique players. Teams can be improved by collecting prize money for good play, so if you've picked a





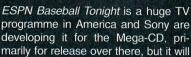
duff team, they have a chance of becoming better than the rest. Money is earned by either taking a base, scoring a run or catching people out and is used to buy essential power ups for pitchers or batters. If you have a player that's exceptionally bad, don't expect to get away with it! Prize money will be deducted for bad

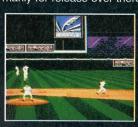


play!

As in Mutant League Football, the action is guite violent. For instance, land mines can be planted around the fielding area so that star players can be eliminated. This may not be very sporting, but at least it spices up the gameplay a bit! Although it doesn't use the fourplayer adapter, two players can team up against a computer opponent. It also has a password option, so leagues can be finished later.

Super Baseball aims to take the more, shall we say, interesting elements of baseball and combine them with novelty features. It doesn't aim to be a sports sim,





be sold here too. Choose your stars from over 28 teams to take part in major

league baseball. Over 15,000 frames of digitised player animation have been included in this baseball sim, so look out for something realistic as well as an action-packed game to rival the likes of EA Sport's games!



e Mega Drive has seen many beat-'emups in its time, but it's never seen one-on-



one karate sim! Championship Karate not only allows you to choose your fighter, you can choose your fighting style too! Your ultimate aim is to be invited to the Kumate championships, but you'll have to train! Only the best fighters in the world are allowed to compete there!

# D £39.99 👄 CD

Star Wars hasn't been released on the Mega Drive yet, although work has already started on a CD follow up. The Empire is even stronger than ever before, but they're not without resistance. The Rebellion is joining forces to defeat the empire and have only the slightest chance of triumph, but they ered as a Mega Drive clasmay just make it. You are part of the Rebellion's air forces and you'll have to sic, but as it's so old, it's



your navigate way video footage included, so if you've got a CD, this

Pitfighter could be considsurprising to see a sequel through space as well as on the way. The original alien planets. Although was one of the best combat the adventure is only games of its time, but the about 15% complete, it | moves for each character already has stunning were fairly limited. *Pitfighter* flight sequences featuring *II* will have its work cut out if the most it wants to compete with the



detailed graphics ever likes of *Mortal Kombat* and seen on the CD. There's Street Fighter II. Although the sequel takes many elements from the original the standard digitised game, there are more characters and as you would expect, more moves. Look out for the digitised graphics, hopefully Mortal Kombat style!

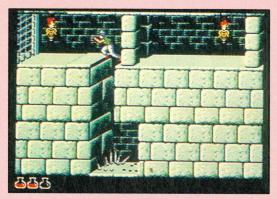




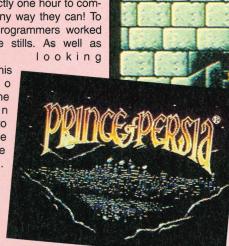
# PRINCE OF PERSIA

This has been released on every other Sega format except the Mega Drive, which has been delayed for over nine months for one reason or another. It has the same story line as other versions: you must rescue the Sultan's daughter before she is doomed to marry the Grand Visier. You have exactly one hour to complete your task and the Visier's soldiers are out to stop you any way they can! To create realistic animation, characters were filmed and the programmers worked

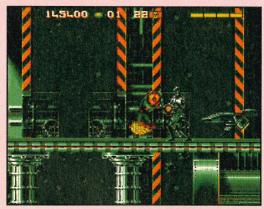
from the stills. As well as



great, this also allows the main sprite to move more freely.



When this was released on other formats, it was a huge success and has hardly stopped selling since. A well-timed Christmas release should ensure that it will

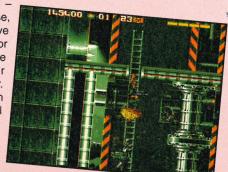


The Terminator was released nearly a year ago on the 16-bit to much acclaim. It still holds an 89% rating in the ProFile and now the CD version holds much more promise. Apart from being much bigger, the graphics have been changed and there's digitised footage in between each level too! The story remains the same

as the original as Kyle Reese. you must save Sarah Connor before the Terminator reaches her. There are ten levels in all and lots of different

weapons to choose from. The best aspect of this has to be the incredible music that is of CD quality and very, very rocky.

Action-platform fans will love this as it features nothing other than shooting throughout every level! Not exactly in the spirit of the Nineties, but could be brilliant fun nonetheless!





It seems as if every software company is about to release their own footy sim and Accolade aren't about to be left out of the action! While most companies are concentrating on bigger and better techniques, Accolade are using a sports personality to plug their product. Pele was the best football player around in his time and Accolade are hoping that his skill will rub off on the programmers!



Drivin' allows you to compete on three different circuits and even lets you build your own track! Whereas in most driving games you have to stick to the track, in Race Drivin' you can participate in an off-road adventure. There's also a stunt track where you can loopthe-loop and take part in special jump tricks. With all these special features and great action, this has the making of a great stunt racer.



As most software companies struggle for original game ideas, characters seem to becoming increasingly obscure. This new release from Tengen features a possum who certainly doesn't want his beloved rain forest chopped down! There are four areas to save altogether and as well as saving the rain forest, the ocean and city must be preserved. Possum has to collect recyclable items and avoid chain-saws along the way.





# REVIEWS

# PUGGSY PSYGNOSIS • SEPTEMBER • £39.99 •



Puggsy may look like nothing you've ever seen before, but that's because he's an alien! He's crash landed on a strange planet and the less than friendly inhabitants have made off with his spaceship! All he wants to do is get back to his own planet, but he can't go anywhere until he finds his ship! Puggsy has a good idea of where it may be stored, but unless he can get past the aliens and six level bosses, he'll never see it again!



Puggsy is yet anoth-

er platform puzzler from Psygnosis and takes place in over 60 different levels. To complete each level, Puggsy will have to solve a puzzle (similar to Fantastic

Dizzy, previewed this issue). Each item that Puggsy comes across can be used to get through a level each problem can be solved in a variety



ways. This enables more flexible gameplay and allows interactive game elements too. Psygnosis are putting the finishing touches on *Puggsy*, so look out for the review in our October issue!

# DINOSAURS FOR HIRE IMPORT • NOVEMBER



Based on the comic series, Dinosaurs for Hire, this is the latest Jurassic Park spin-off. Choose your dinosaur from four powered up monsters, but don't expect to get them for free! If you ain't got the money, you don't get the dino! When you do get around to obtaining one, use it to fight evil forces! Although the monsters may be fierce, with names like Archie, Lorenzo, Reese and Cybano, surely they can't be as hard as they look?

# BRETT HULL HOCKEY ACCOLADE DECEMBER E39.99

Although Accolade have created many different sport sims, they have never att-



empted a hockey game before. Brett Hull is a famous hockey player in the US and the hopes are that this will attract real hockey fans. This is still largely under development, but Accolade will have their work cut out to compete with NHL '94.

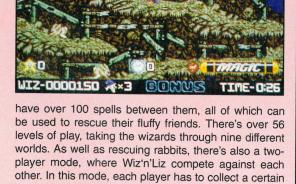
# WIZ 'N' LIZ PSYGNOSIS • OCTOBER • £39.99 • 8Mbit

Wiz 'n' Liz may think that they're the best magicians on the planet, but that's because they're the only magicians! They've practised for years to perfect their spells and even though they've had a few mishaps, most of their spells work perfectly.

Wiz 'n' Liz are brilliant magicians, but they're not very good at population control. Their two pet rabbits have produced thousands of offspring and have practically taken over the planet! Unfortunately, one of their

spells accidentally scatters the bunnies all over the world. They can't fend for themselves, so Wiz n' Liz must rescue them immediately!

Although this is basically a platform game, there are many sub stages and puzzle solving elements. The pair



amount of letters to make a specific word. Although the

game is aimed at all ages, the puzzles could especially

appeal to youngsters. Look out for it in late October!



# LAST ACTION HERO SONY • NOVEMBER • £39.99 • CD

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Other mags may have brought you news on Last Action

Hero, but they were mostly rabbiting on about the film and not the actual game! We know that our readers

want to know about the action which is why wa're appear the first building the control of the control

want to know about the action, which is why we're among the first to bring you screenshots! Although much of the format is taken from the film, the film's co-star Danny Madigan won't be appearing. Sony felt that the game was too violent for a youngster to appear in, so

old Arnie will play on his own.

There are six beat-'em-up levels, although Arnie isn't allowed to carry a gun in any of the scenes. This means that he'll have to concentrate on muscle power alone! The CD version has the additional bonus of film footage, to be included in between levels, as well as some awesome music too! The cartridge versions of the game will be out before Christmas with the CD game to follow in January.





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# FEATURE)



Isn't it great to see a totally original concept in gameplay for the latest Sonic the Hedgehog CD? This is what is known as a 360° loop. Sonic runs as fast as he can and if he's fast enough will fly up the ramp and come down the other side. Vaguely familiar?

Oh, no! More Sonic! We love it, don't we? Sonic personifies Sega's image and is the coolest game character in the entire planet. Everyone wants to know all about the blue hedgehog and Jason Johnson is no different. We sent him to Little Planet to find out more about Sonic's latest dilemma. He eventually returned with this exclusive report on the hottest title this Christmas.

# HEAVAY METAIL

To help him reach his goal, Robotnik has secretly developed a robot that is faster than Sonic. Metal Sonic may look similar Sonic, but he has the capacity to travel four times faster. This cannot be sustained for a prolonged period of time, but Dr Robotnik believes that the robot's beauty makes up for this. He has often been quoted as saying; "If you look for too much from a robot of this size, it will be an ugly robot. Metal Sonic shows himself to have a powerful, yet elegant, shape."

Not only does Metal Sonic possess beauty, he also has brains. Inside the metal shell of his are three CPUs! As each can talk to each other, Metal Sonic has an un-matched logical and contemplative power. Mecha Sonic, the spiky guardian in Sonic 2, was marely a test; Metal Sonic is far more powerful and a real threat to Sonic. If you don't believe me, check out the data sheet below.

**DATA SHEET: Metal Sonic** 

Height:765.4mm

Weight: 125.2Kg

Main CPU: LISP AI, Eggman custom chip (3)

Logical calculations are made through a fuzzy logic system in the CPU matched to mock neuro-connectors.

Sub CPU: Neo SFX DSP chip for controlling power (5 No. see in each part of the body). Next RISC-chip III for vision-correction (8 set in the eyes — RGB separation).

Comero: Micro Delaware - CCD

Frame: Monococoque — Chitin

owling: Strengthened blue chitin – tektite

Main Engine: 250cc, 4 valve Algon fusion engine. Maximum power: 55ps/6800 rpm. Maximum

torque: 7.54Kg-m/400rpm.

Sub-engine: Tesula power: Coil induction generator. Maximum power: 256kw.



This is more like it, a vertical ramp to run down. The post on the ledge throws you back in time, while other posts throw you into the future. Confusing or what!



In the earlier Sonic games, there was a distinct lack of big, nasty guardians. Robotnik's contraptions were small and always easy to beat, this is big and a damn night-mare.

Sonic has just returned from a journey into space. A year's vacation has left him somewhat out of shape and he has no idea as to Dr Robotnik's whereabouts. Sonic lands on Little Planet and is instantly chased by a fan, Amy Rose. Amy is a cute little hedgehog and Sonic, being the hero he is, couldn't resist her. Suddenly, a blue flash streaked through the sky and she was gone.





cross the road and see his flat mate.

are mysterious stones which control time. Dr Robotnik wants these precious jewels and believes that he'll be able to shape the world to his requirements by controlling time.

There are many new additions to the game including more detail when Sonic jumps. His body twists when he fires into the sky from a

spring and he also uses a new 'dash technique'. It still follows the expected action-packed adventure platform theme, but improved

graphics and sound are sure to impress everyone who plays

Metallic colouring has been used throughout to give the sprites added depth and realism, and obviously to make them look better and robotic. New end-of-level guardians have been included and they're far bigger than anything seen before in a Sonic game. The intro sequence is fantastic with cartoon quality graphics and superb sound giving you the low-down on what Sonic has been getting up to in the past year.

The background music, developed by Japanese star Keiko Utoku, is to be hip-hop style, giving a huge change from the usual soundtracks. Sound FX will obviously be of CD quality and complement the music that should be the best on

the Mega-CD to date.

A new feature is the concept of time travel. As the game is oriented around time stones and travel. there are sections of the game where you either travel to the past or future. There is also the possibili-

ty of finishing the game in more than one way - different to the tradi-

Although only a few of the levels have been seen, here is a list of all the stages and their zones. As always, the names of the zones are very

indication to their nature.

Round 1 Palmtree Panic Zone

Round 2 Collision Chaos Zone

Round 3 Tidal Tempest Zone

Round 4 Wacky Workbench Zone

Round 5 Palmtree Panic Zone

Round 6 Stardust Speedway Zone

Round 7 Metallic Madness Zone Round 8 Final Fever







We're going to keep you in suspense with this one. The rings infront of the tunnel can only be reached by... Like I said, all will be revealed in the review. Until then send your answers on a postcard to the usual address marked Ringo Sonic.

tional method of with or without the

All the previous game play and many more additions will be seen in the Sonic the Hedgehog CD game. The 360° loops, some with added twists, will be there, as will extensive amounts of bonus items and power-ups. Sonic will be able to warp through what is expected to

be a 3-D sequence and the fantastic bonus levels, of which we cannot reveal this issue, will also be 3-D.

Sonic the Hedgehog CD is expected to be the release of the year for the Mega-CD, despite competition from games like Silpheed VR and Rebel Assault. A December release is planned. It's just in time for Christmas, so now it's a matter of waiting. The full review will be in SEGAPRO soon.

Robotnik has had something to do with it. The plants are lifeless and the animals appear scared to come out of dens. Little

Oooohhh, this is the life. Gimme some more of that floating gas, it's

After a little detective work, Sonic

comes to the conclusion that Dr

their Planet is under threat of extinction and Sonic decides to do something about it.

great

Little Planet appears above Never Lake just once a year, staying there for a month. Little Planet is also known as

Kiseki Planet - meaning Gemstone or Wonder Planet - and hidden on it

Dizzy, the fantastic energetic and super-egg, has been popular with computer owners since his creation. Now that he's headed for all Sega systems, who better than Sam "egoist" Hickman to split the yolk and divulge his un-beat-able tal<mark>ents.</mark>



Dizzy is stranded in the middle of the desert without a soul around to help Maybe the key is the secret.

The Dizzy series was created as a direct backlash to increasingly violent games. In Dizzy's adventures, you don't kill anything, but have to use your brain! The evil wizard Zaks has cast a spell over the land, turning all the fluffy creatures into nasty monsters. He's also kidnapped Dizzy's girlfriend, Daisy. Dizzy must now set off on an adventure turning evil into good wherever he roams!

Codemasters describe Dizzy as an interactive cartoon. There are certainly many characters to talk to along the way. Some won't be friendly, but many will give

Dizzy the clues he needs to complete his quest. There are also many items strewn throughout each level and Dizzy must use them to solve the

many mysteries will encounter. As well as solving

brain teasers, Dizzy must also collect stars. There are 250 to collect in all and unless each one is located, the game can't be completed properly!

# **PROS**

This isn't a game you're likely to finish in an hour. Fantastic Dizzy needs a combination of both brain power and games playing expertise! Even if



C'mon Dizzy, hiding isn't going to solve any problems! Finding the cart is the only way to get out of the mine.

you've got both of those, Dizzy will still take you a fair while to complete, as it's absolutely huge. It's also likely to have universal appeal, as it focuson non-violent action. This doesn't mean it lacks on the gameplay, though, there are plenty of tasks to keep you occupied!



This pirate may look fierce, but bung him a bottle of rum and he'll disappear in no time!

Unlike other arcade adventures, you don't have to get a certain

WIZARD THEODOR

When the Darling brothers founded Codemasters in 1986, they had no idea of how big it would grow. What started as a company of two people, now employs 50 full-time staff and

Starting out, this small independent company released cheap and cheerful budget games for tape-based systems. It was only when the 16-bit computer scene had really got 80 freelance programmers! going that they moved into producing budget games on disk. These "pocket money" games proved so popular that full-price compilations, comprising four or five games, were sold.

It was only recently that the firm moved onto console. Starting with the NES, they pro-

grammed their first cartridge games, which were sold at full-price. This surprised many people because after fighting, and subsequently winning, a lengthy battle with Nintendo over copyright, it was thought (or hoped) that Codemasters would produce "budget" car-

ge games. Their biggest success must be the legal battle with Nintendo, after which it was claimed that they won substantial damages running into millions of dollars. This paved the way for the launch of their first piece of hardware, the Game Genie, which has since been released

The company's plans seem to be geared for the USA, as that's where most of the worldfor the Mega Drive and Game Gear. wide cartridge sales come from. They have recently opened a US office. No longer the small fry of the console world, many great games are expected from them over the year.



amount of points to access the many bonus levels. You can simply walk into them! They consist of a picture of Dizzy or another character that must be unscrambled before the allocated time runs out. If you succeed, you'll be granted an extra life!

The Dizzy series has already been hugely successful on other formats

and has an excellent reputation. The Mega Drive version may be similar to previous 16-bit computer versions, but it has more levels and updated graphics!

The Master System and Game Gear versions will be similar, but with fewer levels and bonus puzzles.

## PROPLAY

The graphics carry a cutesy cartoon theme throughout. While it could be graphically compared to other cute platform adventures, such as Quackshot, in Dizzy, you can explore much more of the game environment. In addition to problem solving, there's plenty of platform action to keep you occupied. Although you can't actually kill enemies, avoiding them is just as difficult! Dizzy is a joy to control and even

though he's small, he's animated very well. Fantastic Dizzy is likely to appeal to Sega owners of all ages as it's both cute and challenging at the same

Although Dizzy's quest may be huge, he has plenty of egg head friends to help him along the way. Cast your eyes over this little lot and decide for yourself whether they're a help or a hindrance!

You'll find Dozy asleep wherever you left him last, as he's not exactly full of energy. If you want to wake him, you'll have to find an alarm clock!

Dora is the youngest of Dizzy's friends and is obsessed with sweets and frogs. She has a heart of gold, but be careful, those boxing gloves could be lethal!

The trendiest egg on the street! Denzil is obsessed by his walkman, so dragging him out to help Dizzy will be a difficult task!

Grand Dizzy may be old, but he's certainly got all his marbles. Consult him when Dizzy's in need of a few wise words.

When Dylan's not chanting his mantra, he can often be found admiring the wonderful outdoors. He's a bit of a hippy so getting him to conform can be a bit of a problem.

## PRINCE CLUMS

Heir to the throne of Dizzv's kingdom, Clumsy is the most bumbling prince you'll ever find. He means well, so everyone likes him anyway!

Theo has many lotions and potions that can help Dizzy. He has trainined our hero, but Dizzv's attempts at sorcery were disastrous!

Probably the character closest to Dizzy's heart. Daisy has been kidnapped by Zaks and it's up to Dizzy to rescue her!

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# **PROFILE**

Name: Derek Leigh-Gilchrist

ob description: Programmer

Leamington Spa

Fave food: Royal Digestive biscuits (loads of chocolate!).

Fave clothing: Anything comfy.
Fave music: Prince, Pink Floyd, The The, and acid jazz. Got my first game contract while still at school!

Fave person: Homer Simpson

gy: Battle Valley (Amiga), Spot (ST), Pub Trivia (Amiga), Magicland Dizzy (Amiga), Dizzy: Prince of the Yolkfolk (Amiga), Bubble

Dizzy (Amiga) and Captain Dynamo (Amiga).

# This is Dizzy's house! If he wants to get out he'll have to

find the key, which as you can see, is hidden up in the

What makes Dizzy such an appealing character?

Dizzy is a character that the whole family can relate to. He's interested in having fun, which is why everyone likes him!

Who first designed Dizzy and has he changed much since then?

Dizzy was designed by the Oliver Twins for the Spectrum over six years ago. Since then, Dizzy's game content has changed, but the actual character has remained the same.

## Who decided to make Dizzy non-violent?

The Oliver twins decided to make Dizzy non-violent, as it would then appeal to a wider audience. This has paid off not only in terms of sales, but in reputation too! Fantastic Dizzy recently received the Parent's Choice award in America, recommending it as a game for the whole family.

How long has it taken to program Fantastic Dizzy? One year of constant program-

Are there any plans for more Dizzy episodes on the Mega

At the moment, we are putting the finishing touches on the Mega Drive sequel to Fantastic Dizzy. I can't tell you what it will be called yet, but it's going to be great!

Are there any other Dizzy spin-offs in the pipeline?

A CD version of Dizzy may be produced soon and he may also star in his own cartoon!

## Do you still play games after having such close contact with them?

Of course! It's great to see what other people are producing. My favourite games at the moment are Micro Machines. Global Gladiators, Datastorm and Chuck Rock 2.

# What are you working on next?

A top secret original Sega game that should be nearing completion around this time next

time. The Mega Drive may have seen many arcade adventures, puzzlers and platformers in its time, but it's never seen anything like Dizzy before. Watch out for it it's going to be big!



Look out for this lot! They're out to get Dizzy in any way they can!

This repulsive troll guards the palace and although he looks mean, he may be open to a bribe or two. Why not give it a try!

He may sell whatever you need, but it'll cost you! This man isn't out to give you any bargains, so don't even think

about bartering!

past Zaks first.

Zaks has captured many of the yolk folk, including Dizzy's girlfriend. If Dizzy ever wants to see them again, he'll have to get

He's not exactly evil, but won't help Dizzy without getting something in

return, and his requests are the most obscure he

think

Blackheart is the toughest pirate to ever sail the seas. Mess with him and you could find yourself walking the plank!



# **FANTASTIC**

CART SIZE .....8Mbit

SKILL LEVELS......1 FEATURES .....n/a CONTACT

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# PEC DATES

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NR – Not Reviewed (yet!) RV – Reviewed in this issue Prodates is back this month, with an all new look!
The information is the same, though, so if you want to plan your game purchases, read on.
These pages contain all the information you'll need until September. However, remember that many of

# **AUGUST RELEASES**

# MASTER SYSTEM

## CALIFORNIA GAMES 2 SEGA £32.99

Although the first version of this was a huge success, the concept is rather dated now. The second attempt has the same feel, although the sports are different and the graphics have been updated. Even so, it's difficult to say whether this will be as successful.

58%



## GAME GEAR

## STREETS OF RAGE 2 SEGA £27.99

Streets of Rage was only released on the Game Gear at Christmas, but you'll soon be able to get the sequel too! This is one of the first Sega Game Gear titles to use 4Mbit, so look out for something special!

## DOUBLE DRAGON VIRGIN £27.99

The Double Dragon series has been kicking around for a fair few years. Unfortunately, none of the episodes have been very interesting. This time Billy and Jimmy hit the handheld to see if they can save face. Beat-'em-up action from start to finish.

## SUPERMAN VIRGIN £27.99

Lots of children have been kidnapped from their homes and the citizens can do nothing to bring them back. There is one hope, though – Superman! He must rescue the kids, defeat the baddies and restore order, all before the day is through!

77%



# MEGA DRIVE



## FLINTSTONES SEGA £39.99

Yabba dabba doo! Not only are The Flintstones being transferred to the big screen, they'll also appear on the Mega Drive! As Fred, you must retrieve items that have been lost by Wilma, Barney and Betty. 79%

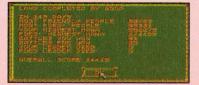
## MIG 29 DOMARK £39.99

The battle has begun for best flight sim of the year, although Domark reckon they've got it pretty sewn up! Take to the skies in one of the most realistic flight sims ever to hit the MD.



# TWO TRIBES VIRGIN £44.99

Populous may have been one of the best strategy games of its time, but it's starting to look a little dated now. This sequel is much more playable, with more levels and is generally more funiNF



## TECHNO CLASH EA £39.99

When a demon arrives from the inner realm through an inter-dimensional portal, it has to mean trouble. Unfortunately, he's only come to predict a war between technology and magic. Only a brave warrior named 'Ronaan can save the world, although first he'll have to find the mysterious Engine Man. RV

## GENERAL CHAOS EA £39.99

General Chaos had been plotting victory against his old arch rival, General Havoc for years. Although both sides are fairly well matched, new tactics are brought in to end the war once and for all. Test your brain in the strategic shoot-'em-up of the century!



## BOB

## £39.99

When BOB crash lands on an alien planet, he finds it hard work coping with the locals. They're a less than friendly bunch, so he decides he should get off the planet fairly sharpish! Help him, or he may never get home again.

# MICRO MACHINES CODEMASTERS £39.99

This title was reviewed in SEGAPRO months ago, but due to a dispute with Sega, the game was withdrawn. Now, it's back!
Weave your way around all kinds of novelty tracks in miniature radio

## MEGA CD

controlled cars.

# CHUCK ROCK SEGA £39.99

Gary Gritter has kidnapped Chuck Rock's girlfriend and he's infuriated! A manic platform adventure where Chuck Rock is on the warpath for revenge. Sounds ominous, but it's one of the cutest games around.

### HOOK SEGA

# K £39.99

All little boys must grow up at some time, including Peter Pan. Fortunately, Tinkerbell shows him the error of his ways, restores his youth and packs him



off on an



# SEPTEMBER RELEASES

# MASTER SYSTEM

# THE FLASH SEGA £32.99

The Flash has been around in the comics for quite some time and now he"s coming onto console. What we look like getting is a decent platformer, but you'll have to wait until next month to find out.

# POWER STRIKE II SEGA £32.99

A young pilot takes to the skies to rid the airways of Space Pirates. These vigilantes are vicious fighters that will stop at nothing to loot money from innocent



# CHUCK 2: SON OF CHUCK CORE £32.99

Evil Gary Gritter has kidnapped Chuck Rock. Even though his son can barely walk, he toddles off into the distance to search for his father. Loads of levels and bright, cartoon style graphics.

# ROAD RUNNER SEGA £32.99

So far Road Runner has always managed to foil the attempts of the dastardly Wyle Coyote. Now that you play Road Runner, will he still be so successful? That won't be certain until we get the review version in, but it should be fun.

# STAR WARS US GOLD £32.99

Join Luke Skywalker in his first mission for The Force. Obi Wan Kenobi may be his mentor, but he'll have to find Han Solo and Princess Leia if he wants to complete the mission. Unfortunately, Darth Vader has other plans and is out to stop Skywalker any

# JAMES POND II US GOLD £32.99

Special Agent Robocod has appeared on the Mega Drive before, but it's his first appearance on the 8-bit. Detonate the bombs set in Santa's factory, or they'll be no Christmas presents for anyone!

MORTAL KOMBAT ACCLAIM £34.99

The fighting game of the moment! While the nation is awaiting the release of *Street* Fighter II, this may just steal the limition!! There's many the limelight! There's many different fighting styles and lots of competitors to choose from.



# ROBOCOP 3 ACCLAIM £39.99

RoboCop 3, the movie, has been delayed because of lack of money. Don't worry though, all of Acclaim's efforts have been poured into the game. Take to the gang-infiltrated streets and clean up

# GAME GEAR

# POWER STRIKE SEGA £27.99

A young pilot was cruelly shot down by a gang known as the Space Pirates. When he recovers, he is still weak, but he climbs back into his space plane looking for revenge.

# STRIDER II US GOLD £27.99

The original Strider was a classic in its time. The sequel takes much of the original action, but has a much more modern feel. Can you rescue the princess



before she is destined to a fate worse than death?

# WOLF CHILD VIRGIN £27.99

When Saul Morrow saw a video tape of his father being kidnapped, he knew there was only one thing to do. Stepping into his father's experimental transmuter, he became wolfchild.

JAMES BOND DOMARK £27.99 Bond was a success on the Master System and as the Game Gear version is almost identical, it's bound to be a success too! Defeat Dr Greypen and you might just get the girl. NR

# AGASSI TENNIS TECMAGIK

Andre has already played a few matches on the Mega Drive and Master System, although he received



STAR WARS US GOLD £27.99 Luke Skywalker teams up with Han Solo and Princess Leia to defeat the evil empire. The quest will be tough, but with the help of the Millennium Falcon, R2-D2 and C3P0, the task will be a lot

# JAMES POND II US GOLD £27.99

Eight explosive penguins have been dotted around Santa's toy factory. Unless James Pond, codename Robocod, can discover them, the factory will blow

The Addams Family may sound like any normal family, but they're far from it! The clan are, shall we say, well and truly dead! This was a massive hit on the SNES and Acclaim saw the potential for a great Mega Drive release too!

# MORTAL KOMBAT ACCLAIM £34.99

Prepare to be killed - violently! The Game Gear has never seen a great one- on- one beat-'em-up before and this should be brilliant. Choose your competitor from a multitude of fighters and enter yourself in the goriest tournament ever!

# ROBOCOP 3 ACCLAIM £27.99

RoboCop is obsessed with getting rid of the bad guys at any price! Although this follows the third saga of RoboCop, episodes one and two have never appeared on any Sega console. Oh wall, that's what's known as "artistic license".

# MEGA DRIVE

This is enjoying massive success at the cinema and the game is receiving the same hype. This loosely follows the film's plot, although in some levels you'll play the human-hungry Raptort Features the same style of graphics as *Flashback*, although according to Sega, the animation is much better. NR

# ULTIMATE SOCCER SEGA £39.99

This is Sega's first official UK release to use the four-player tap! Even non-football fans should be drawn to this, as the option of playing with up to eight people could be great fun!



SHINOBI III SEGA £39.99 We reviewed this way back in SEGAPRO #17, but it will only be released officially in September. Features beat-'em-up action (as in the first two episodes) and brilliant graphics all the way through



# WIMBLEDON £39.99

This is a little too late to catch the Wimbledon hype. although the tennis season will still be in full swing (groan) by the time it's released. If this is going to be successful, it will have to live up to both Amazing Tennis and Davis World Cup Tennis

RANGER-X SEGA £39.99

no-one on Earth can stop him. One of the local psychic girls thinks she can get though to him but there's one problem. He's kidnapped her! Now it's up to you to rescue her!

GUNSTAR HEROES SEGA £39.99 This shoot-'em-up is set far into the future, where good must defeat evil. Thankfully, the Gunstar Heroes are always at hand to save the day. The way the adventure plays is largely determined by the throw of a die. Unique to say the least!

# HAUNTING EA £39.99

Polterguy is just your average kind of ghost and he'll do anything to get rid of his greedy relatives who now occupy his home! Unfortunately, they don't respond to much. Polterguy's only hope is to scare them out.

# JAMES POND 3 EA £39.99

With his third appearance to date, it seems as if Pond can't stay away from the Mega Drive. This time he's back for more mayhem. Features the usual platform fun, although the story is different.

### **CHUCK ROCK 2: SON OF CHUCK** £39.99

When Chuck goes missing, his baby son begins to worry. Even though he's only a nipper, he knows that Gary Gritter is behind the mystery. So off he goes, without even a spare pack of Pampers, to rescue his poor dad.

# BASEBALL 2020 EA £44.99

Although baseball in 2020 carries the same rules as traditional baseball, there are also many differences. Male, female and robot athletes can take part in the action and minefields are placed all around the play area. Can be played with EA's four-player adapter.

# NHL '94

£44.99

Possibly the best sports sim of all time! The 1994 version will arrive with more moves than ever before! The goalie can be controlled, there are more checking moves and there's even the inclusion of penalty shoot-outs! This can also be played with up to four players using EA's adaptor.

# PUGGSY PSYGNOSIS

Puggsy has landed on an alien planet and the inhabitants have stolen his ship. He has an idea who's taken it, but unless he can use his brains to get out of every level, he'll never get home.

# DRACULA PSYGNOSIS £39.99

Spooky! There are rumours flying about that *Dracula* may never be released on the Mega-CD, although it's still



looking healthy on the Mega Drive. Battle your way through hundreds of ghouls and ghosts in an ultimate quest to crush Dracula.

# F15 STRIKE EAGLE II MICROPROSE £39.99

Exclusively reviewed this issue! Yet another flight sim that promises to be realistic as well as challenging. Many different missions and a few medals to be won too!

# ADDAMS FAMILY ACCLAIM £39.99

This creepy family has already made an appearance on the Nintendo, although they're bound to be better on the Mega Drive. A spooky platform adventure that should include great sound

# MORTAL KOMBAT ACCLAIM £49.99

Choose your competitor from nine brutal fighters, then use them to beat everyone else into a pulp. With so many special moves to learn, this has definite lastability!

# ROBOCOP 3 ACCLAIM £39.99

Robocop bursts his way on to the Mega Drive in September and promises to take no prisoners. We've only seen a bit of this game, but it looks

brilliant! It also seems fairly difficult, so if it's value for money you're after

# MEGA CD

then this

could be for you.

# THE TERMINATOR VIRGIN £44.99

This is Virgin's first Mega-CD release, so look out for something special! It features digitised film footage in between levels, as well as some stunning in game graphics. The graphics have been changed from the Mega Drive version and there's more control over Kyle too.

# WONDERDOG JVC £39.99

We reviewed this way back in SEGAPRO #14, although it won't officially hit the shelves until mid-September. Wonderdog is an alien on a strange planet. No one likes him until he makes friend with a young boy. Unfortunately, the boy's parents don't like the dog either, so they kick him out. Aaaah.

# THUNDERHAWK CORE £34.99

We've seen Afterburner 3 on the Mega-CD, although frankly, it was a pile of rubbish. Hopefully Core can do the business with their latest flight sim. Check out the review next month to find out

# SHERLOCK HOLMES

The original Sherlock Holmes shifted very quickly, so something tells us that



the follow-up will be huge too! Sherlock presents three more cases to be solved. To solve them in fewer moves than him, you'll have to be an ace detective. RV

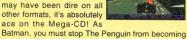
INXS: MAKE MY VIDEO SEGA £39.99 Michael Hutchence and his posse are the next group to take advantage of Make my Video. In the past, we've seen Kris Kross and Marky Mark, although neither parties have given much entertainment. Something tells us that INXS will be

# CHUCK 2: SON OF CHUCK CORE £39.99

August sees the release of the first episode of Chuck, so you only have to wait one month to see the sequel! This time, Gritter has kidnapped Chuck, so it's up to his baby son to get him back. Has the same flavour as the first version, although the graphics and gameplay are different.

# BATMAN RETURNS SEGA £39.99

Although the Batman Series may have been dire on all other formats, it's absolutely



mayor. Otherwise, the citizens will think that you're

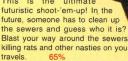
# KRIS KROSS: MAKE MY VIDEO SEGA £39.99 Released officially in September, this was the first

Make My Video to arrive on import. The idea of editing a video is certainly original, but does it offer any great gameplay? Er, we don't think so.

C&C MUSIC FACTORY SEGA £39.99 It seems as if Sega have gone overboard with the Make my Video series this month. Okay, one might attract the novelty buyer, but three? Surely this is asking for a slagging off! NR

# S E W E R SHARK SEGA £39.99

futuristic shoot-'em-up! In the future, someone has to clean up the sewers and guess who it is? Blast your way around the sewers,



# **REVIEW SYSTEM**

# NTRODUCTION

Just a quick rundown of the story behind the game. Usually a quick resumé of what the inlay says - but not as boring.

# ProView

The real meat of the review. Here you can find out what we think of every single element of the game. We'll walk you through the game, talking about the graphics, sound, how it plays, and interesting things you may encounter. This is the most informative part of the whole review.

# PROTIPS

Just a small slice of help that should make your first few minutes of play less frustrating and hopefully a lot more fun.

# PROFILE

All the info you'll need. The phone number given is of the main supplier in the UK and who the Pros got the game from. If the game's on import only, it'll contain an importer's phone number only.

The Action/Strategy bar reflects how much strategical element is in the game - it does not mean that the game is a strategy game you have to read the review comments to discover a game's category.

# PROSCORE

We pick out the good and bad points for graphics, sound, gameplay and challenge. While a game may score highly on graphics and sound, it may severely lack in playability. If this is the case, the scores will reflect The overall ProScore is calculated from our final opinion of the game, taking into consideration every single factor - including price! This is not an average of any score.

# PROYO.

A ProYo! is awarded to any game which receives a rating of 90% or over. Any game which does fall into this prestigious category should definitely be in your collection.

# Master Gear

Every Master System review features a section which details how the game played on the Game Gear through the Master Gear convertor. Are the graphics visible, etc.

# I WANT A SECOND OPINION

Each game review's score is awarded on the game's own abilities; on how well it was programmed, how well it plays and what it offers the gameplayer. Although the Pros award scores, what we say in the reviews gives you more information to what the strengths and weaknesses of a game are.

By reading the review, you can make a decision whether the game is for you. To help you do this, we have included the second opinion comments. That means that you get the views of not only the reviewer, but also another Pro who thinks that the game might suit them. The opinions give the view of someone interested enough to have a look at a decent game.

# **MPORTS**

If you want to get games on import, then there are a few points worth remembering which mostly concern the type of machine you own and the games that will run on it.

Japanese machines will run all UK, USA and Asian cartridges, providing they don't have the notorious 'PAL lock" on them.

UK machines will play UK and USA carts without any

problems, but can't play Japanese carts without an adaptor. Also, some Jap carts will only produce a picture through the AV socket on the back of the Mega Drive. This means that they can only be played on a SCART TV or a monitor.

The obvious disadvantages with import games become apparent when you try and play a Japanese RPG when you can't speak the lingo! However, shoot-'em-ups, beat-'emups and platform games need very little in the way of instructions, so these should be okay.

**HOME ALONE** Set traps to stop the crooks looting the neighbourhood houses and build weapons using implements such as hairdryers and toothbrushes!



DOUBLE DRAGON As the wimpy Billy can't fend for himself then it's his mate, Jimmy, who's taken on the responsibility of gaining revenge by cleaning up the street.



AODTAL KOMBAT Can the MS version of the popular coin-up hit possibly have the same kind of playability levels experienced in the arcade?



The popular sci-fi trilogy series is now re-born in the shape of a console platform adventure where the aim of the game is to kill Vader.



**ULTIMATE SOCCER** An original pitch perspective, a differing penalty shoot-out and a host of soccer options make this a great MS soccer release.



POWER STRIKE II Get the power-ups to enhance you weapons for totally absorbing and frantic action where the enemies can pop up from anywhere!



JAMES POND II James Pond II, Codename Robocod, makes his long awaited debut on 8-bit systems. He must prove that he's capable of this top assignement.



Take a dive deep down under the sea and explore the hidden secrets and dangers of an adventure that brings Flipper right into the picture!



NIGHT STRIKER Chequered floors and spiral ceilings are all part of the CD's scaling capabilities in this shoot-'em-up that comprises 21 levels over a pyramid map.



**DEVASTATOR** 73% This shoot-'em-up brings those once popular transformer toys to life in an adventure where a lot of the bosses are designed to surprise!



SHERLOCK HOLMES ii It's time to clean the magnifying glass and start reading newspapers as there are now another three cases Holmes must solve in this sequel.



INXS: MAKE MY VIDEO 57% With video editing software now starting to creep onto the software scene we see INXS making the most of CD graphical and audio entertainment.



F-15 STRIKE EAGLE II Pilot an F-15 through six different game worlds and aim to earn a collection of medals and promotions that'll make you a veteran wartime hero!

From the terrors of

Dracula's castle to a

graveyard plagued with zombies,

Bram Stoker's hit goes from big to

small screen in a chilling adventure.

**GENERAL CHAOS** 

General Chaos

at one another's throats for years

and now it's time for a warfare

General Havoc have been

How will the coin-up conversion compare to the original blood and gore arcade game that's lived in the shadows of Street Fighter II?

