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The Annual Business Meeting Will  
Be On January 24th.



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SACC meets at the Pac Bell building at 2700 Watt Avenue. The meeting starts at 7:00 P.M. sharp.

### Running for Office

President : Matthew Monsoor  
Vice-Pres.: Vacant  
Secretary: Brian Cox  
Treasurer: Lindsey Fong

### Board of Directors(2 positions open)

Rudi Cilibrasi Robert Du Gaue

David Knox, author of "The Incredible Talking Super Puzzle" and "Space Photos", will also be presenting his newest childrens education program.

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# Happy Valentines Day!

## LINES OF COMMUNICATION

by Linda Marquess

your own proposals to a vote during the business portion of the meeting.

I would like to welcome the new "Disk of the Month" compiler. I would like to, but I can't. So far, no one has volunteered to take over the job. Because our members who have renewed early are entitled to a free January Disk of the Month, I will compile the disk again this month. The disk has served as a creative outlet for me these past 2 and a half years, but it's time for me to direct my energy toward new horizons. I know that somewhere among our members is a person, too timid to speak up, who would like to try his hand at putting together a club disk. Now is *your* chance! We will not have a February disk if no one steps forward to do it.

At our January meeting we have another exclusive planned. The theme is *The Amiga as an Educational Tool*. For you graphics buffs, Ramiro has planned a special raffle prize, a complete *DigiView* setup! This means the works, DigiView, camera and camera stand.

At the January meeting we'll hold our Annual Business Meeting. This is election time as well as a time for constitutional review. Be sure to look elsewhere in this issue for a slate of candidates...and don't forget, *it's not too late* to throw your hat in the ring! Also, please review the proposed revisions to the constitution. Some are controversial, so please consider them. Of course, you are welcome to bring

Next month, a new president will be writing this column. Before I go, I would like to take the time to thank the many people who helped the club to function this year. First, **thank you** to each of the board members, Robert DuGae, Brian Cox, Mark Palmer, Lindsey Fong, David Bandimere, Dave Wingfield and Fred Sakai. Some of these people deserve an extra thank you. Fred, for hosting most of the Board Meetings and providing us with professional photography, David Bandimere, for marketing the disk magazine and carting equipment all the way from Grass Valley, Lindsey for his dedication to the club BBS, AmigaLink, and Robert for putting the AmigaZette together. And for those whose names aren't generally in the newsletter, Paul Meier for doing our buttons, Robert Bequette for writing the *best* BBS software I've seen (and constantly adding features that we request), Ray Rusconi and Gary Parkhurst for engineering the projection system for us, and Dennis Hayes for printing our disk labels. Most of all, to **all of you**, for making us feel that our efforts were worthwhile. I am grateful to all of you.



Se habla Amiga? Help others to learn your favorite program or assist in your area of expertise. Remember, you were new once, too. If you'd like to add your name to our list, sign up at a general meeting or contact me at 991-0415

AMIGO	PHONE	HOURS	HELP AREA
Walker Ayres	487-3202	noon-10PM	BASIC
Greg Pringle	452-7381	5:30-10PM	Hardware
John Warren	662-8754	9AM-3PM	Games/Carpool
Jack Cannon	722-7404	reas. hrs.	Dr. T's/Music
Dave Bloch	441-6816	eves/wknds	Video
Lindsey Fong	AmigaLink BBS (modem)		Anything
Brian Cox	488-3964	reas. hrs.	BASIC
Fred Sakai	488-4343	reas. hrs.	Desktop Publ.
Linda Marquess	991-0415	7PM-Midnight	CLI, Anything
Steve Goodrich	361-7566	6PM-10PM	Beginners, Maxiplan, Word Perfect CLI
Woody Bear	723-1710	reas. hrs.	Telecom
John Zacharias	363-9153	eves+wknds	Desktop Publ., Video
Jan Zacharias	363-9153		Video, Graphics
Ken Free	292-3151	before 10 PM	CLI, Utilities, General



# Happy New Year



In 1990 we have added many new programs to our wall of software, including:

- Can Do • Ultra Card Plus • Deluxe Video III
- TV graphics • AMIGA Logo • Scene Generator
- Safari Guns • Bloodwych Data Disk • Nuclear War
- Eskimo Games • Interphase • Day of the Viper • Stryx
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Also now available AMIGA 2630 Card, run your Amiga at 25Mhz.

