Read Me First!
Sports Illustrated Multimedia Almanac, 1995 Edition

Please read this file before installing the Sports Illustrated
Multimedia Almanac! It contains important information about your
software.


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INSTALLATION: PLEASE READ BEFORE YOU BEGIN
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Take advantage of automatic QuickTime for Windows 2.0 installation!
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The video files in the Sports Illustrated Multimedia Almanac require
that QuickTime for Windows 2.0 be installed on your system for proper
display.  If you haven't already installed QuickTime for Windows 2.0 on
your Windows PC, you may experience video problems when using the SI
Almanac.

The Sports Illustrated Multimedia Almanac setup program checks for the
latest version of QuickTime for Windows automatically. If your system
lacks the required QuickTime files, you'll see a dialog box during
installation alerting you to the opportunity to install QuickTime for
Windows 2.0. It's easiest to install this version at this time, before
completing Almanac installation. You can then complete the SI Almanac
installation immediately following the successful installation of
QuickTime for Windows 2.0. (If you choose not to install QuickTime prior
to SI Almanac installation, you can also install QuickTime 2.0 after
Almanac installation by clicking on the QuickTime installer icon in the
StarPress Program Group. However you'll need to restart Windows for this
program to take affect.)

To begin SI Almanac installation:

1. Insert the SI Almanac CD-ROM into your computer's CD-ROM drive, and
then select RUN on the File menu of the Windows Program Manager.
2. In the dialog box that appears, type X:\setup where "x" is the drive
letter of your CD-ROM.
3. To continue installation, follow the directions that appear for
installing the Sports Illustrated Multimedia Almanac.


If you need to install QuickTime for Windows 2.0:

1. You'll see a dialog box during SI Almanac installation alerting you
that your system currently lacks the necessary QuickTime files to best
play the video in Sports Illustrated Multimedia Almanac.
2. Click Return to Windows in this dialog box to suspend SI Almanac
installation temporarily and return to the Windows desktop.
3. Next, locate and launch the QuickTime for Windows Setup Program by

first selecting RUN on the File menu of the Windows Program Manager.
4. In the dialog box that appears, type X:\QTW20\setup where "x" is the drive letter of your CD-ROM.
5. To continue installation of QuickTime for Windows 2.0, follow the directions that appear for installing this release on your PC hard drive.
6. When QuickTime installation is complete and you again return to Windows, again launch the SI Almanac installation program by selecting RUN on the File menu of the Windows Program Manager.
7. In the dialog box that appears, type X:\setup where "x" is the drive letter of your CD-ROM.
8. To complete installation, follow the directions that appear for installing the Sports Illustrated Multimedia Almanac. This time, the SI Almanac installation program will recognize the required QuickTime for Windows 2.0 files you'll just installed. Installation of the SI Almanac will take just a few moments.


When SI Almanac installation is complete, the setup program restarts Windows for you automatically. When you return to the Program Manager you'll find a new Program Group called StarPress Multimedia. In this group you'll find the icon for the 1995 Sports Illustrated Multimedia Almanac. You'll also find icons for the StarPress Gallery, which will give you information on more great CD-ROM products, and the Interactive Guide to Buying Diamonds, your multimedia diamond expert.

INSTALLATION OF QUICKTIME FOR WINDOWS ON A NETWORK
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Because the SI Almanac looks for QuickTime information on your system's local hard disk drive, installation of QuickTime on a network will cause the SI Installer to return an error that QuickTime cannot be found on the system.  While the SI Almanac may work correctly, we suggest that you install QuickTime on your local hard disk drive.

PROBLEMS INSTALLING ON NORTON DESKTOP AND CENTRAL POINT DESKTOP
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If you are running Norton Desktop, Central Point Desktop, or a desktop program other than the Windows Program Manager, you may experience problems installing the SI Almanac program.  To install the SI Almanac, while using one of these utilities:

1. Use Norton Desktop or Central Point Desktop to load the Windows Program Manager before installing the SI Almanac.

2. Once Windows Program Manager is running, proceed with the SI Almanac installation, as outlined above.

3. When installation is complete, you'll find the StarPress Multimedia Program Group the next time you start Norton Desktop or Central Point Desktop.

REINSTALLING THE PROGRAM
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You must restart Windows before attempting a reinstallation of the program.