**MORTAL KOMBAT** 



ROCKET KNIGHT ADVS 89% Go completely power mad in a shoot-'em-up where rocket fuel gains new heights and the bosses surprise you in a multitude of fashions.



If you have eight mates, Sega Taps and a big room, you can all play together. However, is this really the 'Ultimate' soccer sim to date?



It's a cat's paradise where balls of yarn earn points and bopping the woollies may well mean prizes. This cheeky puss has a touch of the Sonic fever!



DAVIS CUP TENNIS Build up your tennis career by travelling the globe and picking up prize money. With this tennis sim you can play split-screen doubles as well!



**POWER CHALLENGE** Tee off for a round of golf where the real fans can get a TV reverse angle of a replayed shot. How does this compare to PGA Tour Golf, though?



He's a strange old robot who seems to have the characteristics of Inspector Gadget with a helicopter hat being just one of his add items.



**CHAMPION BOWLING** Strike it lucky in this version of the revived modern day alley game where you can't get your fingers stuck and scoring is left to the CPU.



**GUNSTAR HEROES** 

massive complex of space age

robotics and nasties will keep you

in suspense right until the very end.

TECHNO CLASH

brainpower and reflexes than usual

for this type of adventure.

This role-playing shoot-

'em-up has plenty of

and requires more

Take a step into the

unknown where

**COLLEGE FOOTBALL** EA claim this is an experimentation preparation for Madden'94, so what upgrades and features have been included this time?



**GOLDEN AXE III** After quite a while we now have a trilogy of the slice-'em-up series. However, is there any real improvement over the previous two mediocre affairs?









The F-15 Strike Eagle is one of the world's fastest military aircraft. Its high-tech laser tracking system and advanced weapon load offer pilots the kind of technology that can make real life air combat seem like an incredible video game. The laser system pro-

duces close up TV pictures of targets below so the pilots can immediately see what has to be blown off the map next.

Six game worlds, and hundreds of targets, map the route of your career as a pilot, so the day you become Captain is the day you've fought in each and every one of them. All serious pilots are destined to have that strip of medals before ejecting out of their careers! So, sit back and make the skies your own in this flight of fancy that will put your life on the line!

icroProse have always had a good reputation for producing quality flight simulators and they are

now set to release *F-15 Strike Eagle II* where you must battle through six different worlds and destroy hundreds of designated targets.

The limitations that programmers have when they produce a flight sim on con-

sole are clearly evident in contrast to the keypress dramas produced on the Amiga or PC.
With F-15 you must select the various commands by using a series of menu screens and because this is done

whilst in pause mode, you never have to worry about piloting your aircraft whilst messing about with the controls.

The structure of *F-15* is very much like that of most flight sims where you have the usual array of dials and indicators as well as a host of primary and secondary targets. From Libya to Europe, your aim is to complete your career with a clutch of medals and a high rank



To become a Brigadier General will require experience and dedication concerning the nature of the game.

Before powering into the skies, you must select one of four skill levels. The Rookie level is very easy as you have unlimited fuel and start airborne with your home base below you. After the 'Pilot' level, you will have to take off on the runway and as the skill level increases, the enemy's skill, equipment quality and aggression are increased.

It's a shame the first two skill levels of F-15 start you off in the air. Taking off should be part of the fun with a flight sim and it would have been better if the Rookie level gave you the complete training option; putting you through taking off and landing procedures.





On the briefing screen, your targets are shown as you'll see them in the game. You can still earn a medal by just destroying one target when you're at a Rookie or Pilot level - even if you eject! The positions of targets can be viewed from the map and if they are a fair distance then you can warpspeed!

Starting off is a very simple and quick process where you select a game world, then begin your mission. Unlike MiG 29 there is no weapon select screen as all you'll need for the mission is the standard F-15's armament and, thus, already attached to your aircraft. There are five weapons in all, including the chaffs and flares which are used as decoys for enemy fire. You have 16 Amraams that nourish the air-to-air action and eight mavericks for attacking ground targets. One hundred Cannon rounds are also at your fingertips if it comes down to daring close combat.

When you start your first campaign, a yellow arrow indicating the direction of your first target must be lined at the top of the screen. This is the waypoint, which is automatically set prior to your mission. If you start in the air, then it's very easy to select a way-



point and head for the primary target. The map will show your home base and the two targets that need to be destroyed. Long distances can be covered using the time warp option that speeds up the flight, otherwise the heavy fuelthirsty afterburners will provide you with a top speed.

# HOW I WON THE

The Gulf war provided me with my first success as a budding new pilot. The territory had sandy coastlines, with high peaks and large open waters. The kind of enemy aircraft I encountered were F-1 Mirages and SA-5s. There were also two targets that I needed to find and destroy if I was ever to earn my first medal of a new and promising career.

The weather was hot and sunny in the Gulf as I climbed into the one remaining F-15 on the ISS Eisenhower aircraft carrier. After a smooth take-off it was time to select my way point and head for the primary target.



Heading towards my first target, I encountered an F-1 Mirage and knew it was time to elease an air-to-air missile. I was locked-on and ready for the kill, and as the hexagon turned red, I let the missile fly. The F-1 exploded in the distance and I felt very satisfied with the result!



Finding the primary target was fairly easy as my computer locked-on to the Encampment below soon after my encounter with the F-1. An air-to-ground maverick made its mark with ease.



The secondary target was a warship in the Gulf sea. Because the enemy fighters were dotted all around my radar, I decided to fly in low over the waters and blow up the ship with my can-



My most terrifying moment came next. I was hit by a missile from an SA-5 aircraft and despite a touch of shock, there was no critical damage to the plane.



Returning to the aircraft carrier was a smooth operation – despite the cluster of enemy ships in the open waters. As the speck grew against the blue sea I started to reduce my altitude and ease



off on the afterburners. A smooth landing marked the end of a successful mission.



This is the distinguished flying cross I won for my achievements.



A year later I was promoted to 1st Lieutenant when I battled in the Middle-East. This was when I shot down five MiG 25s in one day!



I earned promotion to Major during a war in Libya. Going across the line of death I had to eject after a Soviet MiG 29 shot down my plane, but my bravery and success before the incident were worthy of such an honour.



I became a Lieutenant Colonel during the war in Europe. The war was named "Red Storm Raging" as the Germans invaded France in the bloodiest battle I'd ever experienced as a pilot.



Becoming Brigadier General was a dream come true. This is the highest rank a pilot can earn, and I was awarded this after my efforts at Nordkapp - the Soviet's Backyard. This was by far my toughest battle as the Russian MiGs were out in force against us.











If you select a Rookie or Pilot skill level then you start flying in the air without having to take-off. Landing is also a piece of cake as you only need to hit the runway. It's the Veteran skill level that'll put you in a real battle!



Looking on the tactical display there seems to be one hell of a lot of enemy planes in the area. Using colours on the display to judge their altitude will enable you to adjust to a height that's safe, yet within striking distance.

There are a number of options that can be selected whilst pausing the action. There's the auto pilot, eject, map range, waypoint select, and a map that pinpoints your targets. Another menu allows you to select external views with the kind of polygon graphics that were used to such good effect in MiG-29. Action can be viewed from a front, slot, enemy, chase, and even missile camera view. It can be great fun watching from the evil eye of an enemy heatseeking missile! If you watch for too long then you may forget the growing speck of an F-15 on the screen is in

That was a close shave with the MiG 17s in front! Because they are going so fast means it's almost impossible to lockon and destroy them.

> either above below or equal to your altitude. An orange asterisk will indicate your primary and secondary targets.

Graphics and sound work together like hammer

fact your very plane! own Switching back to the cockpit view quickly is easy and essential for releasing decoys!

Controlling the F-15 is fairly simple and there's not too much to worry about when you're flying. Your altitude needs to be watched, and fuel should be checked on, but the dive, climb and roll directions don't take long to get to grips with. Like all modern fighter planes, the technology makes offen-

> sive and defensive strategies easier anyway!

HUD Your and tactical displays are on the screen to help you enemy an attack. square shows you're locked on to a selected target, a white hexagon gives you a 50/50 chance of a hit, and if it turns red, you can hardly miss. The tactical display uses different colours to indicate which aircraft are

and tongs to produce that terrific sense of perspective, speed, and chaotic warfare atmosphere that real pilots experience when the adrenaline is pumping. Often, a band of enemy MiG-25s may fly across your screen. If you shoot them down, you'll probably see the parachutes coming out as the pilots make their escapes!

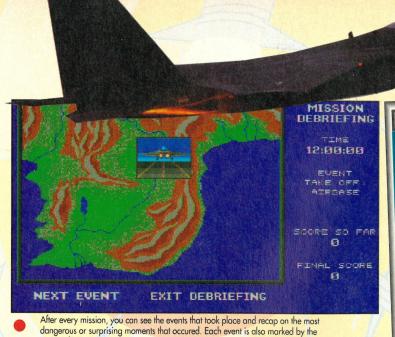
Each of the six worlds comprises a different landscape that can be viewed in three different levels of detail. The downfall in having greater graphical views is that the game is slowed down slightly. However, the scenario is accurately created to produce a realistic sense of perspective despite the fact the controls are very basic.



You'll become a Major when you complete five missions, then you'll have a satisfying band of medals!



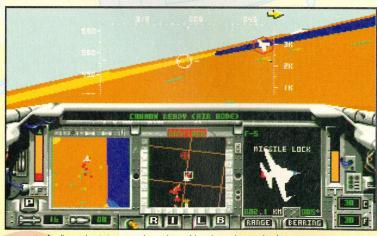
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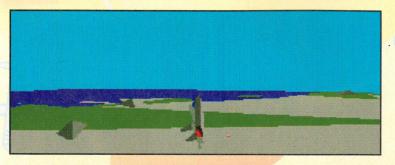
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You really don't need to be this close to a ship in the Gulf! Looking at the close-up TV screen it seems that an F-5 is about to attack you. It's now or never to launch that maverick and pull up away from this cruiser!



I've finally got that F-5 in my sights and I can blow the mother out the skies.

Rememer the Red hexagon ensures a 99.9% chance of success, so get the fingers on the trigger straight away!



# I WANT A SECOND OPINION

Not all flight simulators have appealed to me simply because they are usually unplayable with too many keypresses and the dogfighting action is suppressed to make way for loads of unexciting ground targets.

This is different. The realism of having primary and secondary targets may be disappointing, but the myriad of enemy fighters make up for this. The missions only take up 10-15 minutes in duration, but you can stay up as long as you wish if dog-fighting is your main thrill. I loved F-15 because of its simple controls and because it was so easy to get into.

The action is frantic and challenging, though there are some aspects that could have improved the overall flight tactics. There is no option to refuel, and taking-off should not just be a question of putting on thrust and climbing into the sky. It would have been better to include the undercarriage and air brake options at least.

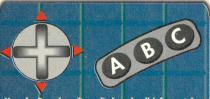


When you select the menu screens, the action stops so you have as much time as you need!

True flight sim freaks, who stay up all night with a cold cup of coffee, a PC and a complicated flight sim package may find too much action in this. If you like flight simulators purely because of the combat sequences and exciting cockpit views then F-15 is perfect. There are loads of status screens and informative diagrams to consider, and you may fancy your chances of being the ultimate pilot in strategic aviation operations. This is the kind of game that can give you great satisfaction which is further enhanced as every mission has differing targets.

Mark "19" Hill





Use the D-pad to dive, climb and roll left or right. Button A selects a target, Button B selects a weapon and C fires a weapon. Button A will increase or decrease thrust and release decoys when used in conjunction with the D-pad.

## ACTION

▲ The sense of depth and speed is enhanced by smooth and detailed sprites. ▲ At the end of each mission, there is a superb

picture story of the events along your route.

▲ The music that plays with the action is typically dramatic and fast for a war game. ▲ All the realistic rumbles and explosions you'd expect to hear from the cockpit are there.

It's great fun chasing the enemy fighters, locking-on, and then blowing them out the sky.

True flight sim fans will feel there is a limitation in aircraft control and aviation.

▲ Promotion, medals and a password save provides a great incentive to play for ages.

If you just go for primary and secondary targets then the challenge is fairly easy.

# **PROSCORE**

F-15 is the best flight simulator yet and its easy controls will provide rookie console pilots with lots of action and less concern about complex flying.

is set for national release on Monday, 13 September. The arcade version features stunning video-animated characters and gruesome blood scenes. Death blows and special moves combine to make this one of the best arcade fighting games ever

> The aim of the one-player game is to become Grand Champion. This



Blood and gore is what we want, and this is what we get. The uppercut tends to smash your opponent's chin to pieces – bloody excellent! Sub-Zero is going to be in the intensive care for a long time after landing on the floor. No one can beat Scorpion's sting!



Not even the acrobatic Sonya could escape Sub Zero's uppercut this time as a trail of blood divides the winner from the loser. In the background the presence of a holy audience puts an empasis on the religious theme to the occasion.

is done by defeating each opponent win, you proceed to the endurance in turn. The seven initial contes-

tants are Sonya Blade, Sub-Zero, Rayden, Scorpion. Liu Kang, Kano and Johnny Cage. To win, you must use a combination of punches, kicks and special moves until their energy bar runs down.

Taking control of any one of the seven fighters, you must defeat the six other

contestants to enter into the Mirror Match, where you fight against an exact replica of your character.

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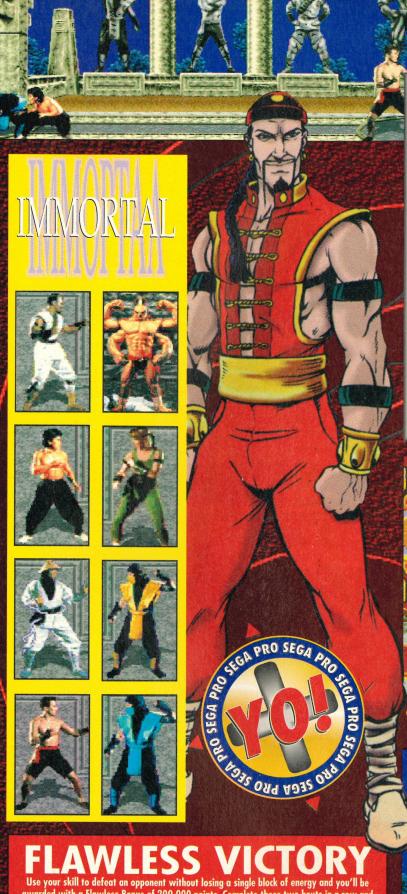
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fights, of which there are three. In these fights, you must take on two contestants in turn without your energy being replenished

Goro, the fourarmed Prince of Kuatan, is the penultimate challenge. His animation

around the screen is very good, but beating him is tough. As for the final opponent, Shang Tsung, he is able to change into any character at any time. The implementation of this is very impressive, but his sprite isn't the same standard as the others.

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## WANT A SECOND OPINION

The first things to hit me about *Mortal Kombat* were the superb sprites and variety of moves. The action was instantly addictive and the whole structure of the game completely lives up to the arcade original. It gave me great satisfaction being able to learn and use all the different moves in a strategic manner.

Both the Mega Drive and Master System versions have managed to preserve the sinister aggression this beat'-em-up is known to have, and with the blood and gore codes available, this has to be the ultimate beat-'em-up game to date.

In two-player mode, you can select which characters to play with – these can be the same – fighting over the best of three bouts. Screens appear after each fight to show the table of results, with medals being awarded for a run of victo-

Graphically, the highlight of the arcade coinop is the blood that
flies across the screen
when a fighter is hit
with a lethal blow. A
special code must be
entered to enable the gore
mode. Without it, all the
bloody sequences are omitted
from the action. The blood that spurts
out is not as realistic as in the
arcades, but is quite effective and
playing without it is less fun.



Kano finds out what it's like to take a real pasting at the hands of Scorpion. Shang Tsung, the master and tournament holder, applauds in the background but it's too late. Kano has what it takes and intends to kick this guy's butt any moment now.



What with Kano possessing some of the hardest punches in the whole game, a mirror match battle is sure to be a sordid affair. As the other fighters watch the show, poor old Kano takes a battering.

Use your skill to defeat an opponent without losing a single block of energy and you'll be awarded with a Flawless Bonus of 200,000 points. Complete these two bouts in a row and 500,000 points are yours.





# MORTAL KOMBAT

Win a contest and you are given the chance to finish your opponent. To do this, you must press the correct combination on your joypad and use your Death Blow. Each character has their own personal Death Blow and joypad combination.











There are various bonuses for a flawless victory and quick finishes. If you are victorious at the end of the fights, a voice challenges you to "Finish Him." Press the correct combination on the joypad and the death move is activat-

ed. This move ranges from ripping the loser's head off to electrocuting them to death. There are various

atmospheric backgrounds with the pit particularly beina impressive. Balancing on a precarious looking concrete

should you lose - you're hurled into the air by a vicious upper-cut and fall into the pit below, landing on razor sharp spikes with blood pouring out of your body. Unfortunately, the horrific heads and bodies of past competitors have been left out.



background superbly detailed and the animation very smooth. The claps from the crowd or seated masters after a good bout are an additional feature. Atmosphere is added with the immense realism of the sound effects.

Each tune is exceptional with bridge, the unexpected happens the thwacks 'n' thuds being very



Goro just couldn't resist giving Rayden a good seeing to. Rayden did very well to get this far on a high difficulty level. The animation of Goro is extremely good and compares to the arcade version – despite being relatively simple to beat in easy modes.

A chance to see just how tough you are is during the Test Your Might screens. They appear intermittently between fights. Simply press the buttons so that the power meter rises. If you stop it above the bar, you should break the block in two and win extra points.



hard and realistic every time you strike a blow. The intro music jaunts along at a jolly pace and the

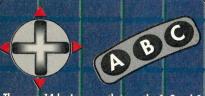
speech is suitably sinister.

Mortal Kombat certainly offers endless challenge with its five skill levels and explosive two-player action. It's the best street fighting game by far, and one that will be tough to follow-up. Combinations of moves are the secret to success and learning them so that you can beat each of the other characters is what gives the game its massive appeal

Jason "double flawless" Johnson



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There are 14 basic moves that use the A, B and C buttons. Combinations of these with the D-pad controls make up personalised special moves. There are a maximum of five of these, including a death blow, which can be used by each character.

## CTIO

▲ Each of the characters and backgrounds have been very well converted.

▼ An all important feature is the blood, but it's not up to the standard of the arcade version.

93%

▲ Atmospheric background music combined with realistic punches and kicks.

▲ Although there isn't very much speech, what there is helps create a sinister atmosphere.

▲ The 19 possible moves for each character have been perfectly implemented. ▼ Using the START button to block can cause a

few problems on certain joypads.

▲ There are endless combinations, moves and tactics to master on every level.

▲ The easy levels are for beginners while the difficult and very difficult settings are tough.

# **PROSCORE**

Definitely the best one-on-one beat-'em-up. It is very close to the arcade coin-op with lots of blood, gore and superb special and death moves.



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recent Streets of Rage.

Three skill levels give MS owners plenty to master, along with the usual special moves of which there are practically all from the arcade machine. Accessing them is reasonably simple and the blood really does fly through the air. This is a very good game which should be well received.





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Cage's uppercut move sends Scorpion to his death bed with devestating results.

You can choose one of three skill levels depending on how the martial arts is coming on, then it's time to select and opponent. This version only has six fighters and a final boss, but the challenge is still nevertheless a bloody good one! You'll even have to fight your mirror image before going through the endurance stages where you fight two opponents in turn.

Getting to grips with moves always takes time in a beat'-em-up like this. The Master System's humble two buttoned joypad still manages to pull of the

> devastation when it comes down to the crunch. To get Liu King to fire a flame requires two taps on the D-Pad towards your opponent, then a swift batter on button A to unleash the burning weapon. When you start pulling off these moves without guess-

work then the gameplay shines and the teeth really start to grit.

Mortal Kombat has guts, and lots of it. If you can master Johnny Cage's death blow then the horror of this event really comes to light. Push the D-pad towards, towards, toward, then hit button 1 for one horribly gory moment as Cage knocks his victim's head off. If Sonya can perform the leg toss well enough then she may avoid Cage's distasteful strategies!

A code can be entered to enhance the blood and gore theme if you feel the need to make each fight a personal spectacle, but the





Liu Kang's high kick has quite an impact on Rayden. Kang can also perform the concorde kick and a grilling flame bolt while Rayden can teleport himself whenever he wishes, but it looks as if he was too slow this time!.



The acrobatic Sonya tries out her leg toss move on Sub Zero. Sonya's array of acrobatic moves should never be underestimated by any opponent as her energy wave and flying punch can be mighty tricky to avoid!



A flying kick by Sub Zero teaches Cage a few lessons in martial arts. It all looks spectacular to watch when the moves really start to come off and if you pause the action then it's possible to get some spectacular poses of the fighters in action



The uppercut move that's used by all fighters is easy to pull off and ideal for beginners

fights themselves are good enough. The graphics for each character are second to none for the MS, with excellent use of colour, and wellconverted animation. The challenge of the tournament and that ever important two-player mode will get the crowds in for domestic household competition!

Mark "warrior" Hill



SKILL LEVELS.....4 FEATURES .....continues

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The D-pad will move your fighter left and right. Push at a diagonal to jump and use buttons 1 and two for punching. All other moves are performed with a series of D-pad directions used in conjunction with 1 and 2.

## CTION

CONTACT

- ▲ Fighters move with the bite and aggression that's been converted extremely well.
  ▲ There are only two backgrounds, but most of the detail and colour are here.

- ▲ The holy feeling of the event is carried across with good chilling music. ▲ Sound effects are typically bone-crunching and sharp to create that fighting atmosphere.

- ▲ The fights are totally absorbing with each character having their own personal moves.
  ▲ Two player challenges can be just as competitive as those in any other version.

- ▲ Three skill levels and 11 stages to complete before becoming the all time master.
  ▲ The challenge is there for you learn the
- moves and using them against your mates.

# **PROSCORE**

One of the best beat-'em-ups ever seen on the Master System with com-pelling fighting action and lots of blood, but the CPU challenge is limited.



When Ecco was released on the Mega Drive, everyone hailed it as the beginning of a new era. The graphics were extremely peaceful, there was no violence and the overall game atmosphere was very environmentally friendly. What more could a child of the Nineties ask for?

Although no other game has come close to Ecco in terms of originality, our friendly fish is back with vengeance. No, it's not a sequel, it's Ecco on the CD! The story is the same: a mysterious storm has wiped away most of the aquatic life, including Ecco's pod. Ecco must now embark on an adventure to find his pod and the rest of the marine life. If he doesn't, it could be the end of the planet as we know it!

Remember, if you get stuck, keep singing.
Apart from being able to access an area map, your tunes may also help you get in touch with other dolphins.

cco the Dolphin received one of the best reviews of early 1993, so a CD version of the same game has a lot to live up to. First impressions confirmed my worst expectations. Apart from a flashy intro sequence, there seem to be few changes from the Mega Drive game. The passwords have been changed and there are three extra levels, but apart from that, Ecco is still exactly the same. Not even

he glitches in the scenery have been ironed out!

It's hard to review the CD version of *Ecco* in its own right, but if you've never seen *Ecco* before, then you'll probably be impressed. Compared to a lot of CD releases

(Wolfchild, Jaguar XJ220, etc), this has some great graphics and depth of gameplay too. However, I don't know if I agree with the easy going image that *Ecco* portrays. In



Aaah! No-one told Ecco that he would be meeting a few sharks along the way!

general, it has to be one of the most frustrating games to ever grace a console! At times you'll find yourself carrying out the same petty task repeatedly, purely because the controls are so sensitive!



To get past the jellyfish, Ecco must kill them! I thought this game was supposed to be non-violent!

The only aspect of *Ecco* that's truly different from the MD version is the music. Accompanying the lush graphics in the CD version is perhaps some of the best music to appear on the CD yet. It suits the game perfectly and could even be listened to on its own!

Ecco the Dolphin was a great game on the Mega Drive and it's also fairly good on the CD. However, considering that it was only out on the 16-bit last Christmas, a straight conversion seems a little lazy.



Although a lot of the gameplay is based around platforms, there are loads of puzzles to solve too.

If you already have *Ecco*, there's absolutely no point in buying this. If you don't you'll probably enjoy it, as it's one of the most original games about. Even so, at the same price as the cart version, you may wonder why you bothered.





Button A allows Ecco to sing and accesses a map. Button B makes Ecco dart forward, exits a map and enters a letter on the password screen. Button C speeds Ecco up and allows him to jump. The D-pad moves the sprite around the screen.

## ACTION

STRATEGY

# GRAPHICS

80%

▲ Every level has extremely detailed backgrounds and all sprites look very realistic. ▼ Apart from the intro sequence, the graphics are the same as the Mega Drive version.

# OUND 35%

▲ Every level has a different accompanying tune which are all brilliantly atmospheric! ▲ The spot effects are very realistic, even though they're taken from the MD version.

# SAMEPLAY 76%

▲ Each level has a certain number of tasks to be completed, adding depth to gameplay. ▼ Controls are very fiddly; they're too sensitive and far too frustrating.

# CHALLENGE 30%

▲ With 30 levels to complete and puzzle elements too, this game will last a fair while. ▼ Offers a great challenge but it's far too frustrating, especially in later levels.

# PROSCORE %

This looks and plays well, but there's hardly any difference between this and the cartridge. If you have the cart version, don't even think about buying it.



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The gunstar heroes now face the greatest challenge of their lives as they take on the brutal forces of the Starworld's biggest and most frightening alien technology. Equipped with some of the most advanced weapons ever created, these young warriors must fight with confidence and determination if they are ever going to defeat the master of this huge empire.

control of the young gunstar and battle through eight different scenarios where the path ahead is full of twists and turns. Every boss you'll come across will have their own personal style of combat and you must learn to adjust to their different patterns. **Gunstar heroes must shoot at** will with skill and courage whilst avoiding the worst of the enemy fire. It's a tough job, but someone has to do it.

You must now take select a new form of power.

# WANT A SECOND OPINION

The thing that appealed to me most of all about Gunstar Heroes was the superb use of background graphics and original gameplay. The option to start on one of the first four stages allows experimentation with different weapons and enables you to see more of the game without having to go from level to level in the usual fashion most shoot-'em-ups seem to follow.

It didn't take long to get into the action as the gameplay is fairly addictive challenge the immense. As two players able to play simultaneously, this is a must for shoot-'em-up fans. NICOLAS

unstar Heroes is a pure shoot-'em-up bonanza that can be played with one or two players. You start the action with 100

vitality units and every time you're hit by the enemy fire, it's good-bye to at least four of them. The structure of the game is made up by

eight different stages of platform and space action.

You begin by selecting one of four initial starting stages and one of four weapons. The type of weapon you pick may be unsuitable for a stage, so there are icons throughout that enable you to

When you begin a scenario, you'll be thrown in at the deep end with a screen full of attacking enemies that take a lot of fire power to clear. It's often a good idea to keep moving



What's all this then? After four stages of action, you arrive at a dice-rolling game where luck decides your future!



The action suddenly speeds when you find yourself sliding down a steep pyramid face!



When all the ground work is done, the game mode changes, yet again, and you find yourself battling in space.

when the "go" arrow blinks on the screen because clearing a stage is more importhan pausing to see how many nasties. you can dispose of.

The originality of the shoot-'em-up is only appreciated when new scenarios are encountered. When you come face to face with a boss and finish him off, a danger message often appears. This is accompanied by dramatic music and indicates another mighty beast is about to appear. You just never





The big bosses don't come much bigger than this! It takes a lot of skill and careful movement to get yourself in a good position for making an attack. You can often jump onto the bosses and cling to their various pieces of machinery.









Press A to select a weapon. B will fire the weapon and C is used to jump. Press START to pause the action.

▲ During the big boss scenes there are incredible 3-D effects in the background.

▲ The action is enhanced by terrific explosions and fire power from the many different sprites.

▲ There's so many changing sound effects that introduce you to each part of the action.

▲ Background music is suitably sci-fi based and certainly impressive.

▲ Sudden changes in the action when you least expect it can be fun!

▲ Plenty of different enemies that have their own attack methods.

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▲ Just when you think you've cleared a stage,

you often an even bigger boss!

This is a very tough shoot-'em-up and could well have you tearing your hair out!

# **PROSCORE**

Every step is full of new and original ideas. Excellent background graphics put the whole sci-fi experience into perspective.

In the late Seventies, Star Wars was one of the most popular films around. The Force's quest captured the nation's heart and Star Wars could do no wrong. The enormous hype resulted in many licensed spin-offs from miniature models to plastic light sabres. All good things must come to an end and, sadly, it did. After brilliant follow-ups (Empire Strikes Back and Return Of The Jedi), the Star Wars series was put to bed, but not before being deemed a classic of its time.

Obi Wan Kenobi and Chewbacca may now be limited to Boxing Day repeats, but the Star Wars posse is certainly not forgotten. 15 years after the film release, Star Wars seems to be enjoying a revival on console (Super Star Wars, SNES, Star Wars, NES). There's no sign of a Mega Drive version at the moment, but the Master System version is almost here!

# WANT A SECOND OPINIO

The original theme tune helps create an authentic atmosphere as the opening screens tell the Star Wars story. Spot FX and background music are superb throughout and couldn't have been better. Combined with the detailed and surprisingly good graphics the overall presentation is great.

Varying styles of gameplay such as the fast asteroid section, combined with the standard platform format works incredibly well. The whole game is of very high quality and a step forward for the Master System. One problem though, there are a few controls and collision detection problems, together with a couple of annoying bugs. Even so, this should be a definite purchase.

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To rescue R2-D2, you'll have to face the evil Jawa. Don't let them get too near, or you'll die!

hen US Gold decided to make an 8-bit version of Star Wars,

wanted to follow the film plot as closely as possible and each level follows a major scene. The adventure begins in the Tatooine Desert. After finding R2-D2, Luke must begin his quest for peace, meeting Han Solo (pilot of the Millennium Falcon) along the way.

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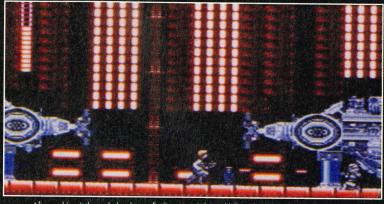
The ultimate mission is to rescue Princess Leia from the Death Star, where Darth Vader is holding her captive. You must contend with storm troopers, Jawas and many other evil forces.

Once Leia is rescued, the Death Star (including Darth Vader) must be destroyed, although that's not necessarily the end of the game. To see the real ending, each sub-level must be completed. If you skip certain tasks, you'll be given different end-

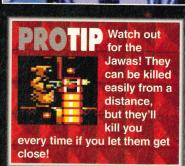
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A p a r t from having a huge amount of levels, Star Wars has many unique features. Although it has definite level boundaries, sublevels can be completed in any order. This allows more the and even lets you just complete the start of the st

flexibility and even lets you just complete the necessary parts, if that's



After making it through the desert, finding Han Solo and killing the Jawa, you'll still have to contend with millions of Stormtroopers. The enemies in the hangar are particularly vicious and can even hover above the ground. Kill them on sight.





what you want! You can also select different characters to play each part of the game. Although only Skywalker, Solo and Leia can be chosen, they all have different weapons suitable for different tasks. For instance, Solo has a much more powerful gun, allowing him to blast baddies more easily! It's also useful to switch between characters when one is about to die, so your game will last longer.

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know which levels hold neces-

sary items.

five-level platformer and only huge, it's very original too. "May the force be with you"

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stage, the Tatooine Desert, and R2-D2 can be found in this cave. Go get him!

Since directing Star Wars, George Lucas has never directed another







Pressing A allows you to fire the gun. B allows the character to jump. To switch between characters, press PAUSE and use the D-pad choose. While in the game, the D-pad moves the sprite. Hold down B while pressing c for a bigger jump.

### CTION

▲ Loads of different characters, enemies and a great variety of gameplay areas.

▼ Some of the levels look a bit too similar to

each other and there is the odd glitch.

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▲ The Star Wars theme tune pops up occasionally, giving something to sing along to!

A Almost every level has a different tune and they're all surprisingly good.

▲ More than one style of gameplay, offering something to every kind of gamer.

▼ Although controls aren't as difficult as in

some games, they are still ropy in places.

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▲ An absolutely huge adventure that will provide a challenge to all types of gamers. ▼ It could have done with a password option as it could prove to be too difficult without one.

# **PROSCORE**

An original adventure that's both challenging and fun to play. May be too difficult for beginners, but action fans will absolutely love it!

The candles in the cathedral flicker brightly against the dark surroundings and gothic arches represent the religious scenario. Out in the graveyard, the zombies rise through the ground to scare any passer by.

The dark-red colour glazing the skies signifies the presence of Dracula. His thirst for blood is never ending and whatever form he takes, his evil will always be the same.

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You must now play the part of Jonathan Harker by exploring each chapter presented in a book. Everywhere you go will be dark and fearful, and many places will fill you with the kind of terror that's usually only found in a nightmare. Starting in Dracula's castle. you must fight for your life whilst ensuring you don't become another of the blood-thirsty vil-



hen the film *Dracula* was released in the cinemas, we saw the revival of a legendary horror film

character. This release of *Dracula* on the Mega Drive has taken many features from the film – particularly the story book and many of the scenarios seen on the big screen.



Out in the graveyard the zombies roam the dusty gravestones in a frightning daze.

The introduction immediately focuses on horror with dead warriors' silhouettes left hanging from stakes in the ground. The sky is a deep red and the accompanying organ music creates the feeling of terror and horrific destruction. The lightning effects then add that sinister touch to the whole emotion of the occasion. Dracula

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The large figure of Dracula appears with his red gown and I think he's inviting you to join him for a little drink. Blood's certainly not on your favourite menu, so it'll require some good skill to put a nail in this guy's coffin.

structured in the shape of a platform/shoot-'em-up adventure. You start in Dracula's castle and must travel through a number of different locations made up by six separate levels. In

combat,

the use of a sword that will slice anything that moves. On top of this, you can collect other weapons, such as stakes and pistols, but your sword will prove to be the easiest and most effective weapon for most of the sinister nasties you'll encounter.

# WANT A SECOND OPINION

While the film version of Dracula may have been visually stunning. Psygnosis' version is far from it. Although the sprites are fairly big and detailed, the boring gameplay lets this down completely. Most of the characters from the film version of Dracula are included, but there is no real interaction with them. As Harker, all you do is either run away or shoot them! With great games, such as Flashback and Ranger-X, on the market, Dracula looks very dated. It may be big on challenge, but due to its repetitive style, it lacks real lastability.





There are three skill levels and you can begin by using the trainer. This incredibly easy option takes you through a couple of the locations that you'll see in the full game. You can start with up to six lives, with one being lost every time your health units run out.

The Dracula image has been created very well with lovely backdrops

of the castle scenario Structural and aesthetic iron work, iron-bound oak doors and dancing shadows from flickering torches are just some of the effects created in this scene. The place is crawling with animals such as rats, spiders, bats and giant flies. On later levels, you'll come across wolves, robbers, and zombies just to name a few!



This is a very dangerous place in the adventure where the burning fires spark and invitation below.



Down in the misty depth of Dracula's castle you find the skele ton coming out to play!









Press A to use your sword. B will let you jump and C fires a special weapon. Use the D-pad to move around the screens.

## ACTION

# GRAPHICS

▲ The backgrounds for each level are incredibly detailed with some great use of colour.

▲ The opening screen that shows Dracula's victims tied to the stakes sets the horror mood.

# SOUND

▲ Filtering organ music, howling wolves and ghostly wailing are a few of the sound effects.
▲ The opening theme tune taken from the film

creates an instantly brilliant atmosphere.

# GAMEPLAY

▼ The structure is too dated and you'll soon get tired of doing the same old thing.

The main character has limited animation and lacks the kind of aggression needed.

▲ It can be challenging finding the secret rooms hidden throughout the adventure.

▼ The action becomes tiresome with a lack of incentive to go further than level one.

# **PROSCORE**

Those who like horror may persevere for a while, but the lack originality could have you reaching for the off button before the day is up.

Far, far away there is a fairytale land by the name of Elhorn which was once a flourishing nation. It was overseen by Seven Great Sorcerers and everybody was happy as could be. Now, it is in a state of turmoil after an evil sorcerer used their powerful energy source, Pig Star, to give him ultimate power. <mark>War rages</mark> day and night between hostile tribes in a battle to gain ground, and it's about time something was done about it.

**Enter Sparkster, the elite** Rocket Knight, who is seeking revenge of his friend's murder.

Equipped with a rocket-fuelled jetpack and sword of steel, nothing can stop him from succeeding. Elhorn's dark age is about to end, but assisvour tance required. Let's hope you are up to the

job!



"Hello Sparkster, you hero of all hero Rocket Knights, my name is Lenny the Loch Ness Monster and I'm very, very hungry," said Lenny. "Why don't you fly down here and see how big my fangs are?"



onami released a brilliant platform game, Tiny Toon Adventures, during May. Now they're continuing a cutesy cartoon theme with

Buster Bunny taking a back seat and Sparkster seeking the limelight. Because of this, Rocket Knight Adventures has been the subject of a considerable amount

of coverage. Sparkster is given a real hero's welcome as the title screens and intro music are played. Blasting across the

screen, he is built up to be the elite Rocket Knight that everyone admires. This is carried on throughout the levels as the zippy background tunes suit their heroic scenarios extremely well.

Superb graphics seem to be a prerequisite feature in Konami's titles, with each background in

this adorned with detail and colour especially in the fifth stage where an industrial city is brought to life with lightning bolts and parallax scrolling clouds scarring the sky. As for Sparkster, the animation of this heroic sprite is similarly impressive and comes in many guises.





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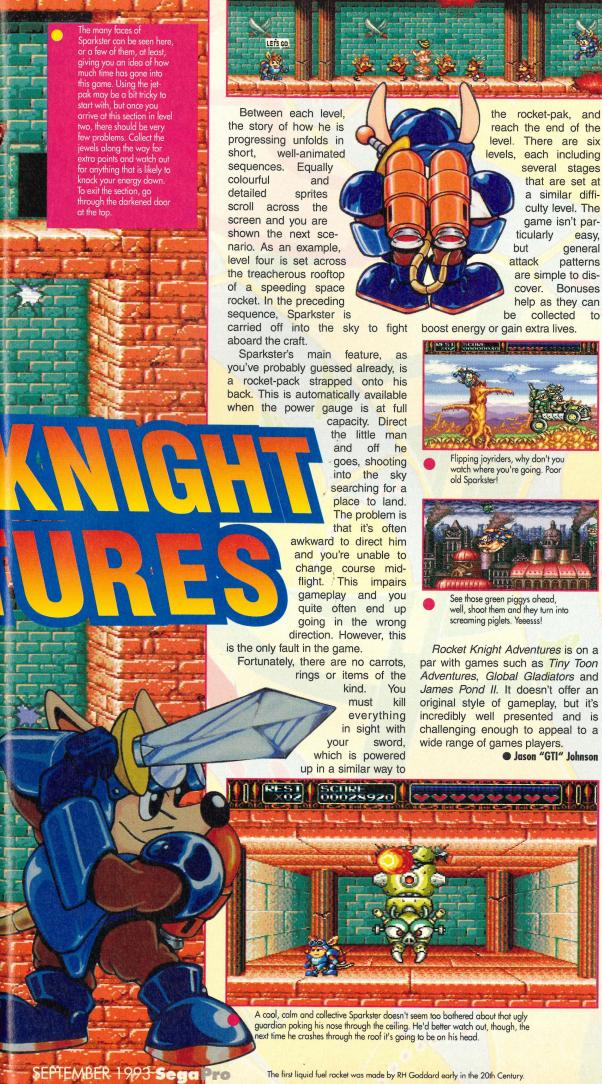
"Rocket Knight, Rocket Knight, flying through the night. Rocket Knight, Rocket Knight with his dynamite..." After a quick burst of song Sparkster suddenly finds the going a bit tough as someone starts firing knight-seeking rockets into the sky.



