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Chapter 1

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1.1 PingPong V1.3

PING PONG V1.3

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About

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1.2 About

Ping Pong is an old classic among the computergames. Who doesn't know the old consoles with their paddels and the games Ping Pong, Squash and Tennis. I've searched for this games but didn't find any good version, so I tried to do one myself. Unfortunately the first version was full of really nasty bugs. I hope they're gone with this version.

Meanwhile I got a new friend, MUI. Ok, that's a reason to write a game with this package. But attention, this is only a betaversion. ;c)

Ok, now some features:

The sprites can be seen with Kickstart 3.0

It's a bit more font sensitive.
I've included a 2 player mode
The speed is slightly variable now.
Pingpong won't work with Kickstart 1.3 and less. ;c)
You can move and resize the window.
You can win against the Computer.
It will work in Interlaced Mode.
I have included some samples.
etc ...

Todo:

I'd like to make it work on networks.
Perhaps I'm going to include a Monica Seles Sample soon ;c)
etc ...

1.3 Physics

I guess every player with a bit of physical education will notice that the movement of the ball doesn't fit with physical reality. This has a simple reason. In the very beginning of this version the game was written very tight to real physics. But I've recognized that this makes the game very boring because it was too easy.

1.4 Distribution

Ping Pong is Mailware. You may copy it to all of your friends, but it would be kind if you'd send me a postcard or a letter or even a EMail if you like this game.

Public Domain series:

Permission is granted for Fred Fish and SaarAg. All other series may use this program as long as they don't charge more then 5 US-\$ or 6 DM for a single disk. It would be nice too if they'd send me a short note.

Mailboxes, etc:

I'm going to spread this game via Aminet. But other Mailboxen may use it too.

Magazines:

You may put it on your coverdisks. But it would be kind if you'd send me a note and if you'd send me the magazine for my collection :c)

Rights:

The copyright of this program is mine. But I can't take any responsibility for possible damages made by this game. This archive may only be distributed in unchanged state.

Important:

Persons who support violence against foreigners aren't allowed to use this game.

1.5 Steering

Player 1 uses the left Shift and Alt key. Player 2 uses the right Shift and Alt key. (Only in 2 Player mode)

Gadgets:

About: Opens the About Window

Setup: Opens the Setup Window

Pause: :c)

Quit: Quit...

Tips & tricks:

- Set the speed of the ball and the rackets to the same value, this will give you best results (IMHO)
- The difficulty gadget sets the strength of your oponent.

1.6 Hardware

 Simply take an Amiga with at least Kickstart 2.0 :c)
Further on you'll need
 MUI
 2.0

Hint:
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If you're no registered MUI User by now, simply pay your fee to
 Stefan
 and you'll receive your own Keyfile pretty soon and you'll ↔
 support the
development of such packages.

1.7 Thank you

A thank you goes to

all the people who encouraged me to write a new version.
especially Peter Bagnato, he's my motor. Everytime he writes a letter
I'm starting to finish the actual version of PingPong like a maniac.

Jochen Wiedmann for the idea to write a game with MUI.
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 fantastic
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Fred Fish for all he did and will do supporting the Amiga
all the people who distribute their programs as Freeware/Giftware
all the people on #Amigager

... and to my betatesting staff :c)

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Volker "Flagor" Graf
Peter "Der Dosen Benutzer" Strobel for Betatesting in 2 Player mode.
Flash on #AmigaGer
Danny Amor
Jan Freuer
Martin Schlodder
all the people I have forgotten
...

1.8 And the rest

How to reach me ...

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If you don't like the game at all or if you're searching for a reason to flame other people, write to ...

UNIX: /dev/null
Amiga: NIL:

And please forgive me for all my typos in this document. :c)

1.9 MUI

This application uses

MUI - MagicUserInterface

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MUI is a system to generate and maintain graphical user interfaces. With the aid of a preferences program, the user of an application has the ability to customize the outfit according to his personal taste.

MUI is distributed as shareware. To obtain a complete package containing lots of examples and more information about registration please look for a file called "muiXXusr.lha" (XX means the latest version number) on your local bulletin boards or on public domain disks.

If you want to register directly, feel free to send

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