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Genesis is going off with unreal new games life Sonic role playing, sports, you name it, che the Hedgehog, Spider-Mann-Tockum and GENESIS out the Genesis in Earl, Golden Aze II' and Joo Montane II

Sports Talk Foothull." Any one of these would be enough to binter your thambs for weeks. So for the best selection of areade games, action/obsenture, note playing, sports, you named, check SSS out the Genesis librar. Nothing else stacks up.

It's a whole lot more.

The other guys just don't stack up.



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by the Gamerro

"How can I get a job in video games?" That's a question we hear all the time. The answer depends on your interests and desire.

It's advised that you go to school and get a digree in something useful in general to the industry - programming, at a ratio design, marketing, sic. - their more to the West Coast or somewhere where many video game companies are boasted and by to get your foot in the door. In America there short saidy a clear out, path into the video games industry.

That used to be thus in Joban, but the Japaneses, as is there style, are addressing.

that concern with a boat that they be used time and again — education. The Marinchi Daily News in Tideyo, Jugan excernly reported on special video game design schools. In A pril 1990 an entertainment continued developes house Human Schware, detablished the Kidhiga (Human Chestelly School for video game design. Them are our rethit 130 actions complet of the school which reasons 800 designers have no large.

school year.

Human Creative School president Toro Hayash explains: "In the past Human
used people who learned game design on their own through experience. However, if
there are too many lone wolves, generally things do not go well. So we've decided to
grade schools and train people."

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Other comparies are following suit. Last Spring, Hudson established the Hudson
Computer Design School and Bandari Design Karliquip oponed Bandari Denno John
Gakuen (the Bandari Electronic Brain Information Academy). Enx plans to open a

game school this April.

The curriculum at these schools isn't narrowly focused for techno-junkes either.

"It's no good if students just sit in front of the computer all day," explained a Hudson

school instructor, "We must develop their artistic sensibilities."

The Hudson School invites comic book artists and even dance experts to give special lectures. Envis design school students will take courses such as "Basic Game Envisith" where they learn Envisit names for code from Greek mythology, major.

words, and science fiction terminology, in "The Basis of Games Theory," they'll learn player psychology and "game sense." An officeal at Hudson Design School, Kikuo Omata, says, "Just being a person who likes games is not enough. You have to put in the time and effort as well as have

that initial seed of talent."

That's how the Japanese plan to build a job path into the video game industry and create better games. Think it will work?



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Enough's Enough!

Through two difficulty understanding why verybody's so up in arms about the Geness versus the Super MSE. I have both systems, and I love them both. There is no "both" or "beet" 16-bb, game system; just decide what games you like to play. Give the argument a rest, people. Go with what feels right for you and have fun!

Scott Quarry, Mira Lorna, CA

Don't Leave Me Now
I have just purchased the TurboGrab.-16
and I love it. However, recently I heard a
rumor that NEC plans to stop producing
titles for the Turbo-16 in early 1992. Is

John Yang, Bellerose, Mr.

(No need to panic, John. That's a bogus rumor. We know on first hand authority that HEC has absolutely no plans whatsower to stop producing BruboGraft-16 titles. In fact, you can look forward to a whole new lineap of games to hit the shelves throughout the year. Ed.)

How 'Bout Those Academics'
Why hearit there been a football video game made with college seams? Don't the locreese relate that some of us might be getting fixed of the same old pro teams, such as San Francisco and Chicago. Hey, all you game developers, how about a short at video fame for the cause who plan for fixed?

Richard Baker, Raleigh, NC

(Thei's easier said than doon, Richard. Here are a few researcs titly a licensee may or may not want to base a gazer on college basses. First, Richarding Involves moves, and I've a direct violation of HEAD railes to b-come any individual college supersist Po-come any individual college supersist Po-come any individual college supersist Po-come for a goat's related anticomments. (see a few a few graph pointer flar goats' related anticomments (see a few a few graph pointer flar graphs). All their pointers of thei

or-wide recognition are slies. A consumer would be less inclined to purchase a game based on, for example, North Carolina State's team if he lives elsewhere and roots for a different local team. The happy medium would be to license the HCAA and a mote a game through a recognizable division, such as the Pac-Ten or the Big Ten. The rules wouldn't be broken because no individual college or player would receive the proceeds. Instead the proceeds, via the NCAA, would go towards promoting all college level athletics. To add realism to the game, the licensee could program it in such as way that each team would have its anproximate "play style" without listing team players, F.Y.I. In April '92, Hal America will ise a Super HES sports cart based on HCAA basketbell teams. Perhaps some other licensees will follow their lead and do a football cart. - Fd.1

Put the "Consumer" in C.E.S.
I expressed an interest to a frend who works in the video game industy that I would like to attend a Consumer Expression before thories Shrow, however, he told me that the show is only for people directly involved with the video genting industry. I sincerely hope this aint true. Let's remember who keeps Nationalo, Sega. MSC, etc. in business—the consumer!

NEC, etc. in business - the consumer! Arion Spiritel La Omose Mil That's a very valid point. Calling It the Consumer Electronics Show is a bit amous because in reality C.E.S. is a trade ow. As you may or may not know, the function of a tradeshow is for the desir ers and/or manufacturers to showcase their products for potential distributors or ers, who in turn showcase them to the public in their stores. However, vourie in buck, Brian, because after 25 years that is all about to chan se. According to Cymthis Illeson, the Staff Vice Pres Electronic Industries Association, the 25 war policy of "no consumers allowed" is ng to be lifted in 1992. The change will take affect during the June 1992 Consus Electronics Show, which is held in Chicago. Upson explained that the general pub will be allowed to attend during two days of the show /Saturday, June 6th from 12:00 to 9:00 p.m. and Sunday, June 7th from R00 a.m. to R00 a.m.l. Tickets will be sold both at the door as well as thro ticket outlets. The cost for tickets will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for kids ages 6-12. Children under 6 will get in free, Entrance will not, however, give the public free access to all areas. Exhibitors will have special areas set up for the public only. This is to avoid confusion and overcrowding in the areas where the retailers and the press view products. – Ed.)

Game Gear Sonic

The seen and played Sonic the Hedgehog for the Genesis and it's a really great gerne. The problem, however, is that I only own a Game Gear I'm hoping that Sega will make Sonic for Game Gear: is there any chance this might happen?

Lauren Eisenberg, Hughson, CA (Newer Isas, Luaren, Sonic the Redgehog is on bis way to the Game Gear right now. In fact, we've scheduled a review on the Game Gear version of Sonic in our February '92 issus. You can expect the little speedster to hit store shelves, in completed GE form, some time earth in '92.— Ed.1

Atari Xmas

I maily enjoyed the "Matri Achentum" has not you princid in the July "31 issue. The layout stated that over 36 new Lynx titles are scheduled for retailses in 1991. As Christmas approaches, I've soon planty of new actins, adentum, and pruzel games released but as of now! I haven't seen any apost bittle. Is Main really going to release all food of new games for Christmas and will there finally be some sports free included in the battch.

You can look for Viking Child, Hard Drivin's Stan Rumer, Tournament Cyberball, Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventurs, Avesome Bolf, and World Class Soccer to be in the stores for Christmas. As for the sports titles, well, if all goes as scheduled (yox Hookey and Eastball Heroes will all be

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Hardware and CD names are varor share on the Cutting Edge, Check out these two reports - and dream. - The Whizz

The Jaguar Rules Atari's Jungle

The latest and greatest in cutting-edge gaming isn't popping up only in Japan. U.S.-based Atari Corporation will try to beat Nintendo, Sega, and NEC to the 32-bit (and possibly even 64-bit) punch with its supercharged game system - the laguar.

Atari Has a New Dream Remember the Panther, Azarfs semi-secret 16/32-bit system which never made it to store shelves? We sure do. It was rumored to have graphic capabilittes somewhat better than the Genesis and the Super Nintendo. But as Bob Schuricht, National Sales Director of Atari, states, "Atari backed away from the Panther because the Jaguar's development was far ahead of schedule." Atari decided to design a more "unique" console. Heads up NEO-GEO, here comes the Jaguar

Which Way Does the

Hardware Go? Now that we have your attention, let's talk super power. What's this cat all about? Right now Atari isn't leaving out any possibilty. Schuricht reports that many different configurations are being considered for the laguar. It could end up as a 32-bitter, a 64-bitter, or a hybrid of the two, and take advantage of all. one, or none of the following inputs and applications: game cartridges, personal computer adaptability disk drive, keyboard, modem, and CD-ROM. The devices could be packaged together, or

they might be sold separately, laguag

might play Lynx carts, but then again it might not. As Schuricht seriously notes. "The hardware specifications are evolving on a day-to-day basis."

However, a few factors are key to the Jaguar's development. Attri's reasoning for the Jaguar is that some competing systems may prove to be flashes-in-the-pan, which could open a door of opportunity for a more powerful machine. Schuricht believes that "the consumer who's spending \$30. \$40, \$50, or \$60 dollars for software doesn't want the same to end in four hours. They want to be able to go back in and play that game differently. They want to see different levels; they want to see more realistic action than they've seen in the past." With the better stuphics and extra sorites provided by the laguar. Schuricht feels the gamenky will be more life-like and enjoyable "We want to put as much in [the Jaguar] as possible so it doesn't become

obsolete for many years. We want a system that will be viable in the pext **Purr-fect Price**

millennaum "Wow!

The Lynx originally debuted for \$179.95, but after redesigning it in a smaller size and reducing the price (only \$99.95 with no software). Atari reported an astronomical 500% sales increase. Lesson learned, Atari will try to cost-engineer the laguar as effectively as possible. Schuricht believes the largar will never see the light of day unless it's "competitively enced" with the current market. More for less is Ataris new philosophy, and it has to be when competing with Nintendo's brand lovalty and Sesu's huse headstart. And maybe, just maybe, if a few of those "multimedia" inputs come to fruition, the Jaguar could represent Atari's long-awaited re-entrance into the "next generation" console wars

D-Day for the Jaquar

Atari's computer gurus are working overtime to deliver a great product at a great price. Specs should be final in a few months, and software development Lynx licensees, such as Shadowsoft, Telegames, and Color Dreams, will all be approached for laguar contracts Look for the system and its games to bit but 92 or early 93. Can Atari really pull of the hardware coup of the decade, or is there as much substance to the Jaguar as there was to the Panther? Atari holds all the answers in its paws

Flash! Genesis CD Update! By E.D. Betz

Everyone's pumped about the alreadyreleased-in-lapan and soon-to-debutin-the-U.S. Genesis CD-ROM, right? Right. The built-in MC68000 processor, coupled with Genesis' existing MC68000, produces a 32-bit quality effect which could rocket the machine to unheard-of home-system heights. Unfortunately software has been a complete mystery to all of us. Lintil now

Software Explosion

Sega is armed and ready for the upcoming compact-disc confrontation with Nintendo and NEC. A slew of new licensees and titles have been announced in lanan, so here's a run-down.

Of course Seea is busy with dozens of disc-based games, and we managed to "unearth" a few specifics. SimFarth based on Maxis' computer sequel to SimCity is a must for Populous lovers You play supreme being as you control and shape the atmosphere, planets, oceans, mountains, and landscaping of your own personalized planet. Nourish your world correctly and eventually intelligent races and lifeforms will appear Looks like a winner CD or not CD

Also coming to Segu's silver discs are some of its best and brightest aready offerings. Rad Mobile and Power Drift will be enhanced with new courses and music. Other games hot off the drawing boards include several undisclosed sports titles and two enic role-playing games. 3x3 Eyes tells the tale of a forlorn female demon who is cursed with multiple personalities. And finally Phantasy Star IV: Return of Alis reportedly features digitized graphics and

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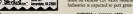
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1. Heavy Hova, 2. Detonator Organ, 3. 3 x 3 Eyes, 4. Isle Road, 5. Sol-Fasce, 6. Ernest Evans sounds and ties in directly with all three previous chapters.

Wolf Team, developer of Renovation carts such as FI Viento and Valis is hard at work on Ernest Evans, an Indiana-lones style action-adventure sporting excellent CD music and graphics. You assume the role of Evans, an ambitious 1920s American explorer searching for a fabled Incan spellbook deep within Peru. Over 160 megabits of memory enhance the looks and sounds of the outraseously been and colorful notive creatures. One to watch!

Sierra, an industry-leading developer of PC games, will convert a strong line-up of computer titles to Segas CD platform. Rise of the Drason, set to ship before March, offers futuristic crime-busting in a Blade-Runner type setting. Also under development are Leignre Spit Larry T The Adventures of Willy Beamish, Heart of China, Snace Ouest I & IV. King's Ouest V. Police Ouest III. and Stellar 7

Laserdisc "cartoonimation" games, back from the dead of the early-ciehties arcade wonder-years, may find a happy home on Genesis CD. Victor Musical



looking Sullivan Bluth classics such as Dragon's Lair, Space Ace, and several others to disc

For mystery-murder buffs, Sur De' Wave (no, we've never heard of that company, either) plans to produce Nostalgia 1907, a complex, real-time CD caper. Similar in concept to I.B. Harold's Murder Club. Nostaleia places the player on an ocean liner where a string of macabre killings demand expert sleuthing skills

Other titles on the way include Detonator Organ, a cybernetic roleplaying battle from Hot-B; Lunar. The Silver Star and Nobunaga's Ambition III from Game Arts, Heavy Nova from Micronet, and reportedly Pit Fighter and Race Driver from Tengen.

Coming Soon to a CD-ROM

Japanese Segaphiles are already spinnine many of these latest CD titles as you read this, and the rest should appear overseas within the coming months. Although Sega of America isn't talking, you can bet the cream of the crop will debut Stateside along with the Genesis CD-ROM this spring





By Hack in Slash
This igh H.A.T.A zaps you

into the dospet regions of outer space, stams you could and takes a quick detaur to check out some of the hotest come book and sch-livider action in town! Strap yourself in tight, fellow arradians, this is gonna be one, wild ride!



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ground fire and enemy ships, in order to set your sights on the Octopus Power Reactor part Guils only vidnerable spot.

- Red Eye's only vulnerable spot The graphics are incredible! Hyper fast scaling and ultra-smooth spinte rotation create the illusion of watching a movie rather than playing just a video game. Since you're in the gun turret, you can't control the direction of your ship; however you can shoot your lasers anywhere onscreen. The screen itself is a large convex mirror which enteress all the graphics, giving it an early realistic 3-D effect that completely engulis the player's field of vision. Four powerful speakers encircle the screen, pumping out radical voices and sound effects adding to the realism of the experience. Finally, the player's seat delivers a resounding loud thump and forceful kick

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Captain America and The Avengers (Data East)

The Avengers (Data East)
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Great care has been taken to ensure that each character looks, sounds, and tights with his comic book powers, Iron Man fires his repulsor rays, the Vision Zips enemies with laser eye bealms, Hawk eye unleasters a flumy of arrows, and Cap litings his sheet. This game even plays like a comic book; detailed panels of comic and recount the storyline between levels; Classic sound effects such as "KWHAM."

"KZAP" and "WHABCOM" flash in bright comic-bookish iertlering. The willains speak in gamey evel barrier and the heroes reptly



Terminator 2 (Midway) The action-packed summer blockbuster move that wowed everyone with its awe some special effects has inspired an arcade shooter with equally breathtaking graphics and gameplay. This 1- or 2-player stand-up oun game is a visual and aural feast for the senses! Terminator 2: Judgement Day incorporates actual film footage, digitized backdrops of scenes from the move, an awesome soundtrack, mind-numbing sound effects, and digitized speech of of Arnold himself encouraging you through

the heat of battle. Smooth, multi-scrolling creates a realistic 3-D look that's enhanced by holographic-like fashes that appear between you and the screen

Gameplay is simple - gun down the enemies before they get you! You have set amounts of energy and ammunition, which is recharged when you shoot special weapon and energy pill icons. The game accurately follows the movie storyline, battling the robotic forces of Signet in the Figture, infiltrating the Skynet headquarters, controlling the Time Field Generator which sends you back in time to our present to protect Sarah Conner and her son, and the ultimate final battle with the most deadly

Terminator of all - the T-1000s This game requires quick reflexes and a top-notch shooting ability to handle the non-stop, pulse-pounding action. As with the movie, Terminator 2: Judgement Day

is something that can't be described, but must be experienced firsthand! Hasta b vista, trabyl



with equally corny lines about truth, lustice and the American arcade way!

The graphics are gorgeous! All the characters are well-rendered, and the backgrounds feature infinite detail. A hor soundtrack and realistic digitized voices. and sound effects help make this game a lov to play. There are sure to be long lines for this one, but that's DK since it's just as fun to watch as it is to play. As with their other 4-player arcade hit. The Simpsons. Data East is hitting jackpots with the

comicsi PROTIP: Force your apparents off the edge of the screen and keep pour them every time they venture back. PROTIP: When fighting as a team, keep iron Man and the Vision flying so you'll have both a ground and air attack.



wheel drive) super-powered dune buggs Untike Atari's other "realty-based" driving earnes Such as Final Lap and Hard Drivin' Road Riot 4WD is a rock'em, sock'em, noholds barred 1- or 2-player racer! Sit before a large 29-inch screen, foot poised on the gas pedal, hands firmly gripping the steering wheel, and your fingers possed on the firing buttons. Firing buttons? In a driving game? Correct, the only objective of Road Rict 4WD is to wan any way you can't

Take the field in one of over a dozen bumpy, obstacle filled dirt courses shusted throughout the world, including Saudi Arabig, Australia, Las Vegas, and even New Jerseyl Din each course, you must be the first across the finish line in three lans, or you're outta the race! Anything goes, so smash into your opponents, or shoot them with your unlimited supply of stun bullets

The graphics are hot! You have a first person perspective behind your 4WD and the sprites are all large and well-rendered. Digitized images and voices of real buggies, racers, and spectators round out this game. Road Ruot isn't for Sunday drivers. Your computer opponents are very hard to beat, almost impossible in the upper levels Road Riot 4WD is helt on wheels!

PROTIP: There are no brakes; case off the gas long before you go into hairpin turns!



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It's Three, Three, Three Games in One

The basic gameplay itself is horizontally and vertically scrolling action/adventure style. Peter Pan teams up with Tink and must search different areas of Never Never Land in order to discover where his children are being held hostage. In each area of Never Never Land he visits he searches for special items that enable him to clear that area and build his strength for the final battle with Hook, in addition to the moular game the cart also features two other styles of play. In 3-D flying sequences Pan tries to grab marbles ("happy thoughts") in order to keep aloft, while at the same time dodging nasty clouds and booby-trapped dynamite balloons sent up by Hook. In the battle scenes Peter goes head-to-head with an enemy such as Purio, leader of the Lost Boys, to win a special item

An SNES version of Hook is in the very early stages. Sonyfringsooth promises that this cant will be even more involved, feature spectacular graphics, and mailly most /yout Welf have more on SNES Hook, as well as compilete reviews of the NES and Game Boy versions, in upcoming issues, in the mean-time, think happy thoughts and check out the mosile.

Hook by Sony/Imageseft for the NES, Game Boy, and Super NES. Prince and applicable







By The Pizza Guys "Cootein, our star man review is picking up a non-registered spacenio orbitano the Green Planet

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st the Toads

Tough bunny is right, but never call Bucky a "bunny" if you know what's good for you! He's the roughest, toughest space fighter in the known Aniverse, a parallel universe

where animals rule Bucky O'Hare, Konami's single-player NES action/adventure cart, continues the storyline from the TV cartoon and the comic book as the thwart the evil Toad Empire in its

plans to enslave the Aniverse. This time the Toad Marshall's captured four members of Bucky's crew and stashed each one of them on a danger-filled planet. Bucky must face the perils of the four planets and rescue his warrior triends. Each one he finds joins him, and

take advantage of their unique skills.

No Laughing Matter Bucky's graphics are Konami clean. The characters look cool, and there are some

STOCK SELECT



Bucky leaps from planet to planet, fighting through jungles and boulderstrewn terrain, across rivers, and around volcanoes, on joy slopes, and in darkened mels. Each planet has eight or more stapes, some horizontal, some vertical



oky makes like Alloe in We



PROTIP: Boo't worry about the volcanoes on the Red Planet. When they blow, stam still. Better to take a light hit from flying the even a circl oils of part land

You run up against an army of Storm Toads and weird space creatures, but they're the least of your worries What makes you hopping mad are the cart's imaginative obstacles. Bucky must hitchhike on meteors, outrace letha streams of lava, ride lice Snakes, and more. However, the unlimited continues may cool the cart's challenge for players who like to suffer

Multiple Personalities

Without your friends it's rabbit stew for you! The key to completing your mission is knowing which character to use and when, Bucky O'Hare's unique feature is the easy-to-use quick-change ability of the on-screen character. Like in Turties L you can switch from character to charac ter at will (if you rescue them all), but in Bucky O'Hare, you switch with just a quick press of the Select button.





