AmigaFrontier

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               The alternative Ðisk Mag!

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March Issue of Amiga Frontier: Hello to all contributors & to the usual
crew: MSC, Log, Molgrat, Mega-Gamer, Devil and Andy Gibson.
Thanx to a local reader who pointed out a little bug in the
                Beta version of A.F!!

1.2 History of Amiga Frontier

Amiga Frontier was first set up, back in March 1995 as a P.D library
and magazine all on one disk. Which I think was a great idea.
The P.D library did really well to start with, but after a few weeks
I found that the magazine was proving to be quite popular.
The magazine and library was all on one disk and it was available WEEKLY!
Jolly good eh?
The magazine & library worked using menumaster and PPMore. Shite I know,
but it was only a souped up cat disk!
I then moved on to Magnum V1.7, which was used for issue 1 & 2.
Issue 1 was a major sell out round here and must have sold well in
advance of 20 copies + we distributed loads of the ourselves, so we
had a total readership of almost 50. Not bad for a start.
I then found DMC on a 17 Bit CDROM which was an old shareware release,
which asked people to register for a more upto date release, soooo....
a quick letter to Andy Gibson and 3 weeks later (he'd moved you see)
I received DMC Gold from F1 Licenseware, which I didn't even know existed.
We then received a DMC updater disk.
The likes of MSC and Molgrat joined A.F in April 1995 (when A>F was still
a cat-disk). We got up to issue 6 of the old A.F series, but we decided
to start all over again with a total revamp.
Ian Devil joined A.F in Issue 1 (the second time round).
Mega Gamer joined in from Issue 2 onwards and Log joined in issue 3
onwards.
A.F was finally sent to the P.D libraries when it reached issue 3.
We now have well in excess of 100 readers, and that figure is rising
rapidly.

After that history lesson, I have but one thing to say:

Escom are a load of wind and piss.
Thank-you & goodbye.

1.3   What you need to run A.F

To use Amiga Frontier, you will need:

An Amiga (no shit)
1meg memory will run A.F, but strongly recommend 1.5 meg+
An Amiga 500+ should run A.F o.k, but I don't have a 500+ to test A.F on.
An Amiga 600 this is fine, we recommend 1.5 meg or more
An Amiga 1200perfect, 100% fine with 2meg machines

We regret that A.F won't run on an A500, well, I don't regret it at all
really, because they're crap.

Recommended setup: A1200 with 2 meg + Harddrive.

Certain intros may take advantage of extra Fast Ram

Any Amiga with workbench 2.0 should work fine.

Disclaimer: If A.F, The hard-drive installer or AmigaGuide docs
            should crash your machine or result in any data loss.
            DON'T blame us. We test A.F on various A1200's with and

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            without hard-drives and it is fine.
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A.F has been tested on many A1200 configurations, from 2Meg with no
hard-drive to an A1200 with 6Meg, 1Gig Hard-drive and an 030 + 68882.
It works fine. I have also been told that A.F is fine on an A4000 040
and A4000 030.
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Not tested:

A1200 with overdrive hard-drive
A3000
A2000
A500+   <--- should work
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1.4 What does everybody do???

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            Helllloooooo!!! There are 5 full time members of Amiga Frontier,  ←
                who
regularly write quite a few articles for A.F. We also have 2 people
who occassionaly write one or two articles.

The team is as follows:


            Molgrat:

            Log:

            MSC:

            Converse:

            Devil:
            Additional Help:

Andy Gibson coded DMC, the Disk Mag Creator and bluddy good it is too.
MegaGamer used to write a few articles for us, but now he just handles
some of our distribution.
Thanx also to Tim from the Birkenhead Computer club place for distribution.
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1.5 Molgrat

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Molgrat is a queer. He writes crap corner sometimes and he also writes
the occassional game review. Oh yeah, he programs in BBC basic.
Say no more.
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1.6 Log

Log writes crap corner most of the time these days. He also reviews
PD games and demos. He is a coder and uses Amiga E.

1.7 Converse

I am the editor of the magazine, I also come up with the ideas for
all intros and I write the Dos scripts for them all.
I also write quite a few articles.

1.8 M.S.C

What does M.S.C stand for, I hear you all ask.
Don't be so nosey I answer.
Mark writes tons of articles and he helps with the digitising of pictures,
he also features in most of our digi-pics. Cheers Mark.

1.9 Devil

Ian is currently studying computer science in Lancaster University.
He is on the Internet and has an account on there and everything. The sod.
He writes Devils Byte and generally helps out with the digitising.

1.10 How to conribute to A.F

If you wish to contribute anything such as:

Letters
Pictures
Adverts
Articles
Points of View

then write to the usual address:

Mark Seddon(A.F)
49 Rosslyn Drive
Moreton
Wirral
L46 OSU

Please, please send us your points of view, we'd love to hear
them.

We receive loads of adverts each month, so make sure you get them
in early. They can be saved as ASCII or as a 16 colour (MAX) picture.
If you send an advert in on paper, make sure it is NOT drawn, keep
it brief and in plain text.

In some circumstances, we can offer hand-scanning or flatbed scanning
of adverts but for 100% inclusion in A.F send your text or pic on a disk.

Thanx! Editor of A.F

1.11   Information about A.F release dates:

Frontier is available during the last week of each month........
Amiga Frontier IS released monthly. Loads of people keep writing
in and asking for A.F and they always say, surely A.F can't be out
monthly, it must slip back two or three weeks.

Well, it doesn't.
Three versions of A.F are released every month.
The first is usually released about 1 or 2 days after planned
release date, but never anywhere near a week!
Release number 1 is sent out to Online P.D Wallasey
(this version is called 'A')

The second release of A.F normally comes out a day after number 1.
It features the same articles, but with more time spent on checking
articles for spelling errors, punctuation, grammar etc...
This is sent to readers all over the country who requested a copy of
A.F.
Basically, anyone who receives A.F directly from us receives the second
version
(this version is called 'B')

The third release is for the local computer clubs and P.D libraries
all over the country (excluding Online P.D)
This version is severely tested and editing and tested and edited
and tested and edited, get the picture?
Final release 3 gets released about 3 days after number 2.
(this, the final version is 'C')

Why do we do it? Because I like to spend time perfecting each
issue, but I don't want to hold all issues back so that they are
released every 5 weeks. Anyway, the first version isn't bad is it?

To find out which version you have, check out the version page
in this Amigaguide file (from the main contents menu).

1.12   Version of YOUR copy of A.F

You are currently using Issue 5 (March 1996) copy of A.F.

Issue 5, V1.2

Copy: B

Release date: 17th March 1996. By ALEctronic Farts.

1.13   P.D libraries readme and take notice!

Amiga Frontier is a FREEware release, which means you can distribute
it anywhere at all, permission is given for use of inclusion on
CDROM whether it be Aminet or a P.D libraries own CDROM compilation.
You may copy this or give it to friends, but no fees other than for
diskcopying costs, price of a disk and postage & packaging may be charged.
Doing so would be breaking the law and it would piss me off a bit, so
don't do it.

Note to Readers
DMC is the product of AGAS productions, if you like DMC, and are interested
in using it, you MUST register for the full version. DO not even attempt to
rip this program, because we will find out eventually and we won't take it
lying down.
(although Molgy would- think about it)

Any comments, please send to:

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Thanx.

Long live the Amiga
P.Cs should be extinct by now.