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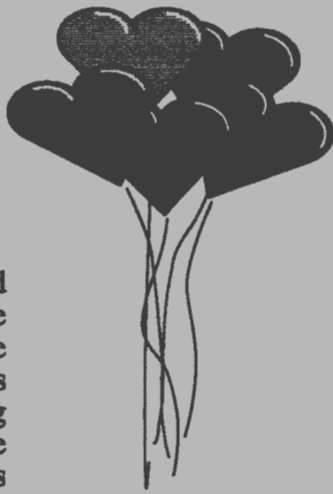
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# Ram@Home

by  
Rob Super

## Pot-au-Feu



VOLCANO, CA -- Did everyone enjoy the holidays? I hope there are a lot of new Amigas out there: having poured its corporate heart, mind and dollars into a holiday advertising blitz, Commodore deserves, and needs, a good New Year. And those of us who have known for some time that the Amiga is the best personal computer in the world, who have put our own money where our minds are, are anxious to see a larger base of support for what has until now been a word-of-mouth marvel.

It occurs to me that, over the two-years-plus that I've had my Amiga and been writing "RAM @ Home" (hardly seems possible), I've learned a few things that make life with the computer easier, but which, taken individually, have not been worth writing about. Knowing that there are some (hopefully many) new Amiga owners out there, this seems like a good time to collect a few of these scraps and wad them up into a column that you might find useful, particularly if you're a new user. (I am also encouraged to do this, rather than write about new computer loot, by the fact that our entire 1989 Christmas budget went into dining room chairs.) By no means are these tips all original. I'm just passing on some things, largely learned from others, that work for me and that I think may be applicable to anyone using an Amiga.

One thing we all deal with, whatever our hardware configuration or computing enthusiasm, is floppy disks. The Amiga is a graphics and sound machine; graphics and sound require huge amounts of data; huge amounts of data require lots of disks. They tend to multiply, get mislabeled or be unlabeled, become disorganized, spread all over the desk, get damaged or lost. Here are some things that help.

Have enough disk caddies. Not just enough to hold everything, but enough to let you use the caddies as an organizing tool. I keep all my frequently used disks in one large, desktop caddy; everything else goes into smaller caddies (the kind that often come "free" with packages of 20 or so disks and are easy to move to and from shelves and drawers) labeled by type: "IFF Pictures", "Misc. Public Domain #1",

"SACC Disks of Month", "Hard Disk Backup", "Animations", etc. Figure out a system that will work for you, and make sure it's expandable. (The only sure way to avoid the problem of an exploding disk population is to separate your disks by gender.)

Get a "ready rack" for disks you're actively switching in and out of the machine: these are the disks that tend to disappear under printouts and tangle with paperclips. A couple of years ago I picked up a "Diskrak," a freebie that MicroTimes was handing out at some computer show. The "Diskrak" (model F5, Diskrak Co., Danville, CA) is just a piece of bent plastic with five slots cut in it. Each slot holds one disk upright. The idea is to keep it next to the computer so that when you remove a disk you'll drop it into a slot rather than somewhere on the desktop. It's a good idea but a bad design: a disk has to be carefully lined up with a slot before it will drop in; removing a disk is worse, as it tends to bind and lift up the whole rack. A better solution is a simple business card holder, the kind you might see on a receptionist's desk or countertop. I found a plastic one, for a couple of dollars, that easily holds six disks and takes up almost no desk space. Just make sure the rack is designed so it won't tip over with disks in it, avoid metal, and check that disks will actually fit: business cards are 3 1/2" wide, a disk is 3 9/16".

Amiga disk drives click incessantly when they're empty. There are "No Click" public domain programs to fix the problem, but for some reason they don't work perfectly on certain machines, and mine is one of them. Inserting any disk will stop the clicking but, illogically, I've always been uncomfortable about using a valuable disk as a gag. An alternative is to dedicate old disks to the purpose. I keep two, each renamed to "Gag", in the ready rack. I now so automatically put one into any empty drive that the click problem is all but forgotten.

The most common disk problem seems to be removing one from a drive too soon. I'm one of many who got lots of "read/write error[s]" in spite of being careful to wait until the light was out before removing a disk. I couldn't figure out what was wrong until I discovered that the Amiga is kind of sneaky with its "drive in use" light: as it finishes with a disk, the computer often turns off the light, waits a second or two, then turns it briefly back on. As soon as I started making sure the drive was really finished, I stopped having problems. Wait until you see that final flash, or wait a full four or five seconds after the light goes out.

No matter how careful you are, much of the adhesive stays behind when you remove an old disk label. Use lighter fluid to remove the adhesive. It may smell a bit, but it comes in small cans that have good dispenser tops (easy to get just a few drops), is

less of a fire hazard than most solvents, dissolves the adhesive and does not dissolve the plastic. Naturally, you will use just a little bit, squirt it on a clean cloth or paper towel (not the disk), rub gently, keep it away from openings in the disk jacket, wipe it completely dry when finished and, especially, do not smoke.

Except for disks that are "permanently finished", try using the kind of removable labels that are made for file folders and such. They're available in stationary stores, supermarkets and drug-variety stores from manufacturers like Avery and Dennison, and they come in forty-eleven sizes. They cost a small fraction of what special disk labels do, but the big advantage is that they peel off cleanly. (And I've never had a problem with one even starting to come off in the machine.) I use the 1/2" x 1 3/4" size and put it at the top of the back of the disk: that makes the label easy to read when the disk is stored vertically with its protective metal slide down. Incidentally, that storage position makes for the most natural hand motion in moving disks to and from a drive.

