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                        SYNDICATE_PROFESSIONAL V1.0
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                   NATIONAL LOTTERY PROGRAM TO MAKE LIFE EASIER!

                        (c) 1995 by Steven Ridgers.

                          PD DEMO RELEASE BETA
                           -  Version 1.0  -
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1.2   Introduction

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Once Upon A Time..
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I am a member of a National Lottery Syndicate (who have won very little! -
so far ;)). I was fed up of checking the numbers of 8 people every week as
the novelty wore off. So I decided to knock up a simple little program to
tell me if the numbers my syndicate had chosen were the <winning ones>.

I then suddenly realised that this program saves a lot of time to syndicate
members who have to trudge through their friends/colleagues numbers (Often
who never check themselves!). So I started to expand the program by giving
it a GUI via gadtools. After this I started adding a few features here
there and everywhere until I had a reasonable looking package. The result
of which you can roughly see in this demo version I have distributed.

Demo Version Restrictions..
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1. The bottom window in the shareware version has a number of novel
   ideas such as syndicate forecasts, history analysis, member analysis
   etc etc. But in this CRIPPLED PD DEMO RELEASE you will just see
   a blatant advert!.

2. You will also notice that in the first window the buttons 'EDIT' &
   'DELETE' are on their own!. This is because this CRIPPLED version does
   not allow you to see the other buttons such as :>
   'INSERT' – Inserts a new member at chosen location.
   'NEW'   – Brings up a requester to clear database and set number of
                       members (Up To Maximimum of 300)

3. Menus aswell as HOTKEYS on the demo version are also few and far between

4. There are also many little features missing from this version such as:>

   a) When the user updates the chart they can specify whether another
      small window pops up and tells you any winning entries.

   b) Estimates prize money of 4 or more winning lottery balls.

   c) More sensible tabs when editing gadgets (i.e not user number 6
      backwards to user number 1!.

   d) Saving of program config for attributes like (a), default
      syndicate prefs etc etc etc.

5. etc etc

ABOUT THE PROGRAMMER

I am 20 years old and first started programming on the BBC Computer when I
was about 10. The first game I wrote was a PACMAN clone and then I did a
sports game like the summer games compilations. The first computer i ever
owned myself though was the C64 which admitley was just a games machine and
i never tried art or assembly programming, although i did do quite a bit of
music on it. I bought my first Amiga 500 in 1988/1989 because my friend had
one and it blew away my C64! (He kept showing me Shadow Of the Beast and the
Batmobile Part in Batman). After getting the A500 I did the odd bit of
programming here and there such as for my A Level computer studies which
took a long time! – the program ended up 5000 lines long – although it was
a paint program with image effects etc!. I may even release it for A500
users if they wish so as Public Domain or as a bonus for buying 'Syndicate
Pro_v1.00'.

After my 'A' levels I was put off programming and did not really do many
projects and concentrated on making music via Music X and protracker.
After finding that my music talent was about 43%! one of my friends got me
interested in raytracing via Real3d v1.4 which was by now at rock bottom
price. After a time I have never looked back and am mainly interested in
creating 3D graphics for video/home (bigger productions perhaps in the
future?). So you could call this my 'first' program release. Anyway time
to render I suppose! see ya all later!

Finally

I hope you enjoy this program and find it useful as I do. Just would like
to say that the AMIGA is the best home computer around and even beats the PC
at most video applications.

1.3 System Requirements...

Requirements:
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  o Workbench 2+

Suggested Programs To Complement 'Syndicate Pro_v1.00'
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  o Cyclemenu   (So you can select JACKPOT no.s quickly)
  o ForceMonitor - (To run the program in ANY mode you wish)

1.4 Syndicate Pro Features

Features:
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  o Quite Small (less than 140k uncrunched!)
  o Fast (Negates You From Checking Syndicate Members No.s)
  o Accurate (On going tests from beta testers say'100% reliability')
  o Uses friendly GUI for quick use
  o PD Release Beta Version is crippled (See Intro)
  o ASCII File Format - Users Can Develop There Own Editers!
  o Updated Regularly To Include Bug Fixes,Requests etc (esp E-mail)
  o Forecast/History/Other Options.
  o Only Costs 5 UK pounds
  o Works On accellerated machines*

* If it does not work on your machine then tell me what sort of

configuration you've got and i'll sort it out - come on you 68060 testers!!

1.5   How To Use Syndicate Professional (CRIPPLED PD DEMO VERSION)

How to use:

   Easy GUI makes it quite logical to use!. But below are the main
   listed features and how to use them.

   THE PD CRIPPLED DEMO VERSION has 4 Windows

   The Following points explain what each of the windows do/contain:>

   SYNDICATE MEMBERS (window)
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   a) People's names in the syndicate can be customised by clicking on
      'edit' after selecting an entry in the gadgetlist.

   b) The 'delete' gadget will delete the current selected entry.

   c) The scroll gadget shows you the syndicate members

   d) The 6 six gadgets at the bottom of the window let you enter your
      own lottery numbers. Please note that the numbers are only
      saved if you press tab or return.

   WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS
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   a) There are 6 gadgets at the top of the window which is where the
      JACKPOT lottery numbers are updated while watching the LIVE
      JACKPOT DRAW on television.

   b) The other bonus cycle gadget is for the last bonus number and
      after updating this the 6 JACKPOT numbers will be sorted
      numerically.

   c) The last gadget in this window is the 'Check Numbers' which will
      go and look at the syndicate members numbers and tell you what
      you have achieved!