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MAXIMIZING PERFORMANCE
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The Sports Illustrated Multimedia Almanac is designed to work on all
multimedia machines. If you're experiencing problems running this
program, please be sure to make the following modifications to your
system:


INCREASE AVAILABLE RAM
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SI Almanac manipulates large amounts of data. Like other programs, it
runs most efficiently the more RAM your PC has available. Quitting all
other applications before running SI Almanac will maximize the memory
available to the program.

In addition to running the program on a PC with the fastest available
processor, performance is also enhanced by the use of a double-speed, or
better, CD-ROM drive.

MAKE SURE THERE'S SUFFICIENT BASE MEMORY AVAILABLE
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In order to run the Sports Illustrated Almanac properly, your PC must
have a minimum of 570K of Base memory. On some systems, you can load the
SI Almanac with less memory than the 570k minimum, however you'll likely
experience performance problems including increased system response
time;  erratic screen transitions; and inconsistent text and image
display.  For this reason, we recommend that if you experience these
problems while running the Sports Illustrated Multimedia Almanac, you
check your system's minimum Base memory and, if necessary, load drivers
and programs as necessary into high memory to make the required memory
available.

To find out how much base memory is available on your system, from
Windows first double click on the MS-DOS icon found in the Main
directory.  Next, at the C:\ prompt, type MEM and press ENTER.  The
computer displays your system memory information.  If the Largest
Executable Program Size is less than 570K, consult your system
documentation to determine how best to load drivers and programs into
high memory.  If you're running MS-DOS 6.0, for example, consult your
system documentation to learn how to load and use the MEMMAKER memory
management software.

DISABLING ADOBE TYPE MANAGER
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Adobe Type Manager must be disabled in order for the SI Almanac fonts to
display correctly on-screen. If while running the Sports Illustrated
Multimedia Almanac you see text that appears over text or other text
anomalies, Adobe Type Manager very likely has not been disabled.


DON'T USE RAM DISKS
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The use of a RAM disk while using the SI Almanac can cause performance
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problems.  We suggest that all RAM disks be disabled prior to starting
the program.


DISABLE YOUR SCREEN SAVERS
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Screen savers are known to cause problems when running the SI Almanac.
Please disable them before you run the SI Almanac.



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IMPORTANT DRIVER AND BOARD COMPATIBILITY INFORMATION:
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The SI Almanac is compatible with most standard video drivers and with
the SoundBlaster audio standards: SoundBlaster 8, SoundBlaster 16, Audio
Blaster, and Pro Audio Plus 16.

Unfortunately some audio and video boards and drivers do not properly
support all of the graphics display functions required by Windows. As a
result, you may experience performance problems when running the SI
Almanac on a PC that uses these boards or drivers.

If you experience problems running SI Almanacs software, particularly
faulty functionality, erroneous color display or even crashes, first
take the following steps to resolve the problem:

1. Make sure you are running the appropriate driver for your video card
(check using Windows Setup in the "Main" Program Group).

2. Make sure you are using a 640x480 resolution driver with 256 colors.

3. Make sure you have the latest version of your video board display
driver (contact your video board manufacturer for more information).

If you continue to experience video card or sound card problems when
running the SI Almanac, contact your sound or video board manufacturer
directly for more information.

Following is a list of manufacturers of many of the most commonly used
audio and video boards with their phone numbers, BBS numbers and
Technical support numbers:

                              SOUNDS BOARDS

Media Vision                     Main#  800.638.2807  -  TS#
510.770.9905
                       BBS#  510.770.1661      (2400 Baud)
                       BBS#  510.770.0527      (9600 Baud)

Roland Corp                      Main#  213.685.5141

Turtle Beach Systems        Main# 717.767.0200 - BBS#  717.767.5934

VIDEO BOARDS

Ahead Systems, Inc.                  Main#  510.623.0900 - BBS#
510.623.0961

ATI Technologies            TS#  905.882.2626BBS  - BBS#  905.764.9404

Boca Research, Inc.                  Main# 407.997.6227 -  TS#
407.241.8088
                            BBS#  407.241.1601

Diamond Computer Systems, Inc.    TS# & Main  408.736.2000 - BBS#
408.730.1100

Hercules Computer Technology, Inc.  TS#  510.623.6050
                            BBS#  510.623.7034 (9,600 Baud)
                            BBS#  510.623.7142

National Design, Inc.            TS#  512.794.8533 - BBS#
512.329.6327

Orchid Technology, Inc.          TS#  510.683.0323 - BBS#
510.683.0327

Trident Microsystems, Inc.       Main#  415.691.9211 - BBS#
415.691.1016

Tseng Labs                       Main#  215.968.0502




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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
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