A stack of paper makes a mousepad that is not only serviceable, but actually has several advantages over the commercial ones. It's cheaper, for one thing. It's also virtually self-cleaning: just remove the top sheet occasionally. Use fan-fold computer paper and the stack will stay undiscombobulated; you'll get a bigger pad in the bargain. And you can use it as a scratch pad for those temporary calculations, notes and sketches. As long as the stack is high enough to provide some cushion (1/4" is plenty) the mouse seems to work as well on the paper as on a proper pad, at least as long as the rollers and ball are kept clean.

If you do much desktop publishing, spreadsheet work or wordprocessing, consider adding a mono monitor to your system. A Moniterm Viking is great, if you can both afford it and justify the cost, but what I'm referring to here is an ordinary, green or amber, composite, monochrome monitor. The kinds of programs mentioned above have two things in common: little (if any) need for color, and the ability to benefit from an interlace display, which puts twice as much information on the screen. The problem with interlace, of course, is the flicker: it will eventually drive you bonkers. Many monochromes have a much longer image persistence than standard color monitors, and that can virtually eliminate the flicker. Used composite monochromes are available very cheaply: mine cost about fifty dollars. Try any used computer equipment store. Not all of these monitors are long persistence, so try it out ahead of time. If you can't try it with an Amiga and your intended software, run anything, off any computer, that will let you see motion on the screen: drag a mouse pointer, run an animation or game, even scroll some text. A long persistence screen will leave a smear, a sort of

comet's tail, in the wake of a rapidly moving bright object. Make sure you have, or can get, appropriate cabling to mate the monitor to your Amiga. And be aware that you may have to change your programs' screen colors in order to get a good mono display.

Finally, life will be easier if you take advantage of the excellent public domain and shareware utilities that are available. "Public domain and shareware" means available free or very cheaply; a utility is just a small program that makes life in some way easier for a computer owner. Here are the ones I think no Amiga owner should be without. Most importantly, a disk utility. These programs let you see what's on a disk (usually on two disks at once) then copy, move, delete, rename, etc., etc., files and directories far more easily than can be done with either the Workbench or the CLI. There are a lot of disk utilities to choose among; I like "UtiliMaster", but try several. Second, the latest version of a good virus checker, like "VirusX". These utilities screen a disk for viruses as soon as the disk is put in the computer. Third, "DirMaster". This program lets you feed your disks into the computer, reads the contents of each, and creates (on a separate disk) a catalog of all your programs and files; new disks can be read in at any time. The catalog can then be sorted and searched in various ways. If your disk collection were a library, this would be the card file. There are other utilities in this category, but I haven't seen any as good as "DirMaster". Finally, a screen and pointer utility such as "DMouse" or "QMouse". These blank your screen after a period of inactivity (so it won't burn in), your pointer after a briefer period (so it's not in your way), proportionalize pointer speed, automatically activate whatever window your pointer is in, and generally make the Amiga even more pleasant to work with.

Utilities--and lots of other things-- are found in the SACC disk library and on AmigaLink and AmigaLink ], the club's electronic bulletin boards. Unlimited tips, help and answers to virtually any question are available from SACC members: at general and SIG (Special Interest Group) meetings, by modem to one of the bulletin boards, or by voice to one of the "SACC Amigos" listed in most issues of this newsletter. Use the resources and get the most from your Amiga!



## DOM Index by Linda Marquess

Hunting for that particular file that you were certain was on one of the monthly disks? Here's your handy index for the past year.