   NATIONAL LOTTERY RESULTS
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   a) The list gadget on the left is updated when the 'Check Numbers'
      button is pressed. It tells you who won what, i.e if they lost
      or won a prize etc. It is more useful with small syndicates.

   b) The bar graph is a visual way of telling you if you have won

     anything worthwhile. This is ideal in the shareware version if
     you have a syndicate of 100 people or so because you can quite
     clearly see the number of winning entries.

  WHY SHOULD YOU REGISTER

  Well ....ermm...ermm.. is this a blatant reminder/advert/self-indulgence
  or what!. If you like the program and want me to continue
  producing software for the AMIGA then I would like some feedback.
  If you have any ideas for programs then do not hesitate to contact me at
  my friends email address. Registering also tells me that people
  like my program and that I should continue releasing AMIGA shareware
  programs, otherwise new software dissappears........

  P.S

  Dear Pirate,
      Hmmmmm... well as this program is going shareware
  you are bound to 'release' it are'nt you?. Have you ever stopped
  and thought about what piracy does to NEW AMIGA software?... No?
  well perhaps when all developers start making very little money
  on the AMIGA and then look at other platforms (namely the PC) and
  start to make more money then they will abandon the AMIGA.

  Personally I would rather give up computing if the future depends
  on the boring archaic PC. Support the AMIGA and you will be
  rewarded.

  yours
  S.R

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  .... (2 weeks later...)

  Dear Steve Ridgers,
       I've cracked your program...it was sooooooo
  easy!. I think 5 pounds is a complete ripoff when I can easily
  crack & release it for many pirate users for free. Software is
  too expensive these days for me that is why I have to steal the
  software from you. Even if you add dongle's to your program's I
  will still be able to crack it - I'm so clever!.

  yours
  A.Pirate

  Dear A.Pirate,
      You are so talented, it is unbelievable. It must
  be cool to be so clever. I suppose this program saves you a lot of
  time if you use it?, and makes you a hero to fellow pirateers.

  yours
  S.R

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1.6   Syndicate Professional Future Editions??

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Things that could be added:
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   o ...got any other sensible ideas?  You have? - Mail me and I'll add
       them!


The ToolTypes:
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     None As Yet.... Would you find them helpful or not??
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1.7   Registering For The Shareware Version By Post

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REGISTERING By Snail Mail
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My Address:>
      Steve Ridgers
      26 Clarewell Avenue,
      Solihull,
      West Midlands,
      B91 3YD.

     & Include A Cheque For 5 UK pounds to 'Steven Ridgers'
      & Include An S.A.E. with 1 Blank Disk & A Piece Of Hard CardBoard.

 WHEN THE CHEQUE HAS CLEARED THE PROGRAM WILL BE SENT OUT TO YOU IMMEDIATELY.
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           <The Hard Cardboard Stops The Disk From Getting Crushed>
         <Make sure it does not bend to easily! & write 'fragile' on it>
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1.8   Registering For The Shareware Version By E-Mail

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REGISTERING By E-Mail
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Write A Cheque To Me 'Steven Ridgers'

& Send A Cheque For 5 Pounds To :>

      Steve Ridgers
      26 Clarewell Avenue,
      Solihull,
      West Midlands,
      B91 3YD.
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   & Remember To State On Your Letter Your E-Mail Address

    WHEN THE CHEQUE HAS CLEARED THE PROGRAM WILL BE E-MAILED TO YOU IMMEDIATELY
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TITLE IT '***NLREGISTER***'
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+-------------------------------------------------------------------------+
| David Jackson, E-Mail: dj@uk.ac.coventry      /// 40MHz '030 :)      |
| "Righty-dokey-matey-bloke-flap-old-salty-        /// 80 Meg HD <--------+ |
|  sea-dog-amigo-skip-jack-jock-strap-piano-  \\ /// 7 Meg RAM (2+4+1)     | |
|  tuner, let's see you balls this one up!"    \X// Loads of blank disks-+ |
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1.9   THE COMPLETE SHAREWARE VERSION >>>> SYNDICATE PRO_v1.00 <<<<

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Syndicate Professional V1.00 SHAREWARE
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1.10   Bug Reports/Suggestions etc..

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1. 'SEND BUG REPORTS/IDEAS/REQUESTS' TITLED ****LOTTERY****
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2. 'SEND INTERESTED REGISTERING REQUESTS' TITLED ***NLREGISTER***
          <& Say That You Have Mailed The Cheque>
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To My Friend Below \/
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+-------------------------------------------------------------------------+
| David Jackson, E-Mail: dj@uk.ac.coventry      /// 40MHz '030 :)      |
| "Righty-dokey-matey-bloke-flap-old-salty-        /// 80 Meg HD <--------+ |
|  sea-dog-amigo-skip-jack-jock-strap-piano-  \\ /// 7 Meg RAM (2+4+1)     | |
|  tuner, let's see you balls this one up!"    \X// Loads of blank disks-+ |
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N.B  *Mail Will Be Read Very Quickly However So Expect About 1 Week Turnaround.
---  If you want to register for the full shareware version.*
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P.S *Sending Cash Is Not A Good Idea As The Post Office Cannot Guarantee
--- The safety Of The Item.*

<thanks & happy New Year>
Steve Ridgers
20/1/1995