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I'VE DESCUED O TORD MESSOON THEY WILL SMOSH WOLLE OF THE OND STONE." PROTIP: Keep nuch character's special abilities in mind. Change often — like a baseball manager going to a plach hitter or rolled pilicher.



PROTE: Some you figure out wisch character is best eathed to battle such level's boss, make seen that character grabs all the power-ups in that level to get ready for the battle shead.

Each character's skills are best suited to carticular chores, Look to Bucky when you need a sure shot istraight-on or overhead), a high jump, or a quick escape.



Bucky hitches a rick

Plot Jenny, the Aldebaran Cat, transmits a manical beam from her feline forehead First Gunner's Mate Dead-Eye Duck totes a three-way shooter that clears out claces, Android First Class Blinky files a little and fires an outlonal cannon. He's also the smallest character, so he can scuirm through places the others can't Ally DuWitt the Earth Boy, cames a less cannon that packs a powerful punch.



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'ROTTF: Since ellinky's smaller then the thers, use him to squeeze through light ussaages where extra lives and powerlen. He's great on ice PROTIP: When building bosses, head for the center of the screen and stay there. If ve picked the right character, you'll be to blast the boss without moving far



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PROTE: Let Backy take core at the bookies-tessing Attas-like bass on the Green Planed. Will and his lesser are the best bet for the mechanized metal monster on the Red Flan et. By combinations of characters against other bosses until you find the right ones.

ter Space Fun and Gun to O'Hare is not a cart for dumb bun-

nies, but the unlimited continues out per sistence on a par with skill. On the surface this game looks like lighthearted fare squarely aimed at younger kids, but it's brimming with hotspots such as the giant mechanical snake maze on the Blue F et and the flowing lava on the Red Planet that will challenge even the best player.

Bucky's good finger-flexing fun. Even if you don't like the comic book, the cartoon, and the action figures, you'll like the game. Expect to see young Bucky fans multiplying like...like kids in math class.



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video games. Entering the contest is simple, see page 22 of this issue. Journey to the Center

of Your Mind

The game behind the contest is Tressure Massing Scooter Scooter was just a regular led unif one day he found an oid, best-up gold cont. He tucked the coin under his pillow for safelweping and that high the had a dream about a boarne landscape filled with will creatures. One risk "Gronder harpened upon a Cher risk "Gronder harpened upon a

book ontitled "The Legand of the Tressura Master" The tome bold of a scrower named Costian and a great hidden tressure. Oosbian said that to find this tressure an adventure must undestake a quest—a quest of the mind. The test also mentioned a special coin that was the key to the mystery—his conf Quees what—Socotor's off to solve the mystery and neb the tressure.

It's A Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World

There are five different worlds emoute to the treasure vauth—cach stranger than the next. Your tasks is to work your way through each successive world until you reach the loot. This takes brainpower and skill because you'll have to find different unusual dejects, figure out how to use them, and then "lust do it" in each world.

Your quest begins on the Islands where you spend half your time on land and the other half under the sea. Next you rooket to the Moon where most of the action takes piece underground (observation takes piece underground (observation that make you the "time in the moon"?). World Three durings you into a construction site, but don't expect a bunch or short as the work or settle. The least two worlds are the fartably Forcest, filled with weet or settle and the fartably Forcest, filled with weet or settle and the fartably Forcest, filled with weet or settle and the fartably Forcest (filled with weet or settle fartably Forcest) and the fartably forcest (filled with the settle post actually get fire side your MESE And then, finally if you cannot your worth her Treasers Wasti





PROTIP: Stand on the right side of the plat form and the heavy lomafa...



catapatts you up to an area with another 1-Up. No One Said It Would Be Easy

Only GamePro's need apply 'cause this cart is tought' You begin with four fives, but you can nab free men (they're hidden à la Super Maro) as you go. There are NO continues and you have to play from the beginning (World One) to the finish (World Five! to reach the Tiessure Master wayth.



PROTEP: Use the bow and arrow when you reach the needle-shaped object to send a line across to a transporter that leads to a bonus room with another 1-Up.

If you're going to take on this challenge you better have a high breaking point because Tiessure Master has a fision frustration factor. There are lots of moves you have to repeat again and again until you get them right – and if you run out of men you're right back at the beaining.



pu'il rocket to Level 2

PROTIP: Slow and steady wins this race. You'll need all your energy and lives in the Treasure World so don't rush through the early stages.

90TIP: Enemies follow consistent paters. Enemies you face in the early lages may show up In later worlds in flerent guises.



PROTIP: Bombs reappear once you move off the screen. Sometimes you'll need more than one bomb on a world, so remember that you can return and grab another one at the same location.





question mark in World One. This helps you get the submarine.

All This and Money, Too! Treasure Master has good animation, and

the graphics are colorful and clean, sittrought unspectations? Coupled with docent axind effects and O.K. masic the game keeps put looked even if you aren't palying for the mooks. So what are you warfing for? then plyour NESS, those prises are just warfing for you to clean theart PES. Within grown't help you cut even thought within not eligible to win the prises conselves. See 1g. 1568 for a feet figs on how to sing the cash?



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factd One to the far left while you have ough the passage, grab the bow, and t of air.

NINTENDO PRO REVIEW



By Feline Growy

There's tru tile in the foun

of Bedrock, Fred Firitstone and Barney Rubble have had their pets Dino and Hoppy (Barney's pet Hoppassurus) pet-risped by a slightly deranged dinosaur collector from the future.

Ferds spore guy buddy. Gizzon, base into a sime travelse or making the leap into the OML Century and resculing the pair could be a strue. F. Gizzob's inj westn't a broken down heap of jain. Here's the soos. Firefs got to get his prehistoric near in gear and hard down the pieces hard Gizzon reades to rebuild its firme mechine. If he dosen't, Dino and Hoppy are going to spend the rest of their days as modern day zoo specimens. Yabba Dab-ha burnment



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Prehistoric Follies

In The Rintstones by Tailo, the outskirts of Revimok are a dinosaur-est-Fred world, Seven vertically and horizontally scroling levels take this unlikely hero through the wild and dangerous tembories of Bedrock, Reefrock, the Jungle. Under the Sea. Tea Rock, Ice Oh; and the Future. There's plenty of bop-'n-hop action along the way when Fred crosses paths with dozens of dinosaurs and angry cave dwellers. In addition, there are three Basket Rock (bonus levels), where Fred takes on Hard-Head Harry for some one-on-one Stone Age hoops. You can bypass the Basket Rock rounds by simoly walking past them on the map screen, however, a win on the courts earns Fred prizes (such as Hoppasaurus and a pair of Wings) that are lifesavers in later lavels

Wilms, Beth, Barney, and Gazoo all have co-starring roles. They pop up along the way and put in their two-cents by offering information and sometimes warnings. There's even a special guest star appearance from (firth) a well forown cosmic kinds' raw whose initials are "G.I."



PROTIP: When battling the Level One dinosaur boss, stay to the far left of the screen and launch axes at its head behumen fire blasts.



PROTIP: Nit this "dino-launcher" with Frad's club. As he flies into the air more him to the left and you'll be able to pick up the 1-up icon floating in the air. Shakin' an Unlikely Leg

The pet-rapping solvously if a fire under Fred. This notionus burbler manages some impressive moves. Fred can make long lasps and sixth or to ledges, noof tops, or logs and swing or lift himself up – you name it he's on it like Videro. It can be a little thumb-champing to master the longer lesps, but overall the gameplay is uncomplicated, feets solid, and is seave in master.

Dino-bashing weapons include a club that's great for up close combat, Also, by smashing open barrels with his club, Fied can pick up a few long range weapons, including a Singshot, Egg Bombs, and an Alex. All weapons, saidfrom the club, wan powered up by Coins which are also inside barrels. Fied must also collect Bronto Burgers and Cactus Coolers to replenish his life meter and fighting power.



ering Fred down the talls.

Here's Looking at You, Fred

When it comes to carbone-gene cartridge, graphics are a big hurdle. Afford, if they don't hold, the the originste, whath the point. Well, this post-programming report, happly, is amont princt. The Finitstones didn't foose their Stone Age good looks in the transition, even though three's a taid of sprite filiciar. However, the music's definitely edinct, low volume serves you will.



PROTE! If you're a Bittle unsure about clearing the distance of a jump your best bet is to simply go for it and always, always press down Up. If Fred clears the distance, hothing down Up ensures that be'll make the grab for the ledge.



A Yabba Do Time

It's surprising that it took so long for the Flintstones to show up on the video gaming scene. Whatever the reasons for the delay, it was worth the wait. The Flintstones is a really cool little 8-bit actventure it sports nice graphics, lots of levels, good gamaplay, good challenge, and, for those who need them, encless continues. Visit with American's favorite Stone Age family. You'll have a Yabba Do Time for sure.



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By Cleopa

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a path to the next world.

Big Mac Attack

In Mic Kad your only weapons are the block

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PROTIP: If you're carrying a block when you jump on a super springboard you'll be shot sky high.

M.C. Kids lives and breathes Super Mario Brothes. From the amooth play control to the general construction of each level, you leng fageting you've not that titls belain puration. There are no aiborne or underwater levels but the cart does pack some great features that Mario backs, such as the Opinion that iferally time your eritie world upoids down, and Zoppes, which enable you to

unzin the wall of a level dimb out and



PROTIP: To reverse the Earth's gravitational pull run across a Spinner at full speed. Looking at the world upside down always reveals new nooks and crannies, and often a puzzle card or two.

Having to find hidden puzzle cards gives a new purpose to each level. You can't just book through the levels and say done." You've got to search them top to bottom to find what you're looking for.



and forget about the others. It'll save you a heck of a lot of trouble, and up above you'll find a

above you'll find a bunch of bodaclous 1-Ups. PROTIP: Bon't be afraid to take a long, blind leap off any ledge. More often than not you'll land on a string of sky

A Hanny Moal

A nappy mean Seasoned Nitherdonians will be able to run, jump, and spin through this cart's six worlds in a couple of days, but it's just right for its super, audience — younger kids. M.C. Kids will tantaize you with its puzzles and secrets, while making you humon for some cood of Mickey D's.



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PROTIP: Touching the Reverser sends you spinning back to the beginning of the lev This is useful because often you're harted onto an unreachable platform just above

return to another area of the game. Plus,

If you collect 100 Golden Arches, you'll

go to a bonus stage.

A Double Dragon Explosion! For your NES and Game Boy.

The intense street fighting action of the Double Dragons now comes in 3 block-buster games for your NES² and Game Boy¹ In the all-new Double Dragon II for Game Boy, Billy Lee has been framed for a crime lie didn't commit. Battling side by side with his brother limmy, hey must take on the lethal Scorpion gang to prove his innocence.

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By Riff-Raff

Ever wondered what it would be like to be a monster the size of a mouse? Konemi's

latest is a pint-sized part that shows you. A freak volcanic enuntion cut the monsters - good and bad - down to size and now they're stuck in the heart of Los Angeles. The good ghouls, led by the Varrioire and the Monster, have stowed away in the lacket pocket of a teenager named Jack. Get it? Monster In My Pocket



Based on the popular "Monster In My Pocket" toy line, this Konami action fitle with arcade-style gameolay pits one or two players against a clan of bad ghouls led by Warlock. The action is verfeally and horzentally scroling back-nslash with five stages, each with a boss. and a sixth stage where you battle each finy boss terror one more time

PROTIP: In Two Player mode you're both ns out of lives he can always steal s on the other player by hit when all of his lives are gone.

Monster Mash

The action here is straight-up. The Varnpire and the Monster each have their own unique hack-n-slash techniques, but



if you find you need more help in a world of human-sized hazards you can grab sound too threatening, but snagging them

Keys and Bolts. These ouny items may not and hurling them at the other mini-monstars is your best defense

PARTY LATER IN TIP: Find a Key or a Bolt, it works much

otter than your regular attack? House Party

You begin your adventure in Jack's house as you hop down the staircase into the lving room. In Stage One, Monster in my House, you'll face phantoms on the bookshelf and flying foes on the stairs P: To give yourself an extra boost on A at the top of your lum PROTIP: Stage One's boss, Spring Hee ck, is no problem if you just slash his knives instead of dodoli

Next, you run into Big Trouble in the Kitchen, Stage Two, where you'll face everything including the kitchen sink. Make it to the freezer and Biofoot will try to freeze you and squeeze you

In Stage Three, Crisis From Underground, you drop down a manhole into

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the sewer. Stay at least an arm's length from Boss Kraken's tentacles.

It's a Towering Catastrophe in Stage Four as you climb steel girders while

avoiding the sliding attack of Red Cap and the Gremin boss with his killer

> In Level Five's Oriental Illusion you force through the bamboo forest and the barbed wire

fence on you way to the palace Medus. Stage Five's boss, will at terret to turn you into choo surv

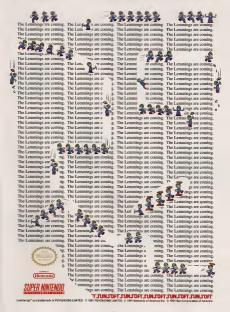
Stage Six is a rematch versus all the boss monsters you've already defeated. Best them again and you're ready for the Last Battle at Monster Mountain against Warlock.

Good Things in a Small Package

Monster In My Pocket is more than just the NES companion to a popular toy product. Despite a fair amount of flicker. when too many monsters do the mash on the screen at once, the graphics are solid. Including some nice animation of the Varnoire and the Monster Gameolav is fairly simple, but this cart is fun. If voutre a tiny fran or you just have a monstrous bent, you might put this Monster in your pocket.



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Cyberball

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Rampart

"It's 'critical' and long. The quarter back drops back to pass...Crunch! He's sacked and the piction explodes!" We can only be taking about one game, the coolest robo-football coin-go of all time. Atan's Oxbertail now coming home towour NES from Jaieco

Unfortunately, this rendition lacks some of the arcade machine's finest amplifies

Ballistic Pigskin In case you're unfamiliar with Oyber-rules let's recap. Cyberbail is

based on real football with a few minor and a few major differences. Players are 100% cast-iron

robots, ready to pound each other's circuits until something blows up (and it usually does). You get five downs to either cross midfield or score a touchdown, and if you're stopped, karblopey! The bomb (ball) detonates in your face! in

addition to the regular one-human mode two participants can from up arainst the computer or "duel" against each other A total of 10 offersive and 12 defensive formations orace O/berball's playbook. You can execute most basic plays except

ounts, field goals and furnises. But sadiu for Cuberfarates the controls are too haphazard, and sometimes it's tough to even hand off to a runner (the defense invariably nicks off your balerals). As a result of the finore-pretraino gameplay, the computer adversary is fairly lough to beat. Twoplayer scrimmages are much

more enjoyable Spare Parts

As you rack up hit after metal-rending bit, you'll build up cash reserves. You can't hav better buts. just replace the wounded. No option is provided for season play so forget about a long-term team effort. Another crack in Outser-

halfs armor is the archaic graphic dsplay - since the bomb/ball never bounces and there are no shadows there's no way to indoe beight. The music gets nervetwinging, but the voices are moderately close to authentic. Overall Outerhall isn't a disaster but it

By the Pizza Guys

If you're feeling nostaloic for a kinder, gentler, or at least down-

and-dirty form of worfare check out Rampart. This land-sea bal fer and arrade title sends you back in time to the middle ages for medieval action/strategy with in

a Tetrochuict Ships Ahov

The protagonists in this cart are the Blue Knight and the Bed Knight, In the One- Player mode you defend a senes of coastal castles from attacking galleons You beam by choosing a territory to conquer and a castle to defend. Pre-

pare for bettle by strategically placing three cannons in your castle. As the enemy ships approach off-shore the volleying begins. They're trying to take out your walls and you're trying to send them to a

watery grave. Ar har har

Cannonhall Sandwich shaped blocks that turn in any di-

At the end of each sound you se pair your castle's walls with

rection - à la Tetris. You're also trying to expand your walls to include surrounding castles. The more territory you cover the State out your territory. more points you score and the more cannons you get - all of which enable you to defend yourself when more ships appear in succeeding munds. Conquer all the

castles in a territory and you move to the next one - there are six different territories in all In the Two-Player mode you're landlocked. Both players occupy castles, blast away at each others' walls, and make repairs between rounds. Whoever conquers the most castles

P: "Lead" ships with a y of shots in front of the w. They'll cruise right into it. Post Battle Report

wire

Rampart's graphics and sound are nothing to shoul about even Though a surprisingly good digifized voice calls out commands. But strategy and intense play with a puzzle tuest kept us on the ramparts long at ter we'd run out of sea chantevs.



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Ultimate Air Combat



F-15 Strike Eagle

General Luigi Don Gwano plans to General Luigi Don Gwarlo pairs to enslave the Free World by seizing all of the Middle East's of fields. In Ultimate Air Combat by Activi-

sion you fly to dump Gwano. Gwano-a-Mano This single player flight simulator uses sharp graphics, intense

challenge, and great garmeolay to keep you on the edge of your seat. You pilot three let aircraft an F14 Tomcat, an AV-8 Harrier, and an F18 Homet through seven difficult.

levels to Gwano's hydrien hase On the way to your targets you

fly via a forward-looking, first-person view out the cockpit. Use your radar screen and the Heads-Up Display in a dizzying dogright. At the target site, the perspective switches to an impressive-looking 3/4 overhead view as you

dump your bombs and outfly enemy aircraft In each level you must fly four different missions, which involve demolishing communication centers, hidden labs, submannes, and even mobile Soud launchers. Gwano's forces toes:

a ton of high-tech hardware at your rocketships, helicopters, intempotors, missile launchers, and anti-amort weapons. Comclete a mission and you can upgrade your aircraft, if you're

dusted you lose a jet. PROTIP: Drop chaffs to decay enemy missiles or shoot them with your cannon before they mach you. Modifying your ets makes them

es, which appear after you

all lethal machines, U.A.C. puts a P: The IMA Harrier can wealth of weapons at your comer, but it can also lose almand. You can arm your aircraft with 14 weapons, which range from a cannon with unlimited amono. Sideworders, and Scorman

Missales for air-to-air combat to an Air-to-Ground Laser, Rockeye TV-market hombs, and Harmoon Ground Missiles for land-based targets. Your payload is limited so choose wisely

For Soud Stude

This interse and fun combat cart will push your video flying skills to the max. Ultimate Air Combat? They aren't kidding.



Do you dream of slicing through the vapor trails of a MiG or knockand let's get it on!

ing out some Souds? Gas up F-15 Strike Eagle by MicroProse

Where Eagles Dare Fly a supersonic F-15 Strike Eagle through seven challenging Sortie

Areas over video versions d Libra, Kreat, and Iran Your mission is to take out enemy usenous air fields bodges and commend penters. You can fly solo or

for an added challenge team up with another filer in one jet as Plint and

Weapons Officer You plot the F-15 from a for-

ward-looking, first person perspective. A control panel in the bottom half of the screen features a full array of readouts including han Missile Warning Sensors, a Sortie Area Radar Man.



many and secondary tarnets. For

route you can shoot down enemy

'Rag Up the Points Armed with a cannon and missiles, you pull loops, rolls, and high-speed turns over the Middle Fast on your way to take out no-

PROTE: To some folds:

planes and bomb DI Rigs, SAM (Surface to Air Missile) Sites, and Airbases. Nailing targets enables you to score points towards a promotion through seven ranks from Airman to General. High scores in a single sortie win medals

As you gain combat expenence you move un through four skill levels. At the ton levels Combat Pliot and Ace, you receive better weapons and gain more control over your aircraft - but you have to shoot straighter and By better too

Chair Force

F-15 Strike Eagle is basic video jet combat fare that offers quality flight time for any NES let lookey. Let your finners on the floor?



Master the Islands!



Princess Tina is lost and only Master Higgins can find her Go thrashin' on your skatehoard or ride powerful dinosaur sketehoard or ride powerful dinosaur steeds as you search through 8 wild and uncharted islands. You'll face poisonous spiders, spitting oobras and a host of guardian monsters that are just waiting for an intuder to snack on Take off on the adventure of a lifetime in these action-packed canees for the NES and Game Bovl

- Crack open hidden eggs for a massive bonus or super shortcut!
- Spectacular graphics and excellent game play highlight the action!



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NINTENDO: PREVIEW Yes, faithful 'Pros. last

October GP flashed some acreers from The Empire. Strikes Back as a trailer to the Star Wars Pro Review. But even though Empire. isn't due out for another month, the pre-Im carts just keep getting better and bet ted Here's a full-fledged preview of what looks to be one of the best star-fighting NES carts yet - Force or no Force

Battle the Empire

Did you ever want to BE in the Star Wars big screen adventures - "Star Wars," "The Empire Strikes Back," and "The Return of the Jedi"? This cart makes you feel like you're a part of it all, but it won't reveal its charms easily - the nine levels appear to be serious thumb burners!