31	SACC_4.09:game	Enforcers	SACC_4.09:Graphics	PopColors	SACC_4.09:Utilities
AmericanHero.smus	SACC_4.02:	English	SACC_4.06:c	PopDir	SACC_4.02:Utilities
Amiganntt	SACC_4.01:utilities	enough	SACC_4.07:c	Powerpac	SACC_4.05:Utilities
Anitra's Dance.smus	SACC_4.07:music	esaom		PPrefs	SACC_4.08:utilities
AnsiPaint	SACC_4.02:c	SACC_4.04:Games/fun		prism	SACC_4.09:Graphics
arc	SACC_4.05:c	FINANCA	SACC_4.10:Useful	projector	SACC_4.12:c
AutoMount	SACC_4.03:c	FixDisk	SACC_4.05:Utilities	PTB	SACC_4.12:Utilities
az	SACC_4.03:Tool	fltp11	SACC_4.01:c	PTBfmt.font	SACC_4.12:fonts
AZComm	SACC_4.03:Tool	FloatIcon		pulines	SACC_4.10:c
BachPrelude_2.smus	SACC_4.07:music	SACC_4.04:tools/WBTools		push	SACC_4.03:sounds
BachPrelude_6.smus	SACC_4.07:music	FoodConvert	SACC_4.08:utilities	Quiz	SACC_4.12:Education
BecomeProject	SACC_4.04:tools/WBTools	Format	SACC_4.10:c	RoadRoute	SACC_4.11:Utilities
beep	SACC_4.03:c	Four	SACC_4.08:Fun	RunBack	SACC_4.04:c
BlackBoardMath	SACC_4.05:Education	fplayer	SACC_4.06:c	RusHour	SACC_4.02:Games
bmp	SACC_4.07:c	fun			SACC.rif
brun	SACC_4.12:c	SACC_4.04:Games/fun		SACC_4.01:	
brun	SACC_4.06:c	funPaint	SACC_4.05:Graphics	SACC_4.04:graphic	
brun	SACC_4.07:c	Game	SACC_4.11:Fun	santa_pic	SACC_4.12:Carol
brun	SACC_4.05:c	GravitySimulator	SACC_4.10:Useful	Scenery	SACC_4.02:graphic
c64	SACC_4.08:Fun	grele	SACC_4.05:Education	Scroll	SACC_4.07:
cage	SACC_4.03:sounds	H	SACC_4.05:Education	SeaHavenDemo	SACC_4.06:Fun
calc	SACC_4.04:c	H-Ball	SACC_4.11:Fun	setcolor	SACC_4.12:c
CalcKey	SACC_4.09:Utilities	hermit	SACC_4.07:utilities	setcolor	SACC_4.06:c
CalendarFactory	SACC_4.12:Utilities	hummingbird.p		shark	SACC_4.06:Fun
CAMM.font	SACC_4.07:fonts	SACC_4.04:tools/WBTools		show	SACC_4.01:c
CAMMTopaz.font	SACC_4.07:fonts	HyperCat	SACC_4.08:utilities	show	SACC_4.02:c
CanKnock	SACC_4.06:graphics	HyperConvert	SACC_4.08:utilities	showpoint	SACC_4.04:tools/WBTools
Cat&Mouse	SACC_4.01:games	I-MAN	SACC_4.11:Utilities	SimpleIBMCopy	SACC_4.02:c
checker	SACC_4.06:Utilities	IBM.font	SACC_4.09:fonts	sizeNote	SACC_4.09:c
CheckFit	SACC_4.07:c	IBMType	SACC_4.02:c	slotcars	SACC_4.08:Fun
chess	SACC_4.07:Games	Image-Ed	SACC_4.07:utilities	SMALLalarm	SACC_4.04:tools
clerk	SACC_4.08:Business	Info	SACC_4.01:	smallWorld.smus	SACC_4.01:
clock	SACC_4.03:sounds	IV	SACC_4.06:Utilities	SmallWorld.smus	SACC_4.10:Music
cloud	SACC_4.06:graphics	IVView	SACC_4.10:Useful	solitaire!	SACC_4.04:Games
ColorPad	SACC_4.09:KidStuff	jask	SACC_4.04:c	SpecialGuestIcon	SACC_4.10:
Concentration	SACC_4.03:game	jask	SACC_4.02:c	sr0scr	SACC_4.08:Fun
constitution	SACC_4.02:constitution	king	SACC_4.01:c	str	SACC_4.04:c
CoPilot.demo	SACC_4.04:tools	KwikBackUp	SACC_4.11:Utilities	StayAlive	SACC_4.09:game
CopyDefTool	SACC_4.04:tools/WBTools	LabelBase3	SACC_4.04:tools	steelpulse	SACC_4.04:graphic
CopyIconImage	SACC_4.04:tools/WBTools	LCrypt	SACC_4.04:c	stuffing	SACC_4.11:c
cr	SACC_4.01:c	Lharc	SACC_4.10:c	Sunday	SACC_4.06:music
cr	SACC_4.02:c	Little Black Book	SACC_4.06:Utilities	sunrider	SACC_4.04:graphic
crystal	SACC_4.09:game	Logic	SACC_4.08:utilities	thar	SACC_4.06:c
cursive	SACC_4.03:c	ls	SACC_4.08:c	Tetrix	SACC_4.01:games
diplomacy	SACC_4.02:Games	martini.p	SACC_4.04:tools/WBTools	Textra	SACC_4.05:Utilities
DISKOLAB	SACC_4.05:Utilities	Memory <1mb	SACC_4.11:Plot	threeDplot	SACC_4.11:Plot
diskstart	SACC_4.12:c	Morning.smus	SACC_4.07:music	Times.font	SACC_4.12:fonts
diskstik	SACC_4.02:Utilities	most	SACC_4.10:c	TitanCrunch	SACC_4.12:Utilities
dropcloth	SACC_4.06:c	most	SACC_4.12:c	topaz.font	SACC_4.10:fonts
dropcloth	SACC_4.05:c	most	SACC_4.11:c	Tower	SACC_4.03:game
EasyBank	SACC_4.03:Tool	most	SACC_4.08:c	TrekTrivia	SACC_4.07:Games
echo	SACC_4.02:c	most	SACC_4.09:c	TurboPacker	SACC_4.09:Utilities
edit	SACC_4.05:c	most_docs	SACC_4.08:c	TYPE	SACC_4.04:c
EET	SACC_4.04:Games/fun	multiplot	SACC_4.11:Plot	UltraPaint	SACC_4.01:graphic
egretz.p(pointer)	SACC_4.04:tools/WBTools	munch	SACC_4.03:sounds	UNZIP	SACC_4.05:c
element.font	SACC_4.07:fonts	mup	SACC_4.04:c	viewer	SACC_4.05:c
elements	SACC_4.07:education	nadr	SACC_4.09:Utilities	viewer	SACC_4.01:c
		nakamoto	SACC_4.08:Fun	viewer	SACC_4.02:c
		NameThatTune	SACC_4.02:sounds	viewer	SACC_4.07:c
		Network	SACC_4.10:fun	viewer	SACC_4.06:c
		Neverending.smus	SACC_4.10:Music	viewer	SACC_4.04:c
		NeverEnding.SMUS	SACC_4.10:Music	viewer	SACC_4.03:c
		Nib	SACC_4.04:tools	virusx	SACC_4.01:utilities
		notkahankas	SACC_4.06:graphics	Walk	SACC_4.09:c
		Orbit3D	SACC_4.12:Games	Wanderer	SACC_4.03:game
		OxSound1.01	SACC_4.02:Utilities	watcher	SACC_4.05:Fun
		Paranoids	SACC_4.11:Fun	Who	SACC_4.09:c
		pathass	SACC_4.01:c	WILD	SACC_4.09:Graphics
		PetersQuest	SACC_4.10:game	wonderland.smus	SACC_4.12:Carol
		planes	SACC_4.06:c	Woodpecker.p	SACC_4.04:tools/WBTools
		planes	SACC_4.12:c	wrap	SACC_4.07:c
		Plans	SACC_4.03:Art	XICON	SACC_4.04:c
		play	SACC_4.02:c	yachtc	SACC_4.04:Games
		play	SACC_4.10:c	yow.arc	SACC_4.02:c
		play	SACC_4.12:c	zerg	SACC_4.05:Fun
		play	SACC_4.07:	ZoePlay	SACC_4.01:graphic
		play	SACC_4.01:c	zoux	SACC_4.05:Fun
		Plot	SACC_4.11:Plot	zoo	SACC_4.05:c
		plot2draw	SACC_4.11:Plot		
		plot2mcad	SACC_4.11:Plot		