Rocket Knight Adventures has to be one of the greatest shoot'-em-up platform adventures I've ever had the pleasure to play. Graphics are nothing short of excellent with incredible use of colour and special effects.

Each level is full of surprises and you just never know where the next twist in the story will take you. The novel ideas and original gameplay make the whole atmosphere something to savour. Totally absorbing gameplay and well-designed action sequences should keep your hand on the trigger for quite a while.

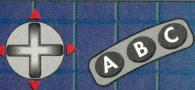












The D-pad is used to control Sparkster's direction, B makes him jump and c, when depressed until the power bar is full, ignites the rocket-pak or starts the revolving sword weapon. START can be used to pause the game.

▲ Multi-directional parallax scrolling gives the backgrounds far more life and interest.

▲ Every one of the detailed and brightly coloured sprites are well animated.

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▲ The background music on every level is ideally suited to the on-screen action.

▼ The limited quantity of sound FX fail to enhance the game as much as the other music.

## VIECE IV

▲ Long and varied levels with several styles of gameplay included in each.

▼ Sparkster's rocket-pack is difficult to control as you can't change direction mid-flight.

# CHALLENGE

▲ Levels become progressively tougher with each offering a considerable challenge.

▼ Easy to stroll through earlier parts as all the baddies have simple attack patterns.

# PROSCORE

Sparkster is one of the cutest and most fearless characters to appear in a platform adventure. The superb graphics and jolly music make this worth a look!



As the teams come out the tunnel, the atmosphere in the stadium becomes ecstatic with the sound of supporters cheering. Torn up pieces of newspaper are thrown into the air and big flags decorate the perimeter fence in support of the teams. When the occasion is big, the tension is second to none. Excitement immense and each goal will ignite the roar of thousands of fans.

They say football is a game of 90 minutes and it only takes a second to score a goal. This makes for a very unpredictable sport. It also means the atmosphere is extremely difficult to capture on cart. However, Sega hope to have all the thrills and spills of real footy in their latest release, Ultimate Soccer!

he Master System has seen many football games in its time, from the rather good Super Kick Off to the almost extinct Sports Pad Football. However, the best release by far has to be the legendary Champions of Europe.

Any release since then has been judged on its standard.

The opening screens Ultimate Soccer are cluttered with menus and statistics familiar to many

footy games. It's good to see a choice of 64 teams, although each country always appears in the same seed group. This means that even if you win a tournament with a weak team, they will still stay in a lower seed group.

Rather than passing the ball, run up the field and zigzag the opposing players for a scoring chance.



It's a long range effort from England's Ian Wright that's sure to test the Italian goalkeeper.

Teams can kick off in four competitions. There's the Knockout Cup, the World League, a friendly competition, or penalty shoot-outs to choose from. There's also an extensive number of options to enhance strategic tactics. In addition to playing basic football rules, you can select one of eight formations, choose a pitch surface, set the wind and game speed and even turn the back pass rule off. With so many options, you'd be forgiven for thinking this was a Mega Drive release!

During play the ball can be kicked down field, although it periodically runs off the screen as the scrolling can't keep up. Controlling players is quite easy after a while and the sprites are as good as they come. Even the goalkeeper is very well animated. Unfortunately, the accompanying sound effects are fairly poor, particularly the long, grating swish that accompany sliding tackles.



With Ultimate Soccer you'll be receiving yellow cards left, right

Ultimate Soccer is great fun to play, especially in two-player mode. However, the disappointing scrolling and dodgy sprite collision spoil this otherwise flexible footysim.



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Push button 1 to kick and hold down to kick higher. Button 2 will select a player nearest the ball and play a short pass.

## ACTION

▲ The sprites move well with the action, and the goalkeeper is superbly animated. ▼ At times, the scrolling can't keep up with the

ball, so you end up guessing where to run!

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▲ The opening screens are presented with a typically wacky and cheerful soccer tune.

▼ The sound effects that accompany a tackle are fairly poor and unrealistic.

# MEDIA

▲ Features include free kicks and red cards, to the back pass rule and penalty shoot-outs! ▲ Lots of up-to-date statistics showing possession, shots at goal, free kicks, etc.

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▲ 64 countries can be played in the Cup and World League competitions. ▲ The four skill levels and eight different

formations allow you to adapt your technique.

# **PROSCORE**

Ultimate Soccer works fairly well. The variety of options and number of teams should keep footy fans hitting the back of the net for quite a while.



A scramble in the goal mouth makes life tricky for the Italian goalkeeper. England lead by four goals to two and hope to make it five from this attack. Notice how the

nets are held up by two poles at the back - very continental

Abaris spoke to Ronaan. "Your quest will be long and you must be strong enough to take on the Engine Man. Now go, young Ronaan, and retrieve my Life Staff before it's too late," he said. Reluctantly, Ronaan packed a few things and put his ancient magical falcon upon his shoulder. This was the chance for him to prove he's a man, but technol-

ogy is a powerful median and his mission was to be long and difficult.

A cold shiver swept down his spine as thought of robotencased silicon chips firing laser bolts appeared before his eyes. Fortunately, we have faith in the intrepid warrior and believe his powers will be too great for the electronic boxes. So, great warrior Ronaan, put on your walking

boots and put those special

powers of yours into use. This

could be the ultimate chal-

lenge.

here has only been one other RPG shoot-'em-up for the Mega Drive and that was Renovation's Gain Ground. With an overhead view, the same as Gauntlet, and a two-player mode, it offered hours of entertainment. Now EA are trying to surprise the gamesplaying public by releasing something very similar, but modernised to suit today's demanding standards.

Each of the seven levels is clevshaded and detailed. The sprites are surprisingly recog-

nisable and background animation adds to the quality of the presentation. There are one or two problems with sprite collision, but this fails to impair the general run of the game.

Power-ups and bonus items are hidden throughout each level, mostly concealed by

the baddies. You must shoot every single one and solve the puzzles to clear a level. End of level guardians pose one or two problems too, but finding your way about priority. a Fortunately your hawk, Indar, can





Now this is a really cool inventory. On the left are the special powers and on the right the weapons.



This looks like a dead end. Never fear, there is a way out through the grating where you'll find a tunnel.

Use Indar, the hawk at intervals to search for

items, etc. It may be time consuming, but this is virtually the only help you are given - so use it!

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be selected from the inventory and used to fly across the level to spot anything ahead

Two bodyguards have been assigned to help you along the way. Their names are Chazz and

Fargg. Chazz is slow and unsuitable for long adventures, but very strong and an excellent choice against powerful foe. Fargg is better for the first two or three levels. He will always stay closeby, unless you send him on a massacre, and relishes the chance to kill anything that moves. You can choose the violence mode for your bodyguard from the inventory. The inventory can also be used to access special weapons, instead of the on-screen selection process that would have been be difficult to operate under attack

You could soon be into playing this massive game for hours on end. Its combination of detailed graphics, sound FX and tough levels make it well worth trying out.



CART SIZE .....8Mbit

PLAYERS.....

STAGES .....7

SKILL LEVELS.....1

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The D-pad moves Ronaan around the screen in eight directions. Button A is used for close-contact combat with your staff and button B for one of nine other weapons. Hold button C down and use the D-pad to select your special weapon.

▲ Clever detail, especially in the junk yard, adds to the realism of each level.

▼ At times, the sprite collision is poor and

bullets are difficult to spot.

▲ The background music is very good and helps set an anarchic atmosphere. ▲ Realistic sound FX combined with the music

is worth blasting out of your speakers.

▲ There's absolutely loads of different options

and special weapons to choose. ▼ Targets can be frustratingly difficult to hit with the awkward shooting method.

▲ An immediately challenging game that is likely to take a while to finish.

▼ Some gamesplayers will find the mission objectives too repetitive and dull.



A creepy part of the game is when you control Ingar. The music stops and a high-pitched screeching fills the sky. For something even weirder, select Indar view when

you're inside a room or trash heap - the screen starts flashing like a gyroscope.

# **PROSCORE**

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### STATISTICS

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HEIGHT: 211cm
WEIGHT: 115Kg
CHEST/ WAIST/ HIPS
163cm/ 128cm/ 150cm
BLOOD TYPE: A



# THE SAMBO MAN

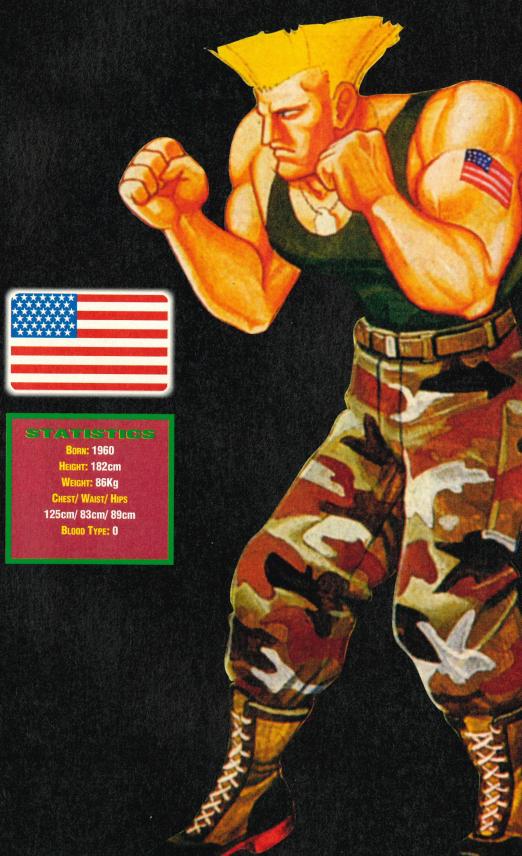
An old wrestling master from the deepest and coldest areas of Russia, Zangief really knows how to use his weight. A devastating Spinning Pile Driver, Head Slam, Flying Punch and Spinning Lariat help give anyone who dares to challenge him some painful memories.

Bear wrestling gave Zangief the challenge he required to build himself into what can only be described as massive. The special moves, now improved, lack a fireball, but this makes little difference.









# FIGHT FOR VENGEANCE

Guile was a Sixties wild child and joined the Special Forces as soon as he was old enough. While here, he learned fighting skills from the superior tutors. His special moves, Sonic Boom and Aerial Slam, have won him many victories. The Flash Kick can even cause lesser opponents to hide in a corner.

Arm to arm combat is Guile's speciality, but he's also a tough man to beat in normal distance fighting. An ability to control sound waves gives him the power to release his Sonic Boom weapon. The Street Fighter tournament provides the platform for him to take sweet revenge over M Bison's treachery.

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JORDAN VS BIRD...



screen shots featured in

News From Japan certainly

looked impressive, but enter the

first few screens and it plays like a

Your aim is to travel through

each of the stages and reach the

final mission to destroy the enemy

positions. There are 21 stages, six

levels and various paths through

the pyramid map. You immediately

think that the idea of the game is to

clear each of the stages, but, alas,

you must go from A to the top level

poor Afterburner clone.

A futuristic metropolis has been transformed into an aerial battleground between Dr Masker Lindberry and the Special Service Agency. You are the night striker; an elite pilot of the Specials and a force to be reckoned with. Your assault vehicle. transforming heavily armoured attack weapon, is armed with lasers and protected by a weak force shield. Every hit stretches this barrier to its limit, five or more and you're dead.

There are several paths to your target and close study of your on-screen display is of paramount importance - one mistake and vou're history. Every sector is patrolled by Lindberry's guards, and barricades have been set up across the city. Night strikers have travelled these areas before, but no-one returned to tell the tale. All information is subject to preliminary surveillance patrols, but nothing is definite. Only one detail has been confirmed you must succeed!

It may seem a good idea to blast away on the auto fire from start to finish, but when you fight the final guardians, wait until they fire. This helps you see the missiles and determine their position.

ral towards you at a fast pace, resulting in some impressive scenes. On the down side, everything is extremely fuzzy and difficult to see - pixel city!



Mega-CD owners have been presented with a simple, very easy and short-lived one-player shooter. It fails to captivate in any way at all and is an absolute cinch to finish, even on the so-called 'extra hard' level. It has some nice touches, but who is going to pay 41 quid for the privilege of playing a new release for a day?

Jason "night stalker" Johnson



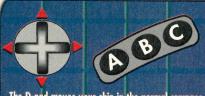
This is the first stage which you will have to complete before choosing which direction you want to travel in. The blurs in the top area of the screen are helicopters which you're aiming to shoot down.

(P-U) in the path of your choice.

The graphics fall along a very wide scale - some being excellent and others absolute drivel. The better areas are the tunnel and factory







The D-pad moves your ship in the normal compass directions. Buttons A, B and C are programmable with one of the three offering an auto fire option. START pauses the game and apart from that there's very little else you need to know.

## CTION

▲ The fast scaling sequences are the most

appealing part of the game.

▼ The graphics are very pixelated, especially on the in-coming ships and helicopters.

▲ The speech samples, although far from original, are okay, but that's about it.

▼ The background music is constantly droned out by a boring shooting sound effect.

▲ Various routes give the feeling that you're playing a variety of missions in one game.

▼ The simple up, down, left, right and fire routine is wearing a bit thin for Mega-CD.

▼ Five difficulty levels have been included, but they're practically all the same.

▼ Far too easy; the majority of experienced gamers should finish this very quickly.

# **PROSCORE**

A dire game that is not worth getting excited about. Being able to complete every level in the first day is pitiful for a CD release.

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General Chaos, the Moronican commander, has a very old score to settle with his lifelong adversary. General Havoc, commander of the Vicerian army. Although they have been at loggerheads for years, neither has achieved the final victory that would see the other humbly flee from their capital city.

However, to put it bluntly, their tactics weren't paying off and the war had become ever so stale. Now, the battles have changed to skirmishes between opposing, highly specialised and expertly trained, mobile five-man squads or two-man commando teams.

The mini-war, which the rest of the civilised world has chosen to ignore, has depleted into a petty dictator's battle where the winner takes all and the loser loses everything. In any case, no-one really cares either way.



Two players can team up and form four man commando teams. Four players can use EA's four-play to compete against each other in two-player teams. As can be seen, the commandos are a formidable team, seen here moving down the feeble reds. The status bar at the top of the screen highlights which soldier is currently being controlled. The extra objects, such as the safe, contain extra points if they are opened.

When you

get the

chance,

choose the

five-gunner

team and

blast away

until your

foes are totally eliminated.

lectronic Arts have made quite a name for themselves releasing unoriginal sequels to best-selling games, but with General

Chaos they seem have broken the mould. With very

games like it, this war combat romp is one of the most original games from the publisher since the release of Desert Strike!

General Chaos is like no other game before it, probably the nearest being the dated, popular, Gain

Ground. The general idea is to con-

opponents in a battlefield no bigger than the size of the screen. There are 17 battlefields in each campaign with two of these being the Capital cities of Moronica and Viceria.

Starting in the middle of the battle map, you must win territory and reach the opponent's Capital. You can only choose to fight on a nearby territory that hasn't been fought on and can win the campaign by

advancing towards, and capturing, the enemy's Capital. Once you

which there are three. This provides a maximum of 51 possible battlefields with different obstacles and secondary missions in each. Many of the battlefields are similar with some even being identical, but the CPU opponent becomes progressively tougher as you advance through each campaign.

The variety gameplay mainly determined



# WANT A SECOND OPINION

General Chaos has to be the most chaotic and explosive release of the year. I found the gameplay unique and fresh, and the concept clever and challenging. The action seems too quick to cope with initially, but, after a short while, it becomes clear that the controls have to be experimented with before you can appreciate the absolute mayhem.

With up to four players able to compete together, the whole warfare scenario can produce a barrel of laughs. The large graphics, bubbly scenes and bright colours put that softer and fun touch to what could have merely been just another war sim!



with the use of either Assault, Brute Force and Demolition teams, or the two-man Commando outfit. There are five different types of soldier, each an expert in a crucial discipline. The choice of formation, although sometimes limited, provides a team for every job. For instance, the five-gunner assault team give a rock solid defence against an attacking foe, while the Brute Force team of two chuckers,



as a unique appearance that makes them stand out as individuals in the midst of battle.

ners are most effective with their mid-distance sub-machine gun that spews out hot lead in c wide arc. They lay down a constant spray of bullets, but their line of fire can be blocked by obstacles.

150 metres

The launcher can lay down a line of devastation with the power-ful and deadly rockets. They can't be beaten at long range and their bazookas can out-distance any other weapon. At short range, one hit will frazzle foes.

**LAUNCHER** 

e: 5 metres orcher can unleash a stream of liquid fire. However, with such short range, they are only effective close in. Scorchers must be osely controlled, but their flame thrower can ignite more than

Range: 50 metres
The chucker will hurl grenades up and over obstacles. They have quite an effective range that only the launcher can beat. They are most effective if they are placed behind an obstacle, and thus pro-

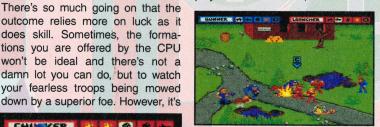
### BLASTER

### 10 metres

Range: 10 metres
The blaster is an expert with high explosives and is useful in many hazardous situations where a target must be taken out or a foe must be blasted to smithereens. The dynamite kill area exceeds that of any other weapon.

> likely that luck will be on your side for a higher percentage of the time and the odd defeat is to be expected.

> Up to four players can pair up and play a versus match, where four-



Watch out! Beadle's about! We all think that the chucker looks a bit too like him for comfort!

man Commando teams are available with players controlling two each. Solo gamers play against the CPU while two players have the option of playing against each other or teaming up to play the CPU. Whatever playing option is chosen, General Chaos is utterly brilliant. There are no limitations or loss of interest when playing against human or CPU foes. The anarchy, chaos and havoc make sure of that!

Almost everything you'd want from an arcade game is here. Speed, quick thinking, meticulous planning, determination,

sense of humour and, most of all, lots of luck are required. It's the quality of games such as this that make gamers continue to switch from computers to consoles.

Pat "logical" Kelly



CONTACT



The controls are kept simple with your troops' positions controlled with a combination of the joypad and B and C buttons. The A button is your order for the troops to fire. They will automatically pick out the closest or most dangerous target.

CART SIZE .....8Mbit

STAGES ..... 5 1

SKILL LEVELS..... 1

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## CTION



▲ Because of the big sprites, each soldier can be easily recognised in the midst of the action. ▲ All the graphics are colourful, cartoony and

exhibit the game's humorous nature.

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▲ Atmospheric sound of bombs blasting rockets launching and guns rattling.

▲ The jolly ditties, played during the non-action screens, spurs you onto victory.

▲ The chaotic concept is original and the

execution of the batiles is spot on.

▼ There isn't very much variety in each of the war zones and the fun could be short lived.

# CHALLENGE

▲ There's loads to do during battles and you'll have to keep your wits about you.

▼ The CPU is easy to beat and versus mode is where the challenge will come.

# PROSCORE

With its hugely chaotic action, colourful backgrounds and original gameplay, this should be an immediate addition to any arcade fan's artillery.



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attack formation.

pro-

Once on the battlefield, the appro-

priateness of the generals' names,

Chaos and Havoc, become clearer.

There's so much going on that the

does skill. Sometimes, the forma-

tions you are offered by the CPU won't be ideal and there's not a

damn lot you can do, but to watch

your fearless troops being mowed

down by a superior foe. However, it's

vide an excellent close

Now, this is where the game comes into its own. There are several private barneys going on, medics being called for, and neither side really knows what they're doing! It's just a case of hanging on in there.





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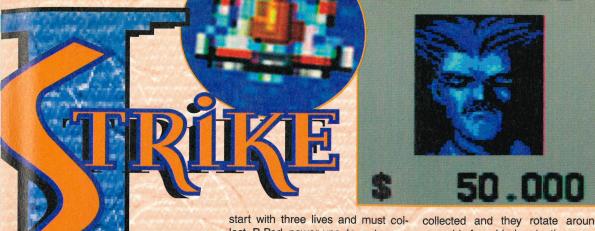


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chaotic! A choice of weapons can also be selected from the animated illustrations on the options screen. On level one, you'll start with standard bullets, but it's possible to gain shells, missiles, flame burners, absorptions, destroyers and the

ultimate in weapons, Napalm, by collecting power-ups.

The scenario is very much like the classic arcade game 1943, as the screen scrolls from top to bottom with the enemy attacks becoming increasingly complex. End of level ships must also be mother

When you find you're trapped by a swarm of bullets, fly to the other side of the screen and keep moving. You'll always avoid the majority of enemy fire.

destroyed and provide the platform for you to really test out your weaponry!

The gameplay will suit shoot-'emup fans down to the ground. You

lect P-Pod power-ups to put more bite into your weaponry and enables you to stay in one piece. Superblasts can also be collected and act as smart bombs. Spin shields can be found by either shooting particular enemies or passing over an item carrier. Red shields increase your nose gun's firing power, blue allows your bullets to blast through more than one enemy and yellow makes bullets fan out in front of the enemy. A maximum of three shields can be

WANT A SECOND OPINION

This has to be one of the best Master System shootem-ups for ages! The graphics are absolutely superb. There are tons of power ups to collect and once you have them, they really make a difference. Although the idea of blatantly shooting enemies throughout each level may be dated, gameplay is very fast and frantic. There's a huge amount of variety in the graphics and controlling your ship is also fairly easy. This will suit trigger happy MS owners everywhere and if you miss this one, you could be kicking yourself for ever.

collected and they rotate around your ship for added protection.

The backgrounds change in each level and many of the graphics are superb. There are loads of different enemy sprites and the colourful landscapes are full of life. Sometimes, the ground breaks up like a mini earthquake, revealing hidden enemies! Over the waters, swirling whirlpools and flaming volcanoes add an extra touch to what initially seems like a motionless, flat seascape.



On level three, you must watch the cracks in the landscape as they open up to reveal more enemies.

The action in Power Strike II is very fast and the better your weapon, the less chance there is of being hit by an enemy. The Napalm weapon will destroy enemies in every direction! Explosive sounds add to the pace and power of every fighting second in your Falcon Flyer.

Power Strike II is a shoot-'em-up not to be missed on the Master System. The ideas may be a little dated, but the gameplay has power and guts. Your reactions will definitely be tested to the full!

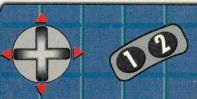
Mark "sky warrior" Hill



This colourful beast awaits your arrival at the end of level one. You'll need some powerful weapons to beat this monster, so it's essential you collect as many power-ups as possible to make the job all the easier!

Jet Propulsion was developed in many countries during World War II.





The D-pad moves your aircraft around the screen. Button 1 fires your current weapon while button 2 selects a special weapon.

## CTION

▲ The backgrounds on each level are colourful, detailed and even animated to some extent! ▲ Loads of different enemies that have been created with their own characteristics.

▲ There are plenty of combat sounds to create that fast and furious atmosphere.
▲ The soundtracks for each level are full of

energy and help create a great war scenario.

▲ You can't keep your eyes of the screen for a second as the action is so explosive and fast! ▲ Collecting power-ups to enhance weapon power makes the game all the more interesting.

▲ Building up enough weaponry to tackle the end of level enemy is a challenge in itself. ▼ Once you've completed five levels, the challenge is over.

# **PROSCORE**

Not enough levels for a ProYo! status. However, it's a great shoot-'em-up for the mindless gamer who loves finishing games.

With Japan and America now becoming more involved with soccer, there is no doubt that it's a sport destined to last a good deal longer. The face of the game may have changed in modern times, but the basic principles behind its popularity will always be the same. From the days of childhood, a kick in the park would provide many an evening of after-school entertainment. Piles of clothes

would be used as posts, and a

tennis ball would always be a

worthy substitute if a foot-

ball was unavailable.

Now Sega are set to release Ultimate Soccer and, as such, we would expect some aspects of the game to live up to its strong title. Indeed, this is the first soccer release that can have up to eight players playing a once!



When it's a game of six men then it's a game of rebounding balls and smaller goals. You can't see the walls, the ball just bounces off an invisible sideline! However, six-a-side contests can be a lot of fun – particularly as the pitch is smaller and the action faster!

occer releases tend to include most aspects of the game. Looking back to a few years ago, soccer games

never used to free-kicks. penalties, red cards after-touch, or etc. The basic kick strengths and eight-directional passing the only were skilful aspects of those releases.

Ultimate Soccer seems to give a modern day example of how the options in a footy sim are becoming closer to the real life game.

field.

The presentation screens put

you in the footy mood as soon as you switch on the machine. The icons for each option are bright, detailed and cleverly animated, with

It's often a

good idea

to run past

defenders

with the ball

for a shot at

goal rather

the theme music typically zany and cheerful.

The game can be played with up to eight players, using two Sega four-player adapters, and has the usual options—as well as many

special extras. You can play in the Ultimate Cup, the World League, a knockout cup, or even a penalty shoot out. Friendlies are included and when the icon is selected, two

illustrated soccer players start shaking hands!



When it comes to free kicks, you can choose the precise angle of your effort at goal!

There are 18 illustrated icons that are animated very clearly and help you see straight away what selection you've made. From the type of pitch surface and pitch angle, to the inertia and back pass selection, this seems to have it all. Even the weight of the ball can be selected.

PRESS LEFT FOR PREVIOUS PLAYER PRESS RIGHT FOR NEXT PLAYER PRESS A B OR C TO BRING MAN ON PRESS START TO QUIT SUBSTITION

Once you've selected your favourite options, it's down to the hard stuff. From Algeria to Argentina, you've got 64 of the world's minnows and big boys to play against. Before and during each match, you can select one of eight team formations and gameplay style. A breakaway style means all attackers attack

# WANT A SECOND OPINION

Even the popular Super Kick-Off fails to compare to this new Sega footy sim when it comes to options. This is the game's strength and, with them, the one-player matches are more fun than usual. The varying pitch conditions are an expected addition, but viewing angle, ball weight and even inertia makes for a few surprises.

Otherwise, it's a fairly plain affair with awkward and uneventful gameplay, sprite collision problems and no more than average quality scrolling. The Super NES version was much more playable and action packed. J League or the soon to be released EA Soccer are recommended alternatives.



# WHAT'S ALL THIS THEN?



1 PITCH SURFACE Choose from dry, normal, damp or wet.

WIND STRENGTH

strong or random

Select none.

light, medium

wind strength.



7 DIFFICULTY
Choose from
three skill levels.



DURATION
Play for up to 15
minutes per half.

than passing the ball up



8 BACKPASS RULE You can decide to agree or disagree with FIFA here!



14 EXTRA TIME
An extra third
of playing time
may be
selected.



3 WIND DIRECTION Select a North, south, east or west wind at four strengths.



Do you want your players to accelerate to their top speed or not!



15 Music Have the zany music on or off whilst you play.



4 BALL CONTROL You can select tight, normal, dribble, loose or push ball control.



10 PENALTIES
Go for a shootout or choose
penalties after
extra-time.



16 Sound FX Switch sound effects on or off.



.5 GAME MODE Choose to play on an Indoor or outdoor pitch!



11 INSTANT REPLAY
Choose an
automatic or
manual replay
option.



17 PITCH ANGLE Play with a normal or deep angle pitch surface.



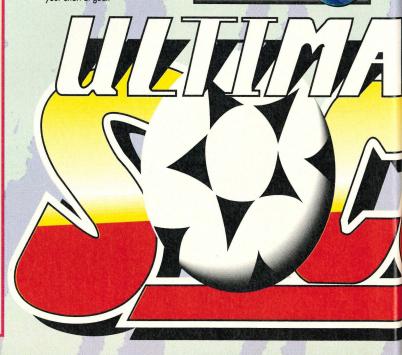
6 GAME SPEED
The action can
be played at four
different speeds.

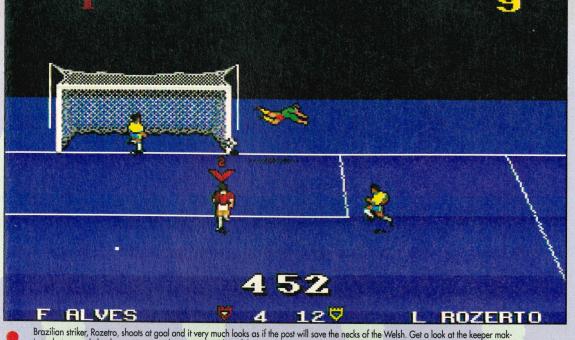


12 BALL WEIGHT Fussy people may choose a light, normal or heavy ball!



18 Messages Such as Goal, Foul, etc, can be on the screen if you wish.





ing what can only be the most spectacular, yet useless dive of the season! However, Brazil are winning nine-nil so it looks like another famous Brazilian victory.

clever passing.

when they have possession, otherwise they stay in normal positions.

When you get into the action, the player control becomes the first difficulty you'll encounter. There's a slight visual problem with the shades of grass tending to dazzle the action. Players have poor sprite collision - especially when it comes down to tackling.

It's all very well having the fancy match options such as event stats and

shady replays, but not at the expense of concise and smooth action! Play is a little jerky and although the scaling technique can enhance the spectacular shots and long sweeping passes, everything else lacks that touch of quality and realism.

The superb graphical imagination that's used for the option icons and intro screens is great,

but the classy static screens only make misleading presentation for the disappointing contents inside. You do have the benefit of being able to play a variety of clever balls to other players, but this is the type of soccer game where it's far easier to run with the ball until you score rather

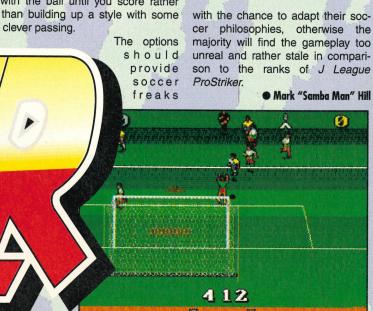
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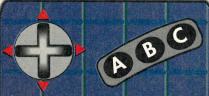
Formations are a crucial factor in your strategic plans before you take to the field.



A rather poor effort by the Brazilian will be an easy catch for the keeper here.







The D-pad is used to move your current player around the pitch. Buttons A and B perform a variety of kicks depending on your position. Button C will perform a diving header. Choice of player is



▲ The clever, but CPU consuming, scaling perspective enhances the action on the field. ▼ Jerky scrolling and very poor sprite collisions when players tackle and run.

# 70170

0%

▲ The soundtrack accompanying the options screens creates a brilliant atmosphere.
▼ The sound effects when tackling and

# shooting aren't impressive.

GAMEDIAY

▲ During play there are a number of different

shots you can learn and adapt to.

It's very difficult to get into the action with jerky scrolling and a lack of control.

# HALLENGE

▲ There are over 60 countries you can compete

against in league and cup competition.

There is little incentive to build up a style when it's so difficult to get any feel.

# **PROSCORE**

Classy presentation, but never judge a book by its cover. Sadly, this game is too shallow in its gameplay and the sprites are too jerky and unrealistic.

If there is one thing Bubsy can't stand then it's doing nothing. He'd rather be bouncing on the woollies and henchmen whilst getting himself into all kinds of tricky situations. His back garden is split into 16 chapters, and that's pretty large for a small cat. However it's all one big playground for Bubsy, with funfairs, water chutes, car rides and caves just being part of the fun.

Bubsy can't play all the time, as he has the task of collecting as many yarn balls as possible. Some are hidden in secret places that could land our feline friend in deep water if he's not careful. His adventures take him through a world similar to those of Mario and Sonic. The question is, can Bubsy make the same league as his two console friends?

# I WANT A SECOND OPINION

This is the game that Accolade have been hyping and I have been looking forward to playing for so long. Unfortunately it failed to impress me. The music is absolutly annoying and the gameplay tends to wear very thin after only a few tries.

A surprisingly high number of lives have been included and although the game may be tough and nine lives is a bit of a feline relation, there are far too many continues. Each of the 16 levels include plenty of hidden rooms and there's a good sense of humour about everything, but when Bubsy loses a life, it often seems to be because of irritating gameplay than lack of skill.

JASON



ubsy is a platform adventure very much like Sonic the Hedgehog where you must battle your way in through 16 stages by colag yarn balls and other various

lecting yarn balls and other various icons as well as bopping your adversaries on the head.



In the village, Bubsy will encounter a lot of woollies, bonus crates and exclamation mark continues.

Bubsy starts his quest with nine lives and there are various bonuses he can collect throughout the game. If he finds a white T-shirt with a number on the front, he'll receive those much needed extra lives. If he wants to annoy the woollies, then he can find a black shadow T-Shirt which makes him invisible. The woollies won't be able to see him, and neither will you! If he gets the flashing T-shirt

then he'll
b e c o m e
invincible to
any Woollies or
henchman he is likely
to meet.

Bubsy must behave like Mario and

Sonic when it comes to finding the secret locations. Sometimes he can jump of a log or tree and use other bad guys as stepping stones for reaching a secret platform. At other times, Bubsy can go down the ground pipes to underground locations that are either filled with water or littered with yarn balls and T-shirt icons.

Water chutes



In this scene, our feline friend finds himself in some kind of Western adventure where he must make his way along the moving train. Some carriages hold zoo animals while others carry bonus crates and extra lives.

bridge to gain access over a smo lake. Once over, he'll have to fin safe way through the nearby village.





Bubsy has just come out the secret cave and finds himself in the middle of a waterslide network!



When Bubsy starts sliding down the waterchutes, the action speeds and anything can happen. Here, the screen flips upside down to help create that feeling of speed and confusion as poor Bubsy wonders where he'll end up next in his adventure!

Find the bonus T-

shirts and yarns by going down pipes and through

caves. It's a good idea to learn which secret places are dangerous and which are safe.

and fairground rides add to the fun and frolics of this bizarre adventure Every chapter has a variety of different features that Bubsy can interact with to some extent. But our feline friend will have to use his moggy instincts and explore backgrounds very carefully. Some trees will launch him high over stretches of water while, at other

times, a secret cave

The different characters in the game are superbly drawn. The bright colours and incredibly lively backgrounds produce the perfect scenario for Bubsy's character. Bubsy himself is gifted with some brilliant and often hilarious poses during the action. If he's flattened by a manhole cover then you see the poor creature slowly falls into a flattened heap like a crushed sand castle. If time runs out, he'll get his clock out and his eyes just bulge out the sockets in disbelief as he stares at the time!

There are loads of bad guys Bubsy will meet. Such characters include light bulb bugs, grumbleweeds, gumball machines, and

invading pianos! Bubsy must tackle all obstacles with the aid of a move that enables him to glide. By taking a running jump of a high platform, he can gain a lot of ground by gliding across the



On the funfair level, Bubsy can play the space cadet role in this amusment lunar craf



When Bubsy climbs up the rock face, he's confronted with many woollies and loads of yarn balls

Overall, Bubsy can be a lot of fun to play. The catchy music and cool sound effects coupled with incredible use of colour and animation will

will transport him to a different location.

The gameplay becomes frustrating when Bubsy loses a life. It's so easy to clash with a bad guy or fall into deep water as you often see such dangers at the last minute. You'll certainly regret the fact that cats hate water in this adventure!

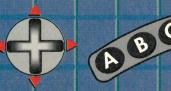
hooked straight away. It's only the frustration of dying too quickly and too often that will put a doubt over the lasting interest of this platform adventure.

Mark "Cat flap" Hill

The term alley or gutter cat (meaning mixed breed) applies to about 90% of the world's cats.

get you





Button A is used to jump and glide. Button B performs a simple jump. Use C and the D-pad to scroll the screen in any direction. The D-pad moves Bubsy around the screen.

CTION



▲ Bubsy is presented with an impressive and humorous series of animated moves.

A All 16 chapters are full of detailed, colourful

backgrounds that suit the Bubsy image.

Some bright and cheerful music accompanies

Bubsy through his adventures.

A When Bubsy interacts with objects, the sound effects are great.

▲ There are loads of hidden features that

Bubsy will come across during the game.

Too many occasions when guesswork leads
to a loss of life that's impossible to avoid.

# CHALENCE

▲ There are 16 different chapters to be explored and completed.
▼ Those who found *Sonic The Hedgehog* too easy may not find *Bubsy* any more challenging.

# **PROSCORE**

The gameplay may be very similar to the likes of Sonic and Mario, but Bubsy can be a lot of fun to play with plenty to do and a lot of hidden extras to find.



This summer, Britain went tennis mad for the Wimbledon Championships — the world's most famous tennis tournaments. America, Britain, France and Australia may stage such grand slam events, but the Davis Cup is played in more countries, and players form a team rather than competing as individuals.

The competition is all about playing for your country. There are still world ranking points to be gained, and prize money to be won.

From amateur to top speed, the competition allows players to grow in skill and confidence. Matches are played around the globe and players have the chance to represent their nation in singles and doubles competition. It was Dwight Davis who donated the Davis Cup in 1900. Since then, the International Lawn Tennis federation has regulated rules, and plays in over 80 countries.

ith Davis Cup
Tennis, there is a
whole host of features. You can
choose to play on
hard, clay, indoor,

hard, clay, indoor, or grass courts in a number of different competitions. Play singles, team up with the computer for doubles, or play side by side with either a friend or the computer! There is an option for split screen playing, so that a second player never needs to play from the other side of the net.

The training option allows you to return volleys from an automatic ball server. After you've had enough

practise, you can play in tournament, Davis Cup, or championship competition.

-During play, you can perform flat shots, back spins, smashes, drop shots, top spins, lobs and volleys using either a three-or six-button joypad. The speed is the most notable part of the gameplay. There's often no chance of returning a shot, especially the smash volleys and dropshots. The pace of the game is frantic, yet unrealistic, as almost every shot you'll play will land inside the baseline.

However, the action can be exciting, and a great deal of fun once you've mastered the controls. The gameplay menu enhances the match interest with statistic tables showing percentage of first serves in, missed volleys, aces, etc.

If you feel a decision is worth complaining about, you can argue with the umpire! Usually he'll just disagree, but it's worth a go just for a laugh. You can use the replay option if you're still not convinced!



There are animated line judges, ball boys, and a crowd that jump up and down as if they were celebrating a goal! It's a frantic, yet colourful and cheerful atmosphere, and the player sprites have some cool shading and nicely drawn frames.

Davis Cup Tennis can be overwhelming to play at first, but the huge variety of options should keep the interest there for some time.

Mark "Dropshot" Hill





Push A for a flatshot after the bounce, or a normal volley. B will play a backspin lob or lifted volley. C plays a topspin or drop shot. Use D-Pad to direct ball left and right. Speed balls, smashes, drop shots and lobs are also played with buttons used in conjunction with pushing the D-Pad down.

ACTION

STRATEGY

# GRAPHICS

85%

▲ All the courtside characters are well animated and set the tennis mood.

▲ The colour and detail that's used in the huge variety of presentation screens is superb.

# SOUND

84%

▲ Tennis noises are here, from the whack of the ball to the grunts from the players! ▼ The umpire's speech is clear, but sounds

pretty unrealistic and becomes annoying.

# GAMEPLAY 80°

▲ It's good to see a variety of options and a very useful training facility.