You become Luke Skywalker as you battle Imperial Storm Troopers on Hoth the los Planet and in Respin the Cloud City. Yoda helps you become strong with the Force on swampy Daoobah.

The graphics and animation are out of this world! They're so superior to those in the Star Wars cart that you wonder if both games were made by the same people (they were). There are great digitized images of the Star Wars grew - Han, Leia, Obi-Wan, Yoda, and Lord Darth Vader. The Cloud Cars, Bohe Fett's Slave I spaceshin, the Imperial Probe Droids, and even the Storm Troopers' snow uniforms look like they were lifted straight off the silver screen.

Empire's packed with great features. On Hoth you can ride Tauntaures. dismount to explore, and boo back on to continue your ride. You nint a Snow-speeder, an X-Wing fighter, and an Impenal AT-ST Walker. You even develop eight Force Powers including Lexitation, Healing, and Mind Control.

Doing Justice to the Jedi There doesn't look to be any Dark Side in this cart. The Force will be with you

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NINTENDO PREVIEW

By Speedy Buns

Lucasfilm Games created the Dunatron saga, and now

they're creating a game, Defenders of Dynatron City, that brings the saga to the NES. Here's a sneak preview of the cart.

Dynatron City - Better Living

through Mutation
It all began when Professor Myron built
the world's first atomic-powered soft
drink company to make Proto-Cola in
Dynatron City. Not content to rest on his
jaurels the Professor created an atomic

syrup and tested it on a lab monkey.
When the monkey began to talk, the excited Professor decided to dose himself with the

does himself with the nuclear nectar. Unforturately, the atomic syrup exaggerates whatever characteristics the imbiter already possesses – and the Doctor turned into a real levit a super vitain

known as Dr. Mayhem. In the meantme, Mr. Monkey turned into super crime fighter Monkey Kid, and with his trusty supply of the atomic pollon he transformed

Wendy Weedwacker, Proto-Cola plant worker, into Buzzsaw Girt. A splash of the atomic syrup landed on the toolbench and, vola, Toolbox, another mutant crime fighter. A few more splashes of the particactive living and three more superhuman heroes – Jet Headstrong, Ms. Megawatt, and Radium Dog – were ready to combat Dr. Mayhem's madness.

Here's where you come in. Command four of the atomic superheroes, each with their own unique superpower ability, in a one-player, five Chapter actransfutantive or set to stop the great

each with their own unique superpower ability, in a one-player, five Chapter action/adventure quiest to stop the mad doctor and his multiple mutants who overun Dynatron City. As you roam the city streets you'll

As you nam the ofly streets you'll find that different team members buttle better in different situations. Grab special teams that enable you to activate your team's superpowers and power-up your characters. At the end of each Chapter gab a supercharger that enables your team to battle Dr. Mayhom in a fight to the finish for Drustons City.

Detenders of Dynatrue City by Lucastilin Games, \$28.95 Available March 1992, 2 mags

review when the game is a little closer to

completion! And don't miss the upcom-

ing Defenders of Dynatron City animated

cartoon special (see ProNews this issue).

Grab superchargers to prepare for the fi buttle with the Mayheen.

Size







series of unique games based on several Lucasfilm properties (i.e. Star Wars and the Empire Strikes Back) on its way from Lucasfilm Games. We'll have an in-depth





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Big Hitters, Hackers, and Sandbacce

Golf? In February? It's tee time any time with video colf cames. Here are seven video golf carts for the SNES, the NES. the Game Gear, and the Lynx that will bring a mean 18 to any screen.

True Golf Classics: Waialae Country Club



By Sla Ma

Get out your sams and shades! Now you can fly your SNES to Watalan Country Club (home of the Hawaiian Open) on Oahu, Hawaii for true-to-life golf action courtesy of T&E Soft.

Tropical Gott

You can only play the 18 at Waialae CC. but a nicer looking video course you'll never find. According to T&E Soft this is the real thing! As you scan the holes there are some clean postcard shots of Diamond Head and the crystal blue Pacific Oosen. No fair! Owes! the cart. features good SNES graphics



One to four players can go at a time, and the cart automatically records 10 industrial records and course records

You can play Stroke or Match or enter a Tournament against 48 other pros. and you can set handicans.

The gameplay is simple and allows precise hitting. The windows and meters in the hitting screen are nicely arranged and enable you adjust the direction of your shot, the power in your swing, your stance to add draw or fade, and the point where your club makes contact with the ball to produce toospin or backsoin. You get a behind the back, full body view of your goller with wind direc-



ton, lie, shot angle, distance from hole info, and an overhead view of the hole including your location. Walate uses a dancing-dot hitting scheme, which requires three button presses. PROTIP: Always double check the computer's club selection. It doesn't account for

There's a nice array of options. You can display a dotted line trail to mark your shot trajectory. Fly-by a hole prior to

play. You can pick four caddles, who appear in person with advice. OTIP: Win a trip to Hawaii! There's an try form with the cart, but you can also ter by sending your name, address, a d phone number on a 3 by 5-inch pos

True Golf Classics: Whiatae Country Club is a primo golf cart. You get a solid great-looking game of golf with an excellent selection of options. And real purists can fine-tune their strokes to death. All this and Hawaii tool



T&E Software, \$69.95 Available now, 8 megs

Hole-In-One Golf.

Many of you oversess sports buffs have been pin-

ing away for more info on Jumbo Osaki's Hole-in-One Golf for the Super Famicom ever since we ProSpect ed it back in July Well, fellow duffers, it's here, it's awasome, and it's from Hall for the SNES. Mr Osak however didn't make the trin across the Big Pond

Tournament of HAL

Before we dig into gameolay, let's talk graphics. They're positively gorgeous Rarely does a 16-bit sports cart look so sweet, especially a links title. Hal spares no expense to bring us micro-detailed



zooms during putts.

fly-by pix of the course, including a layout of peaks and valleys with amazingly realistic shading. You can even choose individual sections of the map, cut them away and scale in for a close-up! Especially breath-taking are the dramatic

The high-tech topographic look at the hole.

Up to four players can tee it up for a tournament in Striken Play (normal golf scoring) or Match Play (nor inchedial holes). Practice and exhibition modes are also available. Unfortunately, only one 18hole course is provided. Fristly, you can challenge the Haj pro, and if you best him you'll earn a set of sterling-silver woods and a possword.

PROTIP: Enter "METAL PLAY" as your name to use Hal's extra-long clubs.

Although Halfs cart books like a winner, it doesn't always play like one. The swing interface is somewhat eratic and flustrating quiting mid-ange strokes. Puts are also cumbersome in certain situations. Finally, you car't determine dehances to any soot on the course espent

the flag. PROTIP: To putt just push A twice instead of those times.

A Chip Shot

A Crip Stort if you're looking for a solid links game for your SNES, Hole-in-One is a safe bet. However, because of the difficult swing mechanics, it qualifies as a pro-challenger but not a sudden-death grand charmoon.



Hole-in-One Golf by Hai America \$59.95, Available new, 8 megs

Golf Grand Slam



Golf Grand Starn by Attus doesn't waste your precious NES playing time by messing around in a club house, dishing out ditry advice, or fleshing gitzy ball-in-flight shots. Instead, you immediately get down to great, no-

nonsense, overhead view NES golf. Championship Golf

One to four players can hit the links as a foursome or in a tournament versus 30 video pros. You only play one nicely detalled course, which looks suspiciously like Augusta National.



Zoom anywhere on the course

PROTIP: Having trouble breaking into the top 107 Try ADAEGO, the rest is up to you

This cart's packed with terrific hitting options. You can choose from four sets of clubs and set them to four power levels. Hitting the ball is easy but it still procludes complex strakes. Five windows.



Make five adjustments to your sheb easily, enable you to quickly adjust your stance, position the ball (even when you aren't teeing off), adjust the height of a teed-up ball, select four types of swings, use three orios, and see your lie close-up.

three grips, and see your lie close-up.
To wack the ball, you watch a finy
To wack the ball, you watch a finy
graphic. When the clot wiggles to the
spot you want, press the hit button.

For direction and accuracy you move a cross-hair to a spot on the fairway or, when you put, the green. Your hit takes off in that direction. Your club the

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PROTIP: Unless all factors are perfect, you must "stretch-out" the cross-hair to hit the distances you want. If you want 250 yards. move the cross-hair out 350 vards.

On the green the overhead views zoom in and out according to your distance from the hole. Inside 3 yards you actually see the inside of the cur-PROTIP: When you toe off, watch out for trees mar the tec

No Handicans

Golf Grand Slam is an excellent golf game, if you don't mind always playing the same course. It mimics real golf to a...err, tee, and goffers of any age or skill level can play together. The music and sounds try hard. A handy password feature distributes a code after every hole. (Excellent), Golf Grand Slam smashes par for the NES.

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Golf Grand Slam by Ath

Greg Norman's Power Golf

outstanding array of options

By Brother Buzz

Grea Norman's Power Golf by Virain Games drives an

and features into the NES golf wars. But it takes more than that to put together a

sharp game of video golf. Power Off the Tee

Power Golf showcases an awesome number of features! You get 9 international courses and a user course, which you can build from scratch or create by editing an existing gourse. One to four people can play. You set handicaps and pick three skill levels. For multiple players there are four types of games including Greensome where two teams play their best-hit balls

Power Golf's outstanding option is the Design feature where you build or edit holes. You use a point and click personal computer style interface to "dran" eight types of fairways, tees, holes, bunkers, water hazards, and trees into place. A battery-backup system saves

home-made courses. Power Golf's weakest feature is its graphics, which are simple by NES golf standards. There isn't much detail and few hijes to the color On the famuus you get a typical behind the goller shot. and next to that is a window with an overhead view, scorecard layout of the

entire hole. PROTIP: Always check the wind gauge. Wind can shift from 30 mph to 3 mph be-

Gameplay is simple. Hitting with woods and irons requires two button presses which snap a rubberband-like



power bar across two meters for power and hooks center hits and sloss. The bar's velocity makes strategic honks and slices a problem, but that's the challenge in real gof, too. The computer automati-

cally picks out the correct club, even in the pro skill level



PROTIP: It's usually easy to hit over trees. Hit under the ball to loft it over them. PROTIP: Since the 1-wood works from the fairway, on long par 5's go for the green on unur second sh

Putting switches to an overhead wew of the oreen. The oreens seem small and they're all fast. Heavy-trumbed notions will have to develop a light touch here.

Take a Bron

All the "power" in Greg Norman's Power Golf obviously went into the outstanding customizing options and the variety of features rather than the graphics or gameolax. If not for that, it would certainly earn a place among the NES golf leaderboard's too five. However, the 9 built-in courses and the nourse builder augrantee engless hours of deport video golfing for serious NES golf pros with a forgiving eve towards looks.

Sound Gamephy FunFactor Chills

Greg Horman's Golf Power by Virgin Game \$49.99, Available March '92 1 meg + battery backup

Oven Tournament

By Colorful Commentator Most video duffers should

he familiar with this standard gof interface. You choose from a standard assortment of clubs, adjust for wind, and control swing power, direction, and hooks and slices. NES Open, however, has a few new features and minor fine-tunes. Hit for too spin or back-spin, select swing speed and adjust shot height. As always, overheart 3-D, and bal-lie views are available. One guibble is your inability to pinpoint distances to locations other than the pinas well as the complete lack of yardage measurements on the green.

PROTIP: Never use a "fast" swing. It's too erratic, Stick with a "slow" shot









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Mario gets into his golf swing.

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(regular) or match play (by to win individual holes) tournament. The tourneys cover three courses, U.S., U.K., and Japan, and five skill levels. Money-making options include wagering and isolated competitions (such as the "Longest Drive" challengel. Two players can go head-to-head. A battery back-up saves your stats and position.



PROTIP: Watch out, golf cheatsters, the Nie tendo police are onto you! The "reset in the middle of a had shot? trick doesn't work

Open and Closed Golf

White not visually impressive and definitely not ear-pleasing, NES Open's variety of configurations and solid but not "ground breaking" goffplay make it one of the better links offerings to tee off on an 8-hit machine



Super Golf

If you're a Game Gear owner now you wan't even need to go outside to play a round. Sage's Creation has Super Golf for your handheld.

Game Gear Golf Super Golf class you 18 holes on a

strangely designed but attractive on you (palm trees, lots of water, sand, and islands - whatever happened to long fairways and



Sood golf, weird hazards

woods?). You can compete in Stroke Play tup to four players shoot 18 holes for the best scorel. Match Play (you against the computer or a friendl, or Practice. PROTIP: Always tao the Start button to

ck the map and your status before taking a shot. It will improve accuracy

There are plenty of handheld ooff carts. What sets Super Golf apart is that it allows you to customize your notier. You can artiset shillies like Power Luck and Control. There are also four different caddes that will improve certain ablities. Since there's only one course, and very few factors buch as weather sice, or hook) to alter your game, the customising option is a

great way to improve your score Super Golf isn't without its flaws. The course has an extremely sornov sur-

face - expect your ball to bounce much further than on a normal course. And the computer player makes pienty of impossible shots during Match Play - there's nothing worse than a cheating computer



nt. Add 20 to 30 yards to your drives to

The 19th Hole Overall. Super Golf is a well-made cart.

with plenty of options and enough realism to satisfy the most experienced dutfer. Now if only it had a snack bar - you work up one heck of a thirst even after 18 video holes.



\$34.45, Available now, 1 meg

Awesome Golf

By Colorful Commentate Lynx golfers, meet Chipper Chipper, meet the Lynx pollers. In Awesome Golf Chipper is your wise-cracking caddy who spouts helpful and otherwise comments throughout the afternoon of handheld golf. His voice is probably the clearest digitized sound ever to gipe through a



pair of portable speakers! Awesome Golf also features a smooth (but useless). zoom-in effect on the bird's-eve man and standard golf action.

International Golf

Awesome Golf is plain, simple, and fun. You can get in practice shots on the driving range or hit the greens on a U.S., U.K., or Japanese course, if you're playing single there's no computer goognent. but the head-to-human mode via the Comilyrox works well. A tournament ontion is, unfortunately, missing. The swingand-try-not-to-miss interface is up to usual video par. The overhead scene is finely



Strake icase direct your shots

detailed, and putting drops in just fine. In some areas, however, distance measurements aren't displayed, making your yardage guesstimates a mite frustrating PROTIP: To calculate your swing's required power, divide the distance remaining to the flag by your club's vartiage potential.

Good Golf

Due to the lack of certain features, Awesome Golf isn't awesome, but it's farly enjoyable and loud-mouthed to boot. Want polf-on-the-go? Get Awesome Golf. for the Lynx!



ne Golf by Atari \$34.99

Next Up to the Tee

Here are some more oul carts for the SNES and the Game Boy, which are scheduled to tee off this year!

Super PGA Tour Golf



Secrett with the PCA

Here's the SNES version of EA's prest Genesis sports cart. PGA Tour Golf. You can almost smell the grass! Almost. You can enter four tournaments against 60 of the PGA's too pros: the Players Championship at Sawgrass, PGA West at West Stadium, the Kemper Open at Avenei. and the Honda Classic at Eagle Trace. The golfing should be good, but it will definitely look good. Fly-by aerial views zooms and a Rall Cam which shows the hall in flight from multiple camera annies. You net mucho stats and hattery back-up too. (SNES, Available soon!)

Jack Nicklaus Golf by Tradewest



Jack Micklaus for the SNES This is the video game version of the PC classic nolf name by Sculptured Software and Accolade. This means sold behind-

get two real-life courses - Murifield VIIlage in Ohio and the Bear's Track in California. Not only that, but you'll be able to design your own courses, too, and save

The names nacked with digitized course scenery. Your onscreen golfer persona springs from actual film footage of the Golden Bear himself. And at the beginning of each hole Jack relays championship advice. (SNES, Available March '92)

Jack Nicklaus Golf by Tradewest



he Golden Bear tees off on the Come Roy

The Golden Bear always goes first class no matter how small be is Tradewood plans to pack four authentic golf courses. into this cart including Murifield Village in Ohio, Castle Pines in Colorado, Oesert Mountain in Arizona, and Jack's greatest 18 holes from famous courses eurov where Practice your behind-the-back view goffing at a driving range or on the putting green. You'll be able to share the fun with up to four friends via a nessword system (Game Boy Available March 192)

Ultra Golf

by Konami

You and a friend or the computer can make up a two-some to play two 18-hole courses. On the course, you'll be able to adjust your stance and see the lie of the ball up close to make precise hits. A bat tery backup will save your scores during lengthy rounds.



The three champions of truth, justice, and the Sega way - Gillus Thunderhead Ax-Battler, and Turis-Flare - were bored to

pieces. Since they double executed Death Adder and Death Bringer in Golden Ave they had little to do but sit around complies and bran about their accomplishments to disbelieving audiences.

Then suddenly a cloaked messenger stepped out of the shadows and proclaimed. "The Golden Ave has been stolen from the weapons vault once again. Our king has summoned you to defend aur country from the decement creatures of Dark Guld." The companions slowly nodded, fastened their sheeths. and prepared for a return to Golden glory

Rrawl Ruddies

Old hacks will find Axe II's gameolay nearly identical to its preciscessor, a sideview blade-huster set in a medieval fantasy-land. Two versions of "Axiation" are available: the Duel, a player-versus-player or player-versus-computer practice session and, of course, the Normal arcadestyle game. You can go it alone, but the two-player simultaneous mode is twice as fun and double trouble for the enemies. Unfortunately, it's also doubly difficult for you because two heroes must sham all three continues

Combatants choose between Gilius Thunderhead, a dwarfish mini-axe ace: Ax-Battler, a fearsome sword-singer; and Turis Flare, a master of amazon fighting techniques. Each character has personalized moves and attacks, including some a bt different from the original Axe. PROTTP: Gillion and Turis work best as a

Bark Guld's Bo-Badders

A long trek through thick and thin terrors awaits our main monster-mashers. You must complete six stages of action

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which span ransacked towns, creepy caverns, and a heavily fortified castle, before you even get a gimpse at evi incarnate himself Dark Guid



and next to a cliff to draw on ies off the edi



Oark Guid, position yourself near him ld his initial strike, and then jump-slast tre he can summon followers. It's not clear if Dark Guld is a new-

name version of Death Bringer or a differant villain altoorther, but he's got great taste in mysl weaponry plus a batch of houses to back up his foul deeds Of course basic "carnon fortrier" formanoids) pollute the bearring levels of the came, but as you procress to higher levels you'll bang sheids with grave-robbing skeletal warriors, tall-whipping loard men. and snell-charting manicians. The steroidcase bosses include twenty-foot tall trolls and headless knights in shining armor. PROTIP: Try Gillus' ring-around-the-axe spin to trap giants wielding clubs ago the edge of the screen. Avoid close-q ters combat or they'll shoulder-flip you.





mass damage.

Dragon Shenanigans Some of the smaller nasties ride mythical

creatures. Re a fire-breathing wyrm and a tal-snanning beast, but you can mount them once you dispatch their riders. Make it a point to capture these scaly critters because your lives could dépend on it



PROTIP: If you're hit while riding a beast you lose the mount, but you won't be hurt.

Enchantment of the Axe One of Axe is most innovative features is hack - each character has a different sor-

gling death scream from Axe I, has been KE III watered down to an obnoxious "blah" here. Ave it's challenge can be adjusted. but the game is no longer than the origin nal cart. A final out against the sequel is the unduly bootstring and sequence in a nutshell Axe II is a fun free-forall which may not be a step forward for perous ability which you can use as a

last-chance neck saver Knock out the wizards and grab their spell books - each one boosts your magical strength. Gillus can master Earth magic up to a power of three. Ax-Battier's tornados reach level four and Tyris knows fire to the power of



but have the same damaging effects. A new option enables you to use only a portion of your incantations instead of the

whole collection at once. PROTIP. Use minor magic against wizards and your spell points are restored immediately as the wizards drop spe..! books.

history. One particular effect the spine-tin-

Axes to Grind We know you've been "axieng" for Golden Axe II for ages, and yes, it's a welcome addition to the Genesis library. But before you pay for your play. there are a few things you should know. Although the graphics and animation are pretty nice by 16-bit standards, in some places they don't live up to Axe I's reputa tion. The music is passable but sounds weak compared to the emotional, hardrockin' beats from the original chapter in Axe



GENESIS OREVIEW

By Big Rick Stuart

Gamers - beginning this asking celebs to check out vorite games for you. This month's quest celeb is Big Rick Stuart, ine of the San Francisco Bay Ama's nottest DJ's. Rick's into modern music -Punk Rock and Thrash, which mail im uniquely qualified for his job of DJ on KITS ILIVE 105). Rick's also into biking which is why we chose him to check out Road Rash by Electronic Arts. He currently owns two Triumph motorcycles and a 1990 Honda C & R 1000 Sportbike. Big Rick considers himself an average gamer. His favorite games are gar, motorcycle, and sports games Thanks, Big Rick! - Ed

If you've heard of this race cart and thought it sounded hot, wait until you slan it into your Genesis system and twist the throttle! Road Rash enables you to race a high tech sportbike against 15 other bikers who try to beat you to the finish and also try to best you over the head. While you retaliate you must avoid cars, cows, cops, trees, rocks, and just about every inconvenience imaginable white cruisin' the best of California's backroads at 140 mph.