(Editor's note: As required by SACC's Constitution, this newsletter includes the Constitution along with proposed changes which will be voted on at our upcoming business meeting on January 24th.)

## CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS SACRAMENTO AMIGA COMPUTER CLUB

### CONSTITUTION

#### I. PURPOSE

The Sacramento Amiga Computer Club is a nonprofit organization devoted to the sharing of knowledge and the understanding of the Amiga computer and to assuring personal contact, education, and fellowship of the members.

#### II. ORGANIZATION

##### A. MEMBERSHIP

1. Membership will be open to all persons, without regard to race, religion, sex, age, or national origin, who share an interest in the Amiga computer.
2. There shall be three classes of membership: a) Regular b) Lifetime (granted by the Board of Directors) and c) Family. Regular membership shall include family members of the same household.
3. Appropriate payment of dues is the only requirement of memberships. This requirement may be waived in individual cases at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

##### B. DUES

1. Dues may be modified by a two thirds (2/3) vote of all members present at the Annual Business Meeting.

##### C. ELECTIONS

1. All memberships are eligible to vote. Each membership is entitled to one vote.
2. Members must be present to cast a ballot.
3. Officers will be elected by a plurality of those voting.
4. Unless otherwise specified, election of officers shall be by secret ballot.

#### III. BY-LAWS

A. By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the members at any General Membership Meeting. *Add: provided due notice*

*is given to members.*

#### IV. OFFICERS

All officers shall serve a term of one year.

##### A. PRESIDENT

1. The President shall preside over all meetings and shall call all such meetings to order at their appointed time.
2. The President shall appoint committees, and perform such other duties as the office requires.

