

SPACE

NEWSLETTER

May, 1999

June



President's Corner

by Michael Current

June, 1999

I just received my new 256K MIO, which I purchased at one of our recent SPACE auctions, back from Bob Klaas of K-Products who returned it to working order. Haven't had much chance to explore what it can do yet, but I suppose I'll have to get around to trying to add a hard drive to my system!

While we were discussing the ongoing Bylaws updating project at the May meeting, Mike Fitzpatrick brought up a bit of a bombshell. It seems as though we're not working with the most recent version of the bylaws. Our collective memory suggested that the Bylaws had been revised in fall 1994, but none of us knew for sure whether we might be able to come up with that revision. The copy I've been working from I got from Glen, and was dated from 1993.

If you can come up with that 1994 revision, or with club newsletters from that period, please bring what you can to the next meeting!

Meanwhile, we decided that the best thing we can do at this point, if we can't find the 1994 revision, is to continue to "modernize" the 1993 revision as we've been doing.

At the June meeting we can have a vote to remove "In lieu of services rendered, elected officers shall not be required to pay club dues during their term in office." from Article III Section 3. THIS DOES NOT EFFECT POLICY, because the same policy is mentioned later in the bylaws. I just wanted to have the policy appear in only one place to make it easier to deal with now and in the future.

Let's look at Article IV next:

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of the club shall be; President, Vice-President, and a Treasurer. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the club.

Section 2. The President and Vice-President shall Preside over the scheduled club meetings. The Treasurer shall keep account of the books and treasury of the club.

Section 3. The officers shall be elected by a majority vote, or by acclamation if only one person is running, to serve for one year, or until their successors are elected, and their term of office shall begin at the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected.

Section 4. The President and Vice-President of SPACE shall actively seek volunteers to fill the following positions: Secretary, Disk of the Month (DOM) Librarian, Paper & Educational Software Librarian, Bulletin Board System Operator, and a Newsletter Editor. These volunteers shall be subject to approval of the club membership. For service rendered, these volunteers shall not be required to pay club dues during their term of office.

I'd like to offer several suggestions for changes to this section.

--I'm thinking the Secretary should be an elected officer position, like President, Vice-President and Treasurer.

--Specify in Section 2 that the Secretary shall produce written Minutes for each meeting, and these shall appear in the Newsletter.

--Drop the Paper & Educational Software Librarian volunteer position.

--Drop the waiver of club dues mentioned for volunteer positions. (and plan on doing the same for elected officers when we get to that section. We're all paying dues now anyway, I believe.)

Please come to the June meeting with your own ideas and suggestions!

And keep using that Atari!



Secretary's Report

by Mike Weist
June, 1999

Space Minutes May 14, 1999

Space meeting started at 7:35 PM. Michael Current, Space club president, asked for a secretary report. Mike Weist, club secretary, recapped the minutes that were printed in May newsletter.

Michael Current asked for a treasurer report from Greg Leitner, club treasurer. Greg reported that the club had a good auction in April, which took in \$149. There was also a few membership renewals. Total income for April was \$179. Greg stated room rent for 2 quarters was paid out, which was \$390. The new treasury balance is \$1376. Greg said there will be auction today after meeting and a shorten auction in June. Greg told the membership to keep buying DOM's and keep renewing memberships.

Michael Current asked for a DOM report from Glen Kirschenmann. Glenn stated that the DOM for May was made from files on the CD and some boxes of disks.

Michael Current also asked for a membership update report from Glen Kirschenmann. Glenn said there are 18 paid up members and 1 person renewing tonight.

OLD BUSINESS- Lance Ringquist, club member, stated that HASBRO is releasing incrypt codes for Jaguar to public domain.

Mike Weist, club member, reported on Mid Winter Madness show held at Blaine Sports Center in Blaine, MN. Mike stated that he worked at Mike Schmidt's booth. He stated that the show wasn't well attended this time and couldn't find to much Atari stuff.

Mike Fitzpatrick stated to the membership that the bylaws used by the club for the last 6 months are not current. Mike state that club bylaws were updated in 1994 with now defunct MAST. The bylaws used by the club are before the 1994 update. Mike Fitzpatrick will try to find a copy of 1994 bylaw changes. Michael Current, club president urges members to see if they have a copy of their September 1994 Space newsletter and bring it to next club meeting.