You can jump off rocks.

Hey Ho. Let's Go Button A is for brake Button B is for on. and Button C is for there's the good part) slap, punch, and lock, Every time you hit the road you face 14 other Road Rashers. As you try to pass by they'll nunch you in the head, kick you into a horzontal postion, or if they're nice just nun you off the mad

Your job is to pass as many other bikers as possible. Sometimes you gotta' do a little bashin'. All the fighting is done on the bikes at full speed around onners, flat out full throttle on straights, and in mid air! The object is not to kill the opponent. All you want to do is pass 'em and move on. If you spend too much firme trying to eliminate the other riders. you waste time which isn't cool 'cause you need to finish in the top four on each track to move on to the next level Since there are five tracks in each level and five levels you've really not to hustle



w mad rashers. Go as fast as o - you've got plenty of battles ahead TP: Once you're in fourth place during a race you may want to nide more coul

and just keep an eye on your mirror At each level the tracks get longer and the turns get tighter. The first level is pretty easy. It's a good place to hone



By the time you get to the third level there are faster riders, more cars in your

penal code, and other annovances that slow you down...it get's really tough. But wat there's good news!



have to use the brake. Brake just before the turn and power through so you can be at full speed on the straight just after the turn

Keen it Simple, Stunid!

You don't shift. You don't get any laser cannons. You don't fight any alien mutants on sewer cycles. You DO get a smooth scrolling motorcycle race game. It's not really but takes with great de-

tailed graphics. The screen shows speed, tach, odometer, stamina meters, two mirrors. and a timer. You can see the action behind you and watch as the riders you race against take each other out



You Cannot Die! You will Live Forever! (almost)

The kind folks at EA understand that life's not easy Road Rashin' on California's backroads. Therefore, you can't die while you play this game. You can, however, run out of money! No matter where you finish at the end of each track you get some prize money. You can use the cash to buy better and faster bikes from the eight offered. Each bike is described on the acreen with info about engine. weight, handing characteristics, and price. If you want a top of the line Diablo



do really well on this bike.

PROTIP: Save your cash for a really pood ke 'cause when you need it you're re



P: When you buy a new bike read its w hike ones factor on the strai ter to control in turns. Stick with the er bikes at first. They handle better.

Unfortunately, you're gonna' grash, It you don't crash too much you'll make it. to the end of the track. Each crash makes your bike run a little worse and handle a little poorer. If you crash out too much and don't finish high enough you'll run out of money and the game is over Boo hoo. The other way to lose money is to get busted by the goos. Out run 'em or if could cost you a heavy fine. The good news is that, unlike real life, it's kind of hard to sup out of money



Get Your Helmet, Let's Go Road Rash is a fun game you can play right away. After you get the hang of it vou're still challenged by the higher levels. Password saves enable you to pick up where you leave off. All the grunts and groans of heavy bashing and crashing are there along with tire squeats, police sirens, and cow moo's. No lie. The bikes fly in mid air, jump rocks, rip around corners, and look great. If you love great race games this meets almost all of your criteria for an instantly addictive motorcycle 16-bit game with a compated sink twist therein in





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GENESIS ROREVIEW

Ry Mills Prophet

Once in a while a game comes along that's

beautiful to look at and a challenge to play. Among Genesis carts. Studer and Castle of Illusion Stammo Mickey Mouse come to mind. But those two don't hold a candle to Quadishot. starring Donald Duck. This cart was programmed by the same team that created Castle of Illusion and it's even more graphically stunning, features superb music, and on a scale of 1 to 10, earns an 11 for difficulty!

Around the World in Four Meas In this world-hopping action/adventure cart. Donald becomes an "Indiana Duck" emiorer type as he tries to locate the Great Duck Treasure of King Garuzia. However, big bad Pete gets wind of Donald's quest and he wants in on the

Donald's search covers nine international incales (and three secret horses. rounds). You start in Duckberg, U.S.A., but thereafter you plot your own course around the clobe through destinations such as Egypt, the South Pole, Mexico. or even Transylvania

action, too



PROTIP: In Bracula's Castle (Level 3) look for a way out in the coiling, oth you're caught in a repeating maze.

Have Plunger, Will Travel In this sideview, horizontally scrolling hop and boo game. Donald does all the typical hero things - run, dash, lump, shoot, and side.

Each level's packed with duck-defying adversaries such as boxing turties, birds with bee hive bombs, cactus people, bewitching snake charmers, and Pe-



te's herous henchmen. There are five boss meanies including Dracula, the Viking Snirit, and King Gangis's Ghost.

Donald fights off the criminal growd with Plunger-shooters, Bubble Gum Blasters, and Popcom Guns, but that's not all. Shoot a red plunger at a wall and you can use if to climb to other locations. A green plunger sticks to birds who carry you even higher. Eat some red peopers and Donald fles into a fist-flinging frenzy of feathers and fluff.





thers, offer you pet you Red Physics, scale the wall to the right of your flag to see the rest of the city and fine

ground. To avoid his fire breath, shoot a plunger at the wall and use it for an extra high jum TIP: It takes six Red peppers to start

ld's tantrum. If you decide to eat the in the early part of the cart, eat five and save the sixth for the Maharaiah level You'll need it.

Good Luck Duck

This isn't your typical "run to the noht, kill the boss" kind of deal. You select your destination, but you might arrive there without the key item you need from another level. For example, you must go to Egypt to get the Staff of Rah, but you can't get inside the pyramid until you have the Sphynx Tear. Where do you find it? Good question

On some levels you jump blindly into space to hopefully land on an invisible platform. In others you must from the across platforms floating over a one hundred foot drop. One false step in either scenario and you're a dead duck.

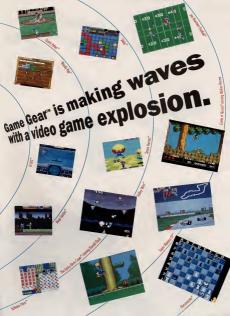
A Game You'll Treasure

If you're looking for a show stooper along the lines of Castle of Busion, that's a million times harder even with unlimited continues but has more fun lunk to do run don't waddle to buy Quackshot. Ever if you don't find Garuzia's Treasure, you'll have a Genesis treasure of your very own











GENESIS PRO REVIEW

By Choosy Chooses

Your name is Pond, James Pond, and you're back for vet another impossible mission. This time the sinister Dr. Maybe has planted time bombs shaped like penguins throughout Santa Claus's main toy factories in the North Pole. To stop him you must become a landlubber, so you're issued a Robosuit to keep your scales healthy on land. Hence your new codename: Robocod.

Saltwater Subterfuge

James Pond il Codename: Robocod is Electronic Arts' latest installment in the tail .uhh. tale of codfish secret agent Pond. This sideview multi-scrolling hop and squish game takes place through nine rooms in Santa's toy factory.

Robocod's graphics are good-looking and sugar-coated. The tushty painted toyland backgrounds include glant teddy bears and other toyland motifs. Pond and his fore are cortoon rade



James Pond II looks light-hearted, but don't let that full you into thinking the cart's a pushover. Each room is filled with trick deadends, and Maybe's men-

agerie keeps the pressure on. Your task is to flio floor

through each room to find all the Penguin Bombs befor they blow. Along the way you plant your swishly to on the beans of Do Maybe's crew, which includes snake

gumby guys. Each time one of them tags you, you lose a Robosuit battery. When you're out of batteries, you're fish meal



RUTIP: All the walls aren't as solid as then ar. Look for several hidden rooms

Live and Let Swim

Pond moves pretty good for fish out of water, and he's not a slick elastic trick to out himself out of hot water. Pond can "streegetch" upwards like a rubber band

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in order to grab onto any overhead scenery, no matter how high it is. His tall half quickly snaps up, and he can pul himself along past obstacles and drops.

You can also find saltwater secret agent type gear such as Bulletorgof Sparkling Armor, Golden Ankhs for extra life, Umbrellas to float not fall, and Wing Attachments, which enable you to fly. There are other goodies galore, which you can stome on for points towards ex-



you complete Levels One thru Three If you go to the gold colored flat rooflop on the ht side of the factory, then walk left k PROTIP: You get an extra life for 500,000

Calling All Cods

James Pond II is no thumb-buster, and its cutesy graphics will have great appeal to vounger gamers or the terminally sweet. However, saving Santa's toys really pumps your brain. There's something fishy poing on here, and that's a good thing



GFNESIS R.O. REVIEW



By Road Kill Warrior

Hey, bud, when it comes to the sand and surf. California has had the advantage over most states. Not any more! With California Games by Sega you can bring the beaches home and compete in five gnarty California-style events/ Radical/

Hang Five Calfornia Games is a mondo collection of five separate cool events: BMX bikeracing Footbag Boiler Skating Half-Pine In ill some granty skate board moves inside a grant half-pipe), and Surfing, Like, play the events in order or just check out. your favorities when your karma's night. Ya ootta' be totally hot to best some of the events, but you can adjust the difficulty level of the Footban and Surfing events to match your biorhythms.



Rappin' it by the Golden Gate.

This is totally awesome because it gives dufus players a change to kick some

sand in someone's face Of course, the real challenge in a cart like California Games is the chance to compare your skills with your buds'. Or, in this case, up to NINE buds! Yup. it's no problemo! Up to nine dudes can compete at the same time - and, like. you can even share one controlled And since you can play it with nine dudes you know what this means don't va? California Games is the perfect party game! This hot cart even has a high

score board so you can keep a record of who's making the most points and taoging the title of "Big Kahuna."



9011P: Oon't set the difficulty level at its lowest for the Footbag and Surfing ever unless you really need the practice, other se you'll only get half the points for each maneuver if you do. Bummer!

In Yer Face

The graphics and animation in California Games are totally awesome. Really cool multi-level scrolling makes the surfing event look more like a film clip than a video game! The animation's polorful and smooth as sand. When your skaler flies off his board, you'll be reaching for the band-aids! The sounds are wild too, with bouncy beach tunes and gnafy bonecrunching sound effects. Don't have a perfect beach near by? No problems?

An old surfer dude once said, "a game is only as good as its controls." Calfornia Games isn't too shabby in this area re-



ther. The controls are very responsive fike, it does what you want when you want ith. This is super importante, especially when you are trying to do a handplant! Timing is the key to becoming a master of the events.



IP: Don't try flips off of small jumps in the BMX event. If you land on your he ou're one dead dude



PROTIP: If you get the timing of the ken own while Skating, you're gonna' nell th entire event.

PROTIP: To gain speed in the Half-Pipe you've got to "pump" at just the right

Surf's Un!

Hey, gamers, whether you're a California dude or not this game's cool. It looks awesome and plays great, and, like, it's got stuff in it that you're not gonna' see anywhere else! So hit the beach, or hit California Gamesi



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Getting Into Tout Has Never Been So Much Fun!

Madison and her faithful sidekick, Crystal, enter a treacherous robotic underworld to rescue Prince Eldon, who has been kidnapped by the mutant military weapons genius, Blackball Will Prince Eldon survive? Can Madison destroy Blackball's And will the girls safety emerge from Blackball's evil empire? Only time will tell...









The "Getting Into Trouble" Contest

VICTOKALINC. and GAMEPRO* are bringing you the most radical Sega** contest ever! Some lucky gamers will even get a chance to be on TV II Interested?!? Read on...

Inside selected packages of Trouble Shooter**, there will be a Madison or Crystal Card. The five people who get a Crystal Card will win the totally hot Sega** Game Gear**! Two special games who find the Madison card will not only get the Sega Game Gear, but will also be featured on the avesome new TV program GAMEPRO!



Now for those of you who do not find a card, there is still another way to win. Simply look at the back of the Trouble Shooter box and answer the following question: Who contacts the Trouble Shooter? Mail your enswer to:

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GENESIS PRO REVIEW

By ligg the Bug

dronic Arts is a top notch Genesis jet combat flight smulator – in fact it the only Genesis flight smulator patroling the video arways. And that's "flight simulator" not "flying garna." This cart ien't at all like arcade serial shoot-em-ups such as Afterburner or Air Diser.

Fly or Die

in F-22 you really must "fly" to survive. For example, taking off, landing, and retueling in mid-air are all potentially fatal operations for greenfrom pilots. You can stall the arcraft or fly into the sun so that you've binded by the giane. Eurn too tightly and G-force stams you with blackouts and red-outs. All this can happen before anyone starts shooting at you!



F-22's polished polygons.

ments the basic visuals with slick animated story sequences, sharp equipmentselection screens, nice 360-degree scans of the jet, and a monthlying "kelled in action" scene.

ton' scene.

The sounds are cool, too. Digitized vocals bark warnings and command you to shoot. Live jet engine nose, and missile thumps keep you on quard.

Video Avionics

F-22's controls produce precision flying. That's great, but at supersonic speeds it also means they're sensitive. You can pi-



Modify the game to match your flying skill. outfit the F-22 with six types of missiles

both the PSZ will be Nylson insides from the real-file Ar Force arsonal including Sidewinders, Sparrows, wire-guided TOWs, and lelevison-guided Mavericks. PROTIP: This guided missiles can be tough to control. Get as close to the target as you can before you learned them.

All the heroware is essential. The ac-

All the hardware is essential. The action is intense when you run up paints nastly waves of Mics, choppers, mobile missile launchers, tanks, and surface-to-air missiles. Expect defeat – often.

F-22 INTERCEPTOR



Here's how you see most of the action.

Be prepared to log massive flight time. You fly in four theaters – the United States, Korea, Iraq, and Pussia – each containing a whopping 30 missions. Deals your own faction ingitimens with the Mission Generator or by the Aces' Challenge where you take on two and then four aces simultaneously.

Supersonic Sights & Sounds
The cart's looks are polished and familiar.
The graphics are polygon-based like many personal computer flight simulators and aerial con-ops, but F-22 supple-

iot the jet from three views. Most of the time you'll rely on the first-person cockpit, look. There's a wide-angle Heads-Up



are no instrument warnings?

Display view and an external Chase waw, which, too looks forward from behind

the jst.
PROTIP: Use the different view options.
Chase is good for ground attacks. H.U.D. is

Give' em the Gun

The carts great attention to detail extends to the armament, Cannors are standard equipment, but you can also \$4ME788 • January 1882 PROTEF Attendement enable you to outnow anything, but they cloud ned like crazy. PROTEP: To stude missibles flank hard right and then hard left. Confuse heat-seekers by brading into the sun and then banking. PROTEP: In a pinch you are use alt-to-air missibles on ground Equets and vice versa.

but in both cases they aren't as accurate The EA Air Force Wants You! F-22 is a good flight simulator by any

standard. Fledgling flers will have a hock of a time trying to master the controls and fiddling with the options. However, veteran video jet podes will go supersonid. The Misson Generator alone is inspired. Take off with F-22, you may never oome down,



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GENESIS PRO REVIEW

By Doctor Days If you're a fan of shooters like

Foraction Worlds and R-Type. you MUST check out Trouble Shooter for the Genesis by Vic Tokai. This game not only delivers awesome shooting action, but you'll even score a few good. vies out of the humorous storvine that flows through the game.

Girls' Night Out

Your heroes in this single player cart are two woman warrors. Madison and Crystal, who must rescue vouna Prince Eldon from Blackball, a B-A-D man, You play Madison but you have limited control over Crystal - as with R-Type's option satellites she shadows every move vou make.

Double Trouble

This ammo-packed shooter consists of five Stanes The action scrols horizontally and vertically in sideview perspective. You must blast your way through actionpacked areas such as a shoo ping plaza, an underground hide out, and even around a huge spaceship (alia R-Tivoe) called "Colossus," Blackball's forces

are basically different types of robo-mechs led by four slick-looking stage-bosses.

Madison and Crystal fly through each stace and lay down some heavy-duty firepower. Madison fires her cannon ahead to the right, and you can make Crystal swing around to fire her weapon either left or right,

Don't worry about firepower At the beginning of Stages 1-4. Madison can select special weapons which empower the team with awasome forces such as the Lightning Storm electric holts, the Tidal Wave's vertical laser, the Bizzard's swirling energy field, and the Avalanche's concentrated wall of missiles. You can shoot Caroo Pods to release power-ups



enemene There are plenty of Carpo Pads for power-use at

No Trouble Herei

Even if you think there are too many Genesis shooters around make more for Timuble Shooter: it's superb! The brightly opiored graphics are beautful and painted in the style of Jananese cartnons. The digitized unions and sound

effects are great. Every level is enhanced with multi-scrolling backgrounds and different soundtracks. The name also packs dynamic gameplay with the controlling of two characters by one player. Three difficulty settings keep the challenge at your level. Just remember, don't give up! There's a great surprise ending that's truly something worth Trou-



er By Vic I

such as Firenover which increases your fring strength. There are also Speed Ups and Slow Downs to adjust your flying speed to match any obstacle.



t Your Own Battles

Let's face it, the biggest challeng in most RPGs is storing out of a horsdom-induced come

Phonony Suring and Might and Magerine are big...BUT WHERE'S THE ACTION

Their stea of combat: Highlight "Fight" on a menu and then some helplands at the servers on the marking fights for you. Well that's just not good enough anymore. It's time to fight your own bastles. So take control of your own RPG combat with Burdenagar-the first same our to incontroller wall comba

action and true relinary strategy into a giganac RPG seniorise

- At least 100 hours to complete the game ↑ Up to 16 characters in your gree. Over 2,500 screens make up 50 source. ◆ Winerds, thereis, sugmost and
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GENESIS PROFEVIEW

Welcome to the 25th Cen tury. The comunt Russo-* : American Mercantile (BAM) has created a planet-basting-weapon. called the Doomsday Laser. At the Same time 21st-century legand Anthony "Buck" Rogers has detrosted from a d sexts. You and your team of Buck wannabes join the rebel New Earth Organization (NEO) to help Buck prevent the



A Team Effort In order to fulfill your mission you assem ble a band of up to six characters from vanous space races including Humans. Tinkers, and Desert Runners. Each member of your team is trained in a special profession such as Rocket Jock, Medic. Boque, or Warrior. They can also learn supplemental skills like Rocket Plicting. Programming, Steath, Demoliton, and



ant the RAM in devastates

PROTIP: Your party should consist of one me, han Desert Runger Warriors, one er Medic, and two Human Pilots. Be sure to train two characters other than voor Medic with the First Aid skill.

ROTIP: Move your warrior to the head of your line-up id case a Single-file combut is fought in a tight axes.