##### B. VICE PRESIDENT

1. The Vice President shall perform the duties of the President in the President's absence or inability to serve.
2. The Vice President shall serve as administrative assistant, program chairman, and parliamentarian.  
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3. *The Vice President will make arrangements to assure the presence of at least one Amiga computer at all general membership meetings.*

##### C. SECRETARY

1. The Secretary shall be responsible for all official correspondence of the Club.
2. The Secretary shall perform the duties of recording and corresponding secretary, maintain the official files of the club, take minutes at all General Membership meetings, and read and publish same. The official club files shall include all club correspondence, all literature addressed to the club, historical files, all meeting minutes, annual membership roster received from the Treasurer at the end of each year, and an annual list received from the Librarian at the end of each year of all club library disks.
3. The Secretary shall assume the duties of the Vice President in his/her absence or inability to serve.

##### D. TREASURER

1. The Treasurer shall be custodian of all funds.
2. The Treasurer's name and the name of the President and Secretary shall be on record with the bank or savings institution at which funds are deposited.
3. The Treasurer shall assure that a minimum of two (2) registered signatures are required to withdraw club monies over the amount set and approved by the Board of Directors.
4. The Treasurer shall maintain accurate records of the monies for the organization.
5. The Treasurer shall report monthly to the Board of

Directors the status of all club funds and the past months expenses.

6. The Board of Directors shall arrange for an audit of the club's books *in December of each year* or when the duties of Treasurer are taken over by a new Treasurer. *Change: to annually*

7. The Treasurer shall publish a complete report of the club's financial standing annually *in the regular January club newsletter*. *Change to: prior to the Annual Business Meeting.*

8. The Treasurer shall assure that any disbursement in excess of \$10.00 is supported by a voucher or receipt.

## V. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### A. DIRECTORS

1. There will be four Directors serving alternate two year terms.
2. Directors 1 and 3 will be elected in odd numbered years. Directors 2 and 4 will be elected in even numbered years.
- B. The Board of Directors will consist of the Club Officers and Directors.
- C. The past year's President shall be a member of the Board of Directors for one year.
- D. Day-to-day business of the Club will be conducted by the Board of Directors, and chaired by the President.
- E. A quorum will be five members of the Board.
- F. Policies for the proper operation of the Club will be established by the Board of Directors. Policies cannot and will not directly violate the Constitution and By-Laws.

## VI. MEETINGS

### A. ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

1. There will be an Annual Business Meeting at which Officers and Directors will be elected.
2. The Annual Business Meeting shall be held at the January General Membership Meeting.
3. Written notice of the time, place, and agenda of the Annual Business Meeting will be sent to all members prior to the meeting.

### B. GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

1. There will be Monthly General Membership Meetings chaired by the President.
2. No copying of any kind, including library disks, shall be done at any General Membership Meeting.

3. The Club encourages all members to support all advertisers in our newsletter. However, the Club will not allow the direct sale of products or services to members during meetings of the general membership.

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4. *On occasions when we have special guest speakers, and with prior approval of the board, the speaker may offer his/her product at a special rate to members present at the meeting in which they speak..*

## C. BOARD MEETINGS

1. The Board of Directors will meet monthly at least one week prior to the General Membership Meeting.
2. All meetings of the Board of Directors will be open to the general membership and will be announced to members.

## D. RULES OF ORDER

1. Meetings will be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

## VII. DISCIPLINARY ACTIONS

1. Any member of the board may be removed from office for:
  - a. Failure to attend three general membership/board of directors meetings. Exceptions to this rule may be allowed if the Officer has just cause and performs the function of their elected office to the satisfaction of the members and the Board of Directors;
  - b. Failure to perform the functions of the office for which elected; or
  - c. Abuse of the office as determined by the Board of Directors.
2. The Board of Directors will be notified of any disciplinary action taken towards any member of the Club. The Board of Directors at that time may sustain, revoke, or modify any such action.

3. Action under these rules shall be decided by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. The affected member shall be notified in writing of such action and has the right to open or closed discussion with the Board of Directors or the members. The decision of the Board of Directors shall be final.

## VIII. AMENDMENT

1. The Constitution and By-Laws shall be reviewed annually to determine whether amendments are in order.
2. It shall be the responsibility of the Board of Directors to review said Constitution and By-Laws and make appropriate recommendations.
3. The Constitution and By-Laws may be amended by a 2/3 vote at any regular meeting, provided that due notice has been given either at the preceding meeting or in the Newsletter.

## IX. DISSOLUTION

1. The Club may be dissolved by a vote of 75% of all current members through a mailed ballot.
2. A motion to dissolve the Club may be made by a member at any general membership meeting.
3. Upon dissolution, five caretaker officers will be elected by the members present at the final meeting. Said officers shall take charge of the assets of the club until they are properly disposed of by the terms of this document.
4. The caretaker officers will dispose of the assets of the club as soon after dissolution as practical, by resolving outstanding liabilities, and by donating any remaining assets to a non-profit organization qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

## BY-LAWS

### I. MEMBERSHIP

- A. Each membership will be entitled to one vote on any subject that the membership is authorized or required to vote upon.
- B. Membership will be based on a fiscal year ending December 31st. Membership will be prorated for the remainder of the fiscal year. Membership will be valid immediately upon payment of dues as established by Paragraph A of Section II.
- C. An initiation fee of \$10.00 will be charged to new members and the use of this fee shall include subscriptions to public domain libraries and the purchase of club diskettes for library purposes.

