

Commodore Eight Bit Boosters News Letter

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The CEBB meets monthly at the Beaver Creek Public Library. A short business meeting is followed by a prepared program of general interest to Commodore 64/128 users is presented. At it's conclusion, members may enjoy various services such as the Public Domain Software Library. Visitors are always welcome and membership is open to the general public. The Purpose of the CEBB is to help the Commodore 8 Bit computer user enjoy learning more about their equipment. Membership Dues \$12.00 Yearly

Your CEBB Officers

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LAST MEETING

After the business portion there was not a Demo. The latest copies of Die Hard and Compntes Gazette were shown. The need for more precipitation as well as a good demonstration at each meeting was emphasised.

Dave



Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place at the Beaver Creek Library on October 28th (THURSDAY) The doors will open at 6:30pm and the Meeting will start at 7:00pm sharp. A demonstration of The Big Blue Reader V4.1 for the 64 and 128 will be the main feature. See more information on the next page.



Gene

This newsletter is produced on a Commodore 128D, with a 1581 Disk Drive, Star NX1000C Printer and a 1750 REU. The Desktop Publishing Programs used are GeoPublish and Geos 128 as well as Public Domain Fonts, Printer Drivers and Dos Shells.

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Bulletin Board

(513) 237-0268

This BBS serves members of the CEBB as well as the general public. Anyone may log-on. If you have any questions about BBS's, modems or terminal programs just give Mike Dornbusch, who is the System Operator (SYSOP) a call at his voice number 236-5528. Mike will be happy to help you get started in the exciting world of telecommunications. There are a couple of games up on 237-0268...2222 side of the board. Call and challenge the **MIGHTY HIPPO.**



Phil

Fred

Mike

Commodore Eight Bit Boosters will not condone or tolerate commercial software piracy. Piracy is illegal and hampers the continued production of quality software for the C64 and C128 platform. All acts of piracy will be reported to the proper authorities.

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BIG BLUE READER 4.1

I recently acquired a PCjr and wanted to transfer files some programs from my 128 to the PC. I thought maybe using CPM but decided on another alternative. I ordered the BBR from Software Support and received the latest edition as well as a \$8 savings over other vendors. BBR is an excellent program I can format 720K and 360K MS-DOS disks as well as flawlessly transfer PETSCII to ASCII and MS-DOS programs. There is MUCH more that can be done with this program come and see the Demonstration. CEBB will have a 128D, 1581 and a PC Clone.

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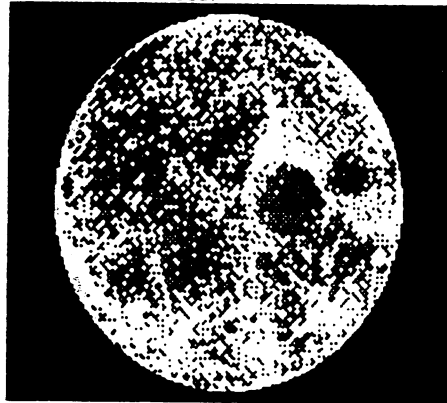
CLUB LIBRARY NEWS

Public Domain Library

Phil Longo is reorganizing the CEBB Public Domain Library. If there are any programs that should be included please bring them to the next meeting. The magazine library is also under reorganization.

Commercial Library

Phil is also collecting donations for the CEBB Commercial Library. All donations will be final. So far we have about 10 titles and will discuss the Library Rules at the next meeting. We will also be accepting miscellaneous documentation for "Lost" disks. Below is a list of Documentation we have available.



Delta Drawing With Command Summary
Tinks Adventure (Tink Tonk)
The Dark Wheel-Elite
World Games
Guestron With Command Summary
Operation Strike Fleet W/ Com. Card
Gauntlet

Spinnaker
Sprout
FireBird
Epyx
SSI
EA
Mindscape

**THE
BIG
BLUE
READER**

Other Info from Phil

As you can see, we have taken donations for the commercial library. Our most recent donations bring the total to 15 of software with documentation (1 set are 128) , 21 of media only (software) and 2 demo disks.

We need your input of docs. for the media only programs (21) I referred to in paragraph 1. This will enable us to at least see if the disks are in operating order and to glean some basic commands to go with them when they are checked out of the library for you to use. Of course, you may donate the docs. to the club, if it just-so-happens that you have docs. and no software.

THANKS TO: RICH AND FRED for their generous donations.

Next month, we should have ready a special holiday addition of PD print shop graphics (3 disks/sides) ready for distribution at the meeting. Remember to order at least no later than 4 days before next meeting.