▼ Action on the court is just too fast, with some shots being impossible to return.

# GHALLEN GE

86%

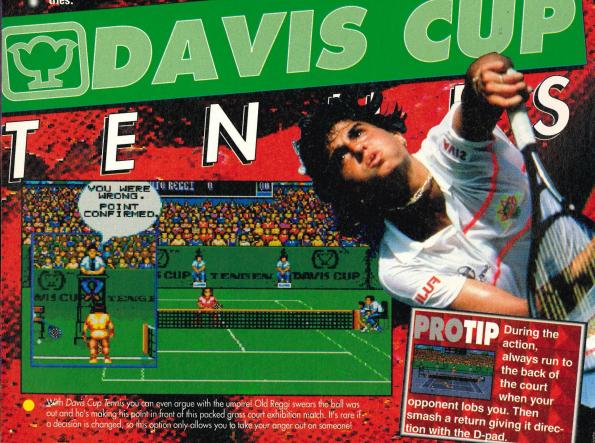
▲ There are four tournaments and plenty incentive to win prize money.

▲ For tennis fans, it should prove a challenge mastering the many different shots.

# PROSCORE

83%

Tennis fans will love the array of options and menu screens, but there may be too many statistics and not enough gameplay.



Indoor tennis originated in the 15th century and outdoor lawn tennis in 1870.



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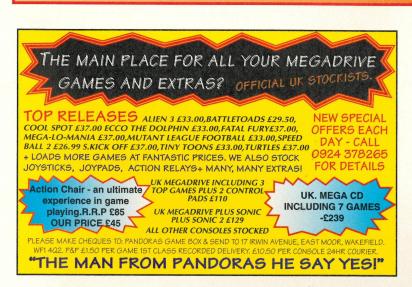
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Dr Maybe has infiltrated Santa Claus's main toy factories in the North Pole by planting penguin-disguised throughout the buildings. Many secret agents of the past have tried to stop this evil man, but all have failed in their quest. Now Pond has been assigned to the case and he knows there are only 48 hours before the bombs will detonate.

> Pond's Robosuit contains enough oxygenated water to keep Pond and his scales healthy whilst on land. The only missing feature are the wings and sparkling armour attachments that Dr Maybe has locked in Santa's factory. If Pond finds these fittings then the job should be all the easier.

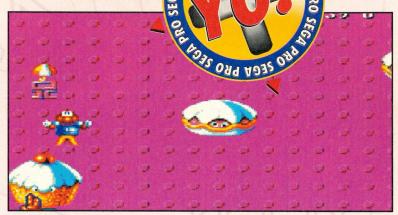
> Pond must jump into his suit in a final attempt to save Christmas and make sure that the children of the world get their toys.

# WANT A SECOND OPINION

James Pond II is well programmed with the puzzles and gameplay being nothing short of brilliant. All the different sprites can be recognised and, as such, there is a great incentive for games players to get through every mission. I found the stretching idea a lot of fun and because it's so original, it plays an important part in the complete adventures of James Pond.

I'd recommend game to all MS owners as the gameplay is not too complicated, the adventure flows well and, most all, because every aspect of the game is very neat and tidy.

NICOLAS



Pond finds himself in the land of sweets where the cream cakes must be used as stepping stones so he can reach the top of this large chamber. Notice the playing-card birds above, and the umbrella icon that enables Pond to float to the ground

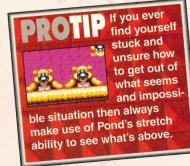


ames Pond II is very much like Super Mario World in that you must travel through a number of different levels. each of which carry their

own theme. There are nine levels in all which start with the Scary Sports rescue mission and end at the Wackiest Circus Farth!

The outer face of the factory is your starting point and accessing each level requires working your way along the factory face. The scenario is similar to the Charlie movie and the Chocolate factory as each door you go through will put you in a massive world of tunnels, caverns, moving platforms and strange crea-

Although all the doors are visible, the stages can only be attempted in one order. The aim in each is to detonate enough penguin bombs to exit



through the flashing door. The route isn't always obvious and you'll need to make best use of Pond's ability to stretch at the most opportune time!

Like Mario and Sonic, you must kill all baddies by bopping them on the head. It's an old concept, but it seems to appeal as it's such an easy, yet less violent, task to perform! Pond can gain extra height by using the enemies as stepping stones. Sometimes this requires a little skill and luck to reach a high route that's impossible to get to any other way.



On the moving train, you'll need to stay ahed of the scroling screen if you don't want to lose a life!

Icons are littered about that reveal new items that enhance control and status. Power stars give you an extra Robosuit battery, a spinning shield will make you invincible and the wings let you fly! There are also umbrellas that allow you to float down from high places and the Golden Ankhs will give you that much needed extra life. A bonus





need to avoid the many spikes by using the ceilings as a rail



Jump the ping-pong paddles and volley balls, then stretch above boxing gloves and golf clubs! Don't forget to find the hidden aeroplane and pick up a useful set of wings!

# Mission 2 — Frightful fluffy toys

Rescue the stuffed bears and horrified hippos and collect the extra lives on this level. Watch the playing-card birds that can be a right old nuisance!

## Mission 3 - Sickening sweets

All the world's holiday cakes, candles and cookies are made here in the sweet factory! Watch the cherry pie soldiers and mutant caterpillars.

# Mission 4 — Menacing mechanical toys!

Model trains, hungry cars, and crazed wind-up dolls chase you through this mission! Get the out of reach goodies by bouncing on such baddies.

## Mission 5 - Beware of bath time!

Get into an animated bathtub and rescue the toys. Don't forget to collect the Golden Ankhs for extra lives.

## Mission 6 - Belligerent Board Games

Chess pieces and dominoes roam the factory and you'll, of course, meet the snakes and ladders! You'll need to make best use of your stretch abilities during this mission!

# Mission 7 - A cringing castle

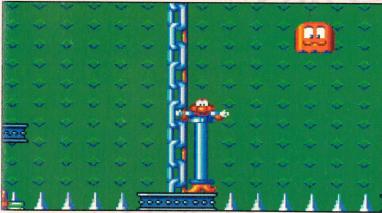
Run across the blocks and escape the angry flowers outside the castle. Use the window sills as stepping stones and save the toys at the top!

# Mission 8 — The attacking arts

This mission will put you in with the stereo systems, paint brushes, and typewriters! Don't waste time on this level of art!

# Mission 9 - The wackiest circus on Earth

Get shot out of a cannon and you'll be put in with the clowns. Watch the big tops and remember to collect as much as you can. Look out for hidden treasure!



The iron girders will catch you out if you're not carefull as some drop on your head and squash you whilst others can smash you against the ceiling. This level will certainly keep you on your toes as all kinds of traps and not so obvious objects will make life tough!

block can be good or bad. Jump up and headbutt a block to reveal either a vehicle or a baddie. The vehicles may be bathtubs or planes and can be used as a form of transport!



You need to bounce on Big Teddy's head a fair few timesto knock the stuffing out of him.

Graphics are the best ever seen on the humble MS. Objects such as spoons, baseballs, teddy bears, lego bricks, chess pieces, playing-card birds and bathtubs put sparkle and colour into each world. The neat shading and detailed sprites make the adventure addictive and very well structured. The bosses take a lot of bopping, but even these move well for their size and there is never a lack of colour or detail in any of the levels.



As Pond can extend to any length, you'll often be able to make short cuts by guessing when to stretch.

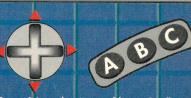
The idea of moving around the outsides of the factory, as well as entering each level through doors, is brilliant and controlling Pond is ever so easy. The whole scenario is associated with toys which provides the excellent story line and links the stages in a suitable manner. The early stages are quite easy, but the further you go, the more puzzling it becomes. Pond can stretch and cling on if there is a platform above and it quite often requires guess

> work when it comes to finding the hidden passageways.

The beauty is that almost everyone will find it enthralling as the gameplay is suited to players of all ages.

> Mark "Robocod" Hill





Button 1 is used to jump and button 2 will cause Pond to stretch to some very dizzy heights! Use the D-Pad to move around the screen.

▲The themes for each level have been superbly implemented thanks to brilliant graphics.
▲ All players will be drawn in by the bright colours and familiar domestic objects.

▲ Sound effects add to the typically bright and

cheerful scenario Pond travels through.

A The cheerful and bright music is well suited to the platform action.

▲ It's great fun making use of Pond's

stretching ability as the idea is so original.

A Pond always moves so smoothly that controlling him is an absolute joy!

▲ Because each level is different, there is a great incentive to progress.

▼ Interest could soon be lost when the nine relatively short worlds are completed.

# **PROSCORE**

The graphics have been stretched to their limit and the gameplay is spot on. Both of these features provide an instantly addictive platform adventure.





study its move sequence and vou'll easily

beat it. The missiles should be jumped over or ducked under and the bullets avoided or shot.

futuristic transforming attack vehicle has been sent in to rid the city of its unwelcome visitors. Trains are going out of control, buildings are vanishing into thin air and thousands of people are dying. Nobody knows who these aliens are or where they come from, but they must be stopped at all cost. There is only one group who can do this and they are the force who call themselves the Devastators.

Wolfteam have built up quite a name for themselves as Mega-CD software developers. Their original games include Road Avenger (Roadblaster FX) and Time Gal, both of which have been released officially. Their latest offering changes from the usual style of hazy, but impressive backgrounds to a more perfected standard. It could, however, be too different and a step back to cartridge quality.

telling you how a local drunk witnessed an amazing train thunacross dering tearing the bridge, concrete away as it passed over. The scenario then

changes to a high-power business meeting and, finally, the workshop of a transforming assault vehicle, the Devastator.



Now, how to beat this mother? They guardians only look mean, but they're not that tough!

Between each stage the story continues. Excellent graphics and music accompany them but the speech is in Japanese. This is somewhat off-putting and the game



The in-between stage animations are very pretty. It's a shame that they don't add to the gameplay.

suffers accordingly. Leaving the film sequences to one side, the game itself could be on cartridge and is a disappointment to look at after seeing the excellent intro. Fortunately the gameplay makes up for this; its constant blast-'em action with various styles keep you coming back.

Level one is very similar to the recently released Mazin Wars. A side-on scrolling view with various baddies to blast along the way. Anything flashing conceals a power-up and you can build your choice of weapon up to a maximum of four shots. Level three also has a scrolling side-on view, but you're flying along much like one of Virgin's Superman levels. Later levels tend to stay on a platform basis, but the challenge improves to an addictive and testing standard.



If you own a Mega-CD and like platform shoot-'em-ups, Devastator is well worth trying out. However, the Japanese speech degrades the game just as much as the cartridge-style play. This has nothing spectacular to offer, but it is addictive if not ground breaking.

Jason "incognito" Johnson

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You can change the controls to suit your preference, but if you don't A and C fire and B is used to jump. The D-pad moves your character left, right, up and down and the START button allows you to pause the game to put the kettle

# ACTION

▲ Breathtaking animated movie sequences are

of superb quality.

It is somewhat of an anti-dimax when you start playing the game, even in later levels.

▲ Soundtrack is brilliant with atmospheric sounds blasting through the speakers.

▼ The speech is all in Japanese and tends to make the story very difficult to follow.

▲ Plenty of bonuses to pick-up along the way and three weapons to choose from.

▼ The gameplay is a disappointment after the

original Wolfteam releases.

▲ Three difficulty levels to choose from with a starting range of three to nine lives.

▼ It's easy to play until the very last guardian which is tough and keeps changing its form!

# **PROSCORE**

A poor release that could be on cartridge. However, underneath it all, there's a very addictive and fun game for shoot-'em-up fans.

# WEAPONS

You can power-up each of your weapons four times which gives you four bullets, bombs or lasers respectively. When an icon appears, shoot it and the weapon will change, allowing you to build-up your preferred gun. Every time you die weapons lose a power-up.

A good all-round weapon, but the weakest of them all. BOMBER

Very useful in the platform sections, but not in the scrolling shoot-'em-up. LASER

The most powerful weapon which is necessary in the scrolling shoot-'em-up

# BONUSES

Shoot the weapon icon and you can select life.

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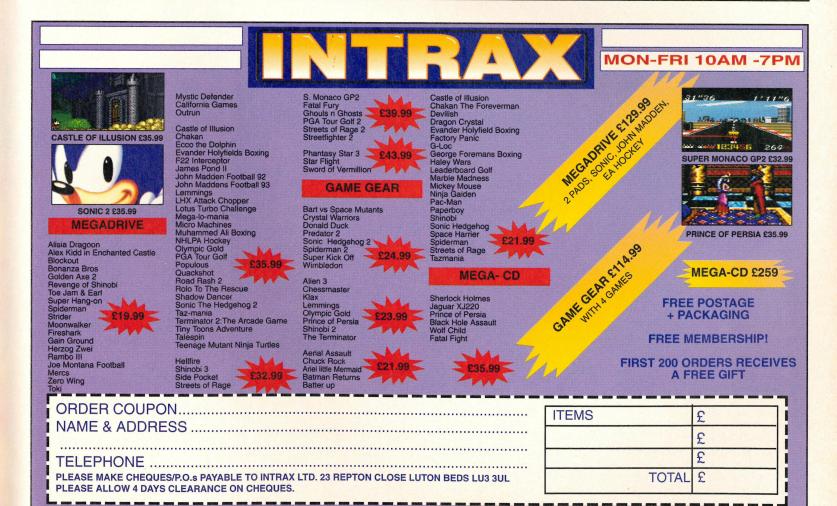


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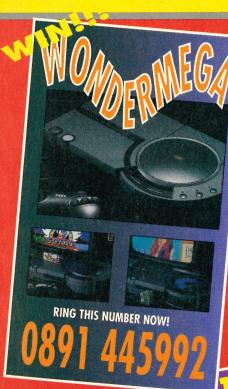
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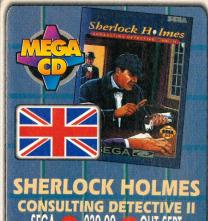
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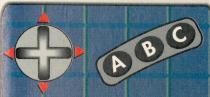
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Sherlock Holmes Consulting Detective has a very simple control method. The cursor is placed over an icon to use it. To execute an action, press A while over the icon. The D-pad moves the cursor around the screen.

# ACTION

CONTACT

STRATEGY

# GRAPHICS

▲ Features over one hour of video, incorporating many characters and locations.
▲ Icons are very well drawn, totally clear and are displayed in a comprehensive manner.

# SOUND

▲ When an important clue is found, Holmes will sit back and a satisfying jingle will play.
▼ There are only a few tunes which can make the adventure seem a little dull.

# GAMEPLAY

▲ The three cases will really make you think not something you often find in a video game! ▼ After you've solved a case once, there's not really much point in going back to it again.

# CHALLENGE

▼ There are no limits to the number of people you can talk to, which cuts down the task. ▼ There's no incentive to actually beat Holmes, other than gaining a better score.



A great change from most video games, but it lacks challenge and there aren't enough cases. However, if you're a fan of the first, you'll love it!



any different puzzlers have graced Sega consoles over the last few years. Lemmings could be

seen as the most classic brain teaser of all time, but *Sherlock Holmes* is a very different kind of puzzle. It could be compared to the *Carmen Sandiego* series on the Mega Drive, although both of these episodes held little in the way of challenge.

This is the second time Holmes has appeared on the Mega-CD and after a brilliant debut, he's back with three more cases. They can be played in any order and they all offer roughly the same amount of challenge. Your ultimate aim is to crack each case in fewer moves than Holmes. Although this may seem to be a brilliant challenge, if you crack a case once, you'll know which moves to make the second time around.

After you've discovered the initial

reports on vital events of that day. Once a few suspicious names are gathered, you can either consult your files, ask the Baker Street Irregulars for information or visit the suspect. When you think enough evidence has been gathered, you can take the case to court to be judged.



At the beginning of a case, looking in The Times is always a good place to find clues.

The graphics and sound in Sherlock Holmes are brilliant. There are lots of live video scenes and a tremendous amount of variation

If you've ever read a Sherlock Holmes novel, you'll realise just how dodgy living in Victorian London could be. Aside from the usual clan of petty thieves, gruesome murderers and violent robbers lurk on every corner. While the local bobbies do the best they can, at least half of the city's crime slips through their fingers. That's why a man like Sherlock is so invaluable. As well as being on the right side of the law, he also has many shady street contacts. This brilliant combined with deductive powers made Holmes the most respected sleuth of his time.

Although Holmes is unique, there's no reason why any budding detective couldn't be just as good. With three mysterious cases to solve and Sherlock to help you on your way, Sherlock Holmes Consulting Detective Vol. II is just the place to start!



If you ask any of the Baker St. Irregulars for help, you'll receive a telegraph just like this one. Although the boys are supposed to know all the dealings of the underworld, their advice is never much help.

clue to each case, there are many sources you can turn to for more details. Consulting Holmes' directory gives information on the citizens of London and the newspaper

A Because his arreit with Countess Von Schulenberg had been discovered.

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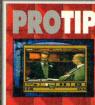
E To clear the way for Philip Marking Orani Arms Company.

When you take your case to court, you'll have to answer many questions to substantiate your claims.

between characters. Many of the scenes and people are taken from the first *Sherlock Holmes*, but as the standard of graphics is so high, it doesn't seem to matter.

If you're looking for a game that's a little different, or you enjoyed Sherlock Holmes Vol. 1, then this could be for you. It's not an action-packed assault on your senses, but it will certainly test the old grey matter for a while.

Sam "Watson" Hickman



When playing the Murdered Munitions Magnate, visit the tobac-

conist. He has the vital clues you are looking for.



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# COLLEGE FOOTBALL

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touchdown Americans is like a goal to the British as the two actions in their respective national sports are the most celebrated aspects of each particular game. The Madden series brought the thrills of American footy drama to life with its superb scaling dimension that made the action second to none for a stadium sports sim. EA have now released College Football, a game which the producers claim is a half way experiment preparation for John Madden '94.



College Football is a totally different gameplay engine from the popular Madden series and is, in fact, a test bed for the engine to Madden '94! The triple option and two-point conversions are still there, but the new layout of these play-calling interfaces makes your strategy selection a lot easier. All the offence and defense options have been included and you now play college rules and the all-time teams against greats!

The four-player adapter makes the challenge all the more tasty and there are still all the great graphical presentations and stadium features to view with the action.

With the addition of a save option, this is yet another brilliant sports sim from EA Sports and should appeal to all American football fans.



# POWER CHALLENGE

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olf is one of those sports that requires Incredible skill and the odd stroke of luck. The 19th hole and an exclusive hole-inone club are just some of the classy features found. World number one, Nick Faldo, is perhaps one of golf's most consistent players, and finding consistency in a game such as this is a tall order for most!

Power Challenge has everything you'd expect from a golf game with up to four players able to compete and three different courses to play on. The wide range of options available will help beginners to learn more about golf as there are many realistic features.

The common power and snap indicator enables you to improve your skills very quickly as it's easy to get to grips with. The skill in judging wind direction will prove to be one of the hardest aspects to master.

The realistic graphics are of a high quality with trees, lakes, fairways and bunkers all drawn very well with smooth detail. The gameplay can be very exciting during a multi-player game with full golfing rules and an optional skins challenge enhancing match interest.



The player sprites in Power Challenge are so detailed and lifelike during the action.

Power Challenge will never match PGA Tour Golf, but this is still an accurate and challenging golf sim.



# BOB

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OB is a funny old character who gets himself into all kinds of trouble. He's a kind of robotic explorer who can move about in a variety of ways. He can grab overhead pipes, use umbrellas as parachutes and reach new heights on trampolines - just to name a few of his gadgets!



You must guide this oddball android through three different worlds whilst blasting any hostile natives that may get in your way. Your objective is to find the teleporter at the end of each level and, every now and again, the big bosses appear to give BOB a real fright.

In this basic platform adventure the only originality comes in the animation of BOB himself. It takes some initiative to complete each level as you can collect items that enable you to fly up to places that are otherwise impossible to reach. Various weapons can be found to enhance your chances of success against the tougher enemies in the adventure.

The gameplay is too dated and repetitive between levels as moving platforms, electric charges and networks of ladders have all be seen before. Lifeless action and poor control response do no favours to a game that has few ideas apart from the small variety of gadgets BOB interacts with.

# **HOME ALONE**

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arry and Marv are two robbers who have been looting the houses in your neighbourhood. The fact that you've been left at home alone means that you have to fight against these crooks by setting traps in houses and build your own weapons to use against them.

The general idea is to travel around the neighbourhood on a sledge and find various objects for use in the surrounding houses. Time is critical and as you enter each house you must use the plan diagram to set traps that will slow the crooks down. Various household components must be found and put together using a weapon building screen. The better the weapons, the quicker you can force the crooks to bail out!



The ideas are fairly original and gameplay is enhanced by an indoor and outdoor playing mode, but the houses tend to lack in variety with only small changes in the furniture and backgrounds.

This type of game should appeal to young children as there are plenty of colourful backgrounds and many items to find. It's such a shame there is so little action - there are only two crooks to fire at and most of the time you just scale the area searching for objects. Home Alone is fun for a while, but the lack of action will put a doubt over the lasting interest.

This month Mark Hill and Nicholas Beucher take a look at some releases that seem to have escaped the SegaPro main review system. Often, if a game is late or we haven't the room for it, it is put on the shelf until a later date. Now there is this new section which allows us to fit in many more games, leaving more space for big and exclusive reviews.

# CHAMPIONSHIP BOWLING

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t's only recently that new leisure complexes have put life back into the sport with superb computerised scoring facilities and modern day alleyways.



Championship Bowling can be played by up to four players on four different alleyways. If you play the computer, you'll start on the fast alleyway where you must defeat three opponents before progressing to more difficult alleyway surfaces and harder opposition.

The gameplay is instantly addictive as the techniques are easy to learn and the use of a spin, power, and line-up indicator takes very little time to work out.

There are three very clear graphical pictures on the screen of the full alley, the close up of the pins, and the movements of your player. The expressions on the players' faces after a strike or spare are cleverly interpreted to create that cheerful, yet competitive kind of atmosphere. A tiresome tune plays with the action, but the sound effect of pins hitting the deck have that hollow echo that you'd hear in any modern bowling alley!

Championship Bowling can be great fun to play if you are a fan; but for others the action may be too limited and a little boring after a while.



# **DOUBLE DRAGON**

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rime is terrible in a city where the mysterious big boss and his gang are causing chaos. People can't walk in the streets because they are scared stiff of the violence that would wreck their lives. Billy's mate, Jimmy, was recently bashed up by one of the gangs and so now you step into Billy's shoes and attempt to clean up the city.

Double Dragon is no different from any other street fighting game where the concept is as old as the hills and the ideas of blinking arrows and baseball bats being something that's been seen just too many times.

Six different worlds encompass 21 lethal levels in this beat-'em-up where you must kick and punch your way past all the bad guys. Your adversaries include muscle-bound thugs, foxy ladies, and weapon-toting filth!

There are pump action shot-



This end of level boss looks frightening enough and certainly takes a lot of beating.

guns, pistols and baseball bats you can use to help fight the thugs – but even with these, the gameplay will prove to be tough. Getting past level one is frustrating with slow sprite responses and flickery visuals. The backgrounds may change, but the ideas lack bite in a fighting game that's just too difficult to get in to.



# INXS: MAKE MY VIDEO

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ollowing the releases of Kris Kross and Marky Mark on Make My Video, we now see INXS in graphic wonderment. Indeed, it's fair to say that this may prove to be popular with those who have every INXS album!

The graphically impressive opening sequence is set in the stereotypical scenario of an American bar where the ladies are making a break on the pool table and I guess the guys hang out at the poker hut. The place is kind of like a 'dive bar in a west end town', but the music is of course INXS and not The Pet Shop Boys!



On the editing screen you can use over 30 different tools to create unique effects.

Like Marky Mark: MMV, what you have to do is select one of three soundtracks and then edit a video. You have the choice of 'Heaven Sent', 'Not Enough Time', or 'Baby Don't Cry'. You can also let Poindexter make a choice for you.

Video editing can be constructive and appealing with the many tools including strobe's, filters, and mixers. However, it's a mystery how the characters at the end decide whether you've created a decent video or not!

It's the true INXS fans who'd buy this. It's just not worth spending 40 quid when you can buy their video for around a tenner.



# **GOLDEN AXE III**

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olden Axe was one of the Mega Drive's flagship releases in its time, as the gameplay proved to be both competitive and challenging. The sequel had little improvement over the original with a lava section offering the only real variation in scenarios. The game was also just as easy as the first and though there were more sound samples, the slash-'em-up concept failed to expand in originality and ideas.

Golden Axe III is a little better than the previous two offerings as there are junctions along the route to give you more freedom of choice in who you want to face. I guess this release had to preserve the slashing concept, not to mention those special powers that cause the screen to explode in a multitude of swirling patterns and fuzzy lines. The nasties who keep the fighting fantasy image differ between levels, but there is certainly a lack of variety in their attack patterns.



The two- player head-tohead battles provide more of a challenge for die-hard

The competitive two-player mode still remains, but the moves are limited and the control a little shabby in comparison to modern head-to-heads we see today.

Again, the challenge is far too easy and the gameplay soon becomes repetitive and boring. This is one too many.



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Aircraft combat shoot-'em-up Progress through the multiple level classic using a basic range of weapons. Totally out-dated, but still fun. 64%

# 688 ATTACK SUB

£39.99 Submarine sims are few and far between, but this little beauty shows that it is possible to do a credible job. It's very hard to get into, but the effort is worth it. 68%

# ADVANCED WW2 SIMULATOR

This is one difficult game to play. You'll need a strong knowledge of the Japanese language. Pity really, because there's a great game hidden

Too short and easy. Just another shoot-'em-up. Simultaneous two-player is fun, but there are better games in

# the genre, 62% AFTER BURNER II

SEGA 234.99 Very accurate portrayal of the hydraulic coin-op. However, it's a bit easy and suffers from too much repetition of tedious tasks. 62% AIR DIVER

Similar to After Burner II in both looks and playability. It has more challenging play with a wider variety of opponents and tough guardians. 73%

MMPORT
This is one fun vertically scrolling shoot-em-up. Detailed graphics, but like similar games, it may prove just too easy for most MD players. 77% as a series of the series of the

SEGA £19.99
This platform adventure has loads of games and is packed with an average selection of adversaries, but the whole scenario becomes very boring. 62%

# May go down as the fantastic platform shoot-'em-up that never was. Nice graphics and sound, but not much to challenge even the beginner. ALEASTORM FLYING EDGE

SECA £19.99
This horizontal alien shoot-fem-up is just far too easy. The two-player option is fun and the graphics good, but it'll all be over too soon, 74%

SEGA £19,99
Alisia Dragoon is one tough chick. You must help her through eight stages in the style of *Valis*. Few lives and tough guardians, very challenging. 82%
ALTERED BEAST
£34,99

SEGA 534.yy
The first game to impress Mega Drive owners. The graphics are flickery and response slow. Usually given away free – nuff said... 48%
AMBITION OF CAESAR

IMPORT
Only for real fans of strategy games.
Fortunately the graphics are excellent and will keep you enthralled for ages.
Sadly, it's very hard to get into. 73%
AMERICAN GLADIATORS

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TECMAGIK £39.99
Each computerised competitor was digitised from real life action, making this a fast and furious tennis game. Sprites are well drawn, though they move a little too quickly. 59%
ANOTHER WORLD

VIRGIN £39.99
Revolutionary vector graphics, beautiful animation and highly addictive gameplay. Can be frustrating, but it's a big game with lots of puzzles and action \$1\frac{10}{2}\$.

# AQUATIC GAMES

ELECTRONIC ARTS £34.99

James Pond, the fishy star, stars in a

series of classy, but fun sports. Enthralling graphics and gameplay make this one of the best sporting events ever. 82% ARCH RIVALS

# FLYING EDGE

FLYING EDGE £237.99
Hop, skip and punch your way through
this manic basketball extravaganza.
It's great fun for the first hour or so, but
the novelty soon wears off and its
medicority becomes apparent. 65%
ARCUS ODYSSEY

RPG in the style of Gauntlet. Two players simultaneously vandalise eight graphically excellent levels. There's a much needed password save. 84%

# £39.99 SEGA £39.99 Use your skills, as either Ariel or Triton, to defeat the evil forces of

darkness and save your buddy. Plenty of vicious sharks to deal with. 725
ARNOLD PALMER TOUR GOLF

# SEGA £34,99 One of the first golfing games, but still holding its own with the likes of *PGA Tour Golf*. Real feeling of being out there on the course, smacking little white balls, 81%. ARROW FLASH

SEGA £19.99
This is a very vacant shoot-'em-up.

# The graphics are poor, the power-ups limited and the guardians a cinch to kill. Why bother? 29%

SEGA £14.yy
This innovative art package
encourages you to draw within the
confines of the Mega Drive. Only one
problem: you can't save of print out the
nictures. 39%

# ASSAULT-SUIT-LEYNOS

IMPORT
Called Target Earth in the States. You are a robot who has to bash similar robots over eight moonscapes. Not much fun, but there are a few neat cheats 42%

Yet another run-of-the-mill scrolling shoot-'em-up. Definitely, one for blast-'em fans who aim to collect every cart released, even if they're rubbish. 37% ATOMIC RUNNER

SEGA £34,99
Impressive graphics and funky sound
FX make this a good, solid platform
shoot-'em-up. However, there are
better around and this wears thin after
a few hours, 59%
AXIS

This is a well-hidden gem. Worth seeing just for the amazing 3-D graphics, but also contains very addictive gameplay. A fine walkabout shoot-'em-up. 75%

# BACK TO THE FUTURE III

SEGA £37.99 Marty McFly, animated in the worst possible taste, proves to be a serious let-down in this disappointing film licence. Don't even think of testing it out! 28% BAD OMEN

IMPORT
This Break-Out clone fails to have enough content for the big machine. Even so, the graphics are ace, with some really gruesome tough nuts to kill. 71% BALL JACKS

SECA £34.99
A strange game if ever there was one. Stealing spheres from your opponents robot starts is fun at first, but soon becomes a futuristic bore and very, treat through 28%

# PART VS THE SPACE MUTANTS

BART VS THE SPACE MUTANTS
FLYING EDGE 239.99
This is without doubt one of the toughest cartoon licences out. It's even more annoying because everything about it is so perfect; the graphics, the difficulty, the sound, etc and it's packed with challenge. 89%
BATTLETOADS
ECCA. 639.99

SEGA £39.99
This could be the first time the warrior toads have engaged in gory battle, but stranger things happen. This is a thoroughly slimy and violent adventure. 39%

SEGA £39,99
This fine conversion was only just released officially in the UK. It may get a tad boring, but the accurate graphics hold things together. 78%
BATMAN RETURNS

SEGA £39,99
Far from inspiring game that should
have been much better. Totally
unoriginal, with poor graphics and
even worse sound. A real waste of
money and time. 43%

REVENCE OF THE JOKER

IMPORT

Better than all the other Sega versions put together, which isn't saying much!
However, large sprites and detailed backdrops show just how a Batman licence should be produced. 82%
BATTLE GOLFER

## **IMPORT**

IMPORT
A golden-oldie arcade adventure. It's all about the exploits of a golf ball and its travels. This may not sound like the best of starting points for a game, but it's good. 72%
BATTLEMASTER

Excellent presentation at the start Excellent presentation at the start welcomes novices and the rest of the game takes off from there. It can be picked up for a lot less than most, so it's worth a look for beginners. 78% BATLE SQUADROW ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99 Its one advantage over other shootiem-ups is toughness challenging evenost gifted of players. If you want a great looking and sounding shooter, then this is your man! 85% BEAST WARRIORS

IMPORT
Colourful, detailed graphics offset by gameplay. Don't be fooled by pretty pictures, there's nothing nice about this game. 20%

MMPORT
A shoot-'em-up that tries to impress with a scenario other than outer-space. Is a bit of a laugh for a while, but soon becomes repetitive and boring 5.79%

# BIO-HAZARD BATTLE

PIO-MALEAN
SECA
With colourful, atmospheric graphics and a high difficulty setting, this has all it takes, but there isn't anything new in the way of gameplay, 58%
BIO SHP: PALADIN

MPORT
Satisfactory two-player shoot-'em-up
with cool sound and stunning level
guardians. It slows down when there
are too many sprites on-screen and it's
pretty easy. 51%
SLOCK-001

ELECTRONIC ARTS

£19.99

Tetris goes 3-D as you, viewing from above, attempt to fit the blocks into a well. It takes quite a while to get used to the perspective, but once you do, it's very challenging, 76%

BORANZA BROS

SEGA £19.99
Other than having simplistic graphics, the most flawed part of the accurate conversion is that it is very, very easy. Grab a partner and in two-player mode you'll soon have it completed. 58%
BUCK RODERS

\$239.99

ELECTRONIC ARTS
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Entry level RPG with the difficulty set just right for beginners. The compelling challenge means you are never short of something to do and there's a big challenge. 82%
BUDORHAM

ELECTRONIC ARTS

139.99

The presentation builds up a terrific atmosphere, It's a shame that beneath it is a shallow beat-em-up with few opponents and limited moves. 56%

BUILS VS LAKERS

EULIS VS LAKERS
ELECTRONIC ARTS

9.39.99
Re-live the 1991 NBA finals in this basketball sim. Every detail is taken care of, making the game technically accurate if nothing else. For die-hard fans only. 78%

BULLS V BLAZERS

ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99
A very realistic basketball sim – fast and superbly simulated. The variety of

shots, dunks and slams give you a wide choice of options making the game a very playable affair. 89%

MIPORT
A sad attempt at what should have been a thrilling blast-tem -up. It offers nothing new. The scenario, graphics and bleeps have been seen many times before and, sadly, may be seen a few more times too. 28%

# CADASH

IMPORT
MYOR

A Japanese arcade adventure. The detailed backgrounds and brightly coloured sprites make it fun to play, but the original enthusiasm soon wears off. 65%
CALIBRE 50

MPORT Vertical shoot-'em-ups are fairly common and to be any good they need something extra special. Calibre 50, sadly, is very medicore. 33% CALIFORNIA GAMES

SEGA £19.99
All of the cool sports are included in this colourful outing, but the game seems rushed, with simple graphics and gameplay. An old game that has never been updated. 65%
APPLIES AREACO HE APPLIES SEGA

SEGA £34.99
Another battle against the forces of evil. Worth playing in two-player mode, but if you're a sole garner, leave it alone. It's favo ceasy and ultimately dated. 37%
CAPTAIN PLANET

SEGA £39,99
Join the Planeteers in a typical platform adventure where good attempts to conquer evil. Captain Planet's star appearance is rather overshadowed by the dull and lifeless backgrounds. 39%.