Interstellar Thrills, Ch

For those barred with typical role-bizying game (APG) fare. Buck offers original scifi acuentures "in a plausible funire." You'll visit four planets, lots of alien spacecraft

other on foot or in the ar, you'll have a e vanety of atom-biasting weapons at your disposal (if you can find, steal, or purchase there, that is, in land-based comba you'll whip out Pistois, Swords, and Launchers, and during ship-to-ship battles you'll fire up Lasers, Messles, and Plasma guns. Other items include Armer. Goodles Demoltion Charges, and Antidotes

Buck Rogers

and an asteroid belt, to wante a few. Most of these locales are inhabited and you better believe the natives aren'tfrench, Robots, And Froos, Hyber scorps, Space Rats, troops of Expenmental Combat Gennes (FCGs), and hostile RAM forces make life miserable. for your team. To survive the perits of intergilactic travel you must master overhead-view fight, three-quarters person tive tactical land-based combat, artieven ship to enio contrat from a first person point-of-view. Our friend Colonel Rogers appears occasionally to lend a hand, along with NEO-aligned personalties Gol. Wirra Deering, General Carton Turabien, Desert Bunnerschief Tuskon, and digital PAM-defector Scot Dos. universe in a day, so three battery-save



PROTIP: Hewar ase Dulek Combat on rog'rs much stronger than the o PROTIF: Aim for the enemy's Controls and es first in a ship-to-ship battle, and board it as soon as possible



PROTIP: Arm your Resert Russer with a Crossbow pronto. by Strategic Symulations and Electronic

Bet on Buck Buck Booers: Countdown to Doornsday

Arts is a classic example of RPG near perfection. It's filled with fun and interesting graphics; killer weapons, stads of senously nasty monster-types, and plenty of places to go and things to do. The recettive non-stereo imusic needs improvement, but the sound effects make . up the difference. Especially excellent is the two-part end fight. Even if you're un-

familiar with the Buck "space operas" of vestervear, his console cart is a crea place to start if you're ready to go where no Genesis garner has gone before





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The US Air Force wan't have the F-22 until 1994, but the EA Air Force has it today! Take control of America's reviewed Air Superiority lighter in the first combat flight simulator for the Saga Genesit. His the





areas of the world. * Feel the G-farces pull at your body as you loop to dose in on a MiG er turn to strafe



GENESIS ROREVIEW By Van Goat

Looking for a change of pace from all the fightin'. shooting", and biastin" on your Genesis? Well, now you can create rather than destroy with Sena's unique graphic arts cart, Art Alive! In this simolfied computer drawing program for art novices, there isn't a single Boss or nemesis in sight: however video gais Soric and Toe lam and Fart do make a brief and welcome annearance

Electronic Easel Art Alivel transforms your TV set into a video canvas on which you create visual masterpieces with a variety of drawing tooks, colors, and animation options. You draw by using the control gad and an onscreen cursor which appears as a crosshair, a pencil, or a spray can depending on the graphic tool you use. Anyone familiar with personal computer art programs will start drawing instantly. and beginners will take just a few moments longer to hit the paints



Everything you'll need to create a video

At hand are 8 tools to draw, paint, and create shapes. The most versatile is the Pencil, which you use for freehand drawing. The Eraser does what erasers do: however here you can also use it as an illustration tool to add special effects. The Curve Tool creates precise, curv lines. The Free-Form Tool creates straight. lines of any length, which can be connected to create enclosed shapes. The Fil Bucket automatically file any enclosed shape with one of 16 primary colors or 4 contrasting patterns. The Spray Can paints like an airbrush, and, as with



a real airbrush, the longer you soray on one spot, the heavier the spray color. The Circle and Rectangle tools are self-explanatory. If you make a mistake with any Tool, a handy Undo feature enables you wipe out your most recent eterior



listed shapes and special effects.



Art Alive

Art Alivel earns its name with a collection of Special Features that breathe life into your artistic efforts. The Stamps option enables you to instantly imprint the screen with one of several well-rendered. predrawn pictures of people, animals, vehicles, or even Sonic the Hedgehog and Toe lam and Fad! You can also create an

original stamp image with your art toolbox. The Backdron feeture allows you to choose from one of six black and write background images ranging from a coastine to the interior of a house, which you can polox. Lise the handy Text feature to add messages or descriptions to your ill estations

The most fun feature of Art Alivel is the Animation function. Use it to make any Stamp image "live" with 5 preset motions or create a custom motion using your directional tools. Draw a radical, hizarm alien landscape and have Toolam or Earl strut through it! Unfortunately, you can only feature one animated



If only we could frame it ...

Painting by the Bytes Beauty is a fleeting thing. One drawback of Art Alivel is the inability to save your creations; however, they can always be videotaped for posterty. Art Alivel is also too simplistic (think of a polor video Rich-A-Sketchi and limiting even for accomplished digital artists, but that is clearly no

the audience that this cart is intended for Art Alivel is a welcome change of page from standard video name fare. It presents a stimulating and entertaining interactive activity for younger videogamers or aspiring computer artists. and as a primer to fully-powered computer drawing programs it's great! Who knows, a couple years from now, you just might be playing a video game illustrated by an Art Alivel graduatel

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G.A.T. DUESTION #15



F-22 IS: A. The number on Adolf Schickleruber's dog taus.

- B. The best song on the jukebox at Floyd's Diner
- D. The first real jet flight simulator for the Garesi



G.A.T. DUESTION #16



WHAT'S ONE OF THE WORST WAYS TO WHILE PLAYING THE IMMORTAL"?

- A. Get tied down by escaped lab rats and whipped with spagnetti (al dente).
- B. Ask a flesh-eating sloth to dance.
- C. Be served as the main course for a billion baby
- D. Get pummeled with various vegetables and fruit. E. Call your More in to watch a brussome ours death.





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A. A busted atomic clock and a pollar bill.

B. Needle gun and laser rifle C. The acrobat and bribery ski

D. The chiming of Martian tree frogs Who bares? If you get dusted, is





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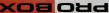
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GENESIS PRO REVIEW

Ry Fanatic Fan Greetings, sports fanal Fanatic Fan here with a look at the latest installment in the R.B.I. Baseball series. Yes, there's another onel For R.B.I. Baseball 3 Tenoren turned its attention to the Genesis, un doubtedly the best of the many R.R.I.

names available. The Gang's All Here!

Just like every other R.B.I. cart last year's Major League teams are here (1990 rosters), including the National and the American League All Star teams, But Tengen has added a special bonus this go 'round. All the league champions from 1983 through 1989 are here, which allows



TTP: Oakland's 1990 ball club is a good m to learn with. They have it all!

One drawback to having older teams in a video game is that retired players require a different licensing agre ment in order to use their names. Here fictional names replace many of the players you'd expect to see, although their stats remain in the name.

Sights for Sore Eves Real player names and stats are half the battle when creating a good baseball game. Unfortunately, that's all you usually got in an R.B.I. game. Graphics and realism were always secondary. Not so in R.B.I. Baseball 3

R.B.I. 3's graphics fare well against the current measuring stick - Ballistic's Hardball - also for the Genesis. The players are detailed and have the correct uniform colors. The pitcher/batter confrontation screen is spectacular, and the

on-field graphics, where most basebal games usually falter, are solid.



Sounds to Cause Sore Ears Although the graphics sparkle on this cart, sound is a mixed bag. The sound effect of the bat smacking the ball is great, and the background music is generally unobtrusive (blus it can be turned off. Unfortunately the umpire voices are a major burnmer. The home plate ump sounds robotic, and the on-field umps cough out week "foul" and "safe" rulings as if they're choking on furballs



Pre fallen and I can't get up! An Oakland A' for misplays a flyball

Pee Wee Lesque here, Medium is good there are no ball markers to soot fly balls. Don't let the Hard level scare you away it's not impossible.

PROTEP: Right-handed pitchers should use the outside faetball against right-handed batters and the inside fastball against lefty hitters. These pitches tend to penerate a lot of easy grounders to your shortstop and second baseman. Lefty pitchers should go with the outside fastball versus lefbes and the inside choose against the righthan



RBJ 3 is set for a brand new season, but it retains some traditional R.B.I. tendencies Tengen finally included the ability to dive or jump for a ball. Haleluish! It ain't besetzel it your guve stand there like robots! You get the same behind-the-batter perspective when pitching or hitting, and three-quarters birds-eye look when the ball is hit. Pitching is still the same mix of fastballs and "soulogle" pitches. With a behind the batter perspective, it's nearly impossible to do much

Let's Play Two! There are no surprises in R.B.I. Baseball

3, other than the incredible graphics. Tengen has taken some major league steps since the release of their Nintendo baseball classic, sooner or later they may just hit one out of the park. So stay funed. sports farel



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G E N E S I S P R E V I E W

By The Missing Link
Virgin Games has been hard

at it prepping for the release of the long awaited 16-bit version of the Orion Pictures smash high toch so-if-flick, the Terminator. To enlighten the few who aren't hip to the Terminator saga, here's a quickle re-hash.

for sogn, here's a quickle re-least. The setting it's a poof nuclear world dominated and run by an est force of machinated beings quicked Terminators. The cast in this vision version you jump into the gailed of the mobile here, kiye to be a poor of the poor of the poor of back in time to save Stant Dorroor from meeting an untimely dermise. The zingre plot held if you don't save Start, she world give being her son, short Connor, the man who, when he grows up, leads an updain gaprast the of Terminators.

An Appetite For Destruction

The garge all them, Kijle Reese, Sami, Comor and, of counts, that infamous robo-rightmane, the Terminate: Your robo man-hust covers do registrate levels of hardsom numming, immigra, dimiting stack-the-head-cubs-from action, this is one man show say out too anticubre the controlled significant and manufactures of destination. I condition of significant and criticates machine their forwing outputs and displaced middle significant displaced so the movie of the forwing outputs and displaced middle significant displaced so the movie distributions of significant displaced middle significant disp

He Aiready Came Back... But Who Cares

O.K., O.K., so Terminator 2: Judgment Day's aleady hit both the movie and the video scores. Verjin Garnes 18-bit video wonder based on the first movie is on the view, and man-oh-man is this bad boy looking fought Keep your eyes open for the final version – you may just want to get yourself terminated.







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By Stasher Quan

Ohimminimi...oops, excuse me, I was just meditating. You must usually be in to-top mental and physical condition to be a true master of the video martal arts. However, that's not completely the case in The I central of the Abstrick Ninia by

Konami for the Super NES. Bushido Brothers

Or ex two bisses take control of a team of heroic might boys, the dynamic duo of Ked Ying and Dr. Hang. The twen of Horo-Horo was researched by the destaredy Dragorboest, and all the Villagers went nutoticl when the Beast's night-hand lazer Selve Suppern, cash a mind-mustific seri-Selve Suppern, cash a mind-mustific seri-Selve Suppern, cash of Ying and Yang for you and your buddy fring and Yang must smack them back to their senses.



When it comes to comical topobesh, Ying and Yang Irrow mights. They stomp through 10 Mystical Warrok Zones, which are each duxided into two areas: a gold-sightining, but tracking overhead section and a side-view fight-to-the-finet. The game has pesswords and unimited continues, and your partner can "join in" any time.

Tools of the Trade

Mystical Ninja represents a mishmesh of Japanise and American martial arts culture. For example, Ying and Yang are trained in Pipe, Yo-yo, Flute, Whistle, and even Piggy-back attacking techniques. Weld but effective.

PROTIP: Press Up to sneak behind the background.



PROTEP: If you reach a dead end in a sideview maze, leap on the switch block to rotate the screen.

Shop 'Til You Drop

If Hwe Oby Renson had you proching pomies for the best in lock-and-punch gadgety, you'll find Mystical Ming an alltroot spending-penie. Over 16 different attractions (such as casinos, hones brooks and sauras), stores, redissurants, and game nooms (seaturing Gradius, Residous, and others) are watering to service you out of a back or how. Buy learns as necodaor a back or how. Buy learns as necodation of the process of the process of the for speed, and Straw letts for protection. PROTE: Play Seeks (Claster Pag Side searce).

Villainous Vermin

Dragoniseas's bullies are as mesn-fisted as they are good-looking. Ying and Yang face topsy-tuny clowns, robo-samurals, blob-headed black bets, and somerfilling bushido bosses. Locales include a carnival, an amusement park, a niverside clock and a tredsy frend.

PROTIF: Reflect the Level One boss ghost's belt biasts back at her with your Mystical weapon.





PROTIP: To beat the Dragon Boss in Love Two, climb his mast and knock out the lanterns. Then, jump down, turn around, and stam him in the face.

Strange Ninja in a Strange Land

Ever notice how the most popular Juganese game evens tend to other in the U.S. several years lists, and some never appear at all? Mystical Ninja is on that did make it owe, but the cust sevens more like a sideshow than a video game that is, plenty of distractions and toobouncy ninja flighting. The graphics are contribl and well armstated, but on the whole you don't get the "butting odge" feel of other martel atts titles.

Ying and Yang put on a cuteey show of tough carbony sluggery, but if you're looking for more complex video ninjtsu for your money, better save your strength till a true "master," such as Ryu Hayabusa, stashes his way into 16-bit doos.



The Legend of the Mystical Ninja by Konami, Price unavailable Available January '92



By Monty Haul

Some burglars, no matter how inept, never seem to learn their lesson. Such is the case with Harry and Mary.

the goofy crooks who unsuccess fully fried to clean out the McCallister family homestead in the topgrossing slapstick flick of all time. Home Alone. Now they'm back to take it in the face, body and crotch on your Super Nintendo

Send in the Cronies For whatever reason, young Kevin is home alone for the holidays once again so the "Wet Bandits," out on parole from the state pen, call in the posse to enact. a long-overdue payback. Thugs of every shape, size, and description are prowling the halls of our young hern's house in search of the McCallisters' most prized. possessons. You must help Key thwart. the thieves in this side-view dem-grabbing cart from THQ.



Trapping the Boobie

Kevin must hide the McCallister valuables in a safe place (the vault) so he roams around four wings (levels) of his house, grabs as many family treasures as his backpack can hold, and tosses 'em all down the laundry chute. Each wing has two floors and many rooms, including bedrooms, bathrooms, and playrooms, and each holds a different variety of treasures, such as toys, electronics. and rare pets. Kevin's a kid genius when it comes

to masterminding frion-folling traps. His devices are cocked and ready to sorno -

you just have to figure out how to trigger each slo-up. Key can also splash thucs with a water pistol, bop from with baseballs stripe at them with a sino-shot, and book them with a RR own. His weapons

usually disable the crooks momentarily.



PROTP: Leap-frog over smaller burelan while they're stamped

PROTIP: Eliminate the white-suited hat corre allocather with bacaballe



PROTIP: Load thieves into piles of toys to ine them out

PROTIP: Use the "domino effect" to execut many of Kevin's deadliest booby-traps. For example, bounce the bowling half and the vibrations will drop a trophy on a gangster's head. You can also put banana poels and buckets of paint to good use.

Kevin's Collectible

Young taste buds grave one food more than any other. Pizza. Kevin eems an extralife when he munches eight slices or an entire pie at once. Cookies are great in-between-meal snacks because they

restore a lost hit point. For that "manly" feel, slap on some Aftershave and become a temporarily invincible nine-yearold. Oh, the joys of kiddle video-game fartaged

PROTIP: While you're invulograble backtrack to take out the toughest thugs.

Closet Nightmares Most children are atraid of dark

places and Kevin's no expention His worst fears come to life after he stashes enough valuables to clear a level. He must then brave the cellar and confront creepy things like rats, bats, spiders, chosts, and the occasional boss nightmare.



PROTE: Flatten the giant tarantula at the end of Level Two with the pinder black PROTEP- Study the movement of Level Three's speaks before making a dash for safety

No Babysitter Required Although gameolay and challenge fall

short in comparison with more demanding 16-bit titles like Super Mario World. tans of Bart vs. the Space Mutants for the NES will enjoy the easy-poing style of Home Alone. It has the same predictable but amusing run, jump, and snatch fare. Harry, Mary, and the gang are graphically unremarkable, but the "Nutoracker" theme music is fairly well-scored. It you're Home Alone you might find this one's a steaf





By Boss Music

Super New York Travel York Travel Your Super NES locked in for plenty of arcade-guality side-view shootens. U.N. Squardron, Gradus, Bill. Super Frigue, and Darkis Twin have already gone apphagopy on 16-bit screens. Enter Earth Defense Force form Jaleco, a serously super composition for your biblisher hacks.

Full Throttle Ahead

What would a great shooter be without a swarm of world-chomping allers? Earth is the main course on the AGYMM Empre's interstellar menu, and the predictably inadoquate Uhion of Federated Planels can only muster one list-gasp line of defense the VA-1 supership, al.A. Earth Defense Force. Only expenenced shoot-out studs need apply for the mission.

Gunning for Greatness

PROTIP: Use the satellites to block ener fire.

PROTEP: Power-up to level five and the satellites gain a deadly homing ability, great against bosses.

PROTIP: When one weapon advances a level, they all do.

The E.D.F.'s shields can absorb one to three hits, depending on your option menu selection. Only three confinues are allowed over the game's six stages, so put up or shut up early in the game to insure enough credits for the dimax.

Attacking the AGYMANS

Picting the XA-1 may be a breeze, but don't opecal any approphly from the entires. The ASTMA emples garand no expense to assemble is insertimer filed of hero-bushes worthy of any sharphostaris effort. The doesn't peaks bor rice, to, or and the visual plus time music put on a saveray show. Some of the more herefly locates include the bright lights of an infested oil, yet understanding space bordering. ASTMAM heredizations: However, commisme EDFs. suffers from SNES graphics controlled, with a subsequent and proserved and the subsequent and protines. EDFs. suffers from SNES graphics controlled, with a subsequent and pro-



PROTIP: Circle around Stage Two's robosect gladiator and give the brigger a squeeze while dodging its beams.

sub's head with your homing satellites, be recall them to block the sub's heat-seeker When it rises from the water, use the sam strategy hot stay as lie away as possible, PROTEP: To puterize the guardian mech a the end of Stage Six, shoot the core while availing its fireballs, lightning, and assor EMETED - January 1822 ed laser attacks. Have the satellites hand



TIP: Dodge the Stage Five crystallin ke's debris and target its head.



falling fortress, blast the bird of prey la beak.

All Fired Up After all is said and done a space shoot-

er needs great gameplay to call itself truly super, ED.F. isn't the hottest of the hot but it will surely satisfy video kamicazes looking for a Super NES assignment. It's no shot in the dark, Earth Defense Force is a winner.



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SUPER NE THU REVIE

By Feline Groovy

Another day another demon. In Actraiser by Enix, you take on demon-of-the-month. Tanzra, and his uply hand of heasts. The big T's turned his pals loose on a population of beinless humans, causing them to lose their faith and their will to carry on. You've been selected to be all things to all these people: deity, protector, provider, restorer of peace, the whole works. It's a rough and tumble kinda' job, and nobody's going to let you off the hook until your

people prosper.



How You Play the Game Your partner, a pre-pubescent Harpo

Marx look-alike, beckons you to the Sky Palace for a quick briefing, then it's off to monsterland, Actraiser's gameolay is a hybrid of that from Populous and Ghouls 'N Ghost, minus the long range weapons. You duel against time and monsters in six, side scrolling regions Filmore, Bloodpool, Kasandora, Altos, Marahna, and Northwall. Between battles you direct the angel through a menu driven sequence where, from an overhead perspective, the two of you perform more tasks than you'd probably care to remember.

Your people are weak - they can't do nothin' for themselves. These weenies want you to kill monsters, command natural phenomenon such as lightning to clear rocks off the land for planting, teach them bridge-building the list goes on. These sequences easi-Iv eat up five to ten minutes which if you're hot for fast moving hack-andslash action, seems like an eternity. Fortunately tedium does not come without its rewards. The bigger and stronger their population becomes, the more goodies (magic spells, explosives, etc.) the people will offer in thanks. Call it mutual back scratching. Without their population growth or offerings you won't gain the experience points or the power to move onto the next level.





d centaur (first level boss) is simpl Begin by luring him to the far left of the screen. Kneel down close to the wall to avoid his lance and lighting bolts. Once he finishes an attack, run out and sl. away. It's a sure fire win after ten, or so,

Beasts for Every Occasion You swing a bulky broadsword, and aithough it's powerful it lacks range. To remedy this shortcoming practice

swinging from both the standing and the squatting position, as enemies approach you Every level is a visual feast. The

terrain (desert, forest, etc.) and color scheme are completely different in each level, and you never run into the same. creatures twice! The graphics are so hat - they're malter! And the music's so crisp you'd swear there's a mini-orchestra accompanying the gameolay PROTIP: Save manic for the last three

PROTIP: Follow this pattern when bat the "King-Tut" level boss. Begin by runnin wards him and stashing him, Then turn

amond and not housing the faces which CAMEPAG . JANUARY 1882

ng on the wall, taking care to iump ou the fire they solt at you



IP: Stay close to the center of e sand pit when fighting the giant sect level-boss Kasandora. You n't be able to avoid taking ige, however, you can jum ver its pincers before they clos in on you, it's also the best loca tion to be in for the an ressive, up close attack which you need to destroy him



Thrown to the lion.

Fantasy at Its Finest This is Enix's "first born" into the SNES

family, and there's much to be proud of in this baby. The eerle, mystical mood of Actraiser makes you feel as if you just slipped into the pages of a J.R.R. Tolkion novel such as "The Hobbit." There is more time to complete the action sequences in this version than there is in the Japanese version, which makes it a bit easier on the nerves, though not on the thumbs - the combat challenge is still awasome. Should you ememe from the current 16-bit hardware wars as a Super NES owner, you absolutely, positively have to experience Actraiser whatever an Actraiser is.



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SOPER NES PRO REVIEW

By The Unknown Gamer
The peaceful land of Lake-

land is infested with demons. Sickness and deease run rampant throughout the country – it's no longer what you would consider as "Fight" or "Cast Spell." You can talk with people to gain clues (although the characters in this game speek fairly poor English) and purchase items in stores to aid you in your adventures.

Making Magic

Like any FRPG, there is magic in Lagoon. The magic system is extremely simple – it's based on four staffs and four crysta's trouble. It might be a bit weak on the roleplaying side for you RPG veterans.

paying side for you links veterare.

The big registrie in Lagon is the extensive functioning mass sequences. Bighty percent of this game houses wandering around encless dungeons and caves that are complex, non-descript, and feature only have or three different creatures at most. You only assistion comes when you finally locate the boss moretry in sech area (assuming

a hisof place to live. But it used to be.