Michael Current talked about bylaw change to Article III, Section 3.

NEW BUSINESS- Mike Weist brought up subject of the Space club 17th birthday party in July 1999. Next meeting we will discuss having a potluck party or BBQ. Earline Fitzpatrick volunteered to bring a big delicious cake. Earline and Mike Fitzpatrick will not be able to make June meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.



Treasurer's Report

by Greg Leitner
June, 1999

Even though it was opening fishing weekend we still managed to get ten members to show for the May SPACE meeting. We had to alter our plans for the May meeting somewhat due to the fact that our SPACE by-laws may have been updated after the 1993 ones we have been working with the last few months. By next month we should be able to sort this all out and then we can begin the process of updating the by--laws and posting a current version to date.

Our auction was very well supported again in May and next month I will be bringing in the remainder of the items I have left. Among those items is a copy of Computereyes for the 8-bit and some commercial 8-bit programs. You don't want to miss the June auction as this will probably be the last one for a while.

Our May auction took in another \$125.00 and with one membership renewal and some DOM sales our Treasury expanded to a whopping \$1521.83. This is after paying for the May BBS phone bill and two quarters of the room rental. I wouldn't be surprised to see our balance top the \$1600.00 after next month's meeting.

We need to make plans next month for the July SPACE birthday party. Please join us so that you can contribute to the discussion and also to put your name on the list if we decide to go with a pot luck. A cookout like we had a couple of years ago is another option that was mentioned. Let 's get your input .

It was good to see some old faces back at the meetings and I hope more old faces will keep turning up. I always fear that when I don't see someone for a couple of months that I may never see them again, so it is very warming to see that the Club still can draw old-timers back again. Hope to see you all next month for the June meeting.

Now For Some E-Mail From M. Current:

Subj: Dean Garraghty Software (DGS)
Date: 99-05-23 22:13:42 EDT

DGS - Who are we and what do we do?

Dean Garraghty Software (DGS) supply Atari 8-bit software, both PD and exclusive Commercial software, including the PPP products QUICK and SAM. We have been supporting the Atari since 1988, and plan to continue doing so. We are based in the UK, but sell to anywhere in the world. We accept payments in UK Pounds and US\$. Shipping charges to the US are no more than \$5 per order in 95% of cases.

The DGS Website - What's on it?

We have recently been building our site up to include more Atari archive material. Here is a summary of the site:

- * Our main PD/Commercial software catalogue
- * Latest list of used hardware/software/books/magazines we have for sale
- * List of PC CD-ROMs we have left which need clearing out (CD-ROMs from 50pence each!)
- * Free demos of the Quick programming language and Digi-Studio to download
- * 17 articles written by me (covering a variety of Atari-related subjects) and originally published in the Atari 8-bit News-Paper and Page 6 magazine
- * Photos from the 1990, 1992, and 1993 AMS shows held in the UK
- * Cover scans of the early Page 6 issues including the very rare Issue 1
- * Cover scans of all 5 issues of Atari UK's I/O magazine from the early 80's, including the rare Issue 1
- * Cover scans of the Official Show Guides to the Spring and Autumn 1987 'Atari User Shows'
- * A scanned article from I/O magazine about how Atari got its name
- * A cover scan of an old Silica Shop catalogue from 1987
- * A complete scan of an Atari UK service centre guide from 1983
- * Cover scan of Issue 1 of the UK's "Monitor" magazine (a real treat for folks in the UK!)

More stuff will be added quite regularly, so make sure you come by from time-to-time.

The site now uses frames (only 2 to be exact!) so it may take a while to start up on some machines/browsers. Be patient! If you have any problems using it with your Browser, then please let us know.

All you need now is the address, which is:
<http://www.dgs.clara.net>

Please stop by and take a look!

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Subj: New from Video 61: Firebug, Dan Strikes Back, Spaceball

Date: 99-05-24 17:52:04 EDT

From: Video61@webtv.net (Lance Ringquist)

Subject: boulderdash style game on cart

Date: Fri May 21 22:13:08 1999

Announcing 3 new to cart format games -

Firebug, 16k classic analog game now on cart, it has boulderdash style play.

Dan Strikes Back, 16k, fun platform style game.

Spaceball, 48k, awesome 3-D pong style game, spectacular graphics.

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<http://www.atarisales.com>

Thanks,
Lance

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