CASTE OF ILLUSION

SEGA £39.99

If you haven't got this, what have you been doing? This game has everything; great graphics, super sound, gorgeous gameplay and dynamic difficulty 93%

CENTURION

ELECTRONIC ARTS £39,99
A very welcoming historical strategy with excellent in-game maps etc. However, the enthralling storyline doesn't create enough fun to last for very long, 70%
CHARAS

# SEGA

SEGA £39,99
Taken from the comic book series of
the same name. Creative graphics
give an eerie atmosphere – as does
the music – but failing gameplay lets it
down. 76%
CHAMPIONSHIP PRO-AM

# IMPORT

IMPORT
This is a cross between Super Off
Road and Super Sprint with good
isometric view of the track. The bright
graphics and super little soundtrack
make it appealing. 67%
CHIKL CHIKL BOYS

SEGA £39.99
This is Mega Twins and it's far too cute and far too easy. Younger players should find a challenge hidden within, but this platform adventure offers very little. 44%

VIRGIN
Stone Age shenanigans in this arcade adventure. Full of jokes, this humorous quest challenges the mind and pushes your gaming skills to the hilt. 79%

# IMPORT

Cluedo, the popular whodunit board game, makes its way onto the MD.
Has same failings as other board-toconsole conversions. 76%
COOL SPOT

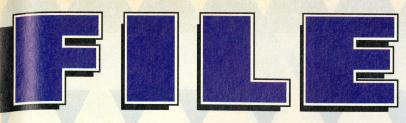
# VIRGIN

VIRGIN

Original, fun and super cool, this will have you tearing your hair out. It's well thave you tearing your hair out. It's very difficult and if you want to hone your timing and patience, then this is the game to do it with. 93%

COLUMNS

SEGA £29.99
Such simple puzzle games as this never seem value for money, but when you play them for as long as you'll be playing this it all becomes clear. 82%



# profile. We don't pad it out to 100 It doesn't cost you a penny extra int to be totally in the know.

# RIVE Y MEGA DRIVE Y MEGA D

A genetics company's secret experiments end in disaster when one of their creations escapes. You are brought in by the government to kill the mutant and infiltrate the corporation producing the monstrosities. Still a

£39.99

great title. 90% CRACKDOWN

SEGA 239.99
Wander around Gauntiet-style, shooting everything that moves. The graphics are detailed and the gameplay addictive. 77%
ERUE BAIL
ELECTRONIC ARTS

239.99
ESTATE TO THE CLASS Dragon's Fury, but fails. Ten different tables and lots of bonus screens and Motley Crue curse. Yuki 69%
CURSE

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IMPORT
It's a sad day when something as
appalling as this is released. Its only
purchase value is the novelty of having
the worst ever shoot-'em-up. 0%
CYBERBALL
£19.99

EVEROPALS
SECA £19.99
Futuristic American football with metallic mosters may sound strange, but its novelty is half the draw. The inaccurate graphics let it down. 36%
CYBORG JUSTICE
239.99

This is an average two-player beat-'em-up where the main attraction is that you can pull off the best parts of other cyborgs and bolt them on to yourself. 68%

DANGEROUS SEED

IMPORT
Novel graphics make this a real
involving shoot-em-up. There are 12
levels of alien plant terminating,
ensuring this lasts for longer than your
geraniums. 80%
DARIUS II

DARIUS II
MPORT
12 levels can be attacked in any order
means that there are a variety of
possible endings. That alone should
satisfy any shoot-em-up player. 83%
DARK CASTLE

DARK CASTLE
ELECTRONIC ARTS
The soundtrack is the only saving
grace of this tedious offering. Jerky
character animation and poor collision
detection will have you reaching for the
off button 50%. off button. 50%
DARWIN 4081

IMPORT
Shooting those classy little aliens can prove to be a chore at times, but with Darwin 4081 it's simply a pleasure. Spectacular graphics. 81%
DAVE ROBINSON'S SUPREME COURT
STCA. 239 99

SECA £39.99
The view from the stands may be strange, but it is by far one of the best ways of playing this sport on small screen. Brilliant in all areas, but a pity the players aren't real. 84%

DEADLY MOVES

IMPORT
Poor attempt at a Street Fighter II clone with each wrestler having limited moves and only one special attack. Lacks polish, excitement and just about everything else. 51% DEATH DUEL

A shoot-em-up which offers more than just a blast. Extremely tough and ultra-fast gameplay to keep you on your toes, but too repetitive. 42%

DECAP ATTACK

Same game as Magical Flying Hat Turbo Adventure with Gothic graphics and gory killings. Big and very playable. 75%

**ELECTRONIC ARTS** 

A masterpiece of intense action as you take the controls of an Apache helicopter completing special missions in the Middle East. Pure arcade blasting fun with a little strategy to keep you on your toes. 90%
DEVILISH

Remember Break-Out? This is similar but with far better graphics. Take control of two bats (not one) and break

those walls down. Addictive bash-'emdown fun. 859 DICK TRACY

SEGA £19.99
Loads of neat cartoon statics and a
decent attempt at character sprites,
but the gameplay lacks originality. This
is best version of the game. 71%
DINOLAND

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IMPORT
Devil Crash on a diet. Gone are the complex, atmospheric graphics and pounding sound. While poor scrolling and simple gameplay have been added – give it a miss. 43%

DOUBLE CLUTCH

SECA 239.99
Radio controlled cars never did hold ids' attention for very long and this Mega Drive version isn't much better either. Although gameplay is larly interesting, the graphics and controls aren't up to much. 78%

DJ BOY

MPORT
While there's loads of originality in DJ
Boy – a beat-'em-up on roller-skates
(?) – it is simple and to easy. 59%
DOUBLE DRAGON

£29.99

BALLISTIC 229.99
A treat for fans of the arcade. Two players can jump and punch their way through the three stages of the city. Much better than the sequel. 72%
DOUBLE DRAGON II

IMPORT Everything is bad – even the sound! The graphics are flickery, characters slow to respond and gameplay tiresome. 29% DOUBLE DRAGON 3

FYING EDGE £39.99
Hopefully the final episode in the abysmal Double Dragon battle. Five stages of repetitive and graphically useless, street fighting. 35%
DRAGON'S FURY

DOMARK £39.99
Official release of *Devilish*. Stunningly
addictive game that has superb
graphics and sound with tons of
brilliant bonus rooms, 81%
DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Dungeons and Dragons will certainly test your RPG skills to the limit. Superb graphics and unlimited challenge make this a must. 84% DYNAMITE DUKE

SEGA £34.99
The *Op Wolf*-style behind the shoulder perspective works well and there are loads of well-drawn punks to mow down. Sadly, it's much too easy. 73%

ARNEST EVANS

IMPORT
The original version that was later to become one of the first Mega-CD games. Guide your intrepid explorer through countless scenarios in this colourful adventure. 72%
EA HOCKEY
HICTRONIC ARTS. \$39.99

Was, in its day, one of the most accurate sport conversions ever. However, the release of the much improved NHLPA Hockey puts it down a few points. 85%

Dolphin fans should find this more than addictive. Guide Ecco through murky waters in a desperate search to find his lost, loved ones. Excellent graphics and very original. 93% ELEMENTAL MASTER

This shoot-'em-up contains too few levels and they're all too easy to conquer. The gameplay is involving and very addictive. 81% EL VIENTO

IMPORT
This game not only looks great, it also plays like a dream. The animation and

statics encourage you to venture further, even though it is tough. 88% ESWAT

\$34.99
This conversion of ESWAT is accurate. The parallax, multi-directional scrolling gives the impression of a huge game. Very challenging and addictive. 80% EUROPEAN CLUB SOCCER

EUROPEAN CLUB SOCCER
VIRGIN

19 you like your soccer sims designed
this way then this is perfectly
executed. The graphics are large,
move around convincingly and set a
believable atmosphere. Probably the
best MD footy so far. 82%
EVANDER HOLYFIELD'S BOXING
SEGA.
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EVANDER HOLFIFLED'S DAMIN'S SEGA £39.99
Good main sprites and extremely challenging gameplay makes it a better than usual simulation. Crunching sound effects are realistic. Awasomel 84%
EXILE

MPORT
A strange mixture of RPG, platform and puzzle, makes *Exile* an intriguing game to play. Admirable and well worth seeing. 78%

EX-MUTANTS

534,99

SEGA 2.34.99
Save the population from extinction in the aftermath of World War III.
Detailed graphics and impressive sound. Let down by gameplay. 69%

-1 CIRCUS

IMPORT
Addictive and playable, F-1 Circus
was, in its time, one of the best arcade
driving sims. With plenty of courses
worldwide, it's great fun. 82%
F-1 GRAND PRIX

IMPORI
Great roaring sound effects and superb graphics make this racing fun. It may not be as fast as F-1 Circus, but the visuals are superior. 87%



F-22 INTERCEPTOR
ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99
Plently of scenarios to be shot down in, including iraq, with Saddam shedding tears for his beloved comrades. It's

tears for his beloved comrades. It's now very dated. 72%
THE FARRY TALE ADVENTURE
ELECTRONIC ARTS
One of the biggest and most challenging games ever. Fans of RPGs and adventures will love it, but it's also very accessible and ideal for newcomers. 81%
FANTASIA

SEGA £39.99
Although the graphics are astounding, it's full of poor collision detection, frustrating restart points and repetitive gameplay, Very, very tough. 81%
FATAL FURY

SEGA £44.99
A fairly credible Street Fighter II clone with plenty of action and moves to begin with but the interest will falter, unless you play it on the hardest difficulty setting. 84%
FASTET 1
IMPORT

**ELECTRONIC ARTS** 

IMPORT
Full marks for splitting the screen for two-player racing, but zero for looks and gameplay. Racers are essentially simple, but surely not this basic? 48%
FATAL LABYRINTH

SEGA 219.99 Equal to 19 Equal

Originally titled The Killing Game

£39.99



# THE BIG CAMES BUSTED EVERY MONTH BY THE UK'S TOP SEGA PLAYERS!

Once again, we have the latest and greatest tips for all you struggling games players!

Despite the huge number of letters sent in revealing all Flashback codes, only one could win a SegaPro T-shirt. Well done to everyone who has finished the game and bad luck if you sent in the codes and haven't had a mention. Keep trying!

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End of game sequence code: CYGNU

D Pollard, Abingdon

**MEGA DRIVE LEVEL CODES** 

These are all the codes you'll ever need for Flashback. 2 3

Easy		Norma	1	Expert	
1	PIXEL	1	FALCON	1	CLIO
2	BETSY	2	DATA	2	ACRTC
3	PANCHO	3	MILORD	3	BLOB
4	STUDIO	4	QUICKY	4	STUN
5	ТОНО	5	BIJOU	5	MIMOLO
6a	AKANE	6a	BUBBLE	6a	HECTOR
6b	INCBIN	6b	CLIP	6b	KALIMA
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**WONDERBOY IN** MONSTERLAND

MASTER SYSTEM **EXTRA GROATS** 

Find a safe place to stand and rapidly tap the pause button 100 times to be awarded with about 100 groats. Michael Pratt, Essex

**SONIC 2** 

MEGA DRIVE **QUICK TIME** 

Enter the options screen and select tunes 19, 65, 09 and 17 (press c after each tune), then press RESET. Go to the title screen and hold down a and START together. The level select should appear. Select your starting level and, when the game begins, press start then press B. Sonic will move in slow motion with c as jump. Don't press A as this will restart the game. Finish the level for an unbelievable time of 0.0 seconds and 50,000 points! Daniel Corbett, Elstree

# MEGA DRIVE V MEGA DRIVE V MEG

Show, this makes excellent use of the the machine's capability. Headbangingly wicked soundtrack and super graphics accompanies this vast thinking-man's platformer. 86% FATMAN

IMPORT

This is no Street Fighter II, but it certainly packs a punch. Well worth a play, with comical characters parading across the screen. 64%

FERRARI GRAND PRIX CHALLENGE

**FLYING EDGE** £39.99

FLYING EDGE 239.99
Possibly the worst racing game available. Poor graphics and jerky scrolling make it terrible. Monotonous grinding sound doesn't help. 38%
FIGHTING MASTERS

Here's another of those games with visuals designed only to conceal the fact that there's nothing else there. Okay beat'-em-up for wimps. 30% FINAL BLOW

IMPORT

As this is criminally easy, you shouldn't look for value. The boxers look great, but their power is so immense no-one stands a chance. 42% FIRE MUSTANG

IMPORT

Somehow, a WW2 setting for a shoot-'em-up just doesn't seem right. The large graphics slow the gameplay below an acceptable speed. 55% FIRE SHARK

SEGA £19.99 Fun shoot-'em-up with everything but challenge. Good graphics, immense power-ups and a large array of opponents, but there are better. 75% SEGA

US GOLD

If you thought Another World was good, wait until you see this! It has more than the first version with better graphics and animation. 94%

FICKY

The graphics are appalling, with some tiny sprites, simple backgrounds and the gameplay is monotonous. 37%
THE FLINTSTONES

Fred Flintstone has been kicking around for a fair old time and now he stars in his own MD gamel Fun graphics and gameplay in this platform adventure. 79%

adventure. 79%
FORGOTTEN WORLDS SEGA £34.99
Repetitive gameplay becomes very trying. The stages are long and the enemies varied, making this a tough, but enjoyable, shoot-'em-up. 72%

G-LOC SEGA £39.99

More mindless violence! An almost identical version to the arcade as you take to the skies and blast away as many enemies as possible! 80%

GADGET TWINS

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MAGITEC £37.00

Superb graphics and wonderful cartoon FX make this a top import title. Hilarious fun to play and totally cute. A wonderful scrolling action packer where your hammer takes pride of place. 89%

GAIARES

GAIARES
IMPORT
Yet another coin-op conversion.
Gaiares, however, is an impressive
shoot'-em-up which should keep all
blast-em fans happydespite its lack of
originality, 81%
GAIN GROUND
\$19.99

A simultaneous two-player gamel Control a band of fighters who must shoot, bomb and jump their way through a massive landscape. 87% GALAXY FORCE II

SEGA £19.95
Okay, this looks like the real thing, but it's miles off the mark. It has been

totally slaughtered. No playability, less challenge – a total loser. 20% GEORGE FOREMAN'S

KO BOXING ACCIAIM £39.99
A poor attempt that should have been put to sleep the moment the programmers finished. 54%
GHOSTBUSTERS
SEGA

SEGA £19.99
All the characters we know and love have been turned into Japanese mutants with massive heads. It's no fun to play, 28%
CHOULS Nº CHOSTS
SEGA

A pricey, but great arcade adventure that has already become a classic. There's no excuse to charge over the odds. Trouble is, everyone should at

least try it! 90%
GLOBAL GLADIATORS

VIRGIN £44.99 Wonderful platform game where you fire custard at Slime Monsters and collect McDonald's arches. The graphics and sound are excellent. The graphics and sound are excellent. The gameplay is highly original and packed with challenging levels although longevity is in question. 89%

IMPORT

Testing platform adventure fun at its best. Stunning graphics with authentic and powerful backgrounds and, as yet, not officially released. Only available from Japan and the States, but is worth seeing. 92% GOLDEN AXE

SEGA SEGA £19.99
In its day, a truly pioneering arcade adventure. Too easy, but the game contains loads of locations and aggressive adversaries. 72%
GOLDEN AXE II

Even easier than the original. This remix contains loads of new tough creatures to eradicate and some neat story screens. Buy one if you must, but not both. 75% GRANADA X

SEGA SEGA £29.99 Fancy controlling a 20-tonne tank to rescue a kidnapped girl. Addictive and the top-down view adds a novel aspect to an ordinary shoot-em-up. 77% GRANDSLAM TENNIS

GRANDSLAM £39,99
Run-of-the-mill tennis game, unofficially released as Jennifer Capriati Tennis. Very plain and basic graphics with nothing exciting to offer in the way of gameplay. 59%
GREENDOG £39,99

SEGA £39.99
Control the hip Greendog as he ventures through the wild side. Well-animated, but far too easy. A difficulty setting would've helped. 80%
GREY LANCER

GRET LANGER
IMPORT
Ultra fast scrolling shoot-'em-up.
Awesome soundtrack and nothing less
than superb gameplay. The weapon
selection adds even more fun. 83%
GYNOUG

SEGA £19.99 At the end of each level there are some disgusting guardians. This alone makes the gameplay fun. Gels well and is worth a look. 76%

ARDBALL

IMPORT
An average baseball simulator that looks nice, but doesn't offer a thing when it comes to the gameplay. Try something in the RBI series. 32% HARDBALL III

£39.99

ACCOLADE £39.99
Baseball games come and go, but Hardball III will keep obsessive fans happy for a very long time with its excellent graphics and great gameplay. 80%

HARD DRIVIN'

TENGEN £39.99 Viewed from within the car, this uses filled vector graphics to display the road etc and is, despite its critics, a very playable driving game. 83%

IMPORT

IMPORT
Robots giving each other what for in a colourful, but rather poor, one-on-one beat-em-up. Another CD conversion which certainly hasn't worked with the use of a cart. There are plenty better types in this genre. 29%

This shoot-'em-up's point of interest is that you can change the shape of your ship. It adds a tactical aspect to an average Japanese game. 68%
HELLFIRE

MPORT
Weird and wacky shoot em-up that
has a loyal following of fans who would
swear by it. Great graphics and variety
fail to hide its weak challenge. 69%
HERTOG ZWEI
£19.99

SEGA £19.99
You wouldn't think this was an official release. Even so, it's a fair attempt at combining strategy with arcade action among tanks. 76%
HIT THE ICE

HIT THE ILE
IMPORT
Taken from the arcade game, this
conversion is, let down by poor
gameplay. Players are too slow and
awkward to direct, destroying any
incentive to progress in the
tournament. 32%
HOME ALONE
\$39.99

SEGA £39.99
Completely average spin-off from the hit movie. Average graphics and sound. Below average gameplay and ultimately totally boring. 54%
HUMANS

HUMANS
IMPORT
Nice little puzzle game in which
humans are controlled to clear levels.
Okay graphics and sound, but nothing
too special. 80%

MMORTAL (THE)

The Immortal combines brilliant visuals with tough puzzles to create a monster of a game. Above all, there are almost 20 different, gory death sequences, 33%.

INDIANA JONES: LAST CRUSADE.

US GOLD 230,99
A fairly decent platformer that follow the film well, but with only five shor and easy levels, there may not be enough here to please ardent game: players, 72%
INSPECTOR X

IMPORT
This is a truly superb shoot-'em-up and one of the very few import games to excel. While the gameplay keeps you stuck to it like a limpet, the graphics continue to surprise and the sound keeps the adrenaline pumping.

Almost negressary kit. 90%

Almost necessary kit. 90%
ISHIDO: THE WAY OF THE STONES IMPORT

IMPORT Fans of the ancient Chinese game Shanghai, will love this simulation. Quite why you should spend £35 on a board game is beyond us, but each to their own. 64%

LEAGUE PRO STRIKER IMPORT

IMPORT
Soccer is becoming big in Japan and
this game coincided with the start of
their new J League. A great footy sim,
with everything you'd expect in a
match, including a four player option.
It's faster on Kap machines! 90% It's faster on Kap machines! 9
JAMES BOND - THE DUEL

DOMARK £39.99 James Bond offers his services to rescue a few dumb blondes. Neat animation and flawless graphics are helped along by spot-on effects. 80% JAMES POND

ELECTRONIC ARTS ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99
This was the first MD game to be programmed solely in the UK. Unfortunately, everything is far too bland as you swim around saving the environment. 70%
JAMES POND II

JAMES POND I

ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99

Some said this was better than Sonic

one thing's for sure, it's much faster!

The graphics are super slick, the
gameplay challenging and, above all,
it's a really fun game to play. A brilliant
sequel. 90%

SEQUEL SUTTO JENNIFER CAPRIATI TENNIS

JENNIER CAPRAIL
MPORT
Run-of-the-mill tennis game, released
officially as *Grandslam Tennis*. Very
plain and basic graphics with nothing
exciting to offer in the way of
gameplay, 59%
JEWEL MASTER
SECA. £34.99

JEWEL MR3-EN SEGA 534.99 Initially impressive, with some smooth parallax scrolling and a good deal of colour splashed on the screen. But just too repetitive. 61% JOE MONTANA FOOTBALL £19.99

SEGA 219.99
One of Sega's first attempts at an American football game, but not even the great Joe Montana can save it from being unplayable and totally boring 57%

boring, 57% JOE MONTANA II This Sportstalk game from Sega includes real-life running commentary. Very innovative, but it's far from making it a hit. The side-on view is not

as good as John Maddens. 75%
JOE MONTANA III SEGA A much updated sequel which would have been considered a good alternative if it weren't for the sheer quality of EA's Madden 93. Nice try, all the same \$4.9%.

the same, 84%
JOHN MADDEN FOOTBALL ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99
Single-handedly started the Amount of obtail following on the Mega Drive.
This is real fun to play, although it's far too easy, 84%
JOHN MADDEN FOOTBALL 92
ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99
The undered **ELECTRONIC ARTS** £39.99

ELECTRONIC ARTS £39,99
The updated graphics and sounds make this everyone's choice for a footy game. Although it's very accurate to the real thing, you only need to use a limited array of passes (not rushes!) to get anywhere. 92%

ELECTRONIC ARTS

ELECTRONIC ARTS 239.99
Same as the others, but with updated team line-ups and Greatest Ever teams. Hardly worth buying if you already have Madden 92, but if you haven't got one, buy this. 92%
JORDAN V5 BIRD

ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99 Although there's a great one-on-one basketball game and two decent sub games, it suffers from the lack of a decent full game option. 78%

JUNCTION

IMPORT

Junction adds a new flame to the fire by mixing a *Pipe Mania* type game with a slide puzzle, resulting in a very challenging game. 81%

ELECTRONIC ARTS Each of the nine campaigns has a variety of missions and scenarios that will have you totally absorbed for weeks! With so many enemies and superb gameplay, this is an awesome leap forward from Desert Strike

KABUKI SOLDIER

Exciting beat-'em-up featuring sumo wrestlers and other similarly

overweight persons. Scrolling backdrop is exquisite, but a mite easy for old hands. 73% KA-GE-KI

**IMPORT** 

IMPORT
Known also as Fists of Steel, this beat-'em-up is nothing spectacular. Tiny bodies with big heads romp about in an effort to beat each other up. Need we say more? 36% KID CHAMELEON

SEGA £39,yy
The Kid must venture over and underground to save his mates. Best of all, he can change his persona, resulting in constantly changing camenlay, 78%

gameplay. /876 KING COLOSSUS 

blocky and rather boring RPG with huge amounts of bland landscape to cover. With much to explore it is bound to appeal to many RPG gamers. 66% KING SALMON

IMPORI Fishing simulator with lots of addictive gameplay. Detailed graphics help make it fun to play and ultimately very competitive although it is a very basic

game. 68% KING OF THE MONSTERS

SEGA £39.99
King of the Monsters isn't all that good, but it is funny as monster fights monster while trying to cause as much destruction in the over-populated cities. 57% cities.

KLAX
DOMARK
239.99
This is still one of the most infuriating puzzle games to play. Excellent sound and constantly changing graphics ensure lasting gameplay. 80%
KRUSTY'S SUPER FUN HOUSE
FYING FORE

RUSITY'S SUPER FUN HOUSE FLYING EDGE £39,95 A platform where you control The Simpsons' Krusty. Unfortunately, you're always waiting for something exciting to happen and boredom sets in. 75%

AND STALKER

IMPORT
Fantastic adventure game with
tremendous graphics and a huge
game area to cover. Currently in
Japanese text, but well worth waiting
for officially, 84%
LARERS VS CELIICS

ELECTRONIC ARTS £34.99
This was one of the first EA sports
games to fully utilise the EASN playing
characteristics. It's incredibly realistic,
looks great and the action is hot. 80%
LBST BATTLE

SEGA £19.99
This is a disappointing beat-em-up because the graphics are great, but are let down by slow, repetitive gameplay, 58%
THE LEGEND OF GALAHAD ELECTRONIC ARTS

INCLETEND OF GALARIAN
ELECTRONIC ARTS £39,99
Nothing more than an average platform game with an element of RPG to boost its rating. Detailed graphics, but ultimately boring and uneventful. 64%
E-MAINGS

SEGA £39.99 The finest puzzle game to hit any machine let alone the MD. Take control of numerous amounts of assorted Lemmings and keep their population alive. Super addictive fun and wicked soundtracks play on each level. 90%

LHX ATTACK CHOPPER

ELECTRONIC

**ELECTRONIC ARTS** £39.99 A far from original helicopter simulation set within the hostile air simulation set within the nostile air zones of the Middle East. Nothing special about the vector graphics or sound. Should appeal only to diehard war junkies. 70% LOTUS TURBO CHALLENGE

ELECTRONIC ARTS
£39.99
Very nearly the ultimate car racing game. A blinding realism of speed and fantastic graphics give the required edge over anything else. 89%

MI ABRAMS BATTLE TANK SEGA £39.99

SEGA £39.99 If you like tanks then this could tickle your fancy. The graphics are impressive and the sound functional, but the real delight is in controlling the massive chunk of metal. 80% massive chunk of metal, 809
MAGICAL MR TALUROOT

IMPORT

A platform game with the usual cute characters, but it soon becomes boringly repetitive. Possibly appealing to the younger games player. 36% MARBLE MADNESS

ELECTRONIC ARTS

£34,99

If you were a fan of the coin-op, you'll ove this. It's an exact replica; the only difference being lack of trackball and challenging levels. Still, very playable and provedble 820%.

and enjoyable. 82%
MARIO LEMIEUX HOCKEY SEGA £39.99
Despite the Sega hype, this failed to impress. Viewing the match from the side fails dismally, making it very hard to work out moves and NHLPA Hockey runs all over it. 73% MARVEL LAND

A great game with vast amounts to do and explore. Platform adventuring with a tinge of cuteness and probably a test of anyone's skill. 73% of anyone's skill. 73%
MASTER OF MONSTERS

IMPORT
A boring strategy where only the
master of the monsters can stand a
chance of winning. A total waste of
money and not recommended. 28%
MASTER OF WEAPON

This vertically scrolling shoot-'em-up is playable enough and scrolls plenty fast for most people, but you'll complete it too soon. 72%



MAZIN WARS SEGA

£39.99 A great combination of beat-'em-up and shoot-'em-up action. Lots of enemies, some lovely graphics and engrossing gameplay. 81%

AEGA LO MANIA £39.99

VIKGIN £39.99
Ever wanted to be God? Now is your chance. An absolutely brilliant game which includes stunning gameplay and it's all very challenging. Not a moment too soon, either 92%

MEGAPANEL

**IMPORT** 

Tetris, but fresher and better presented than the old Russian puzzler. There are some great graphics and varied gameplay, making it an addictive game. 83%

MEGA TRAX

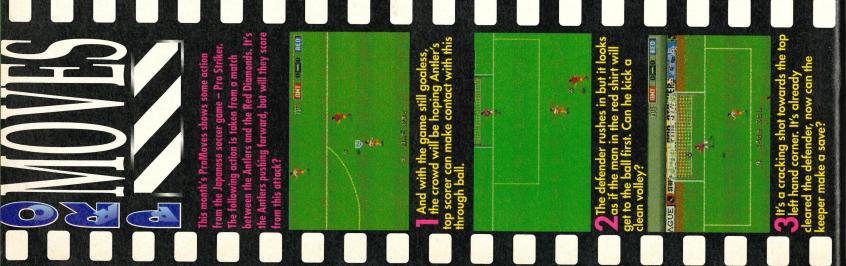
IMPORT

This deserves credit for trying, but fails to come off as the enjoyable game that a 4x4 beach racer should be. Split-screen versus adds to the play. 59%

MERCS

£19.99

Identical to the arcade, this boasts stunning graphics and beefy sounds, but is too easy for most players. 75%



CODEMASTERS

£39.99

The definitive in stupidity, but it works well. Race your miniature car around the breakfast table or on little Timmy's bedroom floor. All-action raciness in a class of its own. There's nothing else just quite like it. 90%

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## IMPORT

IMPORT
Coin-op conversion which fails to impress. Average quality graphics and sound which will only appeal to diehard fans of the arcade game. 47%
MIG-29 FIGHTER PILOT

DOMARK £39.99
A challenging and exciting flight sim that takes you through five tough missions in the Middle East. Some great polygon graphics and relentless cockpit dramas! 82%
MIGHT & MAGIC
ELECTRONIC APTS

# ELECTRONIC ARTS

ELECTRONIC ARTS
Ground-breaking and hugely popular
RPG which grows on you the more you
play it. Loads of characters to interact
with and tons of items to examine and
use, 52% MIKE DITKA FOOTBALL

£34 99

£19.99

## BALLISTIC

BALISTIC 234.99
The graphics are poor, but the game is addictive. Mike Ditka doesn't have the charisma of John Madden, but his comments make more sense. 78%

## IMPORT

IMPORT
A good representation of the board with superb animation. The banker dossn't cheat and rules are adhered to, but why not buy the original board version for £10 instead? 44%
MONSTER LAIR

## SEGA

SECA 219.99 E19.99 Controlling a sword-wielding young lass may excite you, but the whole adventure through the greenery soon gets very tedious. 40% MOONWALKER £10 00

## SEGA

A fairy tale adventure where you have to save captured children. The graphics and animation are top-notch, but it will be completed quickly. 78% MS PACMAN

## IMPORT

IMPORT
Blocky graphics are even worse than the original arcade game. 32 colours can be displayed on screen at any one time, but not here. 28%

MUHAMMAD ALI'S BOXING

## VIRGIN £39.99

There are ten boxers you must beat before becoming the number one rank. Each boxer is superbly animated and the ringside atmosphere is terrific. Ever if you're not a boxing fan, this is a real knockout. 81% MUTANT LEAGUE FOOTBALL

ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99
A great idea that is let down by the lack of depth that made the John Madden

series a timeless classic. If you found John Madden' too deep, then try this for

# more fun. 70% MYSTIC DEFENDER

A blasting frenzy for the first couple of plays, but it soon turns into nothing more than a boring wander through the far eastern undergrowth. 65%

# NEW ZEALAND STORY

This is a super conversion of Taito's hot platform coin-op in the style of Bubble
Bobble. The two-player mode is
excellent fun and only slows up
occasionally, 85%
NBA ALL STAR CHALLENGE

# IMPORT

The lack of a full-game tournament option lets it down, but there are lots of challenges against the computer or second player. 68% second player

ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99
The definitive ice-hockey simulation

Similar to the original, EA Hockey, but lots more stats and real players, each with their own characteristics. Because of stats, better than the original in one-player mode, but slower and tougher.

# NINJA BURAI

## IMPORT

An RPG that requires an understanding of the Japanese language. All onscreen instructions, gauges and indicators make life very difficult. 79%

# OLYMPIC GOLD

US GOID £39.99
The MD is short of this kind of sporting compilation, but Olympic Gold more than manages to fill the gap that has been created. Best played with a crowd of players \$11%
ONSLAUCHT

## IMPORT

An excellent medieval platform beat-'em-up that comes recommended – if you can find a copy. Be prepared for one of the best platformers available today 81% today. 81%
OUTLANDER

## IMPORT

IMPORI
An enjoyable drive'n'blast game that
will please anyone who fancies
themselves as a Mad Max clone, but
more of the same really! 62%
0UT RUN SEGA

## This still has a basic undefinable draw

Perhaps it's the joy in burning up other road-users. Sadly, it slows down when too much gets on screen. 75%
OUTRUN 2019

£39.99

This isn't another episode in the *Outrun* sagal Set far into the future, it's the best *Outrun* so far and offers a wicked challenge with detailed graphics. 63%

# PAC-MANIA

3-D Pac-Man is a rather pleasant outing. The graphics are excellent, which makes the whole thing a joy to

A fine conversion firmly entrenched in people's hearts. Lots of new streets and even more hazards to circumnavigate. It still lacks and two-player versus mode. 60%

PAPERBOY 2

DOMARK
239.99
Another fine conversion, but there's still no two player versus mode. Still if you are a fan of the original, then this is more of the same, with very little else added, 63%

ELECTRONIC ARTS 239.99
Slightly better than Arnold Palmer due to its realism (you even get the occasional bird tweeting) and improved graphics. 88%

ELECTRONIC ARTS £44.99
A successful follow-up to one of the best golfing games ever. New courses and a bigger challenge await players, but it is very similar to the original having few changes other than a few more courses.

# PHANTASY SOLDIER 3

IMPORT
As the majority of gamers won't have heard of this game, if you see it, buy it! A top quality platform adventure with excellent graphics and even better gameplay, 86% PHANTASY STAR II

SEGA £59.99 First of the mammoth RPG series. It's fairly easy to get into which is encouraging. Old-hands may find it too PHANTASY STAR III

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£49.99 Now this is more like it – ten quid cheaper than the original! The

# progress shows with improved graphics, but the sound is still very weak and it's still very pricey for what you get. 78%

SEGA £34.99
Mediocrity is the order of this shoot-em-up, with bog-standard audio visuals and ordinary gameplay. Another one you'll finish the day you get it. 60% PIGSKIN FOOTBRAW.

MPORT
Based loosely on the rules of American
football, except it's 200 times more
violent! Brilliant fun, which works
surprisingly well in two-player mode.
75%

## PIT-FIGHTER

DOMARK
Improved digitised graphics, gut
wrenching sound and the appeal of
battering opponents to death. How
could this fail to be a winner? 89%
POPULOUS

# ELECTRONIC ARTS

One of the most over-rated games ever. This certainly isn't an action game, yet the strategy isn't clever enough to keep mental players enthralled for long.

# POWERBALL

The graphics are very simple in the sport that is a cross between wrestling, martial arts and soccer. The original idea is innovative, but poorly executed

## POWERMONGER **ELECTRONIC ARTS**

A massive land-conquering mission has to be undertaken. Unfortunately, the graphics and sound let it down and long-lasting appeal is seriously

# **FLYING EDGE**

Futuristic street violence bash-'em-up Seven stages with three skill levels and plenty of hostage rescuing to be done. It is relatively difficult and will keep you going for a while. 80% PRO QUARTERBACK

## IMPORT

A playable enough game, but it's too unoriginal. Ardent sports fans will enjoy it, but bemoan the lack of a tournament option. 70%

# QUACKSHOT

You could be forgiven for thinking you were watching a Disney cartoon on TV – that's how cool the animation is. One of THE best games for the Mega Drive. Add it to your collection. 93%
QUAD CHALLENGE

HAPORT
Four-wheeler buggies racing round an indistinguishable race track. The sprites are as poor as the track, so this game is a total failure and very, very unplayable. 16%

# RAIDEN TRAD

More shoot-'em-up fare from the Far East. The graphics are okay, but there's nothing – not even a two-player mode! It's far too easy too. 37%

SEGA £39,99
Sega seem to have pushed the machine to its limits with 128 colours on-screen simultaneously! Although the difficulty seems to be set high, it will keep you coming back for more and more! 92%

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# **GAME GEAR** SECRET PLATFORM

Go to the end of the first stage of level one and hip-attack the snake. Jump across to the wall and hold RIGHT. You will land on a platform hidden in the wall. Walk straight through the wall to a platform with a vine. Climb the vine to reach the big snake. Throw the apple in its mouth and collect the key to finish the level in record time! Ben Secher, Cambridge



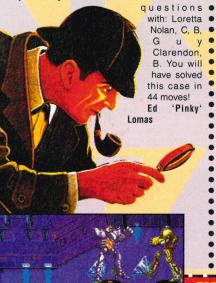
# SHERLOCK HOLMES

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# **CLOSED CASE**

To complete The Mummy's Curse case in just 28 moves, visit Henry Ellis, London University, Jardine, Matheson and Co. (under shipping companies) and Andrew Weatherby. Now go to court and answer questions with: Philip Travis. B. Philip Travis, D and Philip Travis, C. After doing this, you will have finished the case!

For The Mystified Murderess case, interview: Sir Frances Clarendon, Edward Hall, Hallidays Hotel, S.Goff (under S), Porky Shinwell and Dr. • Percy Trevelyan. Go to court and answer •



# **ECCO THE DOLPHIN**

## **MORE PASSWORDS!**

Just when you thought Ecco the Dolph had been busted wide open, along com some different level codes! Some of the will give you added bonuses too!

ALNILSEN: The Library **NESLINLA**: The Last Fight

AAAAAAA: The Undercaves NNNNNNN: Welcome to the Machine

AAAANNNN: Origin Beach with th Deadly Sonar (press B then A).

NNNNAAAA Island Zone

ANANANAN: Hard Water with Infinite Ai NANANA: Hard Water with Infinite A

Deadly Sonar and Stun Sonar.

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ANNANNAA: Dark Water with Infinite Ai ANANAANN: The Vents with Infinite Air.

You will also be able to find extr passwords by playing around on th

password entry screen with the letters and N.

Ed 'Pinky' Lomas

# CYBORG JUSTICE

**MEGA DRIVE BOSS BEATERS** 

# Planetscape Boss

np over the energy wave shot (from right to left) to stun the cyborg three times. After doing is, you'll be free to blow it apart.

# Cydrek Command Centre

roid close combat with this boss. Use jump kicks to keep it at a safe distance. Jump over e energy wave from the right and continue to bash it to pieces.

# The Outer Sanctum

Jump over the energy barrier fired at you, but beware as it may re-appear from behind. Use iump kicks until it dies

# Above the Inner Sanctum

This is very similar to the previous boss, but tougher because of its higher armour class. As before, jump over the energy wave and wait for the cyborg to appear from the right. When it appears, stun the cyborg and rip off its arm. Stun it again and rip off its torso! If this sounds o difficult repeatedly jump kick it, avoiding the energy waves.

This boss is a little different from the others. It's in the form of a gigantic brain! A laser barrier protects it and a row of laser cannons will attack from the right. Avoid the fire and wait for the barrier to shut off. When it's safe, hit and destroy the three red-glowing squares on the brain.



# BATMAN: REVENGE OF THE JOKER **MEGA DRIVE**

# LEVEL SELECT

Enter the code 5257 on the password screen, then press A. Various symbols will appear at the bottom of the screen - move left and you will be able to enter a level code. Simply enter the two level digits followed by 00. For example, if you want to start on level 5-1, enter 5100.





# RAINBOW ISLANDS

RAINBOW ISLANDS
IMPORT
With two games in one – an accurate
coin-op conversion and a supercharged toughie for pros – this is one
platform game you'll be playing for
ages. Cute graphics and sound plus
very addictive gameplay. 92%
RAINBO III.

SEGA £19.99
Shooting the gun-toting inhabitants of a forest always seems to have a strange attraction. But the action becomes very repetitive and the collision detection poor. 76%
RASTAN SAGA 2

RASIAN JAWA 2
IMPORT
Take control of your gallant hero and guide him through a maze of dangly platforms. Reasonable graphics, but poor gameplay. 51%
RBI 3 BASEBALL

IMPORT
The baseball simulation without a difference. Screens full of statistics and an incredibly difficult batting motion. Don't expect anything out of the ordinary, 50%.

IMPORT
A tough simulation where hitting the ball is the main obstacle. Perfect this and you'll discover the outfield is all too bland. 70%



IMPORT Yet another attempt to introduce us to American baseball. Sadly, this isn't going to persuade many people that it's a great sport with its dodgy control and bland gameplay. 68%

THE REVENGE OF SHINOBI SEGA £19.99 Still considered to be the best game of still considered to be the best game of the oriental beat-em-up, magic-em-up genre. The graphics are big and beautiful with some excellent backdrops. Another essential purchase for every Sega owner. 90% RIMGSIDE ANGEL

MMORT
The appallingly sluggish gameplay ruins this women's wrestling game. Even the graphics haven't been exploited. 60% RIMGS OF POWER
ELECTRONIC ARTS
Extremely large, extremely colourful and extremely difficult sum this up. If you can survive for any length of time, it will entrance you. 79% RISKY WOOS
ELECTRONIC ARTS
ELECTRONIC A

ROAD BLASTERS
IMPORT
Converted from the coin-op, but
unfortunately it is dismally poor. If you
can put up with the poor scrolling, it
may bring back a few memories. 39%
ROAD RASH

ROAD RASH
ELECTRONIC ARTS

£39.99
You have to race a motorbike through the countryside, overtaking or clubbing other competitors, and avoiding the cops. Great fun. 90%
ROAD RASH II

ROAD RASH II
ELECTRONIC ARTS
Same as the original. Take control of
your motorcycle in a hectic race
against other villainous bikers.
Enormously addictive and the fantastic
addition of a two-player mode should
keep everyone heappy, 92%
SELLINE THUNDER 2

ROLLING INUMBER A \$39.99

Be prepared for encounters with hoods brandashing sub-machine guns, panthers and 18-wheel juggenauts. 88%

RUNARK

MPORT
Save the wildlife in this Indy-style adventure beat-tem-up. There are just too many annoying aspects that stop it from being great. 58%

SAINT SWORD

IMPORT
An adventure with the little man with a sword routine. The background graphics are impressive, but is overshadowed by bad animation. 64% SD VALIS

SD VALIS IMPORT
This is a sad Japanese arcade adventure. In fact, the whole thing is mildly disturbing. There's very little content to keep you playing. 35%

# SHADOW BLASTERS

IMPORT
This is a beat-'em-up which fails to impress. Poor graphics and virtually non-existent gameplay. Once again, a

very strange game. 46% SHADOW DANCER

SEGA £39.99
The addition of a dog to do your dirty work and help you out of awkward situations adds a welcome element to an attractive beat-'em-up. 8
SHADOW OF THE BEAST

SHADOW OF THE BEAST ELECTRONIC ARTS £19.99 Beautiful sound and graphics are let down by monotonous gameplay which could leave you bored out of your skull. Lacks content. 68% SHADOW OF THE BEAST II

The long awaited follow up to the original beastly adventure. Teasing puzzles combined with atmospheric music and mystical graphics. 78% SHINING IN THE DARKNESS

SEGA Use mystical powers to conquer over the strength of darkness. Tremendous platform adventure with loads of pickups and plenty of ninja magic. 89% SHOVE IT.

IMPORT
As the title may imply, you literally shove things into where they belong. Really plain graphics which offer nothing more than the gameplay. 30% SIDE POCKET

Reasonably uneventful pool simulation with a few sexy women to boost its sales. The tables are dull, but a few trick games and extra options liven the proceedings. 64% SLIME WORLD

IMPORT Todd must escape from the planet he is stranded on. All the surroundings are convincingly slimy, but there's just too much green stuff for this to be bearable, 64%



SNOW BROS

Arcade style graphics and gameplay make this a winner. Although there are far too many enemies to snowball, it's still hugely addictive and brilliant fun! 79%

# SOKOBHAN

Not much fun as you move crates around a warehouse. Lacks any sparkle to give incentive to keep anyone playing long. 59% SOL-FEACE

A CD conversion without the sound quality. Otherwise, there's very little difference between the two formats. A very average shoot-'em-up. 56% SONIC THE HEDGENOG

SEGA £34.99 SEGA £34.99
Sega's supersonic hero's first outing is just what everyone says it is, purely brilliant. Unfortunately it doesn't have much depth and the game is easily completed, but it has to be experienced. 90% SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2

SEGA £39.99 The best game of 1992. Sonic 2 delivers the goods in style. Little can fault this brilliant piece of software. Hyper-speed platform adventuring at its best. Everyone should play it! 94% SPACE HARRIER II £19.99

The poor sound, appalling collision detection and awkward playing view may prove too much for most ardent fans. This only ever worked in the

space invaders '90

IMPORT
Definitely for oldies who remember playing this ultimate classic. The variation makes a change from the modern shooters, but the enthusiasm

Techno-rugby for the insane. Pitch and players are both graphically superb, giving a great futuristic feel. Grunts and groans are also wicked. Play a friend or computer, but play it! 92% SPIDER-MAN

SEGA £19.99 All the bad guys are here along with some excellent story-telling screens.
Dodgy collision detection makes for frustrating gameplay. 85%
SPLATTERHOUSE 2

NAMCO £39.95 Chainsaw machismo at its fiercest.