Many years ago, an evil spirit was making trouble in the area, and the gods vanquished the fiying nasty with the sacred Moon Blade sword. To help restore peace to Lakeland, the gods brought two bublists to the lands one who represented.

the forces of Light and another who represented the forces of Darkness.

A sage named Mathias was responsible for bringing up these two kids as equals to blaince the forces of Light and Darkness. But before of Mathias had a chance to decide whether he was going to use cloth or disposable diagns, the evil

Zeath Midnepped the child of Dekness. Mathies risied Nest, the child of Light, Fourform years passed quickly (time tends to fty in fantasy role-plexing games). One day, an est gipt appeared and muddled the water. The people of Lakeland were very dependent on this water, and there was no Pener available, so they became solk. And that's where vau come in.

The Quest Awaits
Lagoon by Kernoo-Seika is a fantasy roleplaying, action game in the Ys tracition. If

playing, action game in the Ys tradifion. If you've nover played any of the Ys carts, the closest thing in the Nintendo world would be Legend of Zeida. You take the role of Nasir, the child of

You take the role of Nasit, the child of Light, and embark on a number of quests — utlimately leading you to the end forces that possess the water of Lieseand. As you win battles and treast throughout the land, you gain gold and experience (as in a short of the country of the country of but when you fight your battles, you maily have to swrig the sword or use magor as opposed to seek the accommand such

which you find on your journeys. Combining a crystal with a staff produces some sort of magic blast (for instance, piopping a Wind Crystal on the Sky Staff will produce a three-way fireball, Using magic points costs you madic points, and magic points



"Your staff can produce great magical blasts, such as the Three-Way Fireball, if you have the right created."

right crystal."

PROTIP: In Phillips Castle, hide behind statues when you have to rest to regain hit points and magic points. The status blocks

PROTIP: The Dwarf Cave near Senegul has several important items: the Wind Crystal, a Protective Ring, and a Magic Sword. Also, the Moon Stone is in the Silence Cave within the Dwarf Cave.

ts of the wizards.

PROTEP: Sameson (the first big boss) is a weeneld Defeat him easily by lining up your sword with bis right log and hacking amory Beating Samson gets you the Fire Crystal. PROTEP: To defeat Natela, the big heo-

you CAN locate the boss monster). Some sort of mapping system or a little more vari-



taybe I should have left a t



"Me's sig, me's saatt! me's busion, the third killer boss you'll face!"

If you enjoy adventures or are looking

If you enjoy adventures or are looking for an easy FRPG cart, Lagoon could be for you. The graphics and sound are above average, and the boss monsters are spectacular. If only they included a compass.



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SUPER HES HO REVIEW



By Earth Angel Lemming (Nem-ing): Adorable vet incredibly

studied from connectures. Fost in a mere of confusion. Known for walking off cliffs, wandering aimlessly into dangerous passageways, and drowning by the thousands in small pools of water

Thanks for the science lesson, but what's that got to do with garning, right? Well, Sunsoft has joined the SALC. (Save a Lemming Campaign) and via your SNES you'll be able to take your turn at saving the Lemminos.

Mindless Marchers

This ouzzler cart (of PC/Amiga fame) has 30 different screens and four difficulty levels. In each Level your task is to figure out how to safely get as many Lemmings as possible from Point A to Point B. Most Levels are several screens wide. and the terrain on each is different and faught with disaster for the rampaging. rodents, including bubbling lava, water they can't swimi, cliffs they can't fivi. and other obstacles too complicated for the mindless marchers to navigate. On each Level you must save a certain percentage of the entire Lemming population in order to pass on to the next level PROTIP: The second each Level begins scan the terrain so you know what you're



TIP: Made a mess of things? Hit the oh, and try again. It's not a pretty sid ut someone's gotta' do it

TP: You can speed up the Lemmin w them down it it suits your our For example, once you set up a sale pat to paradise for them, speed them up so ou don't have to wait all day for them to

Each level begins when a trap door coens and Lemminos drop out and benin to march to the right. Here's where you come in. Since the Lemmings are fond of blindly marching to their doom. you're granted special powers to extricate them from the brink of disaster. These include turning some Lemmings into life-savers. For example you can transform a Lemming into a Blocker who'll keep his buddles from walking into bubbling lava, or you can create a dip ging Lemming who carves out a tunnel for his friends.



P: Sometimes Lemminos that dig a e and fall survive where as Lemmings t simply fall through a hole will die. Fo imply fait through a hole witt die. For de, check out Level 13 You'lt need to verv Lemmino on this level into a



P. You can use Rombers as well as es to blow the to make him stand still) on the spot th u want him to blow and then turn his

rectional arrows on them you can only di in the direction of the arrows. If you're on the wrong side send a Lemming up and over and then dio through in the other di-

As you reach higher levels and after the difficulty settings the obstacles become more and more complicated. Fortunately a password feature enables you to mincamate your Lemmings on any level over and over again until you get it right.

Puzzling Behavior Probably the best part of Lemmings is the 20 level solf-screen two player version of the game. Each player tries to direct their own green or blue-shirted Lemmings to the right level exit and at the same time tries to block their opponent from rescuing their inclents. Whoever

saves the most Lemmings winst Lemmings is a definite improvement on standard puzzle fare, with an interactive touch that rivals the fun of the Adventure of Lolo series for the NES. A special bonus are the dozens of different times fincluring old standards like a year iazzed-up London Bridge). And those dam Lemmings are so cute vou're gonns' feel gulty if you don't save them. - or when you have to blow them up. and they scream "Oh no!" In the end you're not gonna' be able to save them all, and you'll probably be ready to follow any Lemming of the nearest city





SUPER NES

By Slasher Quan

What does it take to be a true leader? A glowing-butvacant smile, a campaign wallet the size of Texas, perhaps the abilby to pass oneself off as a vice president? Well maybe but to perform the real behind-the-scenes work at the city level you need a sharp mind, expert planning skills, and a sensitivity to the needs of the citizenry. SimCity, a computer classic, puts your political prowess to the test on the Super NES.

The Wright Stuff It's time to learn every aspect of running a city, and that's where Dr. Wright, eccentric chemist and mayor extraordinare. comes into the picture. He guides you step-by-step through your duties in the well-written instruction manual, Dr. W. challennes you with several simulation. onlines the Practice City an easy selfstarter; New City, a build-your-own; and City Scenarios, different real-life and invented atty discisters to refive and correct.



Your simulated city, step by step **Boom or Bust**

Your fledgling village begins with a power plant. Choose coal (pollution anyone?) or nuclear (watch out for the meltdown). Once you've got power you need people. Build residential zones, industrial zones, and commercial zones. You can see if different sections of the city pros-



per vis an overhead view map, Industrial areas cause polution so you must seperate them from commercial and residential ristricts with nodes. And what about transportation? Roads or rails provide access but try to avoid traffic tangles. PROTIP: Always use mass transit because you'll eventually have to buildage reads when traffic becomes a problem

If all ones well the old zones fill up and prowth demands additional zones. But remember that expansion can grind to a halt if you don't stick to your master plan from have one, don't you?). Add police stations and fire departments to keep crime and biazes under control. When commerce picks up, build a seenot and an airport to hoost trade SimCity is all shout making the naht decisions, but sometimes more



Part of the fun of SimCity is preparing for - and trying to overcome - natural and

other kinds of disasters. Fires, tomadoes, niane crashes earthquakes floods and monster attacks can level a megalopolis in the blink of an eve. Some are triggered by specific conditions (such as flooding if your coastline is underdeveloped or you can simply turn one or more loose on command. After a while you may even enjoy razing your city with a six-cornered coaltion of the elements



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Mayor for a Millennium

It may take five or 5,000 years of game time to reach Similitonia, but you pertainly won't array bared trying. Recause Sim-City is a true simulation, graphics and sound aren't too important - what metters is the limitless complexity of gameplay. If only the battery could save more

than two files! With 1,000 landforms to develop, eight city scenarios (two of which only appear after you complete the first sixt. and a wealth of options, it's obvious why SimCity is highly regarded by PC players It's so real it's unreal



imCity by Hintendo of America, \$49.95 lable now, 4 mees + Battery back-up





No personal fouls and plenty of excitement highlight this bone-crunching futuristic basketball title! Dodge missiles. saw blades and more as you pound your way through the most intense contact sport ever created.

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computer or a friend (1 or 2 player).



 Super League Model Make your own team by buying and selling players. Up to eight people can play in the same league!

· Battery back-up lets you save your league for future grudge matches!



<u>Pilotwings</u>

By Andromeda

Are you ready to take off with Pi-

lotwings? This unusual flight simulator from Nintendo takes full advantage of the Super Nintendo's ability to rotate on-



don't suffer

life (hone you

from vertice) Your task is to earn enough points to safisfy your flight instructor so that he passes you on to the next level of challenge. You earn points by passing tests using various flying devices

Here's where it gets interesting. The flying devices at your disposal include a parachute, a hang glider, a conventional bi-plane, a heliconfer and even a let nack. In the early staries, of the game you simply use each device to pass tests and score points by hitting targets

and successfully i landing As the game advances vou're called up on to maneuver around or



aerol armiteties I you pass all eight levels you much a final secret combat level that sends you out on a night mission in a heliconter

PROTIP: If you use the Parachule or Jetock to land directly on a moving target you'll go to a bonus stage. OTIP: To evade enemy (ng sequence in the Hol

ise in low over the ara Care to soar through the air with the greatest of ease? If so, Plintwings may one you just the lift you've been looking for



F-Zero

By Speedy Burn

F-Zero features high-tech hover craft racing action that takes place on seven tracks, each with different configur rations and different locales (from the seaside to the desert). Sci-fi araphics, complete with magnetic bars and explosive mines, lend a dizzynaty mal perspective to the racing. Tess in incredible 360 degree rotation sequences and you'll be



carsick when they play!) Select your own car (each has stightly diff

ferent power and speed) and one of three difficulty levels. Then take a few practice some or no stought to the Grand Pro-Mode. In the Grand Prix you corroste against other hovercraft in multiple lap races. To stay in the number for the Grand Prix Charms-

onship and advance to the next track you must place at least third regoil in each pice Ramps send you scaring, but rough areas of the track and richocheting off the side-

bumpers slows you down. Each track also features a power-up zone first links you to a



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a super jump. PROTIP: You don't d more tha alf a power meter. Goe't bother to re harge unless the meter drops below that

F-Zero shows what the SNES can really do, with futuristic racing action and headspinning 3-D graphics, Racers, start your

In Populous you are a very powerful

and hopefully very wise, delty. Your goal is to on forth and multiply more quickly then your sinister opponent - the evil god You and your people work together to achieve victory. You raise and lower land to create areas where they can settle and multi-

Populous

ph: As the population OTOMS VOL carn greater nowers Use vour Papai Monument to

lead your followers to the promised lands Create Knights and send them out to burn and rollane your ene-

my's settlements Even hetter cause a natural disaster. An earthquake, a well placed swamp, or a worldwide flood can real-

ly disrupt the evil population's growth. PROTIP: If there's a remote settlement of wers, build a small land bri and send a knight there to destroy the set-

Hundreds of worlds populated by the followers of extlawait your dryne intervention. As you advance to each new world you'll find the challenges for your followers increase Populous, as fans of the PC and Genesis wasings know is a complicated and absorbing



energy then they've got However, those with a ven for

will find the SNES version features better graphics and sound than the Genesis version of the game. Let there be life with Populous.



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SUPER NES

By C.I. Asian

The future looks bleak for humankind. A huge force of alien war machines has rained down upon the Earth. The machines known as Ultrahots, systematically destroved Earth's military defenses until only

isolated pockets of resistence were left. While most of Earth tried unsucpessfully to defeat the Ultrabots, a group of scientists sought answers through examination of recovered Litration wreckage. Through study the scientists determined that the robots were an unmanned, complex form of artificial intelinence, heavily reliant on a network the Net) which they continuously ex-

nanded as they conquered new territory Forth's only hone is to re-huid cantured Ultrabots and establish their own Nets - using the enemy's technology

You'll begin with a small outpost and several recovered and refitted Ultrabots. Your goal is to expand and defend your colony's Net, while seeking out and attacking your enemy (sounds a little like "Capture the Flag"). You win the game by locating the alien Ultrabot base and destroying it.

Meet the Bots

against itself.

There are three types of Ultrabots - each with a specific function. The Main Battle Robot (MBR) is a large, humanoid-

shaped construction with weapon mounts on each arm. This robot can move at a quick page over most terrain. and is armed to the teeth with wesporty and sensors. The MBR has heavy armor. so it can withstand a moderate amount of damage before it is destroyed.

The Scout is a small, fast reconnaissance robot that resembles a metallic chicken. Its giant leas give it the greatest mobility of all the Ultrahots, and it uses. that mobility for advance scanning. The Scout's limited armor recels light fire, but this robot is primarily intended to mask it. from enemy sensors.

The Scorpion is a Net expansion and maintenance robot. It's heavily armored and has a large cargo bay - for holding Net relays. The Scorpion moves slowly, but you can arm it with a bunch of weepons.

H's A-ROT Time!

This ambitious first-person view robot hattle simulation is being done by Novalonic creators of Rocketeer for the SNES If you're a SNES owner looking for something better than a mindless, move and-shoot cart. Ultrabots could be the right cart at the right time. And you won't

need a degree in electrical engineering to eriov it, either Strabots by Data East e not availab

















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It's biglit's badlit's expensivelit's – the Neo Geo! Here's a GamePro take on what's hot for SNK's monster game machine.

KING OF THE MONSTERS

A race of powerful, gigantic mutations is bent upon averaging the ecosystemi.

Oh Not There goes Tokyo – apanti

On Not There goes Tokyo – again! For pure, unsiduterated fun, King of the Morather towers above its Nec Geo brothers. The game takes place across six stages, each set within one of Japanis most populous office, including Tokyo, Os-aka, and Hiroshima. The objective is simple – pound your opponents into the ground and be the last monster standing!



Play against the computer, go head to head against a firend, or teamup with a buddy to take on whatever the computer dishes out. Choose from among six different moresters – the sime monster, the dinosaut, the girld age, the nock morater, the bug monster, or the giant mutant superhero each of whom has a unique super power and specific flighting techniques. And when monsters fight, anything goes. Throw your opponent into buildings, or pick up tanks, trains, and even passing aircraft and hurl them as projective!



PROTEP: Plack airplanes out of the sky by jumping up high just as they fly overhead. PROTEP: Back off to a safe distance and charge up your special power to knock out your opponent anywhere on screen.

King's graphics are glorious! You'll be arrand by the infinite details—thy cars zipping around your feet, a hutfing builet train, battalone of tray tarks shooting all your tees, and spontaneous explosions as you trample buildings and familiars. An upbeat CD-quality soundhack and immoster sound effects engulf you'll you'll moster sound effects engulf you'll you.

King of the Monsters is what the old arcade classic, Rampagit, should have been. Chock full of punches, locks, bites, growls, and snarts, it promises a beastly good time for all



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GHOST PILOTS

In the darkest days of WMIL

two exceptional fighter plots carried the battle for world peace against the Nazis desprite unbelowable odds - "Ghost Ribots" Shooter fans are in for a real treat when they nosedive into this action-packed game.

The objective of this four-stone, we-

tically scrolling, one or two-player cooperative cart is simple - destroy the enomy! Shoot down his planes, knock out his ground vehicles, and take out his bases. Ghost Pilots merolicisty tosses ar endless barrage of enemy planes and mortar fire at you.

You plot a souped up propeller-driven fighter plane that handles like a jet fighter. At your trigger finger-lips are double barrelled machine guns and a payload of four special bones. The Dynamic bomb is a standard blow-em-thin obtain of device. The First bomb detonates in a protective circle around your gost. The protective circle around your gost. The



Boss plan

Support bomb launches four bombs to the four comers of the screen. And the Napalm bomb seers the ground with flames. PROTIP: Don't let the action trap you in a comer where you become a sitting duck for ground fire.

Grott Plate is a visual ceight. Nucl. be amound by the amont 50 effect orncated by the expert use of spring, shearows, and special effects such as cloudspassing between you and the surface. You fly over his Jurgies, firmed countrysides, cleent oil vells, mans bases, and a besting methodis. Best of all, clearly and the fregover being dieted out, the targemenths of moving times orscene as one there list? a single moment of indicable sorter skill works. Escribert



Ghost Plots delivers aces-only arcade shooter action and top notch graphics.



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EIGHTMAN

SNK's Eightman transforms you into a powerful super-hero who must bettle the forces of evil to save our world from total destruction. So and familiary it is:

The world has been irreaded by a horder of will alien oploags. As Eightmen, you must battle your way through five obstacle-filled levels, which take you from ravaged city steets to be heart of the enemy's furtiled battle center. On your way, you must regate ancless waves of sentires, destinaps, monstrus alene, and haue, robotic bosses.

Eightman is a 1- or 2-player cooperaftile, side-scrolling fighter. Now have subper strength and you unleash busets of energy whenever you purch or kick an opponent. Knock over your enemies by siding into them as if they were home plate! If you're surrounded, you can obtit-



PROTIP: Conserve Bombs for level bosses PROTIP: You're most vulnerable when you're standing up. Side Into your opponent and knock them down.

The graphics are well-drawn and detailed with gorgeous colors. Character animation and scrolling is smooth. A high-quality, rock soundrack accompanies game and sound effects are ortso, clear, and effective.



Graphics powered by 55 meas!

Eightman looks hot and plays well, but there's nothing innovative about it and the game isn't very challenging. The question is: Are you looking for a new video gaming experience or just some radical action? If it's the forme, to think twice before making this investment, if it's the latter. Fightman is a solid choice.



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BURNING FIGHT

By Slasher Quan

Klok-and-punch games are usually pretty similar – and that's not necessarly bad. Enter Buming Fight. It nearly matches Final Fights graphic and gameplay style blow for blow. One or two street vigilantes face off with thugs, hooligans, and punk nings.



Resh cableds for bonus points.

PROTIP: Stand right next to the boss truck's windshield at the end of Level One and the TRT charges will miss you.

PROTIP: Use flying feet to best the twin-blade sammar boss in Level Two.

Three law-enforcers team up for this 54-mig, six-stage body-bruser "Mad" Duke is a street-smart fist-fighter, Ryu is a versattle kickboxer, and Billy is a headstrong canpoler. They bash bottles, trash



Face-to face with Don Castero

telephone booths, and dust drumcans to collect valuables and food. They can also steal Knives, Dynamite, and Handouns from back-alley backles. The graphics. are crisp, clean, and mean, and the tunes are NEO-GEO's best ever. You only get four play credits, which sets Burning Fight in the "game lords only" category. PROTIP: To double your continues in a onever game, push Start on Controller 2 lust before you perish on Controller 1.

Even though you've fought it all before, you'll definitely want to take this NEO+GEO challenge. If you can't afford \$200 slucfests, head to an arcade and oet down and dirty with Burning Fight



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2020 SUPER RASERALL

Twenty-nine years from now baseball's still the name of the game, but check out the radical changes in gameplay. Batter's up for 2020 Super Baseball

First off, Robots have replaced some of the players, and the remaining humans wear heavy-duty protective paciding. Other major changes include a line that runs across the field from the third have had to the stands and from the first base bag to



the stands. Everything that lands over this Ine is consciend in play. Balls that much the stands are clausble once they come. back onto the field. Also, balls you hit for what is normally homerun distance to right or left field are considered in play as well.

There are two other major changes to America's favorite pastime - landmines on the nisvino field after the 2nd inning. and cash for every great play fyou lose it. of course, when you make mistakesi.



easy catches into incredible diving catches. Follow a poo-up's shadow until the last moment. Then, back off and hit Button A and Down to dive forward. Diving catches are worth \$1,5000

2020 Super Baseball is the freshest sports cart vet for your NEO+GEO! If this is the future of baseball, put my name on the season toket list!!



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CROSSED SWORDS

Crossed Swords is a hack-nstash, sword and sorpery adventure that sounds familiar and is. You and a friend are valant knows on a duest to save an innocent young

princess from an unknown evil You and your bud are there in firstperson perspective as chost images from the waist up. This enables you to see

ing from behind your back. The guest covers seven levels with action that flows horizontally from left to night as well as straight "into" the screen. Standard issue hacker's gear consists of a sword, a sheld, and madic power



The minions of evil are numerous, it repetitious. Most adversaries appear as warriors with shields, lizard men, or oiants crabs, only their colors change. Bosses are a mad lester and, at the end,



PROTIP: Use your shield to counter his and low blows.