### II. DUES

*Remove: (redundant, see Constitution II.B.1)*

*A. Modification of annual dues will be made only by a two thirds (2/3) vote of all members present at the Annual Business Meeting.*

- B. Any member whose dues are two months in arrears will be considered a non-member.
- C. The Board of Directors is authorized to waive the annual dues and/or initiation fee in individual cases.
- D. The Board of Directors is authorized to grant lifetime memberships for service to the Club exceeding normal expectations.

*Add:*

*E. Dues are non-refundable and non-transferrable.*

### III. ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

A. The Annual Business Meeting of the membership shall be held at the January General Membership Meeting. An agenda for the meeting shall be published in the newsletter prior to the meeting.

B. If all items on the agenda are not completed within the time allocated for the meeting, the business may be carried on at a later time and date as set at the unfinished business meeting. No additional notice will be required for such carryover meetings.

C. Petitions for additional business meetings may be presented to the Board of Directors, or to any individual Director or Officer, at any time. The Board of Directors shall meet for the purpose of considering the petition as soon as practical, and, if valid, will set a date as soon as practical for a business meeting, and will publish an appropriate and timely agenda as suggested by the petition.

### IV. ELECTIONS

A. In November a Nominating Committee will be formed to select a slate of candidates. The two Directors whose terms have not expired will be chairpersons of the committee.

B. There will be an election during the Annual Business Meeting in January. The Nominating Committee must publish its slate of candidates in the newsletter prior to the annual business meeting.

C. Nominations for all offices, including the two Directors to be elected, may be made from the floor at the annual business meeting.

### V. LIBRARY

A. To aid the Librarian, the club makes the following statements of policy:

1. The unauthorized copying of copyrighted material is prohibited. Pirated material, both program and documentation, shall be erased or destroyed, as appropriate wherever found.
2. The Librarian will be found to serve at the pleasure of the Board and will be in charge of the Club Library. The Librarian will coordinate the activities of all assistant librarians and library special interest groups so as to avoid duplication of effort in documenting programs.
3. The Librarian will set all policies pertaining to the library, with the approval of the Board of Directors, in regard to the copying of library programs.
4. The Librarian, if not an Officer or Director of the Club, is encouraged to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors.
5. The Librarian will create a list of programs in the club library, and will make the list available to all members.

6. The Librarian will keep an accurate account of all club owned library media and will turn them over to successor librarians as directed by the Board of Directors.

7. The Board of Directors will reimburse the librarian for all expenditures made in connection with the library. Total emergency expenditures may not be in excess of \$60 per month without prior approval by the Board of Directors.

8. The Board of Directors shall establish a mechanism to provide:

a. A means of access to the library for all members; and

b. A means of sustaining the library and promoting its growth.

*Add:*

9. *The Librarian will assure the presence of the club's Amiga computer at all general membership meetings.*

## VI. NEWSLETTER

A. The official publication of the SACRAMENTO AMIGA COMPUTER CLUB shall be its newsletter, the AMIGAZette. The Editor of the newsletter, if not an Officer or Director, is encouraged to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors.

B. The Editor of the newsletter, with the approval of the Board of Directors, will set all editorial and advertising policy for the newsletter and all newsletter staff.

C. All approved expenses associated with the newsletter will be borne by the Club. *The Editor will keep an accurate accounting of all funds expended, and will report the status of funds to the members at the Annual Business Meeting. Remove*

## VII. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. The Board of Directors may meet in open or closed session as determined by the Board.

B. Upon the resignation, recall, death, or incapacity of any Officer or Board Member, the President will appoint a replacement to serve out the unexpired term of the absent member, subject to the approval of the board. If the remaining Board Members constitute less than a quorum, the Club shall hold a special election to fill the vacant positions.

## VII. SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

A. Special Interest Groups (SIGS) are one means by which a club can deal with the individual interests and questions of its members. However, the Club cannot police the activities of each of the SIGS. Therefore, the SACRAMENTO AMIGA COMPUTER CLUB will not be responsible for the conduct of its members in leading, organizing, or participating in SIGS. SIGS are private meetings of individuals. The SACRAMENTO AMIGA COMPUTER CLUB will advertise and assist SIGS so long as they support and conform to the policies of SACRAMENTO AMIGA COMPUTER CLUB, including the

policy of discouraging software piracy.

## IX. BULLETIN BOARD SYSTEM (BBS)

A. The official BBS of the Sacramento Amiga Computer Club shall be named AMIGALINK. To aid the Club System Operator (Sysop), the Club makes the following statements of policy:

1. The Sysop will be found to serve at the pleasure of the Board and will be in charge of the BBS. The Sysop will be in charge of the BBS. The Sysop will coordinate the activities of all Assistant Sysops.