Eight stages of blood-thirsty and totally tasteless graphics, combined wit equally sadistic music. 86% SPORTS TALK BASEBALL

SEGA 239.95
A difficult simulation to pull-off, but this is a real winner. Graphically excellent and great fun. Very difficult to beat the computer. 80%
STAR CRUISER

IMPORT
Completely unplayable due to
Japanese text. Try it out if you must,
but interest could soon wane. 35%
STARFLIGHT

Deep space mining is the name of this game. Plenty of combat, but also plenty of strategy. Beware of repetition though, 80%
STEEL EMPIRE

ACCLAIM £39.95
A horizontal shoot-em-up with huge sprites that seem innovative, but exterminating wave after wave of them becomes monotonous. 50%
STEEL TALONS

DOMARK £39.99
The MD hasn't been utilised to its full potential and fails to impress as much as the arcade game. Chopper combat at a lower level, 54% \$TORMLORD

IMPORT

A cutesy adventure game with intriguing, but not difficult, puzzles. Instantly likeable, but too hard, making it repetitive and quite boring. 73% STREET SMART

SEGA £34.99
This beat-'em-up's gameplay is limited due to the small array of marrial arts moves. It's also very easy to complete the game on your first go. 67%

STREETS OF RAGE

This was widely accepted as the most gruesome beat-'em-up when first released, but it penultimately lacks challenge. Moves are wide-ranging and the sound effects and tunes awesome, but it could all be over on

the first go. 90%
STREETS OF RAGE II SEGA

An absolutely fantastic beat-'em-tillthey-bleed offering. The massive 16Mbit cart has been used to its full potential. Teamplay and versus modes make the overall game something to relish. 93%

STRIDER

SEGA £19.99

All stages, bar the last, are easily completed. The graphics on some will have you awe-struck, but too many sprites on screen causes the dreaded slowdown syndrome. 87%



US GOID 239,99
This action-packed platformer follows the tradition of the original, although it's been totally revamped for a more modern feel. Unfortunately, there are no passwords, so it's going to be a fair while before you finish it. 76%

SUMMER CHALLENGE

SUMMER CHALLENGE
234,99
Budding athletes are given eight
different summer time sports. The
sprites are well animated and very
realistic, but unfortunately, events are
too short. Gameplay is also a little
dated to say the least. 52%
SUMSET RUDERS

SUNSET RIDERS
KONAMI £39.99

Authentic cowboy and indian action is similar to coin-op, but with less detailed graphics. One of the best platform shooters around that shouldn't be ignored! 85%

SUPER AIRWOLF

SUPER AIRWOLE
MPORT
Also known as Crossfire, this shootfer-up certainly packs a punch. Very
fast gameplay and superb graphics
makes it a winner, but it ultimately
lacks variation. 53%
SUPER BATTLETANK

SUPER BATTLETON
MPORT
This tank sim may appeal to your
basic instincts, but complete and utter
boredom sets in. Far too easy to offer
any challenge and nowhere near
realistic. 44%
SUPER FANTASY ZONE
234.99

SUPER FARTIST AUTO-SEGA 234.99 Small sprites with extras including power-ups and big guardians. Corking good fun for a few hours, but after that your eyes may become weary. 67% SUPER HANG-ON

SEGA £19.99
Super smooth scrolling at a mindnumbing pace ensures you'll get the
thrill of motor biking every time you
play this. The feel of racing is perfectly

captured, 82% SUPER HIGH IMPACT

IMPORT

US GOLD £44.99 May have been the best in its day, but although the scrolling is flawless, it is hard to control players' actions. Worth a look, though, 77% a look, though. 77%
SUPER LEAGUE BASEBALL

game. To stave off the boredom, there has to be loads of features and this should offer enough of these to keep you enthralled. One of the decent attempts at the sport. 82%

VIRGIN £39.99
Different to the import version, although it still doesn't quite hit the mark. Battle your way through five levels of traditional platform gameplay and watch out for the fiddly controls.

MPORT
This looks like a great little war game.
There are loads of super statics that really build up the tension and set the scene for a very challenging confrontation. 80%
SUPER MONACO GP

SEGA 234.99
Lacks just one thing, a two-player mode. Everything, else is here, especially the gameplay which makes you feel as if you're racing around the top GP circuits. 85%
SUPER MONACO GRAND PRIX II

SEGA 249.99
An absolutely rubbish racing simulator.
Pretty graphics and all that, but useless gameplay and a virtually non-existent difficulty level. 41%
SUPER OFF ROAD

SUPER OFF RUAD

A brilliant conversion of the original bringing all the sights and sounds of 4x4 truck racing to the MD. One and two-player games are similarly addictive, 88%.

SUPER REAL BASKETBALL

SCAA £34,99

SEGA £34.99
The beautiful close-ups make this enjoyable to play. There are a few other neat effects that make this stand out from the crowd. 82%
SUPER SMASH TV:

ACCLAIM £29.99
Highly acclaimed arcade game that very tough, but successful control and a sprite filled screen make awesome. 85%
SUPER THUNDER BLADE

SEGA £19.99
A shoot-em-up that's claim to fame is the two views (from behind the chopper and from above). All it does is confuse the gameplay, 73%
SUPER VOLLEYBALL

£39.99 FLYING EDGE

FLYING EDGE £39.99 Addictive two-player action in the ultimate WWF simulation. Wickedly detailed sprites and a barrel-full of special effects. 80% SWORD OF SODAN

ELECTRONIC ARTS £39.99
Unbearably sluggish gameplay is a pity because the massive sprites that cause it are excellent. It's very difficult to get into and harder to like. 33%
SWORD OF VERMILLON

SEGA £49.99
If you like your RPGs massive and incredibly tough, then this is just the ticket. If not, you can admire the ground-breaking graphics. 81%

SEGA £39.99 A completely boring platform game with the nice addition of a shoot-emup section. This doesn't improve the situation enough to make it fun. 61% TASK FORCE HARRIER EX

IMPORT
The graphics and sound are poor, the gameplay flawed and the difficulty non-existent. An American offering that should stay that side of the Atlantic. 45%

Average verically scrolling shoot-'em-up with basic control and pretty

graphics, although now dated. Just another Japanese release. 46%

SEGA £39.95 Ambient backdrops and a totally tasteful main character. A real adventure into the Taz Manian wilderness which should keep you

compelled for months, 90%
TEAM USA BASKETBALL
ELECTRONIC ARTS
EXCellent graphics make this simulation appear authentic, but closer inspection reveals abysmal animation and undesirable sound effects. 70%
TECHNOCOP

IMPORT
An original combination of a racing simulation and a platform game. The idea is fantastic, but the final product is

absolutely rubbish, 29% TECMO WORLD CUP '92

TRUM WHORT
There are a few trick shots, but there's no real-life random aspect and no fouls, making the two-player mode the only real fun you'll have, 51%
TECMO WORLD CUP SOCCER

TECMO WORLD COP 30 CCER IMPORT
The greatest prize in football is up for grabs and 24 countries play in this disappointing soccer sim that lacks atmosphere. Progression through the surregement is also far too easy. 51% tournament is also far too easy. 51% TEENAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES

TERNAGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES KONAMI £39,99 A superb beat-'em-up in the SOA style. Bright backdrops and large colourful Turtles. A superb two-player game, but possibly too short. 83% TEL TEL BASEBALL

IMPORT Everything is controlled by menus, there's an option to play over modem and because the play-offs tend to go on a bit, there's battery back-up. 60% THE TERMINATOR

THE TERMINATOR
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239.9Y
This terrific film licence exceeded all expectations and was a real surprise. Packed with stills from the movie and stages directly linked, arcade blasters will be amazed. 89%
TERMINATOR 2: THE ARCADE GAME
239.99

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TERMIATOR 2: THE ARCHARD.
239.99
A fantastic game which allows the use of either joypads or the Menacer.
100% compelling action helped along by superb graphics and solid sound. Nine stages of virtual realism. 92%
TEST DRIVE 2: THE DUEL
234.99

THE DRIVE 2: THE DUEL
BALLISTIC 234,99
This will certainly test novices and experienced drivers alike. Its secret success lies in the excellent car handling which feels just like the real thing. 86%
THUNDER FORCE II

SEGA £34.99
Sure has stood the test of time. The challenge is strong and the overall presentation excellent, with some super backdrops. 81%
THUNDER FORCE III

SEGA £34.99
Better than the original, this one will have you playing for ages. Those wacky backdrops make it stand out as a real arcade experience. 89%
THUNDER FORCE IV

SEGA The latest offering in the Thund The latest offering in the Thunderforce adventure. Truly magnificent ultra-impressive graphics throughout and totally compelling gameplay. Shoot-fem-ups at the ultimate level. 92% THUNDERFOX

IMPORT
It may only work on Jap machines, but
don't feel as if you're missing anything
here. The graphics are fun, but the
sound is appalling, 33%
THUMBER PRO WRESTLING

The main fault is the terrible control method, but the limited moves means it's not much fun to play either. 57%
TIGER HELI

IMPORT
Previously exciting helicopter game.
Unfortunately, this has seriously dated
and can no longer be recommended to
young or old. 28%
THY TOON ADVENTURES

KONAMI £39.99
A wonderful adventure that borrows a lot of elements from the Warner Bros cartoons. The colourful graphics and great animation set it apart. Fast furtices and completely mad! 90% furious and completely mad!

Destined to become a cult classic. Cartoon-style graphics and some of the best sampled sound you will ever hear. Can become tedious after a few plays, though. 88% TOKI

Lots of different pieces of music and arcade-quality graphics make this an ace platform game and an accurate conversion, but is too easy. 85%

TORAL TORAL TORAL

Also known as Fire Shark, this is an extremely average shoot-'em-up which has very little to offer to those looking for something a bit different. 75%

TOXIC CRUSADERS
IMPORT
Oh dear! Save the world from the threat of toxic poisoning. Take control of Toxie and help him in this dire scrolling arcade adventure. 38%
TRANFOLINE TERROR

IKAMPOLINE TERROR
IMPORT
Despite the title, this has nothing to do
with trampolines and there's even less
terror involved. Speccy games are
better than this. 20%
TRAYSIA

IMPORT
An American RPG that offers very little. Unacceptable graphics and lacking gameplay. Leave it! 17% TROUBLE SHOOTER IMPORT

IMPORT
Forgotten Worlds updated! Everything is extremely colourful and makes for a very good looking game. Not enough power-ups, though. 78%
TRUXTOW

SEGA

SEGA £34.99 E34.99 this was a real hit when it was released. Although a normal, but easy vertical shoot-'emup, it's immense fun. 84% TURBO OUT RUN THE OUT FUN SECA \$19.99

The first Out Run was brilliant in its time, but the old formula is looking very dated. Driving is very boring, requiring little skill or thought. 52%

TURRICAN

BALLISTIC BALLISTIC £34.99
A challenging conversion of a game that plays well. The innovative shooting technique adds a new twist into this above average platform shooting the shooting technique at 1% of the shooting technique and the shooting technique at 1% of t

SEGA £34.99
Control your helicopter through dreary battle zones in this basic scrolling shoot-fem-up that has nothing special to offer the MD player. 50%
TWIN HAWK £34.99 SEGA £34.99
Another average shoot-'em-up that is criminally easy to complete. Usual fun initially, but it doesn't last. 59%
TWINKLE TALE

MINORT
A psychedelic Japanese shoot-'em-up
that offers great value for money.
Superb intro music and a compelling
storyline. Very intense and particularly
challenging. 83%
TWO CRUDE DUDES

The eponymous stars are excellent muscle men who relish the thought of going on the rampage – and so will you! This is tough. 88%

ULTIMATE TIGER IMPORT
Control one of the most heavily-

armoured helicopters on Earth. Raw arcade blasting action with tons of weapons available to down the enemy. It's great fun. 80% WHORT
This certainly plays like the classic board game, Othelio. But, if you really must play it, why not buy the original? Basic graphics and sound with very few surprises. 55%
UNDEADLINE

You may be forgiven for thinking this is You may be forgiven for trinking this is just a shoot-'em-up. After playing it, your opinion will alter. Mega power-ups and zombie level guardians keep everything alive. 85%

UNIVERSAL SOLDIER

ACCOLAND

ACCOLADE

Turrican II has been slightly modified to incorporate UniSol level bosses. Not as tough as it looks, but super gameplay. 86%

VALIS

IMPORT The original hack-'em-till-they-die arcade adventure. Due to the release of Valis III, it's not worth bothering with this cart any more. If you must, dig it out for a laugh. 65% VALIS III

WALTS IN
IMPORT
Looks great, but is incredibly boring.
Plethora of pictures featuring wideeyed Japanese people can't save a
monotonous arcade adventure. 78%
VAPOR TRAIL IMPORT
The lack of difficulty pulls the rating down. While fun to play, with some breath-takingly fast gameplay, you soon find nothing challenging in the game, 57%
VARIS 50

WHPORT
This cute platform game leaves much to the imagination. Reasonable graphics, but nothing much else to offer the cutesy platform seeking gamesplayer. 58%.

IMPORT
This is one of those scrolling shooters that is actually quite good, although dated. Big and beefy guardians to beat and tough levels throughout. 80%

IMPORT A total of 18 teams should give American football fans something to find of interest. Good animation, but a lack of challenge due to the omission of a league. 73% SUPER HQ

IMPORT
It's been over four years since Chase
HO was in the arcades and Super HQ
certainly reminds you of this fact and
offers very little, 52%
SUPER HYDLIDE

SEGA £19.99
Some RPGs just don't have what it takes to attract. In this, there just isn't enough to do; not enough people and very few places. Very boring. 49%
SUPER RICK OFF

SEGA £34.99
Baseball is an essentially repetitive

SUPER MILITARY

IMPORT Taking a side-on view and scrolling the court across the screen, this is a very innovative interpretation, but you have to play the sport to enjoy it. 84% SUPER WRESTLEMANIA

ELECTRONIC ARTS £39 99

£40 00

# DRIVE V MEGA DR. XCLUSIVE

## WANI WANI WORLD IMPORT

IMPORT
The graphics make you wonder if it
wasn't designed under the influence of
a hallucinogenic substance. Two-player
mode is addictive, but only mildly
challenging, 85%
warpher

## IMPORT

A boring platform game which has nothing to offer and purchasing it may prove to be a complete waste of your money 25% WARDNER SPECIAL

# IMPORT

IMPORT
The only fun aspect is beating the oncoming hordes. While the usual elements are here, most will be dissatisfied with the sheer lack of any detail 48% detail. 48% WARSONG

## IMPORT

You'll need quite a lot of patience to fully appreciate this wargame – if you can take time to study the manual and fully see the game beneath it. One for armchair generals. 80%



ACCOLADE

ACCOIADE £39.99
As an intergalactic space pilot, you must single-handedly prevent aliens from invading the Earth. A brilliant idea, although gameplay is totally unrealistic and the graphics are very dated. 36%

## WHEEL OF FORTUNE

## IMPORT

luxurious apartments condominiums are your desire, don't waste your money on this. Absolute rubbish with 4500 uninteresting questions 43%

# questions, 43% WHERE IN THE WORLD IS CARMEN SANDIEGO?

**ELECTRONIC ARTS** £39.99 An unsuccessful return of the highly acclaimed edutainment game. The upper-class villains are too easy to

capture, so it's boring for the experienced adventurer. Kids won't be

# fooled, 59% WHERE IN TIME IS CARMEN SANDIEGO?

## **ELECTRONIC ARTS** £49.99

You must, yet again, get on the trail of Carmen Sandiego and capture her using your trusty Desk Encyclopaedia. A more successful attempt than the previous outing, but it's still very lacking in entertainment. 70%

SEGA £34.99
The backgrounds in this shoot-'em-up are superb and scroll along at pixel-blurring speed. It's very, very playable and attractive too, but there has since been better games releases. 65% WINTER CHALLENGE

BALLISTIC £39.99
Eight different events make up this snow-laden epic, but it fails to convey the realism in most events and soon becomes tedious. Still, there's nothing clea like it. 76%

# else like it. /876 WONDER BOY III

SEGA £34.99
The two-player game is brilliant fun and very interactive, but the levels are so repetitive. Recommended for two players only and single players should try elsewhere. 79%

## WONDER BOY IV

SEGA £39.99
More fun than the original, or any other for that matter, but it's still too tedious to be considered an all-time classic. The graphics are impressive, but they fail to make Wonder Boy the cult figure he so badly wants to be. 82% WONDER BOY V

SEGA £39.99
The fifth, and most probably last, game in the current series. Maybe they are trying to compete with the Friday the 13th series. Sadly, if you've played one, the series of then you've played them all. 75% WORLD CLASS LEADERBOARD

US GOLD £39.99 Complete with the speech sample this old classic finally arrives on the big Sega. Sadly, it fails to capture the realism of its main competitor, PGA WORLD CUP ITALIA 90

SEGA £19.99
This suffers from the same limited moves of *Tecmo World Cup '92*. Still, it was a brave attempt at the time and should be applauded for it. 76% WORLD OF ILUSION £39.99

SEGA £39.99
The wonderful world of Disney appears on the MD. This fantastic display of enchanting graphics and addictive gameplay should keep both young and old compelled. \$9%

SEGA £19.99
Getting the moves is so infuriating that your wrestling more with the joystick than with the actual game. 74%

# XDR

IMPORT
A mysterious shoot-'em-up, mainly due to the lack of information about it. Also known as *X-Dazzldy-Ray*. 54%

VIRGIN
234.99
Only the poor collision detection and occasional screen slowdown prevent this from being an essential shoot-'emup purchase. 80%

# SEGA

A conversion of the X-Men arcade would've made a much better game, but this is okay as long as you like killing things and nothing else! 78%

## Y's 3: WANDERERS FROM Y'S IMPORT

IMPORT
An in-depth RPG which offers a considerable challenge. Fans of tough games will love it, but if you're not one, then steer clear. 78%

# ZANY GOLF

FLECTRONIC ARTS £30 00 Normal golf is a strange enough game, but this is barmy. A great party game and a very polished product. 66%

## SEGA £19.99

SEGA £19.99
Horizontal shooter which is flawed by its small graphics and ease. Looks like R-Type, but won't give any of that game's fans any problems.

# SEGA

£29 99 Painter games live on, but only just in this cheap and cheerful puzzler. Average graphics and sound. Soon gets either too boring or too frustrating. This isn't up to much. 48%

You may have noticed that spent some updating the scores. So, many have changed dramatically since last time.

Tune in next month for the top

# T-SHIRT!

Brian Scott of Fife asks: I recently bought Super Hydlide for the Mega Drive and I am having a few problems with it. I've managed to get to the battle with Kaisack, but cannot kill him. I've shot off his kneecaps to prevent him from moving, but he still gets up! Please, please, could you tell me how to defeat him?

the answer to Brian's question? If there's anyone who can help and would relish the chance of winning an exclusive SegaPro Tshirt, write in to:

ProHelp, SegaPro, Paragon Publishing, 124 Old Christchurch any relevant maps and drawings to help explain your answer.

In SEGAPRO 21, Daniel Oxley of Woodlesford asked for some special help with Phantasy Star on the Master System. The question he asked was: I can't find

the Laconian armour and the Laconian Axe. I need these items to defeat Lassic, but every time I try to collect them, I keep getting killed.

Two top SegaPro tipsters, Dax and Wayne Turner set about the task and presented us with a full fact sheet answering the question in some detail. So, Daniel, here's the answer to all your Phantasy Star problems:

Medusa needs to be defeated before you can obtain the Laconian Axe. To find her, travel to level nine and she's in the large tower in the bottom left corflute and the dungeon key. You will also need the mirror shield from the small island in the midyou can reach by hover craft.

The zombie catacomb can be found in the top right hand corner of the Dezrian Planet. Use the map in the booklet to find the Small Valley - you'll discover a tower at the top of this. The Laconian armour is on the other side of the door. Unfortunately a trap protects the armour, so disarm it with Myau's trap magic. You can collect the armour on the other side of the door.

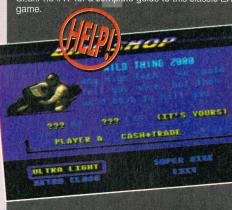
# ROAD RASH

# **MEGA DRIVE**

"I'm having trouble completing levels four and five on Road Rash II for the Mega Drive. I bought the Pro Action Replay cart to see if that would help, but it has proved to be useless. Are there any tips, cheats or codes you can give me to finish this D Strong, Kent

The most useful cheat I can give you is the unlimited cash solver. To be the proud owner of loads-a-money, start the game on level one and go to the options screen. Choose the man to man game and go to the bike shop. You will now be able to buy any bike you want, enabling ultra-fast times. Just as an extra, a Pro Action Replay code for the player one level select is: FFF4C F000X, FFF4D 1000X. Enter both of these codes and you'll be able to start at any level of the game you want. Check out

to start at any level of the game you want. Check out SegaPro #17 for a complete guide to this classic EA



# **NHLPA HOCKEY '93**

# **MEGA DRIVE**

## **EDIT LINES**

To edit the computer's team, insert two controllers and select the home team, regardless of the mode you're playing in. With the second controller, go to the menu and choose edit lines: you will now be able to change the opposition. However, you can

only edit the teams at the beginning or end of a period. Simple, but useful!

Simon Leonard, Australia

# **MEGA-LO-MANIA MEGA DRIVE EXTRA MEN**

Go to the options screen and select a number of men for your mission. Now put them onto the island of your choice. Go back into the options screen and press c to decrease your men to zero. You will now still have the same number of men on the island, but the number carried forward to the next island will be greater.

Alan Pattern, Merseyside



Flashback Castle Of Illusio

Cool Spot
Shining Force
John Madden Football '92/'93
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Ranger-X Road Rash II Gods Mega lo Mania Thunderforce I

Mega lo Mania
Thunderforce IV
Speedball 2
Rainbow Islands
Another World
PGA Tour Golf II
Tiny Toon Adventure
J League Pro Striker
Lemmings

Lemmings
Revenge Of Shinobi
Micro Machines
Desert Strike
Sonic The Hedgehog

Streets Of Rage James Pond II Taz-Mania Corporation

Inspector X
Ghouls'n'Ghosts

Pit-Fighter
Universal Soldier
Thunderforce III
Bulls vs Blazers
The Terminator

Two Crude Dudes
Bart vs The Space Mutants
Bulls vs Blazers
Lotus Turbo Chillenge

World Of Illusion Shinobi III Global Gladiators

CHARTS • MEGA DRIVE CHARTS • MEGA DRIVE CHARTS

# Cool Spot takes top s out with Jungle Strike now released, will that take over next month? Other than that, the surprises seem to

be the success of SKO and

Summer Challenge!

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**Cool Spot** 

Micro Machines

Okay, you've played the game, you've finished the levels, you've found all the objects and you've scored all the points. Now it's your chance to become a part of SEGAPRO. We know our readers are the best in the land and just to prove it, here's your chance to become immortalised in the pages of SEGAPRO. The first thing to do is be like the Pros and play a game until some ridiculous hour in the morning, racking up a ridiculously high score. Now fill in the form below giving all the details we ask for (if we didn't want 'em we wouldn't ask for 'em). Now take a photo of yourself (or get someone else to take it), preferably as wacky as possible. Be warned, any boring pictures will be doctored for our own pleasure! Get some proof of your score, either a friend's signature or a photo of the screen. Now send the whole lot to ProScores, SEGAPRO, Durham House, 124 Old Christchurch Road, Bournemouth, Dorset BH1 1NF.

SUPER KICK OFF

ALIEN 3

134 - 3 Tony Carrington

6,020,700 Carl Souley, Cleveland

6,125,120 Mick Mercer, London

3,567,402 Robert Edge, Eltham

130, 098 Clare Lerche, Washington

150,700 Andrew Brown, Pontypool

234,000 Carlos Madrid, Bournemouth 156,300 Edward Richards, Liverpool

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John Smith Andrew/Stephen Pryke,

Andy Duncombe, Winchester

A Marson, Barnsley Kenny Carman, Chichester

Peterborough 315.0 Paul Wheatley, Nottingham

1093,391 Craig Stewart, Aberdeen 899,70 Colin Mackintosh, Leeds

723,800 Derek Brockhouse, Lancs

SHINING IN THE DARKNESS

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2 724,600 Andrew Brown, Pontypool

999,990 Chris Flowers, Gillingham 833,810 The Harlequin, London

812,430 Darren Gwynne, Bedford

108.870 Johnathan Enworth Humberside

JOHN MADDEN 93

KID CHAMELEON

PGA TOUR GOLF 2

SHADOW DANCER

2.357.732 Spike St Albans

STREETS OF RAGE 2

THE TEDMINATOR

TERMINATOR 2

5,682,350 Paul Cox, Kent

TOEJAM AND EARL

TWO CRUDE DUDES

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176,800 Michael Barnaby 137,300 Paul Smelt

8,012,950 Mark Penfold, London 7,292,850 Ben Yelland

David Voss, Leeds Lee Gray, Satchet

298,650 Chris Flowers, Gillingham 226,020 Lee Turner, Burnley

Colin Newman, Runcorn

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2,800,200 Simon Nicholls, Reading

CALIFORNIA GAMES

CASTLE OF ILLUSION

COOL SPOT

DESERT STRIKE

GOLDEN AXE



# COLUMNS

42,925 Darren Walker, Smethwick 30,660 Johnathan Owen Crewe Johnathan Owen, Crewe 14 208 Robert Rixson Gwent

## DONALD DUCK

899,200 Karen Roe, Cumbernauld 516,400 Matthew Williamson, Telford 385,100 John Marshall, Co Durham

## G-LOCK

258,440 Steve Kinder, Stoke-on-Trent 169,500 Sean Parris, Surrey

# JOE MONTANA FOOTBALL

127-0 (Pro) Matthew Williamson, Telford 127-7 (easy) Andrew Ship, Newbury

## SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2 629,700 Nicholas Hambridge, Woodstock

NINIA GAIDEN

Jack Jackson, London Nicholas Turner, Leeds 26.800

## STREETS OF PAGE

430,000 Karl Benat, Whitchurch 414,000 Jonathan Owen, Crewe 144,200 Bob Porter, Brisbane



# ALIEN 3

602,805 Johnathan Place, London

# ASTERIX

710,560 Paul Denney, Durham 611,100 Matthew Sinton, Cleveland 834,900 Ross Gibbens, London

# CALIFORNIA GAMES

22,500 (Half Pipe) Richard Murland, Coventry 11,250 (Half Pipe)Leon Renn, Nuneaton

# 190,900 Matthew Sadler, Surrey GOLDEN AYE

Matthew Alan, West Drayton Kevin Fell, Croydon



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# SWIMMING

1.44.44 Wayne Hibbs, Bournemouth 1.45.00 Ian Smith, Winchester

# SHINOBI

582,950 Matthew Walker, Chertney 560,450 Christian Weber, Chester 214.750 James Smith, Knutsford

# SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2

618,900 Jonathan Place 642,100 Chris O'Byrne

# HI-SCORE CHALLENGE We want all your hi-scores, but every manth we'll print a fist of games that are new-ish. If you send in you hi-scores for them we can compare them with those from other readers.

# MASTER SYSTEM

Jungle Strike
PGA Tour Golf 2
MiG -29
Cool Spot Superman Batman Returns Krusty's Fun House

GAME GEAR
Tom und Jerry
Master of Darkness
Krusty's Fun House
Tengen's World Cup



CE OF ACES

SEGA £32.99
MS flight sims have never been this isn't breaking any complex and this isn't breaking any new ground. Average opening statics, but in-game graphics are pretty

# ACTION FIGHTER

ACTION FIGHTEN
SEGA 512.99
Dodging, shooting or bumping into the vehicles soon gets very repetitive, even with a few surprise elements. Not enough overall content, though. 51%
AGASSI TENNIS
\$32.99

# AGASSI TENNIS TECMAGIK £32.99 The king of bleached hair and hairy stomachs, takes to the Master System. This is a fairly decent attempt to cash in on the tennis season. 84% AFRIAL ASSAULT

SEGA £29.99
Ancient, but relies on old-fashioned principles of keeping the player busy. This shoot-fern-up is still quite a frenzy. Graphics and sound are now dated. 69%
AFTER BURNER

SEGA £14.99
Speed and frenetic action of the simple arcade machine still here. It contains all the coin-op features, even the flying flip which will send you well dizzy, 85%

# dizzy. 85% ALEX KIDD IN HI-TECH WORLD

SEGA 229.99
Alex's worst outing ever. The main problem with this is the presence of a very harsh restart procedure which always places you back at the beginning when you die, 54%
ALEX KIDD IN MIRACLE WORLD SEGA 224 09

ALEX KIDD IN MIRACLE WORLD SEGA
This is undoubtedly his most successful attempt. It was designed in competition to Nintendo's Mario and uses many of the same popular and successful elements. Essential Sega

# ALEX KIDD IN SHINOBI WORLD

ALEX KIDD IN SHINOSI WORLD SEGA £29,99
Mixing ninja with a successful character. There's plenty of platform adventuring to keep you enthralled for ages. Only one player, though. 85% ALEX KIDD AND THE LOST STARS

# SEGA 29,99 Usually Alex Kidd provides you with a testing challenge that lasts for months. Not in this! Finding the lost stars won't take you very long. 79%

TONKA Poor sprite collision, badly designed graphics, limited sound effects and a repetitive game target. Don't bother with it! 16%

# ACCLAIM £32 99

ACCLAIM
As with the MD and GG versions, this is brilliant. Guide Ripley through the treacherous space-ship in a stunning platform adventure. Loads to do and power-ups galore make it a definite winner new. winner. 90%
ALIEN STORM

SEGA 59,99
Massive "save the human race" game, with cool visuals, but a bit on the easy side. A sort of *Golden Axe* in the 21st century. Recommended for gamers everywhere, 87%

ALIEN SYNDROME

# SEGA £22.99 If you can get hold of a friend, this game becomes a real pleasure to play as you team up to explore and destroy the seven alien-infested ships. 85% ALTERED BEAST

£14.99 SEGA £14.99
Appalling conversion of a popular coinop. It's a beat-'em-up, but is severely flawed and made very average due to the flickery sprites and jerky scrolling.

# 50% AMERICAN BASEBALL £29.99

SEGA £29.99
Baseball games are in abundance to console. This offering allows you to manage one of 26 teams plus the usual bat and pitch play. Good for one or two players. 83%

AMERICAN PRO FOOTBALL

# SEGA £29.99 This takes a top-down view of the

proceedings. The graphics are small, but distinct and have a little animation. Good for beginners as everything is kept simple. 79%

ARCH RIVALS

FIYING EDGE £32.99
Basketball with attitude problem as all the rules are thrown out of the window in a no-holds-barred fight for victory. The fun is limited to two-player mode 83% ARCADE SMASH HITS

VIRGIN £29.99
Centipede, Break-Out and Missile
Command all in one cartridge. All the
games are fairly basic in content, but
the addictiveness and playability
shines through, 82%
ASSAULT CITY
SEGA

SEGA £14.99
A superb shoot-'em-up in all areas.
The action is kept fast and furious and
even though there are only six levels,
it's quite a challenge. 83%

# ASTERIX

£29.99 Whatever you do, don't miss out on this tour de force of arcade adventuring. The graphics could have been taken from the comic book, and the incidental music is more than just that. New Age MS excellence.
ASTRO WARRIOR

# Usual shoot-'em-up stuff and there's ostal short-enrup still and theres nothing here to make you think different. Pick up the power-ups, learr the attack strategy and Bob's you

# uncle. 67% AZTEC ADVENTURE

SEGA Could have been a fun arcade adventure if you didn't get chucked back to the start every time you die. If the graphics weren't good, it would be insufferable. 70%

BACK TO THE FUTURE II
IMAGE WORKS £34.99
Pathetic movie tie-in that has the odd
good-looking graphic that you may
recognise. Don't buy it anyway
because it! disappoint. 24%
BACK TO THE FUTURE III

FIYING EDGE £34.99
Much better sequel, but has only three stages and they get easier. The programmers have taken recognisable bits from the film. 79%
BANK PANIC

# SEGA £17.99 If you're one of the few people with a Phaser gun, then this cheap offering presents quite good value for money Many humorous moments. 71% BART VS THE SPACE MUTANTS FLYING EDGE £32.99

FLYING EDGE £32.99
The first Simpsons game to hit the Sega and certainly better than its Nintendo counterpart. Of all the Sega versions, this is definitely the most mpressive, packed with challenge and

# playability. 93% BASKETBALL NIGHTMARE

SEGA 229.99
An innovative approach which is inspired by the film, Teen Wolf. Monster teams line up against each other. Solely to make you laugh. 88%
BATMAN RETURNS

Follows in the Mega Drive's footsteps in that it looks great, but is fairly unplayable. Waste of a good licence. BATTLE OUT RUN

SEGA £29.99
You simply have to zoom down the road, avoiding the traffic, catch up with the drug dealer's car and stop him. Tiresome Out Run rehash. 67%
£24.99
£24.99

# SEGA 524.99 A criminally easy beat-em-up. Incredibly poor graphics with backdrops containing little more than a wall and some sky. Unexciting and repetitive. 41% BLADE EAGLE 3-D

# SEGA 19.99 Addition of some 3-D graphics pulls this shoot-'em-up above the usual offerings. Little challenge on the early levels, but punishes on the last. 77% BOMBER RAID \$29.99

# SEGA £29.99 Testing as you try to take out both air and ground targets. Not difficult mentally, but certainly tests patience and quickly becomes exceedingly boring, 33% BOHANZA BROS

SCGA £29.99
Great graphics and some extra bonus stages. Primarily a two-player game, but it's also brillant in one player as you try to find the loot on ten frantic stages. 90%
BUBBLE BOBBLE

Although an ancient piece of software, it's a real classic. Essentially repetitive, but very addictive in two-player. 86%

## CALIFORNIA GAMES £29.99

Six events – skateboard, footbag, surfing, BMX, half-pipe and frisbee – means long-lasting challenge and enhanced playability. 83%



# CALIFORNIA GAMES II

SEGA £32.99
Hanging ten and catching warts
may be gnarly in California, but is
not very interesting on the Master
System. Every event looks very
dated and gameplay is far too
simple. 58%

# CAPTAIN SILVER

Finding buried treasure in real-life is pretty tough. Despite being difficult,

the superb sprites and sound will keep you playing for ages. 82% CASINO GAMES

SEGA £29.99
This should help solve your addiction to one arm bandits in five minutes. After playing all of the Las Vegas based games, you'll be sick of the sight of them for good. 44% CASTLE OF ILLUSION

SEGA £29.99
Mickey's adventure through the magical forest and castle is one of the best games on the MS. Brilliant animation and sprite definition make

this an all-time classic. 94%
CHAMPIONS OF EUROPE
TECMAGIK £34.99
Early versions of this game were plagued with bugs, but ignoring these the actual game is great, with many innovative features and great gameplay. 92% CHASE HQ

SEGA £14.99
What Battle Out Run was trying to be, but this isn't much better. It takes ages to reach the druggies' car and if you mess up it takes ages to relocate them

again. 72%
CRASH DUMMIES
ACCLAIM £32.99
A pretty addictive game that has five short challenges. A nice try, but there is so little to it! 52%
CHOPLIFTER

CHOPLIFTER
SEGA £24.99
Although the graphics and sound look grim, the playability shines through. Recommended as one of the most enduring and addictive games of all-time. 85%
CHUCK ROCK

VIRGIN
A hilariousNeanderthal platform adventure with dynamic graphics and a super intro tune. As atmospheric as the MD version is and equally addictive. 84%
CLOUD MASTER

SEGA 929.99
You control a strange little fellow who simply goes around on his faithful white cloud shooting everyone. Loads of big guys throughout the five skyward levels. 60%
COLUMNS

SECA 924.99
Possibly the best Sega machine implemention of this excellent *Tetris* beater. It is far more enjoyable and rewarding than the popular original, especially when plaing in two-player versus mode. 91%
CYBER SHINDBI

SEGA £14.99
The Shinobi series never seems to stop and although different, this contains similar elements seen in the others. Gameplay lacks content and it's fairly easy. 68%
CYBORG HUNTER

SEGA £24.99
While the seven levels of the fortress
you have to explore are certainly vast,
they lack content. It's fun at first, but
the repetition becomes very tedious
and annoying. 62% £24 99

# DANAN: THE JUNGLE FIGHTER

SEGA 229.99
Stuck in the jungles, you must fight your way through the undergrowth and the inordinate amount of unfriendlies. Good, if a little repetitive. 72%
SECA ANGLE

# SEGA £29.99 A simple *Op Wolf* clone. It ado, nothing new to the genre and, therefore, becomes too boring very quickly. Give it a miss if you know what's good for you. 51% DICK TRACY £29.99

£14.99 Blurred graphics, jerky animation and is totally unplayable. One of the worst film tie-ins ever. 21%

# SEGA £14.99 This is a very accurate conversion suffering only from being a bit too easy for a game with only a few levels and similar gameplay, 70% DOUBLE HAWK

SEGA £14.99
Two fighters must blast all who stand in their way, picking up all the available power-ups. Great two-player action makes this a decent, albeit easy, shoot-fem-up. 70%.

DRAGON CRYSTAL

SEGA
This seems lost and vacant in the abyss of a TV screen. Even so, there's enough challenge in there to keep RPG fans happy for months. 82%

DYNAMITE DUKE

# £29.99 SEGA If you like your action simple point n' shoot you can go wrong here. It's very similar to *Operation Wolf*, but the graphics are far superior. 72% DYNAMITE DUX

£20 00 A cute and colourful arcade beat-'emup that is very addictive and challenging. The dodgy scrolling occasionally affects play, but overall it's a lot of fun to play. 86%

# ENDURO RACER

SEGA 29.99
Nothing like the arcade as you view your blek from above and race over an obstacle course. Plays surprisingly well, but there's a serious lack of a two-player mode. 68%
ESWAT SEGA 214.99

# SEGA £14.99 A decent conversion of Sega's popular coin-op. You play a cop trying to gain promotion to the ESWAT branch. Enjoyable and challenging. 71%

F-16 FIGHTER SEGA £14.99

Ten levels packed with MiGs. Sadly, it suffers from being too complex for its own good; it's neither simple fun to play or taxing on the brain. 63%

FANTASY ZONE
SECA

# SEGA

For such a paltry asking price how can you ignore this ground-breaking shoot-'em-up? No-one has ever used colour to such effect on the MS; this game

# £24.99

More of the same abuse of the MS colour palette. Eight more levels that are just as tough and challenging as the original 90%

The shoot-'em-up game has been changed to a Pac-Man format. Simple, but effective graphics make this great

attempt at a car chaser yet. 84%
THE FLINTSTONES

young and inexperienced only. 70% FORGOTTEN WORLDS

# number of progressively difficult strongholds. Good teamplay and very

SEGA £29.99
This coin-op game is excellent fun. Some hideous enemy sprites, but it only makes you more determined to blow them to bits. A great shoot-'em-

SEGA £24.99
Grab that Phaser gun and blast the varmints stepping on your turf. It's all harmless fun, but like most gun games, becomes boring. 65% GAUNTLET

SEGA £29.99
Atari's famous four-player coin-op, but in two-player MS guise. It's just like the

Heavyweight Champ, that offers different fighters. The gameplay is okay, but there's nothing new or

£17.99 Some things in life were never meant

# very young players. 45% GHOULS 'N' GHOSTS

SEGA £29.99
A great medieval romp through the undergrowth and onto gigantic guardians. It may not have all the special effects, but it plays like a

SEGA £12.99
A freak accident has caused missiles from all over the world to zoom off into space. You must blow them up. Simple, but effective. 75%
GLOBAL GLADIATORS
123.99

# VIRGIN £32.99 It may look like one of the best MS

games around, but the control method is a complete let down and is frustrating after about five minutes.

requires sun-glasses! A piece history that can't be ignored. 91% FANTASY ZONE 2 SEGA

the original. 90%
FANTASY ZONE 3

fun. 84% FIRE AND FORGET II TITUS £29.99

Sod the storyline, let's just stick a gun on the car and see how it goes. Well it doesn't go too bad, actually. The best

GRANDSIAM £29.99
The quality of programming is evident, except everything is very simple to execute and soon bores you. For the

# SEGA £14.99 With an abundance of shoot-'em-ups available, they have to be good to sell. This is far too easy and the controls are useless. Try anything else. 32%

GAIN GROUND SEGA £29.99 You and a friend have to choose from a band of warriors and attack a

# addictive. 82% GALAXY FORCE

# up conversion. 86% GANGSTER TOWN

real thing, so if you can put up with the vastness of the original game, here it is in all its glory! 80%.

