# MG Mailbox

# Letters to the Editors

# Can I Have a Loan?

Dear IMG: Let me just say that I am quite pleased with your magazine. Please send me all the previous back issues as soon as possible.

I have one question about licensing - may I breifly loan out my copy of the magazine to a friend, as long as that friend discards the edition from his/her HD after installation and review? If not, how may I get demo editions to send to friends and spread the word? Ike Sanderson - Carbondale, Illinois

- Loaning out your copy of IMG is no problem at all, please do. We appreciate the fact that you and many others are spreading the word around about IMG. However, please remember that uploading the subscription disk edition of IMG and making copies of the magazine for others who have not paid for a subscription is considered pirating. You can find smaller, demo editions of IMG on commercial online services, and many bulletin boards around the world. —TD

#### Bad News From MicroProse

Dear IMG: I heard a nasty rumor that MicroProse is cancelling all their Macintosh development of Mac games. Is this true? What about F-117/A Stealth Fighter? Is that cancelled too? John Waite - Los Angeles, California

- Unfortunately, MicroProse has cancelled Pirates Gold and has put other projects on hold. However, F117-A Stealth Fighter has not been cancelled and should ship before the end of the year. The fact that MicroProse has cancelled their Mac projects is not a sign that other Mac game developers will too. More and more predominately PC oriented game developers like Electronic Arts, Impressions (just shipped Caesar), and GameTek have recently entered the Mac market. —TD

Back to the Future

Dear IMG: I recently subscribed to IMG and I think it is wonderful. I want to order all the back issues, how do I do this? Phil Chase - Chicago, Illinois

- Back Issues are \$3 each and can be ordered using the newly created back issues order form (found in the IMG extras folder), or by calling (708) 486-0636 with your VISA/MC. —JB

### ac Games On The Net

Dear IMG: You neglected to mention the forums available to those of us with internet access. Primarily this is the comp.sys.mac.games newsgroup where the latest patchlists, game releases, hints/tips/tricks, and general info are all discussed. Since it is free, this is the only place I get my game news besides IMG, and might be worth a mention to your readers that are new to net news. Colin Law via Internet

- Colin, you are well to point out this omission. The Usenet is a very active segment of the Mac gaming population, and I know you know that IMG actually posts the Free Preview Edition at sumex-aim.stanford.edu for retrieval by anyone with FTP (file transfer protocol) access. We also offer e-mail delivered subscriptions to anyone on the net whose mailer can stomach it (many host's mail software won't accept a file larger than one megabyte or so). I suppose part of the reason the Internet didn't make it into last month's Online Services column is due to the net's still-limited access. But this is quickly becoming a non-issue, as service providers are stepping in all over to deliver Internet access to the general public. — BT (brian@mom.spie.org)

# **Outdated Pricing**

Dear IMG: Your information on GEnie from last month's Get Online: A guide to Gaming Forums article is obviously outdated because GEnie's rates are less expensive than AOL! First, GEnie

has a flat rate of \$8.95 per month with 4 free hours, and \$3.00 per hour after the free hours are used up. GEnie also has a toll free phone number that can be used if you are long distance to any of GEnie many nodes (\$6.00 surcharge). Also, 9600 baud access rate is a mere \$6.00 an hour if you use the toll free access number. Richard Wu via GEnie

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