When the going gets tough, the tough use magic. You earn several types of spells throughout the game including shield magic, a fireball, a blizzard-like force field, and scarecrow nower which turns enemies into easy targets, right communic

Crossed Swords doesn't rewrite the annals of the coin-op kingdom. This is a straight-up swordfighter where you mow down the opposition posthaste. You pays and you plays.



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PREVIOUSLY PLAYED



Baseball Stars Professiona This is super upgrade of SNACs classic

NES cart, Basebell Stars This version has 12 tears, status statute, and 360 degree-scroking. The crity dizentage - the cart does not have a battery backup or the team building options that made the NES



Blue's Journ

This coursed attention stars Blue, a box at controlling the enumperment With your help Blue can not Pages of the out Danger tamble a netferous bunch bent empolishthe planet. This is one we never get suck of



Cybertic This game bagins in a futuratio spece

colony where androids have gone hersely. You must blast your way to for main computer in order to turn the soboth attractive looking care, but the garne play



Choose your ball weight and whether

your bowler is left or right-handed, and then his the lance to see if you can those a tarkey (three strikes in a row for those shoes) Play Regulation, Plast or Street 90, and book with up to four players. The CAT'S A William



Magician Lord This cart features might, magain, and in hern. A radical fertical land exercise with cutrageous, majorolest creatures makes the the best action garde for the hystern



Nom '75 This intense shooter promotes that to

mous military strategy "vectory through Superior firepower " it didn't work in real We, but you'll emply trying to make it work. here Affected the cast packs a lot of chill lenge of frequently becomes repetitive



Vinia Combat

The file sale it of The lightency test and fundus as you there your moves against as army of mean merical artists. Although unitryled continues means you'll head the cart in a weekend, we guirartee a



Riding Hero

This joystick-wrenching metacoyde racer pits you agreed the competer or a friend to the World GP cycle race You gut noagent' riding, several challenging cours troks are too sensitive so manuscring the spoket bidg as a toughter challenge them to should be, but the garre works well as a two-player contest



This is a horizontally scrolling, one or two player "Final Fight" bod game Four harconquer the world. His plan was folled by

two brave Samural womens Before dying the earl wastord processed to retern in 406 years to cause more trouble. Goess what He kept has promise Guess who gets to stop him? You'll get a keling of deal va since many of the backgrounds an id, but this carrie is incredibly long so what do you succe? Even the



The cart features a radical look with a first-person personative and the begoest

ORSCIPED characters you've ever seen You punch, stab, shoot, and lock tempstions are writed The levels are long him



Top Players' Gol This sports card rets you be drine on the beautiful par-72 SNK Champersho March Play, Stroke, or a round of Massey This card boks good, but many of the 16 bit and even the 8 bit competition carts pley better

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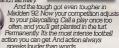
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John Madden Football" 92. It doesn't ge any tougher than this.

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plus a new All-Madden squad. The latest plays schemes, and formations including the Run and Shoot, 3-4 defenses, and a fistful of new Madden plays





So Madden '92 is flat-out the most realistic game this side of Sunday afternoon. Each team roster is packed with 35 men. each man rated on six different attributes. Some are more durable: others better on grass; others better in mud. Play to their strengths, and you'll make it to the playoffs.

the shots, you have more moves than a cheerleader. Take your

Coach Madden's drafted a whole new game this year including the Bun and Shoot 3-4 defenses and much more



This seasons a lot tougher Call a play once too often and you'll get planted in the turl



Besides calling

Watch the momentum shift after the hardest-hitting play in football the of guarterback speak to the hospital



AN EVEN running back, for example You control every spin, hurdle cut back, dive, you name it. Use the "oomph" button to steamroli for a first down. If you don't like what you see at the line of scrimmage, you



Talk about in your face Instant molay gives you the ultimate

EASN gives you better coverage than a nickel defense. The latest sack dance Touchdown boogies Injuries Penalties

The gamesavers The goats Close-ups that zoom right in on critical first down measurements. Every boo

cheer, or gasp from the crowd All the details and ant of the sport itself.

Any play can be instantly replayed. So you can analyze blown assignments in slo-mo or trame by frame. After every drive, Madden delivers stats and summaries.

Quit talking and get a real piece of the action. Visit your local EA dealer or order by phone any time (800) 245-4525. And make Madden '92 your number one pick.





By The Missing Link

Something smells foul in St. Carseri A frencish fivesome who call themselves "FO.W.L." have slashed a valuable painting and hidden the pieces all over the city. This masterpiece-abuse has something to do with an ultimate weapon - it's all a bit vacue. But one thing's for sure, if Darkwing Duck doesn't recover the stalen

painting, his goose is cooked!



: Hint. Does the Mona-D n anything to you? Think about it wh w're trying to piece together the sii



Criminals of a Feather

This TurborGrafx-16 duck hunt takes Darkwing through five short, vertically and horizontally scrolling missions, where the task at "wing" is to gather up the pieces of the painting and give the leading members of F.O.W.L. (Steel Beak, Mollarty Tuskemini, Megayott, and Ratcatcheri and their cohorts a good thrashing. Conquer one of the EOWI , fowles and DD enters. a puzzle sequence where he tries to fit the new-found pieces together by sliding them around inside a frame

Although the FO.WL goors are menacing in a acctv

Disney sort of "eacshel" the bark is far worse than their bites. It's a given they'll take a few notches off your Me meter, but they're not so rough-and-tumble that your thumbs start sweeting. To restore his life meter DD

need only grab eggs he finds along the way. Great Graphics, Flighty

The graphics and sound are both razor sharp, much like DD's popular Disney cardoon. The game, however, can be methodical. If you're a gamester in a humo. you'd better look elsewhere.

DD gets the Clark Gable debonar award for his stylish threads, Sporty? No. doubt, but there are moments when you'd gladly chuck in the gladrags for one pair of working wings! DD's no flyboy and that takes its toil. What Darkwing can do: jumping, ducking, and



OTIP: Some Jumps between platforms are icky. The best approach is to get as close to the edge as possible and jump early PROTIP: There's a time limit. If you need time to contemplate your plan of action, IsN the Pause button. If you don't and you wait too long an anvil comes crashing down and flattens DD into a "quacker."



Boo't stay atop the electric tforms too long or you'll ris

It's the obstacle courses in each Mission, which DD must go up, over, and through that are likely to bust your brain cells. There's a sizeable number of floating platforms and feather-raising jumps from tiny ledge-to-tiny-ledge, and they rquire very meticulous timing. Slip up a wee bit and Darkwing eats dirt.

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Quack Attack

Darkwing Duck's a grand translation of this very cool Disney character, DD's a looker with smooth moves. In the Minor-Gripe-Department, well, this isn't the speedlest of action carts. DD's more of a take-a-chance adventure. Much of the time you don't quite know where you're going to land when you leap, but you gotta' go for it anyway. Overall, you wouldn't do wrong to wing it with Darkwing Duck



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TURBOGRAFX-16 PRO REVIEW

Ever dreamed of representing your country in Davis Cup tenns action? Well, with a little imagination and Davis Quo Tennis that's one impossible dream that just may be within your grasp.

Serve It Up

Davis Quo Termis has some of the best graphics to date in a terms title, including a unique split-screen view that enables the compettor to see both a front and rear view of himself during play. Another realisto touch is the sound track which features an oh-so-British referee who calls the match, true-to-life sounds when you smark the ball, ground moses, and even your team's national arthem. Your player also moves well amund the court, springs from side to side and moving in towards



or more players are competing. If you're g solo against the CPU pick the ang you like best (front or rear) and concentrate on that, or switch off the solit-scr option. If you glance back and forth you may get confused because the dire controls are reversed for each half of the screen - what makes you move right in one half of the screen makes you move left in the other!

Using the standard termis rules and scorng, netters can compete in Exhibition matches. Tournament play, or a gruefing round of international singles and doubles Davis Cup matches the title features a save option for gamers with a TurboGrafx-CD or TurboBooster-Plusi. A Practice option enables the player to go head-to-head with a ball machine and practice ground strokes. smashes, or volleys.

At the beginning of each match you can adjust the strength of your player by using alloted credit points or points you win in a match to beef up different skills For example, you might want a pl who's a service aper or a crack vol As you advance in play and win different matches your player's strengths and



P: In the beginning, when you're no good, use the "Create Your to create a weak opponent to pra

The action on-court is as complicat ed or as simple as you choose to make t. Different button combos give you the power to choose the angle and son on your shot, decide whether to hit a lob or a dropshot, and even adjust the angle and depth of your serve. While this gives you a powerful repertoire of shots with which to crush your opponent, it takes more than a little practice to memorize the variety of different button combinations necessary to make the different. shats with sold second timing.



TIP: Practice, practice, prac

Championship Tennis

Davis Cup Tennis offers wide ranging termis gameplay for up to four players with excellent graphics and sounds. A complicated repertoire of different shots enables 12 garners to make the game as complex or as simple as they choose. Davis Cup Tennis plays best as a multiple player game and tennis afficionados will enjoy this latest attempt to bring one of America's favorite sports to a video



Davis Cub

nis Anyone

Davis Cup Tenns enables up to four players (TurboTap required) to hit the courts in Davis Cup tennis competition (in any combination) as representatives of sixteen different teams from around the world.



Players can team up against the

CPU or go head to-head in doubles or singles action. Termis nowces should note that the Davis Cup is an annual international event which pits squads of the best players from each country in singles and doubles team competition.

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When they finally developed an 8-way TV, Dan was able to play all his favorite games at once. (Of course, it took 40 years to master them all!)



PRO REVIEW

Ry Dr. Dave

The popular Ys saga continues in this CD-ROM role niay activenture for the TimboGrafx-16. Although Ys III captures the look and feel of Ys: Book I and IL it doesn't match up 100 percent to the st dard set by that classic.

Get Along Little Dogi

In this adventure the boy-hero Adol journeys to the land of Kenai with his friend Dogi. In six stages of side scroling action (no overhead sequences as in the previous versions). Adol searches for the madic items. and weapons that will enable him to defeat the evil forces that endaye Keroi

dal items and information that enable him to continue his quest. Using gold he sams in battle Adol can also shop for weapons, healing herbs, and other powerful magic. Even the bad guys come in



P: After you've defeated the lava ad back to the lava lake and use he Stone idol to freeze the lava so that you can cross the take safe



this till he's done for

Take the Ys'v Way Out

Musically Ys III meets the standard set by the mammoth Ys I and II CD Disk, incorporating cool tunes and speaking characters into the storvine. However, the game's graphics and storvine just aren't on a par with the original. The adventure itself is shorter and not meanly as challenging as the classic, Fanatic Ys fans will suffer some disappointment, but they should enjoy this adventure anyway. - and then start looking forward to the next guest in the series!



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Kenai is a land of many landscapes. including peaceful townships, rusped mountain ranges, and dark, forbidding mines. In each of the six stages of the game Adol encounters evil creatures bent on his destruction. This boy-hero lives and dies by his power meter which drops when monsters nat him. In standard role-play stuff Adol defeats baddles and builds up his strength and experience to advance to new levels of power. PROTIP: Equip yourself with your weapons of choice before you do battle with a boss. You can't equip during the fight. PROTIP: Your rings lose power when you use them. Don't forget to un-equip them when you don't need them.

Ys On Down the Road Fortunately for Adol, he gets to do more than live and die by the sword. Friends he meets during his quest give him spehandy - Adol defeats each of the six bosses he earns a useful tool of the fighting trade. P: Clue Grandma Ada Roy a I

a and she'll give you the St



k to the left of the scr ng blast. Repeat until he's done for

TO PLAY THE HOTTEST ARCADE GAMES AT HOME.

The areade is still a way cool place to hang with your friends But you can't always be there. You can however, play Capcom's new 16-bit earnes with 32,000 colors, smooth 3-D scrolling. and killer sound, while hanging out on the sofa at home. It's the next best thing to being there.

Three years ago, Sir Arthur rescued Princes Gunevere from the evil ruler of the Phantom Zone. Since then, he's acquired some very powerful weapons to

defend his kingdom, in case it happens again. Well, it has, And this time. Sardius must be destroyed once and for all. It'll take every bit of magic you can consure to escape the witches, ghosts

and snapping skulls. But you can't stop until you complete your quest.

Skulls and zombies fol from the sky as the ground worch your

it say goodby











By Monty Has

What's left to take over when vou've already conguered Nintendo screeos twice? For the Full Witch Doctor and his colleagues in Island badness, there's only one thing left to do: invade the Game Boy.

Deia Vu from Island II

Remember that brave little lungleman. Master Higgins, and how he rescued Princess Ting from the clutches of the Evil Witch Doctor in Adventure Island II for the NES? Well, the better you recall his past feats, the more likely you'll do it all over again successfully on the Game Boy. The first handheld Adventure Island is modeled after the second NES Adventure Island (minus the color of course).

Island Hopping

Master Higgins hops on his raft and sets sail for eight islands of mostly-recycled adventure: Fern, Lake, Desert, Ice, Cave, Cloud, Volcano, and Dinosaur, Just as before, each island consists of several sidescrolling stages of running, jumping, skating, swimming, and of course shooting.



Egg-cellent Items

All the coolest power-ups in Adventure Island can be gathered, not by busting blocks, whicoing candles, or even shooting spaceships, but by breaking open eggs strewn along the nath. Most common is the good oil throwing axe, your farthful companion to the end. Also look

for the Honey Girl's invincible protection Hidden eggs are just that but if you do find them, get set for a wild note in a bonus stage or an airborne stage-skip



PROTIP: Throw axes everywhere to a if hidden eggs, which will absorb yo



on Ferm's Arma Four two names aft the first rock in the second clearly ere are no trees in the background PROTIP: Pop open the hidden opp at the bo tom of the first hill slope in Lake Area Two and you'll be rewarded with three free live

Upon completing a level you play a head-spirning bonus game. Chaose one of eight revolving eggs for prizes ranging from points to an extra life



P: Aim for the third bonus eag fo est chance at a 1-un.



Hitch a Ride

Higgins hikes on foot most of the time but gives his dogs a rest when he finds a skateboard for rapid transit. Even better are the friendly dinosaurs which occasionally hatch out of eoos. Four are available. including a tail-flicker, a breath-belcher, a sky-fler, and an ocean-swimmer



PROTIP: Each time you finish an early area with an axe or a dino in tow, store it away for use in the final stages the name.

PROTIP: Sometimes, it's wise to pass up the skateboard, because it has no brakes which can cause you to miss valuable hidden eggs.



or ding friend's a true buiskle-toes PROTIP: If you're aboard a skateboard or a

ding and you're hit, you'll lose the item but remain unharmed

PROTIP: All your dinosaur buds except "Classie" are allergic to water.

HELCOME TO SECRET ROOM I'LL GIVE YOU THIS ITEM

PROTIP: In Area Three of Fern Island you'll find the Hudson Boe, which enables you to continue with your full inventory of dinos and axes. When you pass the first from climb up one ledge and down the next ledge. You'll land right next to the See PROTIP: After acquiring the Hudson Bee. repeatedly die and play through the first island to stocknile up to nine of each item If you return to the section where you claimed the Ree, wor'll score a 1-llo!

Tropical Terrorists

Death is swift and painful if one of the Doc's henchmen so much as touches Higgins. They're mostly insane islanders and wild animals. Ike pio-headed warriors. fire breathing snakes, and miniature octopuses. At the end of each side-scrolling stage is an overgrown boss beastle. PROTIP: A strange-looking flower planted in the background means an enemy is about to ambush you from behind.

PROTIP: When the penguins on the frigid ice island summon deadly snow storms. wait for the blizzard to appear, then weave in between the flakes and take the penquies out with axes.

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PROTIP: To waste the vicious Hippins-eating plant at the end of Level One, stand towards the middle area of the screen, lump high, and toss your axes. A Well-balanced Diet

Feed yourself with fruits, meets, vegeta-

bies, and milk to keep your strength going. Be guick, because edibles only apnear nouserson for a limited time. Flowers are worth double the health boost of ordinary chow. If your life line drops to zlich, you're shish-ka-Higgins. So many ways to die, so few ways to win Islands of Okay Adventure

Hudson's Adventure Island has always

been well-known for its relable but not extravagant Mano-like gameolay. Since the handheld version is close to a pixelperfect version of the NES sequel, the same wisdom applies. The high points include better-than-average Game Boy character illustrations, easy-to-handle carreplay, and unlimited continues. The low points are moetilive obstacles, no nasswords, and bland music.

It all holis rlown to a cart which is fun in the sun for Game Boy enthusiasts but won't give you more than a mild case of Island Fever



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GAME BOY PRO REVIEW

By Fanatic Fan If you're a hoops maniac

lke me, your heart probably starts cranking at double time whenever you see "His Greatness." Mr. Michael Jordan perform one of his patented, gravity-defining moves. But if vou've ever tried to score tickets to a Bulls game, changes are you were left out in the cold. Chicago Stadium only has so many seats.

The good news is you can now catch plenty of Air Jordan action courtesy of your Game Boy and Electronic Arts, Jordan vs. Bird: One-on-One is here, and it features the moves that made MJ great, not to mention some incredible action from the Birdman as well But while having Jordan and Bird on hand is great, you might be a little bummed at the head-to-head play versus the computer



Bird is too late to stop the turnaround lump

A Bird in the Hand ...

There are three sections to Jordan vs. Bird - The 3-Point Contest, The Slam Dunk Contest, and One-on-One. In the 3-Point and Sam Dunk compettons you face off against CPU versions of Lamy Bird and Michael Jordan respectively



When you take on the Birdman in the 3-Point Contest you/I have 60 seconds to shoot 25 shots - five halls from five different bins stationed around the basket



The Stam Dunk contrast enables you to play firme munds versus Jordan - each player nets one dunk per mund. There are 10 natented Jordan dunks to choose from such as the Windmill, the Statue of Liberty, and, of course, the Air Jordan, You get 30 seconds for each dunk and a bunch of computer rudges score you 1 to 10.1 think I got stuck with the Russian judges my scores were boous

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PROTIP: Each dunk has a certain 'tai not on the floor. It's a good idea to pla Follow the Leader before entering a con-

ion to one how Michael does the dunk PROTIP: The last ball in each bin is the ey" ball - worth two points rat than one. Take your time wi

hen chaption if

Talkin! Track Once you've tried your hand at dunking

and 3-point shooting, it's time for some rest action - one on one! You control Bird or Jordan, depending on who you like more, or your preferred style of play. Jordan, of course is the better dunker and SAMEPOD - JANUARY 1882

quick on defense. Bird is a good shof blocker and an eagle-eye sharpshooter He's a better 3-point shooter than Jordan

In the One-on-One game, you play to 11, 15, or a full four quarter game. As in real basketball refs call fouls such as charging, blocking, travelling, and falling to clear the half

If you're familiar with the NES version, you'll pick up on the gamenlay immediately. But even if this is the first haskethall title you've ever nizved, it'll only take a couple of games before vou're an expert. The gameplay is simple, and there aren't too many moves to muster The most difficult thing to learn is how to keep your player from floating out of position everytime you jump to block a shot. Both Bird and Jordan tend to drift If vou're on the move before you jump



block a shot. If you're moving as you jum your player floats or drifts in the direction you're moving - often leaving you completely out of position

Post Game Highlights

The Jordan and Bird figures are large and easy to see - always nice in a Game Boy game - but the floating problem means they're often tough to control. This cart is a good sports diversion, but ideally would want to team up with a Game Bowown. ing friend for some head-to-head compettion. That's when this cart really cooks Jordan vs. Bird is more like the 1991 Boston Celtics than the Chicago Bulls - a good, solid team, but not quite channel coship caliber



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Amght Splatt Squisht These are just a few of the words you might associate with a

video game based on Attack of the Killer Tomatoes, It was a movie, it is a TV cartoon, and now it's point to be a Game. Boy cart by THO

Live on Location

Daring news reporter Whitley White brings us the story of a band of roque red beetsteaks set on the loose by Dr. Gangrene. They're demolishing buildings, terrorizing citizens, and in gen al making a nuisance of themselves in San Zucchini city Wilhur Finletter veteran of the Tompto Wars will intoors to ston Gan. grene from fulfilting his fertilization fantasies.