GEORGE FOREMAN'S KO BOXING ACCLAIM

E29,99

Boxing simulation, also known as the support of the control of t

original. 69%
GHOSTBUSTERS

# SEGA £14.99 Find the ghost, bust the ghost, bag the ghost. Repeat till end. It all gets boring very quickly, even if busting the ghosts does require some talent. 50% GHOST HOUSE

to be. This ghostly (ghastly) encounter requires little skill and is aimed at very,

6-10C SEGA £29.99 A joy to fly with plenty of action. The

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speed is phenomenal and graphics bearable. Okay arcade flight sim that works well. 83% GOLDEN AXE

SEGA £14.99
A respectable attempt at portraying a favourite hack-'em-up. It suffers from one limitation; you only get the choice to control one player, not three. 85%
GOLDEN AXE WARRIOR

SEGA CONTROLL SE

£32.99 SEGA 222.99
For one or two players, it may not look like a visual feast of golfing delights, but you'll be glad to hear that it's packed with playability and fun. 82% £29.99

SEGA £229.99
The evil Golvellius has dispatched seven of his top demons to prevent you from passing through the valley. Very challenging and graphically good, but lacks longevity. 77%



£32.99 The riding stakes may be high, but the flickery sprites and poor graphics let *GP Rider* down. There's little variety between races and an annoying control method. 58%

GREAT BASEBALL

£24.99 Not as good as it pretends to be. Even so, for a game that is as old as this is, the graphics and sound are fairly decent and it's still playable. For sports

fans only. 75%
GREAT BASKETBALL

£24.99 SEGA £24.99
Die-hard fans of the sport will be more at home here. The two-player mode makes the game a real challenge, but the computer oppos are easy. 78% GREAT FOOTBALL

£24.99 There is no reason to buy this game

with the likes of Joe Montana Football already out. This is a crinkly attempt that doesn't contain any credible atmosphere. 60% GREAT GOLF

There is no reason to buy this game with the likes of *Leaderboard* already out. This is a crinkly attempt that doesn't contain any atmosphere. 63% GREAT ICE HOCKEY

SEGA £29.99
Ice hockey simulation that, in its day, proved to be quite a success.
Unfortunately, it needs the Sega
Sports Pad controller to play. 50%
GREAT VOLLEYBALL

The sprites are far too small to make

this even remotely enjoyable. Presentation is grotty, not doing anything for the great sport. Too old to crack it with the big boys. 55%

ANG-ON SEGA

How can you resist this little beauty for just under a tenner? It's fairly quick, and not too jerky when weaving in and out. Not brilliant, but excellent value for these on a budget 78%. those on a budget. 78% HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMP

HEROES OF THE LANCE
US GOLD
234.99
This is very slow and monotonous.
Plenty of characters to play with, but even with the combat scenes boring, there's not much hope. 68%
HOME ALONE

HOME ALONE
SEGA
229.99
Bouncing around different houses, avoiding crooks and picking up items is the general idea in Home Alone. Each level has a nice variety of bright and colourful graphics, but the time allocated to search a house is far too short. 63%

MPOSSIBLE MISSION

US GOLD £29.99 An excellent conversion packed with everything from the original, even the speech. The animation is second to none. Superbly addictive and great campalay 20%

gameplay. 90% INDIANA JONES 3 US GOLD

Very, very frustrating. Not only is it hard, with restart points, but the collision detection is also suss. Still, the graphics are encouraging. 80%

DOMARK DOMARK £32.99

Not many sultry temptresses to be found here, but there are some excellent graphics and nice music. Let down ever so slightly by it's shallow gameplay. 78%

JOE MONTANA FOOTBALL

SEGA £29.99

If only it wasn't so blinking easy, it would keep you playing for ages. There are tons of moves plus Joe's recommendations. Overhead side-view works well. 78%

JUNGLE FIGHTER

SEGA £29.99

JUNGLE FIGHTER
SEGA £29.99
Scrolling sword-fighting game that
becomes very addictive. Unfortunately,
it's not very difficult and shouldn't take
long to complete. 58%

KENSEIDEN
SEGA £29.99
While there's no doubting the size of *Kenseiden*, it suffers from being very predictable and easy in parts. A large but overly simple beat-'em-up that fails to please. 54%
KLAX

TENGEN 229.99
Doesn't quite come up to scratch. The graphics aren't bad, but the sound is lacking and the colours blur rather badly. Still addictive and quite playable, though 73%.

KRUSTY'S FUN HOUSE

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ACCIAIM
232.99
Krusty provides us with a very colourful and challenging platform adventure in which rats have to be led into traps maned by The Simpson family, 84%
KUHG FU KID

SEGA £24.99
You are blessed with a talisman that gives you supernatural strength and powers. Kung fu games are nothing new and this just continues the line of mediocrity. 60%

ASER GHOST

SEGA £14.99
One of the better Phaser games, this can also by played just as effectively with the joypad. There are great statics and backgrounds. 84%
LAND OF ILLUSION

SEGA £29.99

SEGA 229.99
A brilliant sequel to Castle of Illusion. This is one of the best platform games around and should take pride of place in any Master System owner's collection. A cutesy fun adventure for all the family 92%

LEMAINGS

SEGA £27.99
Guide cute-and-cuddly characters through lots of stages of maze and puzzle madness. Simply brilliant graphics which go along with the game's simplicity, 89%
LINE OF FIRE £27.99

£29.99

Impressive vertical shoot-'em-up lacking two-player mode. Detailed guardians and decent backdrops. More nindless, but enjoyable entertainment.

82% LORD OF THE SWORD £29.99

This arcade adventure contains some great character sprites, but the backgrounds get a little unoriginal. Enjoyable, but simple. 80% THE LUCKY DIME CAPER

£24.99 Donald's first excursion onto MS is amongst the best games around. The graphics are superb. Best of all, it's mega-tough, addictive and is excellent value. 94%

MARBLE MADNESS

VIRGIN
Everything looks great and moves smoothly, but the time limit is pretty easy to beat. A very accurate conversion, though, 88%
MARKSMAN SHOOTING

SEGA £9.99
One of a limited amount of software released for the Light Phaser. Simple and fun to play, but Safari Hunt is far

MASTER OF DARKNESS

SEGA £29.99
As chief vampire-blaster, it's up to you to rid Victorian London of vampires. A good platform game that should keep fans happy for quite a while. 80%
MAZE HUNTER 3-D
£19.99

Not exactly superb, but there's plenty of incentive to get going as tons of little syrites chase you round a maze. Quite big, but pretty easy. 72%

MERCS

£9.99

SEGA £9.99

This has got to be one of the easiest games on the MS. It's a pity because there are some good graphics and the gameplay is fun. 73% gameplay is fun. 73%
MIRACLE WARRIORS

SEGA £32.99
This RPG is surprisingly rather good.
Controlled via menus that takes time.
The graphics are good and the challenge high. 82%

MISSILE DEFENCE 3-D

£19.99 This is a grim old game. You'll need your 3-D glasses, but you won't miss much without them. Very repetitive and requires absolutely no talent. 46%

£29.99

Poor value for money. You could buy the Monopoly Deluxe table-top for less and it would still be more fun. It's accurate, but what's the point? 79% MOONWALKER

£29,99

#29.99

### is much better than decent sound. 85%
### SPACMAN
TENGEN

Even though this is a very accurate conversion of the Atari arcade machine, it doesn't quite hit the mark. Two-player is fun, but all too dated and it shows. 72% it shows. 72
MY HERO

SEGA £17.99
This game looks dreadful. It's a really simple beat-'em-up and not very taxing. If you're the school bully type, you'll love it. 64%

NEW ZEALAND STORY

£34.99 It's fantastic! Excellent graphics, 12 tunes to keep your ear-drums satisfied and all the platform madness you could wish for, but it's very hard. 88% THE NINJA

SEGA 29.99
For just a tenner you can have this bargain bonanza of Samurai-swarmed forest awaiting your body-blowing talents. Poor graphics, though. 75%
NINA GAIDEN

£32.99 One of the best beat-'em-ups Compelling gameplay and good animation make this a ninja classic. Spot-on difficulty level makes it ideal for young or old. 90%

US GOLD

US GOID \$34.99
Seven events comprise this mammoth piece of sporting software. No event would survive by itself, but the finishing holds it all together. 80%
OPERATION WOLF

OPERATION WOLF TAITO £14.99
The old Phaser gun should have come into its own, but the light detection isn't too hot. Neat backdrops, although the flictory scrolling is annoying. 73% OUT RUN

SEGA £29.99
There just isn't the feeling of speed in this coin-op. Graphics are kept to a minimum and are very simplistic. 3-D specs version available at the same price. 73%
OUT RUN 3-D

OUT RUN 3-D
SEGA £29.99
Keeps to the original formula of C
Run, but it is in 3-DI This has to be t
best 3-D game available on the MS
date, which isn't saying much. 83%
OUT RUN EUROPA
IIS GOID £29.99

US GOID 229.99
This European interpretation of Out Run comprises more vehicles and a longer route. It also tags on a more plausible storyline. Refreshingly good racing fun. 90%

PAC-MANIA

TecMaGIK

£34.99

An excellent interpretation, but £35 for such an old concept is asking a bit much. If you don't mind splashing out, you won't be disappointed. 88%

PAPERBOY

£29.99

PAPERBOY TENGEN 529.99 Emulates the brilliant coin-op, but looks a bit old now. Above all, though, it's very playable and is sure to challenge your skills well into the morning run. 81% PARLOUR GAMES

£0 00 SEGA £9,99
Compilations of games on cart should always be treated with trepidation. An average simulation of pub games, such as eight-ball etc, all simply designed.

PENGUIN LAND

£29.99 SEGA £29.99

The penguins are particularly well-drawn, but the backgrounds very simply constructed. Controlling the penguin is great fun and there's a nice feel to the game. 77%

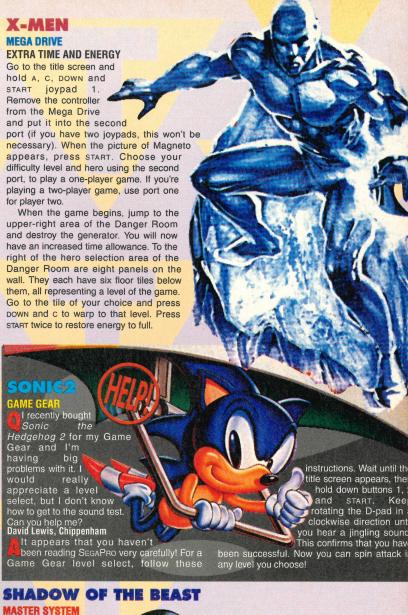
PHANTASY STAR

SEGA £39.99 It may be a stonking 40 quid, but this is one game where you'll certainly get value for money. This huge cart even comes with a battery back-up, which is lucky because you'll be coming back to this over and over. 94% PIT-FIGHTER

DOMARK
A repetitive two-player fighting which soon becomes very shallow.
The teeny-weeny sprites are ridiculously small and may prove annoying, 75 %
POPULOUS

22400 DOMARK £29.99

£34.99 A game that you'll either love or hate



EXTRA LIFE O JET PACK O KEY USE O POTION USE At the start of level three, drop a coin down the well a

you will be awarded an extra life. Jet Pack: You will find the jet pack and mask outside th entrance to level five. Put them on before entering the room, otherwise you'll die immediately.

Square White Key: You'll find a key in the top-left corner of level two. You'll need this to open the door to the castle. Round White Key: This has absolutely no use whatsoever. High-jump Potion: Use this potion to destroy the monster at th

end of level four. Remember, you will also need the gun. Andrew Brown, Gwent



I'm having great

difficulty with New Zealand Story. I always die on the first few levels.

Can you give me any cheats, tips or Action Replay codes to make this game easier? Tim Simpkins, Chippenham

Here are a couple of Pro Action Replay codes for you to get your teeth into. Maybe now you will be able to

finish the game: 00DD EC03 – Infinite lives 00DE 1504 – Invisibility

GODS

Clive Patrick, Australia



This is very accurate to the original, but about TEN times as big. If you're a fan, you'll love this mind-bender. 88% POSEIDON WARS 3-D

£19.99 Worth a look if you have the glasses. You have to clear waters teaming with enemy boats etc. Very simple stuff and not worth bothering about really. 34%

£24.99 An excellent environmentally-friendly shoot-'em-up. The graphics are top-notch and scroll smoothly. A great

PRO WRESTLING £24.99 All the razzmatazz of all-American wrestling is valiantly attempted, but the overall impression is that it's been skimped on in all departments. 56%
PREDATOR 2

£32.99 Jerky scrolling, a high difficulty level, boring gameplay and poor sound. The poorest version of a reasonable game.

Yawn! 46% PRINCE OF PERSIA

Packed with 14 massive levels and amazing animation, this is an essential MS purchase. With its simple controls, it's very easy to pick up and extremely addictive. 94%
PSYCHIC WORLD

NEGA £11.99
Only the graphics save this dreadfully boring and unplayable game. The mix of arcade and strategy might have worked if it wasn't so pointless. 48%

This has taken the best attributes from other arcade adventures. The main character, Mr Fox, is almost as cheeky

as Sonic himself. Very good as an **PUTT 'N PUTTER GOLF** 

SEGA £32.99
A brilliant two-player crazy golf game that originally appeared on the Amiga.

Excellent graphics and cheerful sound QUARTET

SEGA £24.99
Warning: despite its name, this cart is not four games in one. In fact, it's one fairly unimpressive try at a platform shoot-'em-up. 25%

RAINBOW ISLANDS £29.99

A highly cutesy follow-up to the very cutesy *Bubble Bobble*. Bright, cheerful and fun throughout, but doesn't quite come up to scratch as it's too easy. 79% RAMBO III

SEGA £29.99
Despite the limitations of this being a
Phaser-based product, it is remarkably
playable. Challenging, but the
addiction only lasts for weeks. 77%
RAMPAGE
SEGA

£29 99 Everyone has a destructive nature in them somewhere. You control one or two gorillas who must smash up apartment blocks. Simple, but very

good action. 85%

A truly addictive game that is simple really; build a castle, decide where you want your cannons and then decimate your enemy! 81% RASTAN SAGA £29.99

Hac'n'slash romp through many varying landscapes, but this is one of the best games of its type. Polished and you won't be completing it in the first type. 93% RC GRAND PRIX

£29 99 Multi-player action that will fail to excite race fans. Luckily, the graphics are interesting, but why do Sega slap their name all over the hoardings? 59% RENEGADE

£29.99

SEGA £9,99
Protect medical supplies that are being distributed to the troops. The graphics are great and the gameplay's spot on. Got a Phaser? Got a tenner? Get this! 90%

£29.99 Surprise, surprise, this is a boxing simulation. Poor graphics and terrible animation result in a dire game. 32%

This is arguably the greatest shoot-'em-up to ever grace the MS. It is – bar the odd graphic deficiency – a totally accurate conversion of Irem's smash hit. Everything is great. Go for it - you

won't lose out! 94%
RUNNING BATTLE £14.99 SEGA £14.YY
Sadly, this ain't a good beat-'em-up.
Everything is so slow and even the
colourful non-flicker graphics can't
enhance this poor try. 44%

SAFARI HUNT £29.99 Originally included in the early MS packages for use with the Light Phaser. Perhaps the best cart available for target practise on the

screen, but very rare these days. 63% SAGAIA What a grim affair this horizontal shoot-'em-up is. Its main problem lies in the dodgy collision and flickery graphics. But the game is far too easy

for almost any player. 43%
SPECIAL CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION This Chase HQ sequel has poor

graphics and dodgy controls. Full of action, but easy-peasy for anyone except real beginners. 54%

SCRAMBLE SPIRITS Little more than a vertically scrolling

shoot-'em-up and a pretty poor one at that. With such a choice, you could find better. 44%
SECRET COMMAND

This is very close to the Capcom Commando coin-op; it's even based in a jungle with huts and everything. Essential for any self-respecting

Functional graphics and some poor speech may put some grand masters off, but stick with int and you will find a

supreme chess sim. 83% SHADOW DANCER

SEGA £32.99 Suffers from flickery graphics and bad response rate, but there are pleasing effects such as the full screen magic

and the lightning quick dog. 59% SHADOW OF THE BEAST TECMAGIK. £29.99

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Very realistic and provides a challenge for all abilities. Novel "invisible man" perspective is a nice touch. 84%

ACTORY PANIC

SEGA £24.99
Gorby is trying to distribute the dos from his Russian factories. Loads of elements try to stop you, but make this one tough and enjoyable game. 86% FANTASY ZONE £19.99

SEGA 219.99
Play this game with your sun-glasses
on. The small screen and colours
make this a real eye strain. But, that's
what this shoot-em-up's about – totally
OTT. 86%
FROGER

SEGA £19.99 Frogger 's attraction is to see your friend get run over on his first couple

of goes. After you are familiarised with the timing, it becomes very repetitive and simplistic. 75%

PRO FILEGAME GEA

G-LOC

SEGA £24.99
G-LOC moves fast on the Game Gear,

but so would any game if it had no graphics to shift around. Everything is far too simple to create any sort of atmosphere. 60% GALAGA '91

NAMCOT IMPORT
A poor shoot-'em-up. The screen blurs
too easily and the whole style of play
rapidly repeats itself. By the time you reach level six, you've seen it all before. 63%



GALAGA 2 SEGA £27.99 Although playing that old classic Space Invaders may seem like fun, it's not that great if you're shelling out £27.99 for it. Enough said. 60%

GEORGE FOREMAN'S BOXING

ARENA 24.99
This sad boxing sim (also known as Heavyweight Champ) becomes incredibly repetitive. The graphics may look good, but there's very bad animation here. 56%
GOADSIE

COMPILE IMPORT
Halley Wars pails into insignificance against this ultimate blaster. Smooth scrolling, original and awesome guardians and ear-busting SFX make the whole Aleste experience one you will never forget. 92% CLOBAL GLADIATORS 227.99

VIRGIN
The MC Kids, Mick and Mack, don't seem to have made an impressive appearance and the faults lie with the tricky controls. 58%
GRIFFIN

IMPORT

IMPORT
A brightly coloured shoot-'em-up, and a playable one too. Big sprites, statics of foxy young Japanese girls and addictive gameelay make this a great game. 86%

ALLEY WARS

SEGA £24.99

The action is fast and the weapons big, ensuring some excellent blasting action. The five levels are very different and each require special tactics to finish. 88%

HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMP

SEGA

SEGA IMPORT
This sad boxing sim (also known as George Foreman Boxing) becomes incredibly repetitive. The graphics may look good but there's very bad animation here and the gameplay is given proper ESS.

THE HUMANS GAMETEK

IMPORT This above average puzzler may look the part, but it is lacking the playability Exactly the same as the MS in terms

that Lemmings offers. It's also frustrating. 75%

INDIANA JONES 3 SEGA

£24.99

of style and layout, but the graphics seem more detailed due to the closer perspective. Sound is atrocious and the game is tough. 78%

JOE MONTANA FOOTBALL £24.99

Sega have managed to squeeze in this massive game and add a few extras to boost the fun. Everything from the MS game is here, making it one hot cookie. 85%

KINETIC CONNECTION SEGA £24.99

Overly difficult puzzle game in which you have to rearrange the pieces of a jigsaw.It's fun for a while, but it ultimately drives you insane. 72%

DOMARK Klax has been described as "devastatingly addictive" 99 levels of brain-teasing, fast and furious block-building action will keep all GG players

building action will keep all GG players on their lose, 85% KRUSTY'S FUN HOUSE ACCLAIM £29,99
A good conversion that will hold the attention of Game Gear puzzle fanatics for quite a while, but it doesn't offer anything at all once you've completed it. 77% LEMMINGS

SEGA
Take control of the Lemmings and save their skins with various constructive activities. Extra-ordinary graphics and a game which offers a real challenge. 88%



It doesn't seem to matter which console Mickey appears on, he's always a success! This Game Gear version is no exception and carries on the high standard of previous Mickey episodes. 94%

THE LUCKY DIME CAPER £24.99

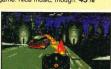
SEGA £24.99
Cartoon capers with this favourite Disney psycho, Donald Duck. The gameplay is instantly compelling and there's even amazing music for each level. 93%

MAPPY IMPORT

Jump around platforms collecting things. Not exactly original and not exactly good either. The graphics are really unimaginative and there's no playability. 50% playability. 50%
MARBLE MADNESS

DOMARK £24.99 The classic arcade game with a lot of balls. Guide your marble around an

AFTER BURNER III IMPORT CRS IMPORI This all-action arcade flight sim isn't very good. Poor graphics and a ridiculous, increasing difficulty level make this nothing more than an average game. Nice music, though. 45%



BATMAN RETURNS

SEGA 239.99
Worth buying for the driving scenes
alone, as they're the most realistic
seen on the CD. A brilliant
adventure, slightly spoiled by the
bland platform sections and
impossible difficulty level. 86%

BLACK HOLE ASSAULT

£39.99

Superb visual sequences to see and background music is a joy to hear. However, this follow-up to Heavy Nova has no gratifying features. The tough

tournament options do little to upkeep

CHUCK ROCK

SONY IMPORT

Not much different from the Mega Drive version. Similar graphics, but nicer intro sequence and better sound. Still playable but doeen't us the machine's capabilities. 72%

ROBO ALESTE IMPORT

COMPILE
Constantly repetitive shoot-'em-up which tries to compete with Sol-Feace.
CD games should be more advanced and while this is fantastic to look at, the gameplay is totally boring, 60%.
EARNEST EVANS

IMPORT WOLFTEAM IMPORT
One of the first releases for the MegaCD. Spectacular graphics and a good Spectacular graphics and a good storyline. Numerous soundtracks and constantly challenging stages make platformer a real pleasure to play. 56% FINAL FIGHT CD

£39.99 Seven massive levels of brutal mindblowing graphics and sound lift this above any Mega-CD game before it. Definitely one for arcade junkies, this is the best coin-op conversion that's hit any machine as it's so true to the original, even surpassing it in minor respects. 91%

FUNKY HORROR BAND SEGA IMPORT
Far from impressive Japanese RPG.
This is mainly due to the text being in
the above mentioned language.
Unfortunately, the graphics and sound
which are great, end up being totally
wasted. 23%
HEAVY HOVA

HEAVY NOVA
MICRONET
A fantastic introduction, as with the
majority of Mega-CD games, but little
else to offer. Two fighting robots in a
one-on-one battle with terrible
gameplay, Hardly original and just about
bearable, 34%
HODE

SONY
Brilliant visuals and an enchanting story
line. All the right ingredients for a great
game, but slightly lacking on gameplay.
50%

SEGA 239.99
Thie first Mega-CD racer isn't too bad, but apart from the course designer and nice music, there's little in it that couldn't have been deserved. have been done on a cart. 72%
KRIS KROSS MAKE MY VIDEO
SONY

KRIS KROSS MAKE MY VIDEO
MPORT
A novel concept for the Mega-CD. Cut,
edit and add your own little touches to
Kris Kross videos. Nice release which is
very different and there should be more
to come from the top bands in the Sony
music stable, 56%.
MARKY MARK: MAKE MY VIDEO
SECAL SE

Despite the superb motion video while you edit Marky's video, gameplay is dull. Even if you're a fan of insipid pop music, this won't offer much entertainment!

NIGHT TRAP SEGA
One of the first CD games to use full motion video, although highlighting the usual display limitation of the Mega-CD. It's a big game and there's lots of challenging gamejay. 60%
PRINCE OF PERSIA

SEGA 29,99
Totally engrossing, but possibly too challenging. The well-known platformadventure at its toughest. The main character is well animated, but a poor choice of colours make the graphics average 65%
ROAD AVENGER

ROAD AVENGER
free with Mega-CD
Unbelievably fast driving action. Superb
graphics look like they've come straight
out of a carroon. However, the gamejav
is repetitive and it should only be bought

as a demo. 60% SEWER SHARK

The grainy graphics provide the feel of tuturistic adventure. The atmospher and story are great, but the gameplay is too shallow. 62% SHERLOCK HOLMES

IMPORT A welcome change to an action-packed market. Only three cases to solve, but market. Only three cases to solv user-friendly interface and cor

clues prolong life. 78% SOL FEACE

SOL FEACE
SEGA free with Mego-CD
The original blast-'em on the Mega-CD.
Graphics and sound are fantastic with
spot-on guardians and wild sound
effects. Shoot-'em-up fans should check

SUPER LEAGUE CD

SEGA IMPORT
What a dire piece of plastic. Super
League CD offers very little gameplay
and nothing in the way of a challenge.
Graphics are very disappointing and the
lack of detail is unbelievable. 49%



SWITCH

IMPORT
Perhaps the most bizarre Japanese game we've ever seen! This has no gameplay in the traditional sense and getting through each level relies on luck! Although this sounds very strange, the graphics and wacky sense of humour are brilliant! 67%

IMPORT

Fantastic cartoon quality graphics throughout and some of the best music so far. This is made even more impressive as it is in Japanese. With the difficulty level ideally set, check it out soon! 80%

THUNDER STORM FX

IMPORT Wolfteam's conversion of the original arcade hit, Cobra Command. Guide

your souped-up gunship around a hostile battle zone. Watch out for those mountains! Seriously wicked. 84

SHERRA 23.9.9
Willy must avoid a barrage of do-gooders in his quest to compete in the Nintari championships. Solutions to his problems are often far too easy, and there is a long wait hetward there is a long wait between interactions. 55% WOLFCHILD

SEGA 239.99
A suitable attempt at a CD platform, where as the Wolfchild, you mutate between man and wolf. Nothing special.

WONDER DOG IMPORT

SEGA IMPORT
Although this is a superb and colourful
game, apart from the long cartoon intro
and digitised sound effects, there is
nothing that justifies its appearance on
CD. 82%

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## MONSTER WORLD II

SEGA IMPORT
A marked improvement over the original hit. This direct conversion of the MS game is fun, challenging and it even includes a much-needed password system. 84%

# NINJA GAIDEN

SEGA £24.99
Gorgeous graphics and sprite animation combine with a variety of levels. If you find it too tough, dig out the import version – that includes a password system. 84%

# OLYMPIC GOLD

US GOID £27.99
Graphically superb, but failings in all other departments make this average.
Control your athlete through numerous avents with relative uneventful

events with relative uneventful happenings. 79%

SEGA £24.99
The classic racer loses nothing in translation to the small screen – except its difficulty. Even so, it's very exhilarating and miles better than super Monaco GP\_T7% Super Monaco GP. 77%
DUT RUN EUROPA

SEGA £19.99

The road racing saga lives on, but even with impressive details on the graphics and a few nice tunes, it will fail to impress the majority of games players. 64%

# PAC-MAN

SEGA £24.99
What a great little game this is.
Everything is just like in the coin-op – even the music brings back memories.
Trouble is, after a while it soon wears off and boredom sets in. 66%
PAPERBO £24.99

DOMARK £24.99
Die-hard Paperboy addicts will relish the challenge of yet another machine to complete it on. Comparatively good graphics and excellent challenge, but poor sound. 79%
PENGO

SEGA £19.99
This plays just like the old coin-op as you shove blocks of ice around and try to squash or electrocute animals. It may not pass the RSPCA laws, but it sure is a gas.79%
POP BREAKER

MPORT
Dodgy graphics and frustrating
gameplay knock this back a little. Slow
shoot-'em-up action that gets a little
predictable after a while. 88%
POPILS

DOMARK

\$224.99

Puzzle fans everywhere should own a copy of *Popils*. Totally cutesy graphics enhanced with reasonably good sound fx. Addictiveness is the key to Domark's first, but definitely not last, venture on the GG. 89%

PRINCE OF PERSIA

PRINCE OF PERSIA
DOMARK

£27.99
One of the best games available. Little
can be found to fault such an excellent
piece of software where you guide
your hero through a mysterious maze
of Turkish Delight. 93%
PREPATOR 2

£29.99

ACCLAIM £29.99
Avoid this if you possibly can as it is complete shovel-ware from the MS version, which wasn't too inspiring itself. Very disappointing. 38% PSYCHIC WORLD £24.99

SEGA
Blimey, this is a truly awful game. It's one of those that actually makes you ringe as you play. Anyone who has bought this has our pity. 12%
PUTT AND PUTTER

# £25.99

SEGA 25.99 When this zany golf simulator was released, we were pleasantly surprised. Good scrolling effects and a wide range of options make it the best available. 85%

# RASTAN SAGA

# £24.99

SEGA
Under-rated slash-'em-up adventure
game that contains loads of locations
and a variety of very tough opponents.
The backgrounds and sprites are very
smooth. A must-buy. 91%



MPORT 229.99
Even though many find radio controlled cars a great pastime, it doesn't seem to come across too well on the GG. This has all the right elements, but doesn't manaage to keep your attention for very long.

# SHINOBI £24.99

## Works well on the Game Gear, although it's a little short and will soon be completed by anyone who's played any of the series before. Still, it becomes very addictive. 84%

## £27.99 SEGA

Totally addictive gameplay with different routes to explore everywhere. Rescue your fellow ninja and find the Elemental Crystals to enter the final battle. It's addictive, but as with the first, it may be too easy. 90%

## SEGA IMPORT

Also known as *Slider*, it has colourful graphics that are a tad on the small size. All the addictiveness of *Klax* with 30 password levels. 82% SLIDER

## SEGA £24.99

Also known as Skweek, it has colourful graphics that are a tad on the small size. All the addictiveness of Klax with 30 password levels. 82% SOLITAIRE POKER

## £24.99 SEGA

Yawnarama card game has nice sprites, but sound and gameplay soon become annoying. Novelty wears off, even the girl telling you how many levels you've got to go, 70% SONIC THE REDGEHOG

SEGA £29.99
Crystal clear, super fast graphics with original zones and guardians based on the MS version. Love him or loathe him, Sonic fits in your pocket in fine

# style. 91% SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2 £24.99

SEGA £24.99
As with the original, this is better than on the other formats. Excellent on the other formats. Excellent scrolling and sprite animation proves Sonic can be improved, but its similarity could prove too much. A fantastic game in its own right. 95% SPACE HARRIER

SPACE HARRIEK SEGA 224.99 The hit conversion has been ripped to shreds here. Jerky playability and blocky sub-standard graphics make this a shambolic affair. Oh dear. 71% SPIDER-MAN

SPIDER-MAN
FIVING EDGE

224.99
Forget the Master System, Flying Edge
have based this little beauty on the
Mega Drive version. It's not only
packed with cartoon story statics, but
also some enthralling gameplay over
five massive stages, 92%
STUDER-MAN 2

SPIDER-MAN 2
ACCLAIM

\$29.99
A slightly disappointing follow-up to the highly acclaimed original. However, it offers a considerable challenge and there is plently to do. Spidey fans should be suitably impressed, but not amazed. 65%
STREETS OF RAGE

\$24.99

£24.99 SEGA 224.99
Furious beat-'em-up action at its finest.
Two-player option included, but only
two fighters to choose from. Graphics
can prove a tad annoying at times, but
the gameplay more than makes up for
it. 85%
SUPER GOLF

SIGMA IMPORT SIGMA IMPORT Golfing made simple. Not as realistic as Leaderboard but just as much fun. Cartoon graphics, caddles with different personalities and colourful option screens make this a sim for the less serious golfer. 85%

SEGA SEGA 229.99
The definitive footy game on the Ga. Amazing playability makes the MS version blush with shame. Fast gameplay means frantic goal scrambles, but there is some speed blur. Totally excellent! 93%

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# SUPERMAN

VIRGIN £27.99
Good old Superman has finally made his way on to the hand held and he's pretty good too! Novices may find this a little difficult, but at least it will keep you going for a while. 77%

# SUPER MONACO GP

# SEGA £19.99 While there's certainly speed, it lacks everything else — especially feel. The graphics are ultra simplisite, sound basic and gameplay very boring. 55% SUPER MONACO GP II

SEGA £25.99
Nothing more than an average racing simulator. Top quality scrolling really works. Terrible sound effects and laborious backgrounds don't. Lost again, Ayrton. 71%

# SUPER OFF ROAD RACER

£24.99

VIRGIN VIRGIN
With eight stages of arcade racing madness, it is sure to be a hit. Thoroughly challenging and compelling from the word go. The graphics are as close to the original as possible. Highly recommended to all boy (or girl) racers. 90% SUPER SMASH TV

FLYING EDGE
Remember the arcade game? Forget this then. Dire sprite animation and repetitively poor graphics totally ruin a good license. Just don't bother. 58%

# ALESPIN

SEGA 224.99
Disney games are reknowned for their cartoony feel and this is no exception although it fails miserably in the gameplay stakes. 35% SEGA

SEGA 924.99
A fantastic platform game with tremendous variety in graphics and sound. There's a tough challenge set in the opening levels, but it's well worth persevering, 84%
TENGEM'S WORLD CUP SOCCER
POWARY

DOMARK £27.99
Enjoy the thrills of a World Cup tournament on the small screen. With 24 countries, a management facility and a gear-link option, this is a highly additive and playable soccer game.

# 85% THE TERMINATOR

SEGA

VIRGIN

One of the finest platform blasters ever to arrive. Superb sprite animation and totally challenging missions. A few gameplay quirks may prove annoying, but everything else is tops. 91%

SEGA £27.99
A cat and mouse chase in search of hidden treasure takes you through six action-packed levels. Plenty of traps and fun cartoon characters make this a highly enjoyable adventure. 80%

# VAMPIRE MASTER OF DARKNESS

Victorian vampires are sweeping London like the plague. It's up to you to get rid of them! A real blood-sucking platform adventure, taking you through the heart of London in the grisly 1900s.

# 85% VIKING CHILD (THE)

VIKING CHILD (THE)
GAMETEK

£19,99
Cuteness at its best. A platform adventure which offers a large amount of gameplay. Eight stages of immense fun coupled by totally creative backgrounds. 84%

WHF: STEEL CAGE CHALLENGE ACCLAIM

£29,99
The Gear is used to its full potential with this excellent take-off of the sport. The best wrestling game yet, but obviously it won't appeal to everyone. 84%

WAGON LAND

NAMCOT IMPORT

NAMCOT IMPORT
Cute Japanese graphics with rather
impressive additional features. Nothing
more so than the weapon your user
friendly frog fires. 66%
WIMBLEDON

SEGA \$29.99
Struggling to see the ball is not the only problem with this version. The sprites aren't too impressive either. Alongside this, the difficulty is far too challenging, 45% WONDER BOY SEGA

# SEGA

SEGA £19.99
This little foray adds fun to the normal arcade adventure. The great graphic and sonic effects combined with deep gameplay, make this a very addictive game. 84%
WONDER BOY: DRAGON'S TRAP

SEGA £19.99
Far from a wonderful episode in the e series. A predictable scenario appears, including a cute main character and an in-depth arcade adventure. Okay in its own right, but unoriginal. 75%

SEGA £19.99
Break-Out games are two-a-penny nowadays. While this one doesn't take them to the Twilight Zone, it does add loads of neat graphics and smart gameplay features. 87%.
WORLD CLASS LEADERBOARD £24.99

WORLD CLASS TEADERDURAND SEGA E24,99 Everything a golfer could want: clubs, courses and some crackly speech! Gameplay is limited and sometimes very slow, but two-player mode is appealing. 80%

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## JAMES BOND 007 THE DUEL ATGA-AA56 Infinite lives ATGA-AA70 Infinite continues AE8A-AA9N Infinite ammuntion

ΔΜΚΔ-ΔΔ56 Cannot be harmed by enemy fire 7LPT-B98E Jump higher BF6A-AAGN Start with nine

Gives you the

FFFB0B0003 Infinite energy FFFB090002 Infinite lives

FFFB0F0032

Gives one special helper each time you pick up a carrot (One

carrot=50 carrots) Switch the Action

Replay off at the end of level and back on at the beginning of the

next one. FFFB110009

Pick one specia helper up to get infinite helpers. FFFB0B0002

FFFB110002

MICKEY MOUSE

shield TINY TOONS

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RISKY WOODS

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AARA-IARG Start on stage 9 YASA-JAGI + AA8A-JA8G AKET-AA9N Start on stage 10 OJ8A-JAGJ + AA8A-JA8G Start on stage 11 AKFT-AA34 AKFT-AA84 Start on stage 12 TALESPIN ATSA-AA92 player 1 AKET-AA3T

# Infinite bombers AKHA-AA2Y Infinite blockers Infinite builders AKFA-AA6R Infinite bashers Infinite miners Infinite diggers Infinite bashers Infinite lives -ATTA-AA66

The Pro Action Replay is a games-busting cartridge that not only allows you to enter codes for cheats, it also lets you find them yourself. This month we've also got Game Gear codest addition to their cheats range, so if you're a GG owner, it could be a necessify. If you have any Pro Action Replay codes for either the Mega Drive, Master System or Game Gear send shem to:

Jason's ProTips, SenPno, Paragon Publishing Durham House, 124 Old Christchurch Road Bournemouth BH1 1NF. We'd prefer it if you sent in codes for new games, but we don't mind codes for rold games too!

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ROADBLASTER (Note: both the following codes must be used). FF2A61000X Number of weapons left or duration of weapon (X is 0-3). FF2A699000X

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(flag). THUNDER FORCE IV FFF2DD00F

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weapon
1 - Nitro Injector
2 - Cruise Missile
3 - Electro Shield
4 - U.Z. Cannon
FFABC300E0
FF2A650001
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CASTLE OF ILLUSION 00C0C803 Infinite lives 00C0BD03 00DC0005 Infinite timer PRINCE OF PERSIA 00C29203 Infinite energy

(any fatal falls or blows will still kill) 00C2983B Infinite timer SHINOBI 00D20B04 Infinite energy 00D21E01 Infinite special weapons SPIDERMAN VS THE KING-PIN OODF7205
Infinite time
OODF76FF
Infinite energy
TERMINATOR 00CC1664 Infinite energy
BART VS THE SPACE 00C01E00 Painted items are

at 0 00C01201 Infinite paint 00C39E09 Infinite timer replay off at the end of level) 00C01101 00C01301 Infinite cherry bombs 00C01401 Infinite rockets 00C01501

00C01601 Infinite keys 00C01701 Infinite magnet 00C01801 Infinite whistle 00C43B00 Moonwalking Bart



ASTERIX 00C09D03 Infinite lives 00C09A03 Invincibility
BART VS THE SPACE MUTANTS 00C01003 Infinite lives 00C3AF09 Infinite time 00C3E9BE Infinite paint
DOUBLE DRAGON
OOCB2B03
Infinite lives
FLINTSTONES Infinite sand timer 00C9F20F Infinite paint 00C9A203 Infinite lives
GHOULS 'N' GHOSTS G-LOC 00CB2C38 Infinite time 00CC0E28 Infinite missiles 00CC0D07 Infinite armour
PRINCE OF PERSIA
00C29208
Infinite life
SONIC 2 00D29803 Infinite lives 00D29905 Invincibility (always keeps s rings). Turn Act Replay off at the end of the act a back on again a the beginning of the next one. 00D2950X

Fire and thunde Magic stays full. G-LOC

00D2950X 00D2B9FF Score 999000 for every act and unlimited timer. TAZMANIA 00C10005 Infinite energy W. C.LEADERBOA 00D36200 Score a hole in one every time. XENON 2 00D0E203



With every terrorist building there's likely to be three enemy ground troops, a bazooka man just inside, and a beefy tank around the rear. You may like to be a bit cheeky and position your attack away from the tank - then you can capture the terrorists inside

# **CAMPAIGN 1** Washington DC No password **MISSION 1 – MONUMENTS**

Fly southwest from your helipad and head for the Washington monument first.