2. The Sysop will set all policies, with the approval of the Board of Directors in regard to the BBS.

3. The Sysop, if not an Officer or Director of the Club, is encouraged to attend all meetings of the Board of Directors.

4. The Board of Directors will reimburse the Sysop for all expenditures made in connection with the BBS. Total expenditures may not be in excess of \$50 per month without prior approval by the Board of Directors.

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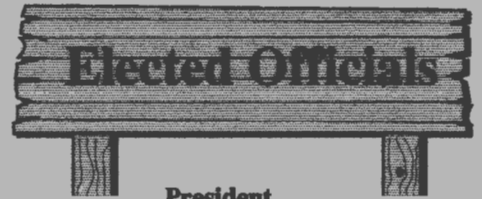
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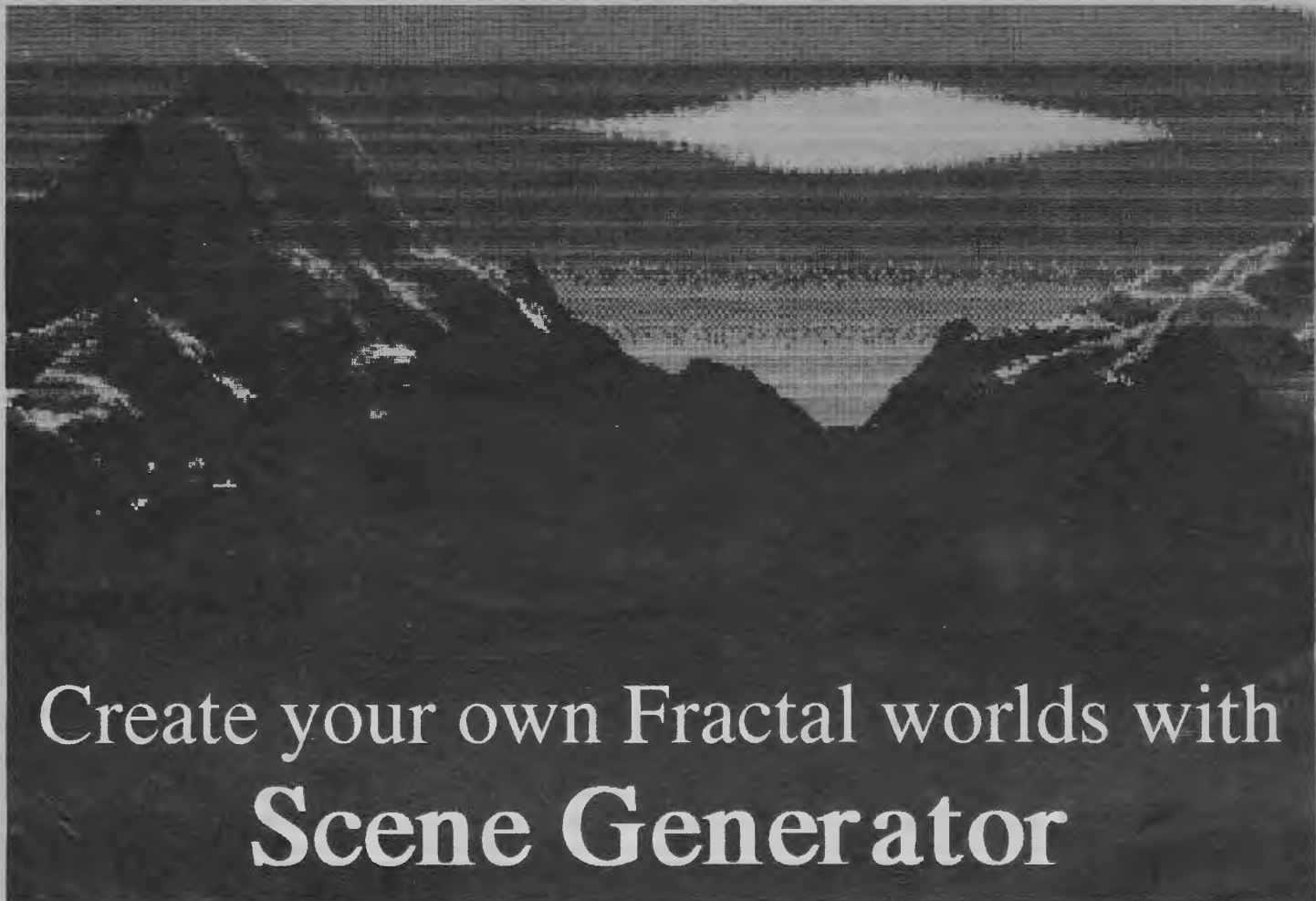
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