C.C.C.C. (Cincinnati Commodore Computer Club) had an open house at their October meeting in which John and I attended. We met many very nice people and exchanged information about our clubs as well as other interesting subjects. We are planning to do a presentation/demo for their group, and also, they would entertain the idea of doing a demo for our group. The president of the cincy club is a programmer himself and is soon to have an article printed in compute magazine. No dates or details as of this report, stay tuned!

See ya at the meeting , Phil

There have been a lot of things happening this month with the Black Cat Bulletin Board. First we got the Ram-Link and Hard Drive back from Creative Micro Designs and we are installing them. The Ram-Link was upgraded to the latest version I and a time and date stamp installed. This will help the sysops determine which files have been modified and worked with by the date stamp. This identifies when the files were placed in the Ram-Link. The only files that are installed there are the overlays, help, information and certain files that are for download only. This will be a read only unit and there are no future plans to expand it beyond the amount of 4 Megs. The hard drive on the other hand requires quite a large amount of work. It has been upgraded with the latest version of Jiffy Dos and dos system. We selected the 170 Meg drive because of price and future plans with Color 64 Version 128, Amiga, and IBM files. We installed only at the present time Image BBS and the games on the hard drive. The upload/download section is closed and will remain that way for the next two weeks until everything is tested out. We will be partitioning the program files and upload section in separate areas. With 254 partitions available we will have more than enough room. Future plans include installing Color 64, 128 on this drive through one modem. You will then be able to access Image or Color 128 just by the extensions as now but will have about 80 Megs of space instead of the present 6 Megs. This will require quite an amount of work so please be patient with us.

Wildcat is undergoing some upgrading also. We have installed a new 14,400 baud error checking modem. We plan to extent this over to color 64 version 128 which will also operate at 9600 baud (never thought you would operate at 9600 on your Commodore 64 did you) around the first of the year. We will be transferring Wildcat to the Commodore Colt soon and then installing the upgrades 3.6 and 3.9. I have two 30 Meg drives in the Colt now and as soon as I can transfer the files it will be moved. The games will be expanded on Wildcat later next year. We are running the popular Tradewars Version 11.14 now and as time and funding permit will expand. Contrary to popular belief the games cost money and without the proper funding sysops are very limited as to what they can provide. Some games the authors are asking \$50.00 for limited use on the BBS systems so next time you play the games remember they are provided by the sysops and their limited budgets. This is not like the Commodore BBS systems where most of the games are free, or shareware to registered owners.

I also mentioned last month that we plan on networking with other boards. I have written the author of Color 64 for the upgrade version 8.0. I have not received his reply but it has the latest networking overlays installed. Upon converting it to version 128 it will be merged with the present version I am running now.

That is about all for the Bulletin Board now. I will keep you informed of later developments. With your help on your favorite bulletin boards you can make it happen. Give them a Byte today. They are always there 24 hours a day, bigger and faster than ever.

Sysop

Die Schwarze Katze BBS

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1111 Wildcat

2222 Color 64 Version 128

The elections are just around the corner. Just as your candidates running for city, state, school, and council offices need your support, your club officers need support also. The elections will be held on the meeting date of 2 December 1993 at the general meeting located at the Beavercreek Library. Due to full scheduling of the library there will be no meeting in November. Holding the meeting on the second of December will give everyone time to enjoy the Holidays. I know everyone has last minute shopping to do so this will give you an extra night late in the month to do it. No meeting excuses this time!

The candidates are as follows in alphabetical order and the office for which they are seeking:

Michael Dornbusch Treasurer
John Feigleson President
Phil Longo Vice President
Rich Petrilla President

The Senior and Junior Board member positions will also be filled. If you wish to run for one of the above positions please be at the October meeting. You have to be present to be nominated and with the elections on the second of December there isn't much time left. The candidates have to be committed for the ballot printing. There will be discussions about writings for the ballot at the meeting. Remember if your club is to continue we need you support. Don't miss it.

We still need articles for the news letter. If you have anything to share with other members, other clubs get your articles in to the editor. The format should be in geos or a word processor file on disk or uploaded to the bbs addressed to the editor. If you just want to type it that will work also. Get it to one of the elected officers and it will appear in the newsletter.

This last minute news item. Hills Department store has in their electronics department about thirty flip and file 5 1/4 inch disk storage boxes. It will hold about 100 disk. It has the lock and key installed. These are nice storage boxed on clearance sale at only four Yes four \$4.00 dollars ea. These were normally priced at \$10.00 then \$8.00 and now at \$4.00. These are at the Hills Store in Springfield, Ohio. Please save me one as I would like to have another one at this price.

'Black Cat'

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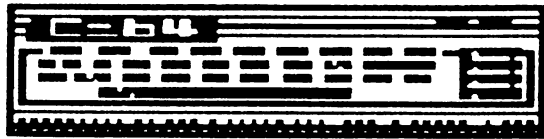
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