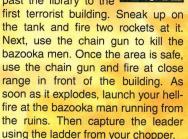
Approach with care, as the monument is surrounded by HARVs and bazooka men. Shoot the first HARV you see using two rockets, then kill the three bazooka men using hellfires. After that, you'll have two HARVs left, which will arrive from any direction. Position your chopper in a place out of range, then wait for them to attack. Fire hellfires or rockets as soon as they've

# MISSION 2 - TERRORIST HQ

fired at you and don't forget to keep moving so you're not hit too easily! When the monument is safe, the illustration on the map will disappear.

Now fly southwest to the Jefferson monument. Approach it with the same strategy. One rocket will destroy each attacking van, although Hydras can also be used. Next, head north to the library monument. Destroy the ammo truck on the way for a re-stock on weapons.

At the library, destroy four HARVs. The last HARV will uncover an armour repair kit when destroyed and you'll have 1000 Armour points After refuelling, fly north to the nearby garage. Then go back past the library to the

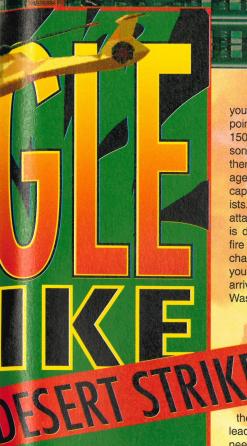


Repeat this procedure for the two other buildings (only three out of four need be destroyed) and remember that tanks guard two of the four



When the HARVs are about, you'll need to be quick. They'll surprise you when you think they've gone, and they attack with force to put you in with the rest of Washington's





your armour points by 150 per person. Refuel,

then refer to map for location of your agent. The building in which he is captive is surrounded by four terrorists. Kill them with a chain gun, then attack the building. Once the building is destroyed, immediately fire a hellfire at the bazooka man inside. Now chase and rescue the agent. He'll tell you that the President's motorcade is arriving from the southwest of Washington.

# MISSION 5 - MOTORCADE

This requires some skilful chopper control. Fly ahead



the limousine and clear the roads leading up to each junction. You'll need to destroy road barriers using the chain gun to allow the limousine

campaign. Capture the sniper running onto the grass once the area is safe. Now return to the White House helipad, as the campaign is complete!

# **CAMPAIGN 2** Nuclear Subs RXVWT74MYR7 MISSION 1 - NAVY SEALS

Fly northwest to the navy seal, but avoid the electric fence on the first island. On the



second island, kill the two enemy ground troops using the chain gun. Don't shoot the navy seals, otherwise you'll have to return to base! Once you've picked up the seals, take the same route back and drop them off at the landing zone. They will give you the code to jam the electric fence surrounding the hover craft.

# MISSION 2 - ELECTRIC FENCE

Now you've completed mission one, the enemies on the first island will be easier to kill. Fly

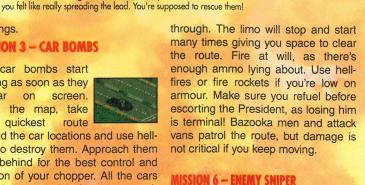


west to the first island and destroy the four ground troops using hellfires. Keep moving in a circle around them to avoid critical damage. Now you can land your Commanche on the pad and step into the hover craft!









# **MISSION 4 – AGENT AKBAR**

the embassy buildings.

MISSION 3 - CAR BOMBS

The car bombs start

moving as soon as they

on

Using the map, take

quickest

screen.

around the car locations and use hell-

fires to destroy them. Approach them

from behind for the best control and

position of your chopper. All the cars

must be stopped before they reach

route

buildings.

appear

First, drop off any people you have on board at a landing zone. Doing this will increase



RETURN TO BASE!

If you're one for going into situations like a bat out of hell then it's likely you'll suffer the

numiliation of returning to base. Here the navy seals have been shot in an attack where

# straight forward mission. The building you need to destroy is to the west of the White

This is a fairly easy and

House. Destroy the attack van and bazooka men with rockets as this is the last time you'll need them for the

# MISSION 3 — PLUTONIUM

Take a good look at the map as you have eight crates of plutonium to pick up. Head for the gunboats that carry the plutoni-



um, avoiding other enemy boats and weaponry. Destroy gunboats by crossing in front of their path and laying a mine just in front of them. Wait for the boats to hit the mines then backtrack and collect the loose crate. Some boats will reach the beach and the crates will be loaded onto trucks. Get the rest of the crates by destroying the runaway trucks on the beach. Again, lay mines in front of the trucks, or use hellfires if your armour is low. It's best to return to base halfway through the mission to pick up fuel and ammo crates around your pad. You can also get armour repair if you need it. Keep an eye on ammo, you'll use a lot of it!

# MISSION 4 - F-15 PILOT

The pilot knows the secret location of the drug lord's nuclear attack submarines.



You'll find him in the southeast corner of the map. Destroy the AAA gun using a few hellfires and make sure you immediately attack the two ground troops. Pick up the pilot, but be wary of any gunboats around the small island where the pilot's plane has crashed. Destroy these with a couple of rockets, and don't hang around for more to arrive!

# **MISSION 5 - NUKE SUBS**

There are four submarines and you'll need to use mines to destroy them. The first



sub shows up on the map, near the beach. As soon as it appears on screen, it starts moving southeast in a straight line. Get your hover craft running just in front of it and lay three or four mines, making sure the sub will run over them. These mines have a 1000 armour point damage and are far better than the rockets. Be quick, as the subs will stop if you take too long. Repeat the procedure for the other three subs and collect an ammo crate after destroying the first two. Avoid other gunboats zipping around and don't waste any ammo on them. The submarines don't attack you that often if you stay in front of them.

Return to your Commanche after this mission, then fly back to base to complete the campaign.

# **CAMPAIGN 3** Training Camp 9VMF9NSHK9G MISSION 1 - TRAINING CAMP

There are five enemy guard towers to wipe out, running from the north to southwest. Go



to the most northern tower first and attack from the east. Attack the bazooka men with hellfires, making sure you're out of range from the control tower. When the ground area is clear, circle the tower. Destroy it using one rocket and a few hellfires. Next, fly southwest, taking the other four towers out with the same strategy. Always approach to the east of the towers, where at least one bazooka man will be waiting to

After completing the mission, get some supplies of ammo and fuel, by gunning down tents west of the ruined towers.

# **MISSION 2 – LANDING ZONE**

To secure the landing zone, fly to the jungle clearing; marked on your map with a green



dot. Pick up the green beret and airlift him to the enemy landing zone located to the west. Before dropping him off, take out the control tower with a rocket. Check out the tents around your starting base, because there's a useful ladder to be found!

# **MISSION 3 - MOBILE RADAR 1**

From the landing zone, pick up the tank track southeast of your position and approach very



slowly. ZSU tanks guard the radars and they have a very quick firing rate. Use rockets to destroy them and only attack when their gun is facing the other way. Take your time, some radar sites have bazooka men and one ZSU, others have a couple of the beasts. Use hellfires to clear the bazooka men and watch for other ZSU vans coming along the tank

# **MISSION 4 - COMMUNICATION EXPERT**

Now fly west to the barrack jail where the communication expert be rescued.



Avoid the fence at all costs. The area is full of enemy towers and dangerous tanks. The jail is situated amongst a cluster of other buildings that look similar. Destroy the twin AAA gun guarding the buildings,



At the training camp your objective concerns striking any objects that appear as components in a communications system. This radar site will need to go, and the tank certainly won't be missed. Using rockets will make this job a clean one.

then identify the correct jail using the vellow dot on the map. Destroy the jail, rescue the two men that run out. Next, fly north to northeast and drop the communications expert off at the telephone pole. Again, a yellow dot indicates the position of the poles. Now the expert can listen to the drug lord's calls.

# MISSION 5 - TANK DEPOT

Now you have to deal with a cluster of part and fully operational ZSU tanks! The depot



is clearly marked with a big tank in the centre of the map. First, hit the



These twin AAAs are quick mothers, so you'll have to attack with confidence and speed to avoid damage.

unoperational tanks with your chain gun. Next, go for the operational tanks, moving in with hellfires and rockets if need be. The key to this mission is patience; if you run low on ammo, find some more. Pick up the ammo crate back at base if you have not already used it. Otherwise,

check out some more tents and buildings, you'll be surprised just how much is hidden about!

# MISSION 6 - MOBILE RADAR 2

This second group of mobile radars should be dealt with like the first group (campaign



three, mission three). Watch the twin AAA guns. They have a rapid fire rate, so catch them out when they're facing the other way. Never take the bazooka men lightly, use hellfires on them, saving the rockets for the AAAs.

# **MISSION 7 - TRAINING HQ**

Three field commanders are stranded and they all have vital radio passwords. The field



training headquarters are located in an area full of big marquee type tents. Twin AAAs and ZSU tanks crawl around the area so, you'll have to approach the enemies slowly. Wait until you can just see them in the corner of the screen. If they're facing the other way, attack with hellfires, but do it quickly. Otherwise, circle the tanks and AAAs at a radius that's just out of firing range. When you attack the training HQ, pick up the runaway commanders - they won't run far!

# **MISSION 8 - NUKE REACTOR**

You can't miss these large buildings. Be careful of the surrounding watch towers



and always keep an eye out for ground troops. When you find the nuclear reactor (found in one of the buildings), release all the rockets and hellfires you have left. Be careful not to aim your fire at the reactor itself, othyou'll erwise have a nuclear leak on your hands! Once the area is cleared, return the reactor to base and way behold, campaign complete!

# CAMPAIGN 4 -Jungle Night X7NL4SHCYRN MISSION 1 - WATCH TOWERS

This night campaign will be your toughest yet. You must destroy the eight enemy guard



towers. If you want to stop the enemy choppers detecting your attack, don't fire at their pads! Destroy each watch tower in turn and be aware of enemy choppers. Approach the towers with care and attack as soon as you see their faint blue outline on screen. Use hellfires for this job and make sure your TV brightness is turned up - visibility will be very difficult!

# MISSION 2 - GREEN BERET

Look for Green Beret by means of a flare. He's indicated by a green dot on the map,



just north of the destroyed watch



towers'. When you arrive at the enemy landing zone, clear the area, but don't fly into the clearing. First, skirt the edge and deal with enemies using hellfires. When the area is cleared, pick up the green beret and fly him south to your landing zone.

# MISSION 3 - CHOPPER PADS

For this mission, you'll need to fly north of your base and destroy the enemy Apache



choppers and their pads. Watch out, they can also fire rockets and their damage ability is high! To attack, position your chopper where you can see the Apaches, but make sure they're out of firing range. When you're ready, fly towards the chopper, fire a rocket at the Apache, then

quickly retreat backwards. Veer to the left or right if a rocket is fired back at you. It will take three rockets to blow these muthers out the sky.

# MISSION 4 - SCIENTISTS

Fly north to the bamboo cages and rescue the kidnapped German scientists.



When you reach the cages, there are surprisingly few enemies. One or two ground troops will attack you, so use your chain gun to defeat them. When you break open a cage, more ground troops will appear. Some hide in the trees, so identify them by watching out for the light from their infra red weapons. Some cages hold the POWs that need rescuing in mission five, so you can complete both missions in this area. Fly back south to the landing zone to drop them off. Your armour will increase when you land, so don't look for armour repair kits yet.

# MISSION 5 - POWS

Approach with the same strategy as the scientist mission. All the cages will need



busting open for missions four and five. Always kill the ground troops that appear after breaking the cages.

# MISSION 6 - WEAPONS PLANT

Stretching down the far left hand side of the map, you'll come across many buildings



and aircraft that should be destroyed. There are plenty of pods that, if shot, will reveal armour repair, fuel and ammo crates. MLRS guns fire with incredible speed in this area, but there are only a few of them. Use your chain gun to destroy planes and buildings as the area is often safe. Don't forget to destroy the weapons uncovered from the large boxes. Also, make sure you kill the troops uncovered in many of the buildings. This mission is easy if you keep stocking up on ammo and fuel. Look out for an extra life situated in a pod halfway down the string of the buildings to the west.

# MISSION 7 - COMMANDER

You'll find this chap with ease, just refer to the map. He can be located east of the



most southern weapons' plant. When you've rescued him, return to base

and you'll have completed the night time campaign!

# CAMPAIGN 5 Puloso City VL486MGZBVP MISSION 1 - UN RESCUE

From your helipad, a short trip east will take you to the UN prisoners – you must airlift



them to safety. For each of the three buildings, take out the four command towers on the perimeter wall corners first. Use hellfires to knock out the towers and trucks inside the wall. Attack whilst skirting the wall and keep out of range until the last possible minute. When the area is cleared, use the chain gun to destroy the building, then seven prisoners will run out. You can only take six, so drop them off at UN base, then return and rescue anyone left. Armour will be fully restored every time you drop off the six prisoners, so it's an idea to keep six on board for later missions then you can gain armour points when you really need them!

The first small building over the east wall of the nearest prisoner building holds the quick retracting ladder. Blow it up and collect the ladder.

# MISSION 2 - DRUG PLANT

There are three of these buildings and you'll need to blow up all the drugs inside. First, you'll

realise how little fuel and ammo lies about on this level. Blow up some buildings and trucks to uncover sup-





Back on the urban scene, and time for some more street bashing. This is Puloso City, with tall buildings and plenty of road vehicles. This structure coming up may well have an armoured car inside – it's got to have something!

plies. When supplies are uncovered, they'll show up on the map.

Now, blow up each drugs plant in turn. This will blow the roof off each plant, revealing the scientists and drugs equipment. Capture the scientist to gain armour and destroy everything in the buildings. Hit the MLRS cannons with rockets. Get the ground troops with hellfires, but watch your ammo supply.

# MISSION 3 - COUNTERFEITING

From the drugs plant, fly northwest to the three buildings to destroy the presses. At the international



counterfeiting buildings, you'll come face to face with more MLRS units. These are deadly and will fire at you if you're in their range. Destroy the buildings from a safe side and check where each MLRS is. If you do come under attack, use the rockets to destroy them. Otherwise, use hellfires to destroy troops and buildings. It's worth destroying other buildings here, as armour repair kits lie underneath them.

# MISSION 4 - POWER GRID

Halfway down the west side of your map are three transformer towers. Kill any ground troops with your chain or



troops with your chain gun, then simply destroy the three towers. Easy!

# MISSION 5 - ARMOURED CARS

Fly north to the two labs that hold the armoured cars. Don't try and fire rockets or hellfires at these vehi-



cles as they won't explode. You now need to go to the police station (Near the transformer towers) and collect the urban attack cycle. By the time you've landed the chopper and got into the cycle, the five armoured cars will be loose around the city. Check them on the map.

# MISSION 6 - DETONATORS

Using the cycle, lay mines in front of the armoured cars. Once they've exploded, pick up the detonators



left behind. Be careful not to shoot them!

You only get 500 armour points for the cycle and fuel is scarce! This mission must be completed quickly, so don't forget to keep moving.

# MISSION 7 – C4 PLASTIC EXPLOSIVES

First you must ride back to the police station and transfer back to your Commanche



helicopter. The explosives are located on the eastern edge of the operations area — which is very heavily guarded. Blow up the armoury using rockets, then winch up at least one bundle of explosives. Take out the MLRS units using hellfires, but keep moving to avoid critical damage.

# MISSION 8 – DRUG LORD'S WAR ROOM

From the armoury, you must fly north to a landing zone. Clear the ground area using



hellfires, then land at the zone. Your co-pilot will set C4 charges in the war room. Watch out for roof snipers while you wait for the co-pilot to reemerge, then pick him up. You'll see the building blow to bits and you can return to base and finish the campaign.

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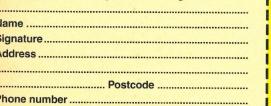
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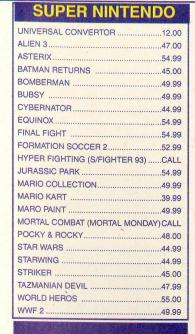
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The first target on the second stage is easy to find. Drop down to your right and press left. You will land on a large platform with this strange contraption releasing all sorts of strange fireballs. Give it a blast or two with your best special weapon and it's history.



Just as you were beginning to think that this was too easy, here comes the second wave of baddies.

# STAGE 2 TARGETS

This is a tricky level and you'll need to use your radar to find the five targets. Drop down and shoot the flashing generator – it powers the guns. The targets are relatively easy to destroy and the missiles they fire can be blasted with one or two hits. Tread carefully at all times as there are several pools of toxic waste that sap your energy. When you use the jetpack, keep an eye on the meter at the bottom right of the screen: fly for

too long and you'll fall to the ground.



There is a special weapon, the Wide Beam, to be found by the energy restorer, but the tank, below, must be taken out first. Collect the weapon and restore your energy. Drop down and travel right, making sure you blast everything in your way.

If you look carefully, there are blocks on the ceiling which can be shot away. Light will streak down from the ceiling and kill the tadpoles if they swim into it. This is very useful as the paths to gennys and targets are often blocked by these slippery monsters. Destroy the final target and drop down the gap that appears when it explodes.



You are then transported into a 3-D corridor which includes seven more targets, one being the guardian. The targets fly through the alleys and attack with laser guns. Simply dodge these and fire at them with a special weapon, such as the Wide Beam, to quickly destroy them. Use the radar to predetermine when targets are going to crash through the barriers.

The stage guardian is easy to beat if you keep your cool. It breaks into four sections and fires various weapons as well as charging towards you as it nears death. Firstly, you will have to avoid the bombs, so stay close to the guardian and keep firing. Spiked bombs are then hurled at you, but these are even easier to dodge. Clear the bombs and duck below the massive laser fire. Finally, jump over the guardian as it charges towards you, firing when you have the opportunity.

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# STAGE 3 TARGETS

You are now given an aircraft support system that tracks you and fires lasers at anything in your way. Below the tree line, there are 11 targets to blow-up and by the second target there is a special weapon power-up to collect. This is the Metal Bird and is one of the most useful due to its devastating power. It attacks anything in its path and doesn't stop sapping energy until it explodes.



Remember those 10p eyeballs from the local sweety shop? Well that's your target - weird or what! The baddies on this level tend to be relatively easy to destroy and only take one or two hits. There are so many of them that you need to keep the fire button held down at all times. Despite the numbers, this is an easy level and it's not until you reach the level guardian that you're likely to encounter too many problems.

The spiralling arms of the guardian are the main danger and you must avoid them or blast-'em. Your target is the eye of the gruesome monster, but it is forever opening and closing. It can only be injured when the eyelid is open.

Continuously fire at the eyelid until it sinks into the water, then shoot the red ball which is protected by more spiralling, rotating transparent globes. This doesn't take long and, once again, your main problem is avoiding the bullets. After the dramatic explosion that signals the guardian's demise, you're zoomed into stage four.





# HANGE REX



This is the final guardian, and what an ugly mutha it is! Blast the shield out and you'll be able to get a clear shot at its head. Only problem is you are constantly under attack from all angles with fireballs commin' at ya!

# STAGE 4 TARGETS

In the fourth stage you will need to use your jetpack more than before. The general idea is to climb the skyscraper, using platforms to rest and recharge your jetpack energy. They are sparsely positioned as you fly up and at one point you must use one of the mid-air platforms on the left. Another special weapon can be collected around the second target.



There are only six targets to destroy and they're fairly simple to take out. Stand on top of them and shoot away until their tops explode, then use the jetpack to hover below and destroy the remains. Repeat this process six times and when you reach the top run right to exit the stage.

# STAGE 5 **TARGETS**

Run along the top section of the platforms and you'll avoid walking into any dead ends. Destroy the first target and drop down until you are walking through the alleyways. The baddies along here are literally everywhere, so switch to a more practical weapon such as Thunder or Bombs.



This guardian takes whatever you throw at it unless you use the immense Buster weapon.

With eight targets in all, it may sound pretty simple, but they're not only difficult to find, but also protected by hordes of nasties. Use the radar to prevent becoming lost and keep your finger held down on the fire button. Another danger is walking too far and back-tracking you may end up battling against more than you can handle!



Somewhere within the hidden depths of the later levels, you too will have to survive this barrage.

This is the easiest guardian to kill, especially if you have the powerful Buster weapon. Continuously fire in the middle of the ship until it splits in two. Repeat the process with the second part of the ship using another Buster if possible. Avoid the bullets, missiles and other harmful projectiles and the final stage will be waiting. The tension now becomes unbearable!

# STAGE 6 **TARGETS**

12 This is a very, very tough level which will require all your shoot-'em-up skills. Use the radar to track down your 12 targets, but be careful not to be trapped into fighting more than one at a time. Shoot the barrier generators before attempting to cross through the flame-filled corridors. If

you don't, you're a gonner! No other hints can help you here; just keep firing and use the most suitable special weapons available to you. The Flame Thrower and Wide Beam are the best.

The final battle isn't far away, or so it seems. Destroy the twelfth target and you fall down a tunnel. Shoot the robot on the right and as you watch your gal flying away, the final battle becomes imminent.

# FINAL BOSS

The secret to giving this final baddie a good kicking is to watch its firing sequences and then attack when you can. Firstly, avoid the fireballs it fires out by manoeuvring around the screen and firing constantly. To knock its energy down, hit the boss on and around the head. Always use the most powerful weapon available to you - the Metal Bird or Flame Thrower, if possible.

You will then be attacked with a relentless tally of bird-shaped missiles. Blast'em and hit the main target whenever possible. The penultimate problem you must face is the moving shield that prevents you from hitting the boss. This will

explode if you hit it enough, so either dodge around it or

blow it away. The final attack is fairly easy and if you keep your cool you should be able to finish the boss off quickly. Avoid the sprays of particles by waiting for them to be fired at you and then moving to

another part of the screen. When you have the chance, blast the boss and you will have cracked this brilliant game. Now try the difficult level!

# POWERHOUSE

Support systems carry the special weapons you will need and so here is the guide to what they are, how good they are and when to use them.

# BOMBS

Very good for wiping out large numbers of ground based baddies.

# THUNDER

Very useful in situations where there are enemy targets in all directions.

An awesome weapon that should only be used as a planned guardian attack or to wipe out vast numbers of enemy targets.

Most effective at close range, but uses too much energy to use frequently.

Fairly good, but it's better to dodge the bullets than deplete your special weapon power on this.

This just has to be used on tough targets and whenever something needs to be blown up quick- when you fire.

# TWO'S COMPANY

You have two vehicles to carry your special weapons on and they're your support systems. To select a different weapon, press B to scroll through them and jump off the vehicle to activate

All of your special weapons are stored on this support system and you can also ride



age and leave it in a strategically useful position.

# AIRCRAFT

Tricky to get into to change your special weapon and you can't fly in it, but it fires a laser at primary targets and baddies



# ADDITIONALS

# ENERGY RECHARGER

Stand on this platform and your energy will be given an often needed boost. Be careful, your special weapon power is the casualty and is sapped away as the energy is rejuvenated.



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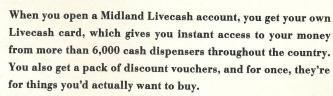


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The letters sent here are usually some silly git rabbiting on about how jealous they are of someone else, or of some poor guy needing help with their console and even of anyone who needs advice on console specif-

You can ask what games will be available or how to get in contact with a company, but don't ask for game help (see ProHelp for that). The best letter AND the best ProDebate submission wins a SEGAPRO T-shirt, but only witty, cheeky or lively submissions are even considered – you can't win a Tshirt by asking for some advice!

PRODEBATE
In addition to letters, we sometimes have ProDebates, which should be addressed like such: TV Debate, ProTest. Get your views into the open and state your case. SegaPro T-shirts are awarded if we consider a point to be particularly valid. If you want to start a debate, write in and let us know about it!

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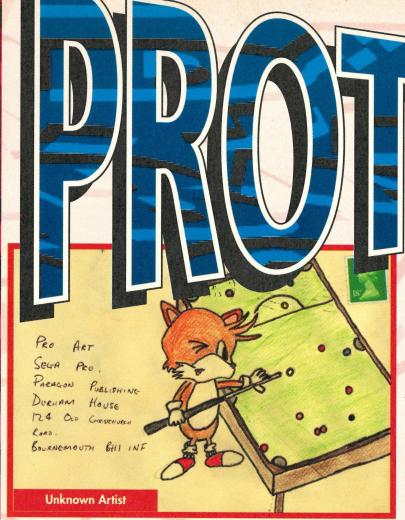
There are so many types of tips which can be sent in. Action Replay codes, small cheats, small tips, part solutions, whole game guides and maps. Lots of carts and T-shirts are won every month! So, there you are! Get sending.

# PROHELP

Our revitalised section is bigger and better than ever! If you are stuck on a level, can't kill the boss or are totally lost, drop the Pros a line with details of your problem.

No prizes here, but you get your high score branded around the country. If you supply a photograph, you can then show all your friends how clever you are.

GAME OVER
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# **GAMES TOO EASY**

I believe that I am the best games player in the world. I even have proof to back up my statement! I buy games that SEGAPRO regard as challenging, but tend to finish them very quickly. For instance, I finished Ecco in less than four days and finished T2 on my first go. I never cheat when I play games and don't even have a rapid fire button on my joypad. I think you should be more careful with your

challenge rating - either you play games with one hand behind your back, or I'm the best games player in the world!

Jason Roos, South Africa

So you reckon you're the best games player in the world, eh? Get yourself down to our offices and we'll soon see about that! When we review a game, we don't just give out our personal opinions. We have to take into consideration who will be playing the game and why. We still think that Ecco is a challenging game and readers are always phoning up for help! The same goes for T2 - we used to get at least three calls a day asking for help on the truck

games are easy, but the rest of the population doesn't.

stage! You may think these

# BIN IT

I just want to let you know that I used to be the proud owner of a Mega-CD. I still own a Mega-CD, but I'm not proud of it any more. The reason? The terrible grainy effect encountered in many CD games. A friend told me that due to the CD's limited colours, we will never get clear film quality in games. Please put my mind at rest. If what I've heard is true, I may as well put the Mega-CD where it belongs the bin! So far, we've seen no decent software for the console and

Unfortunately, the rumours you have heard are correct. It's unlikely that the Mega-CD, as it is, will ever be able to produce true film images, as it has a limited on-screen palette. Sega have said that they are looking into a new chip that will allow FMV (full motion video), but it could be

I'm getting fed up with

software in the future!

N Maffei, Birmingham

empty promises of better

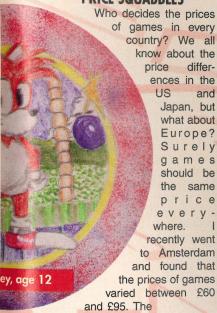






months before we see that. Many developers are still using film images in games anyway, although the grainy effect will always be present. This doesn't render the Mega-CD useless, though. Once developers start producing better games, the CD will rely on excellent gameplay rather than a few grainy film images.

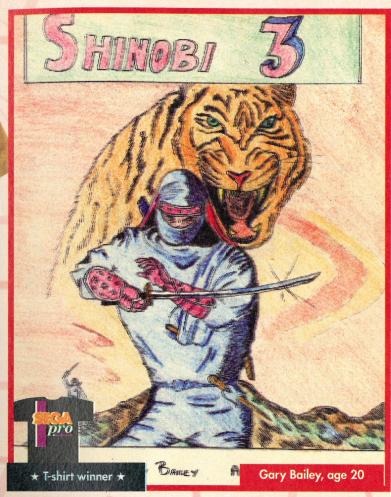
# PRICE SQUABBLES



only way you could get cheaper games is by buying them second hand or visiting the Virgin Megastore in Amsterdam. Even then, most of their games are much more expensive than in the UK. What happened to a united Europe? Games are expensive enough at UK prices, but £95 in Holland is a joke.

W Emis, Holland

Sega enterprises decide the prices for Japanese games and Sega of America decide American prices. Obviously Sega Europe decide all European prices, although many countries still import a large amount of their games. This could explain the high prices to some extent, although the prices you describe are extortionate. Maybe it would be cheaper if you ordered your games via a mail order company advertised in SEGAPRO.



Sega, being the zealous bunch that they are, had the ingenious idea to make all Mega-CD machines work with each territorial Mega Drive only. A well thought out idea, or just very naive thinking?

Well, shortly after its release, along came those masters of devices, Datel, with their CDX Pro. For only 249.99 you could interchange machines and play software from any country. Was that too much to ask for, especially if you had just paid £270 for a brand new machine? Sega obviously thought it was!

So the total cost of your proper Mega-CD is how £320. But is there a deadly secret hidden here? Ask yourself why Sega attempted to stop you from playing imported games on your new machine. Was it so they could get together with a well known 'cheat' cartriage company

and sneakily release a device allowyou to use your machine to the thus getting a mealthy bonus from that company? Maybe not, but Sega obviously don't think much of its customers who, after all, have spent at least £400 on their hardware.

Well, Joe. There's a lot said in this letter,

but Sega Europe can't be blamed for prote must take into consideration that Sega US importers benefit from import games – not Sega Europe. However, you would think that Sega Europe would flight harder to have universally released titles. If games were released at the same time in Europe. US and Japan, there would be no need for imports. As Datel say, "Sega have inadvertently created a market for our products." bwever the CDX Pro isn't officially endorsed by Sega and they dion to ceive any benefits from the CDX – it's the complete opposite.

Don't you think you're being just a little paranoid? If one company

is determined to stop you from playing games, there's bound to be another that tries to get around it. Sega have never encouraged the production of cheat cartridges, and they can do little to stop it.



We've been snowed under with problems this month, although most of them (yet again) concern the Mega-CD.

Mr Kiriakos from Greece wonders if the Mega-CD is better than Nintendo's CD ROM. The Mega-CD is much better as the Nintendo machine doesn't exist and doesn't seem as if it will.

Jason Roos form Africa would like to know if Mortal Kombat will ever be released on the Mega-CD. It will be released, although it will be later than the other console versions (reviewed in this issue). The programmers are working on a version that is absolutely identical to the arcade version and it won't be out until next year.

Paul Jones of Watford wants us to tell him whether the Mega-CD is good value for money. Well, yes and no. At the moment, the software isn't really up to scratch, although the CD definitely has the potential to be a great console. Generally, the Mega-CD is worth buying if you have the spare cash, but there are new machines just around the corner.

Ed Drayton of Oxfordshire has heard a very interesting piece of news about the Mega Drive. He's heard that if you remove the covering from the Mega Drive, there is a small clip by the cartridge holder. If you remove it, apparently it will play Japanese games. Sorry Ed. You've got it all wrong. All you need to do is to reshape the cartridge slot mould so that the Japanese cartridges can fit. There is no need to open up your machine at all. However, if you make any modifications (even without opening the machine), your guarantee will be void.

Ryan Kes of Holland wants to know if there is an illegal machine that combines a Mega-CD, a Mega Drive, a Master System, Game Gear and cart dumper all in one. What is this? Honestly. I just don't know where some people get their ideas from.

Hadley Kreeger is curious about the release date of Bubsy. Apparently every mag seems to tell a different story! Bubsy will definitely be in the shops by the time this is read. Look out for the review in this issue!

Simon Keshey of Yorkshire wonders if Datel are working on an Action Replay cart for the CD. The answer to that is yes! Datel are producing the cart at the moment, although it won't be finished until much later this year.

Ryan of Hertfordshire asks why you shouldn't keep games in the Mega Drive for a long time. Well, if you keep a cart in the port for more than a few hours, it will start to overheat. This

# TAKE MY BRAIN TO ANOTHER DIMENSION

So Sega are about to release a virtual reality add-on in the States? I find this very suspicious indeed. Only last year, they were hailing the Mega-CD as the best games machine ever. Apparently, that's not true, because the VR add-on will have the best games. How can this be true? The



A selection of the best, the worst and the down right bizarre comments of the month!

"Where on earth did Jason Johnson get that jacket?" Gavin Robbins, Rugby "I've read every single Sega magazine and yours is definitely the best"

# Peter Bailey, Rayleigh

"Could you send me three SEGAPRO T-shirts as my friends want one too.

# David Rodriguez, Southampton "Here are the plans for my first

game. Could you please make it for me and send me a copy when it's finished?

Katie Boardman, Newcastle "Please send me a Mega Drive or a Mega-CD.

Gary Tufnell, Manchester "I have to say that T2 is the easiest game I have ever played."

Julian Dunstall, Eastbourne 'Any chance of a job?"

Eddie Graham, Edinburgh "I've read all your reviews since issue #14 and they seem to be accurate

John Murray, Derby



be just another expensive rip-off. How can something that is plugged into the Mega Drive allow us to play great VR games like the ones in the arcades? I would advise anyone who is thinking about buying the add-on, to see what it's like first. After all, look what happened to the Menacer! Emma Collins, Brixton

Let's get a few things straight. The VR headset hasn't even been released in America yet, so it's certainly going to be while before we see it in the UK. Sega are obviously going to hype this product, but I haven't heard them saying it's going to be the best product to date. It will certainly bring a new slant to games playing, but even we don't know how good it's going to be at the moment. We'd rather just wait until we can see it before we can make any opinions on its abilities.

Nintendo's Super FX chip heralded a new era for cartridge games. It now possible to extend a machine's capability with a custom chip inserted into the cartridge. Later, the new DSP chip will speed things up, but will only be only be inserted into a few cartridges, such as Virtua Racing and Aladdin.

# **NIGHT TRAP BACK CHAT**

I think it's really strange that Sega have put an age certificate on Night Trap. Street Fighter II is even more violent and so are half the cartoons that are shown on TV. Why don't they ban those? More people watch cartoons than play video games, so why not pick on the most relevant industry? Anyway, when we went into the shop to see Night Trap, the shop assistant didn't care if we were under 15 or not. All he wanted was a guick £40, with no questions asked.

Why doesn't anyone ever talk about the advantages of video games? They improve your hand to eye coordination as well as open your imagi-

Video games are not unhealthy unless you sit and play them for over eight hours a day.

Anon, Luton







encourages the game to crash and you wouldn't want that, would you! He also asks when the Mega-CD 2 will be released. It's already available in America, but we'll have to wait until Christmas before we can buy it officially.

Kelly Mason of Stratford-Upon-Avon wants to know if the Master System will be updated, as the Mega Drive and Mega-CD are both being revamped. As far as we know, there are absolutely no plans to release a new version of the Master System. It's already been updated once and it seems that Sega are concentrating their efforts on bigger and better machines.

Anthony Wesley of Swansea asks if any games come with the Sega Tap. Unfortunately, you'll have to buy compatible games for the Tap and it's only available on import at the moment. There's also only one game you can buy at present, which is the excellent J League Striker. Once the Tap becomes more widely available, it's very likely that a wider range of four player games will be developed. Gauntlet IV and College Football are just two which we know of that are in development.

Rob Martin of East Anglia is thinking of buying a Mega PC, but is worried that import games will not work on the machine. If games have a code in to stop the UK market from playing them, then they won't work on the Mega PC either. M Hill of Gloucester wonders if the Mega Drive 2 has a headphone

socket. We have a Mega Drive 2 in the office and as far as we can see. there is no headphone port.

Talking of Street Fighter II, David Jones of Cheshire wonders if it will ever be released on the Game Gear. At the moment, there are no plans for an 8-bit release. It's highly unlikely! Also, some of the moves in SFII are very complicated and it would be very difficult for the Master System or the Game Gear to incorporate them.

Finally, Gary Bailey of Norfolk asks why SegaPRo doesn't review many Game Gear releases. Unfortunately, it's the same old story. We can only review the games that are released and there are usually more Mega Drive releases than anything else.

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films must be screened for violent scenes and if Mega-CD releases include video footage, then they must be checked for violence too.

# COPY CAT

I've been thinking about buying a Mega Drive copying machine, but have finally decided against it. After carefully pondering the issue, I decided that it was unfair to other Mega Drive owners. If everyone starts copying games, the prices of carts will increase. I know one person that already has a Magi Drive and he just rents games for the evening, then copies them. This costs him roughly £2. Although no one else at our school has a Magi Drive at the moment. many people are thinking of

buying one to get cheap games. My friend thinks he can sell disk versions for around £5 and that most people

Gary Paine, age 16

would buy them. I know that this idea seems to make sense, but if people don't buy these copiers then perhaps the prices of games will be cut. Sega already have enough excuses to bump up the prices of carts, so let's not give them another reason.

There is one other question I have concerning the copier. How does it actually work? I know that there's a disk drive involved, but what else?

James Keith, Essex



nology, yet again.

# PRO. PRO. BLOODY MAGIC Boc Newbiggen, age 32

Night Trap hit the headlines.
Violent cartoons, such as Tom and Jerry, are banned in some countries, but the reason that Mega-CD games in particular need to be vetoed isn't purely due to violence. Many of the games include real actors and actresses, rather than cartoon images. If violence is used towards real people, it's a much more serious issue than a violence in a cartoon. All

According to most software houses, it was only a matter of time before age certification was introduced into games. Unfortunately, *Night Trap* came along at the wrong time and hit the headlines. It has been used as

an instrument for media hype, but the computer games industry was planning a regulatory board long before

PS. Sega know a good marketing strategy when they see one. Anyone who wants to play head-to-head *SFII* will have to buy two of the new six button pads priced at £15.99!

Well, good for you! Games copiers aren't a good idea for obvious reasons. A Magi Drive either slots into the top of your cartridge holder or is connected by a lead. When you turn it on, you are able to download the contents of the cartridge on to a disk, which can then be played later.

In any case, a Magi Drive is highly illegal and if you are caught in using one, you could be in big trouble.

If you want to play Street Fighter II properly, it's not just the cart you'll be paying for – you'll need the six button joypad too! Sega will be bundling the six-button pad with new Mega Drives, but most of us will lose out to tech-

# **SEGAPRO BANNED!**

Please save me! I wrote this when I was supposed to be doing my French and Maths homework. My mum has grounded me and has also stopped my pocket money. This means that I won't be able to buy your super cool mag ever again! Please send me something to remind me of SegaPro as I sit in my room without a copy!

Jane Elsley, Hants

I don't know what you did to become grounded AND have your pocket money stopped, but it must have been pretty serious! I suggest some serious creeping to your mum is in order — if you're lucky she might at least buy you SEGAPRO again!

Oh well, it's that time of the month again. Time to put away the keyboard and start opening the mail for next issue's Protest. Remember, if you have any interesting ideas about the weird and wonderful world of Sega, then jot them down and bung them in the post! You never know, your letter may get printed and you may end up with a SegaPro T-shirt!



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