Wilbur Strikes Back Wibur is one tough cooke when it comes to de-uicing vegetables. For this side-view assignment he limbers up his feet for running, boots for bouncing, and Swords for tomato-slicing, Willbur also cruises on a Skateboard and free-floats in a Parachute. He nets unlimited continues, a plus, but controls like a rotten you-know-what, a minus. In addition, for some unfathomable reason. Button B. iumps and A attacks instead of the usual other-way around



PROTIP: To lump as high as porun, just stand still and hold down R

The Swords, as well as energy boosting Medals, 1-up awarding Hearts. and speed-inducing Lightning Bolts, are scattered throughout this 13-level gar-





Tomatoes here, tomatoes there, tomatoes everywhere. You'll go head-to-vine with Piranha Tomatoes, Skull Tomatoes, Cloud Tornatoes, Mouther Tornatoes, Roller Tomatoes, Shrannel Tomatoes Mexican Tomatoes, Ballistic Seeder Tomatoes, Bat Tomatoes, and Super

Don't enter the funky st

Boss Tomatoes, Yikesi Yucky! Who dreams up this stuff? The landscapes in clude the streets, rooftops, and countryside of San Zucchini.



word as soon as he et. If you run out of blad ich to your stomp attack

Not the Pick of the Grou What sets Attack of the Killer Tornatoes

apart from other games is, well, nothing, The graphics aren't eve-straining, and the music is worth a listen, but neither really excels. After a while, the game action "grows" ho-hum, even with tomatoes wearing sombreros

Killer Tomatoes is an all-around decent attempt at another side-scroller for the Game Boy, but in the final analysis. it's likely to be too silly and too uncontrollable for some tastes; average hack-nsplatter action, "Splat!" indeed.

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dener's nightmare. Wilbur can also retrieve tiny Cherry Tomatoes from smushed big torretoes, 100 of which translates into an extra life. A spinning "X" icon multiplies points and Chery Tomatoes, so snatch it if you see it.

PROTIP: To collect an item floating off a s, jump out, grab it, and hook back to ty with the controller PROTIP: You need the Tomato Juice Can to exit a level. Punch and kick everywhere to



um this I med Eres wer a hidden area. - Walk through walls in I and Ten to th second ideas as

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Dizzy Devil, Furrball and Plucky Duck. And how! Dizzy Devil, Furrball and Plucky Duck. And how! Dizzy Devil spins himself silly to break through rock solid walls. Furrball climbs straight up walls. And Plucky swims and glides through the air like a...duck. Along with Buster's powerful bounce.

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you, like the ever clever Roderick Bat, ironpumping Arrold the Pitbull and hug-happy Elmyra. If that werent enough, you' got to beat the clock as you struggl through haunted forests, creepy pirate ships, secret chambers and

finally Monty's Mansion.
The Toonsters need your hell now. So "Toon" up your NES" and let.

now. So "Toon" up your NES" a Montana Max know who's boss

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By The Soam Wessel The scarlet speedster, a.k.a.

the Flash, may have been vanked off the tube, but if you're a comic book reader, you know that most super heroes never die, they just get reincarnated into some other form. The newest incamation of The Flash is the latest Game Boy cart from T+HQ. and although this baby is built for speedsometimes speed isn't what you need.

Flash-Dance The Flash is a punch-and-kick action game with 13 levels of horizontally scrolling action. The Flash's arch-enemy, the Trickster, has escaped from Iail, and he's planted time bombs all over the city (Gee., do you think this is a parole violation?). He's dragged along a couple of Flash thorn-in-the-sides, Captain Cold and the Mirror Master, to help him terrorize the city. Since you're dealing with time bombs, you only have so much time to reach the end of a level - but

then, you're the Flash! PROTIP: Time is of the essence. It's more important to get to the end of the level than to go head-to-head with every thug. You must have enough time to fight the Trickster and disarm the time bomb on

The time limits mean you shouldn't stop to admire the scenery, but that's OK because each level features similar-looking areas. You begin in an art gallery, then move to a garage, the street, and a moving train. After diffusing the Trickster's time bomb on the train, you go to another art gallery, then a garage, etc. You get three Flashes to complete the game, but

each level has a password. Flashy Features

This wouldn't be a true "Flash" cart without the element of super speed, so by holding down the A and B buttons, along with a direction button, the Flash goes into "surge" mode and moves at incredible speed



Factor then a connding to

The Flash-dude also has super combat ability. Holding down A and B during a fight makes the Flash oo nutzold - punching and kicking at a frantic speed, until the bad guy is no more

Fast Food

If you decide to slow down, you find food machines, dollar signs and little Flash emblems. Pick up dollar signs to spend at the food machines, which dispense ferms such as hot doos that give Flash more surge power. The Flash emblems, which appear when you knock out a bad guy or disarm a bomb, build up your health meter



Speed Trapped The Flash sports sold graphics, and it

plays a great rendition of the TV theme song, but it lags in the gameplay category. Expecting you to hold down A AND B plus hit a direction button every time you want to move faster is asking a bit much You'll probably find lumping and moving more challenging than any of the villains in this cart

Sometimes speed kills, but in The Flash for the Game Boy, it's the controls that ultimately do in the scarlet speedster



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GAME BOY RO REVIEW

Those bumbling "We Bandits," Mary and Henry

are back! And this time they've brought friends - a nasty gang of thugs to help them get revenge on young Kevin McCallister Kevin's parents are away (so what else is new?) and it's up to Kevin to defend his

home. Oh Notti

Home Alone for the Game Boy is a runand-grab action game that requires you to think shead. Kevin must get to and collect his family's valuables before the crocks steal them. His large house is divided into four winds, each consisting of hallways and several rooms. Kevin clears each wing by gathering a set number of valuables and dropping them down the laundry chute (so the crocks won't find them). After four levels of gathering valuables. Kevin squares off against Marv. Harry, and Kevin's greatest fear, the basement boiler in the final battle.



Kevin's fears are well founded. His

basement boiler is a freball-sorting monstrosity. You'd think Kevin's perents would have checked the basement before they bought this housel PROTIP: Use floor booby traps, such as the en toy piles, to your ad fary and Harry into the piles to get them

Home



A Feast Fit For A Nine-Year Old As in most run-and-grab games finding hidden power-ups helps you out. There's lots of pizza - find eight sloss and you get another life. Munch on monster-sized chocolate chic cookies to earn back one

hit point (you have three hit points per life). If you're really lucky you'll uncover a Pizza Box - worth one extra life, or some After Shave. After Shave isn't as tasty as pizza but it's almost as helpful - it gives you limited invincibility

My Boiler Boils Over

Each level gets progressively trickier - the valuables you must collect chance from stationary objects such as money bags and watches to moving targets, such as pets or toys. But there's more to this game than just picking up valuables before the bad cuss grab them. Kevin also has to be curning enough to outwit the cooks, dever enough to figure out ways to reach seemingly unreachable places. and mink on his foot



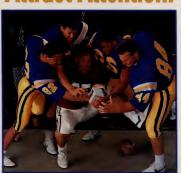


Kevin has some weapons at his disposal to slow down Mary and Harry such as his water pistol with an unlimited number of shots. A couple of shots of water stuns the Wet Bandits (what a bunch of wimosti. Kevin can also find a slingshot and pellets, which are more effective than the water gun, baseballs, and eventually, the BB Gun.

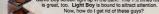
Easy as Pizza Pie One of the best things about Home Alone is its large graphics. It's easy to keep track of Kevin and all his enemies unlike many Game Boy titles that make you sould to play them. If there's a nonative to Home Alone, it's the lack of varred gameolay. Although the difficulty increases as you advance, you're still performing the same basic actions that you were back on the first level. But, hey, there are only so many ways to stuff a bumbling burglar down the laundry chute



Light Boy is Bound to Attract Attention!



I can't take my Light Boy any place without making a commotion. All I wanted was a few private moments on the Game Boy before the offense got off the field; but now I've got these rookies from the other team in here. They like the way Light Boy makes the Game Boy screen light up in the dark. The 1'jt times magnification



Bilateral lighting 1.5 magnification





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Beetlejuice

Bertletuics, the "phost-with-themost," is off to the Neitherworld

to heak I wile free of Astoroth's stronghold And ... surprise! He's not even conna" charge LIN's crammed a vertable smoroas-

bord of action into a pee-wee stand Game Boy cartridge. Bedfeitige tackies a six level, dual scrolling spook-fest, First he prepares Evdia's humble house of hornes for her return by ducking in and out of rooms to rid the house

of its unwanted terants, including haunted laundry and flying pigs. From house to Hades it only ets worse, as Beetfauce scours the Gravevard, Be-

youd the Gove. and the Netherworld Last but not least, there's the Final Confrontation

Most of the action's strainhtforward stuff, umping, ducking, shooting, numing up stairs, and collecting lost statues. For a change of page, there's also a few funlsy purde-type sequences where Beetleuice fits pipe

ionts together, and has a "gross-out" ugly face contest with a fellow obout. PROTIP: To Beat the Bubble Ghost, simply



This name's almost as much fun as Beetleuice is weird. Beetleuice is easy to keep under control as he boos along to the likesible music. The monthers are band bettern with lots of detail Want a fright night (or day)? Just say Beetletuce, Bertleuce, Bertleuce

Track Meet

Track Meet by Interplay is basic wdeo sports fare that's entertaining and nice-looking. You take part in seven events - the 100 Meter Dash, the Huntles the Javelin Throw: the Pole Vault, the Lond Jump the Discus Throw and Wentdiffing The discus loss appears in overhead view. but the rest of the athletics show in hongo

sideview cer

spective The graphics are sharp and stnctly can toony The music and sounds don't get in the

way. Your CPU competition is five aptiv-named video Ohmpians - Ricky the Barbarian Swamm Pastrami, Kerichi Katana Ninia, Irvin B Cheetin and Jack Strop

Naturally, you try to finish first in every event, but if you lose, your score is based or your time or distance relative to the winners measure. Even if you lose a couple of individual events, your combined score can win you

The coorly-looking guys are fun to watch, but you should handle them easily GR-to-GR with a friend is a hetter match

Track Meet requires energetic gameplay that deleats the purpose of the Game Boy as a keep-it-to-vourself owne system. This is flat-out fingerburning buttonpressing In



nrees A the faster you run, the farther you throw PROTIP: Try taylog the Game Boy flat and

Track Meet is good Game Boy fun Even though you'll win gold medals wesus the CPU in no time, you must still face the ulti mate opponent - vourself



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Batter Up

By Fanatic Fan

Video haseball tans who haunted arcades in the '80's will be very familiar with Ratter Lin by Namon for the Game Gear. Yeo. Batter Up is yet another translation of Vis Rasehall/ R.R.I. Raseball without the Major League Baseball license (so all the teams are fictional) Everything here is the same as in that first coin-op - cutesy music, chubby players, lim-

ited strategy, etc. In Batter Up, you can choose between two stadiums. Manne (Park) and City. The City stadium has high fences that make hit-

fing a home nur. hard. The Marine stadium has artificial burf, so a ball hit in the gan will roll to the wall



Choose either a 5-inning or a 9-inning game against the computer or a friend (with another Game Gear, a cable, and another B.U. cart). A password system saves a 15-game season PROTIP: Fielders who have the ball run at louble speed when they chase you. Be extra careful ranning the bases

This cart is basic video baseball - batting, burting, stealing, and fielding. There are only two enhancements - Prime Hitters and the Lucky 7th inning. Prime hitters are the players most likely to get a hit. They waggle then bats when



they reat the Lucky 7th inning, all players become Prime Hitters TIP- AR N MICS AVE

Batter Up is a solid, colorful baseball cart that's sure to hold your interest even though the sounds strike out. It may not be the most commiex baseball simulation around - but sometimes something simple is all you need!



GAME GEAR Clutch Hitter

By Famadic Fam

In the Spring of '91, Sega tested the "Clutch Hitter" coin-go in a San Francisco-area arrade. Four hours and numerous quarters later. Farratic Fan was exhausted but smiling; he had found the ultimate baseball video come!

Rash forward several months. First the good news...like the arcade version Clutch



great baseball cholence with sharp, colorful graphics. At the piste you hi with a behind-thehatter year When

you pitch, the view switches behind the pitcher's mound. Once a half is hit you on to a 3/4 overhead view from behind homeolate. Three views in one little game! Sepa also has licensed the Major

League Baseball Player's Association, so all the pro players are in the game - but they on-Iv had room for their initials. You better know your from infimately because lots of nievers. have the same initials (such as Bobby Bonita and Barry Bonds of the Pirates).

The biodest negative about Clutch Hitter is that you can't jump or dive for balls. This makes fielding tricky - sometimes impossible. Weak grounders squirt through for singles. Singles become doubles. It's a manag-



If Sens had allowed divine and immorre for halls. I would have screamed from the roof tons that Chrish Hitter is the hest bandheld baseball came ever made. It's still the best around, but I'll keep my enthusiasm in the dupout until the sequel

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Woody Pon

By Speedy Buns

Woody Pop is a rifty little game that'll be more than familiar to fans of the original classic, Arkanoid, For the uninitiated the name of this name is to clear each level by breaking blocks, which are an

ranged across the top of the screen in different combinations or nottems. At the bottom of the screen is an oper nit . kist above the

of is Woody-a little rectangular block of

wood with an attitude. The action begins when you bounce a blue ball off the blocks to break them. As the ball richochets around the screen you use

Woody as a paddle to keep it in play. The gameplay continues until you miss the ball and it goes into the pit. You get three balls per game (earn extra balls

at different point levels depending on the dfliguty setting) and endless continues PROTIP: Try to out the ball to richochet up the side of the

screen and above the blocks where it will usually destroy blocks while you just sit Each of the five kinds of blocks the Woody has to break has different properties -some help Woody and some burt him. For example, when Woody hits Question Blocks Robots or Soldiers march out to block your ball. Crystal Blocks hold special items, whichmight change the size of the paddle or make the pit grow larger

FROTE: The Firme him emphies the builto take out more than one block. The Blomond from enables the half to destroy the Robot and the Soldier blocks Woody Pop is an enloyable game. well-suited to the hand-held formst, a nice way to wile away a little time. No thinking or

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Viking Child

By Weekend Warrior

It's the year 2072 and pury, fleshy human football players have been replaced by teams of powerful, sleek androids. As in the coin

op version. Tournament Cyberball basically follows the rules of modern day football. You play against the computer or Comlynx with up to three other players for 2-player vs. 2-player games.

Future Fo The game takes place on a vertically scrolling field with seven players on offense and defense.

Play is divided into six, fiveminute periods and the old plaskin has been replaced by an atomic "True grid-" Otherhall that heats up and ones nucle-

ar unless the from takes if across the Oriuse line! Orherhall isn't measured in downs but in the stages of the Owerball's condition - Cool, Warm, Hot, Ortical, then - KABOOM!!

ROTIP: You automatically catch the ball on kicketts, so fo-is on the defenders to see breaks in the defense.

Choose between 12 clearly diagrammed offensive plays and 12 defensive plays. On offense you initially control the QB

and then switch to either the receiver or the numer. On defense you control any of the defensive players until the snap of the ball after that you're stuck with your chasen player

ROTIP: Receivers run to th

Although they're robots your players are not indestructble. Repeated hits can render them inoperable. As your team scores it earns money that you can use to purchase more powerful Oyherhot renlacements

Tournament Cyberball is a unique blend of sci-ft, football, and arcade action. Sharp but simple graphics. combine nicely with sounds that nclude a couple of diorized human and robotic voices. As a nice change of page from the video game pile-up, this cart scores!

CH-HITTER



By Rigor Mortis

As forefold by the prophesies a hero, Brian, was born in the North

em lands to restore peace and joy to Odin's World. To accom plish his quest Brian must set forth to free his kidnapped fan and defeat evil Loki who terrorizes the land.

Viking Child is a sidescroling, multi-directional role play adventure that takes you, as Brian, all over Loki's domain in search of clues as to your fam-It's whereabouts. You've not two fives which are in constant dan-

oer from obstacles and monsters such as giant rats. Bying mushrooms, and fire-spitting plants

PROTIP: it's best to dodge your enemie strike them with your daggar at extres defeat them.

As in most RPG's, you begin with only a small dagger, but you can ungrade your weapons as the game progresses. Each time you defeat an enemy you earn valuable gold pieces and gems. Cash them in at shops throughout the land for extra weapons

The lay of the land

and special items such as bombs, botas, firesprites, stun blasts magic potions, cloaks of invisibility, long daggers, shields,

health units, extra lives, and more You won't finish this long, arduous quest in one sitting but a password feature enables you to save your name. Small characters (even by Lynx standards) are balanced by extremely well illustrated and detailed background graphics. Overall

sound is weak, although there's a nice start-up theme song No Rest for the Wears Although there is plenty of back. and stash action throughout Viking Child, the game requires extensive exploration and a great deal of patience - it's the perfect game to bring along on long trips. Although this cart isn't up to speed with some of the flashier, gitzier Lymx games, it's definitely a roumey



worth taking!









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There are plenty of ways to spice up your video gaming experience. Here's a grab bag of great stuff that adds something extra to your games.

The Game Genie

After several court beatings, Galoob's Game Genie has finally landed in America. This controversial gadget, which is roughly % the size of a regular NES cartridge, slides onto the "prongs' of an NES game and then the entire combo plugs into the NES. The rest is matric well sort of

Inside the NES there are two "scratch pad" chips. One chip processes information for screen display and the other is memory. When you plus a same cartridge into the NES, those chips read the cart's programming codes, which pertain to things such as number of lives, invincibility, how high the character can jump, etc. When it connects with a same cartridge, the Game Genie adjusts the codes, via its own codes which you punch in, and affects the way in which the NES reads the chip information for game features such as lives. So, instead of having the usual three lives you might get 50. In a nutshell, the Game Genie doesn't change a game whatsoever, it just temporarily changes the way the NES reads the game

The Game Genie and a book with the recent codes (306 by the first of the year) retails for approximately \$50, though prices may be as high as \$70 at some retail outlets. Codes are constantly being updated, and by filling out a form in the back of the Game Genie book, gamers can subscribe, for \$12 plus tax and shipping, to a publication put out by Camerica called "Game Genie Code Undates." You can check out GamePro SWAT each month too (Ga-Josh Toys 415/952-1678

The Game Action Replay

Hot on the beels of the Game Genie comes the \$59.99 Game Action Replay (GAR) from STD Entertainment. The GAR resembles a regular NES cartridge, but it has a port on top into which you slide an NES cartridge. Then you slide the nion/backed cars into the NES The GAR is capable of three

modes. Mode 1 enables you to set the numerality at two slow-motion speeds. Mode 2 saves a game at any point Mode 3, the buffer screen, enables you to store up to five saved areas in a game. Once you've saved into the buffer, switch off the NES, go about your business, and come back to a saved same whenever you're ready The

GAR also comes equipped with a 6year back up battery. This is a must-have item, especially when you're tackling on of those games with few or no continues. (STD Entertainment, 717/232-8288)

Multi-Player Links

If there's one feature that really makes the TurboGrafx-16 shine. it's the capability to have up to five people play one game in games as diverse as TV Sports Hockey and Bomberman, You need a TurboTap to do it. (NEC.



The Game Boy isn't only for lonely

pamers. Use the Nintendo Four-Player Adaptor with games that support mul ti-person play to link up to four Game Boys. F-1 Racing comes bundled in the package, but Faceball 2000 by Bullet-Proof makes the Adaptor absolutely awesome! **Game Gear Gadgets**

Sega has a myriad of gadgets for the

Game Gear that are sugranteed to help keen you up on world events, powered up when you're on the go, and organized. If you want to take a break from

gameplay and catch up on your favorite soap or cartoon, check out the the color TV Tuner. The UHF/VHF tuner unit snaps into the GGs cartridge slot and has a built-in at/mna. There's a stand built into the back of the GG which enables you to prop it up for



the Tuner as a portable monitor for a VCR or video camera. The suggested retail price is \$119.95.

Stitle Genie

You no longer have to burn through countless packs of hattries. Thanks to the Game Gear Battery Pack you can do your part to cut down on rocks waste and enjoy hours of cord-free play time. When the power runs down recharge the Pack by simply plugging it into a wall socket. A full charge takes eight hours. The price tag is \$4+9.5, Another ecologically sound power device for the Game Gear is the \$12.259. AC Power

Adaptor. Just find yourself an electrical outlet and plug in the Adaptor. On the road, use the \$19.95 Car Adaptor, which enables you to plug your GG into a car cigarette

When you want to pack up all your Game Gear year, you might try two carrying cases from Sega, the \$14.95 Game Gear Deluxe Carrying Case and the \$9.95 regular Game Gear Carrying Case. The Deluxe model is a rectangular shaped pack with a foldover lid, a shoulder strap, and two large zipper pockets that hold a Game Gear along with 10 cartridges, batteries, and instruction manuals. The regular model is also made of nylon with two zipper pouches, however, it's a slightly smaller oblong case with room for a Game Gear and ten cartridges. (Seea. America 415/508-2800)

Light Up the Game Boy

Now you see it. If you like to play in the dark, check out the Nuby Game Light. This next, compact mini-light slips onto the Game Boy and uses power from 4 AA batteries to illumi nate the screen. (Nubv.

603/532-4123)
The IIluminator from Forsion Plastics is a tiny light on a

light on a folding arm, which you can position at any angle. Two AA batteries fire up the light. (Forma Precision Plastics, 415767.0801)

For natural lighting, the Sunsoft View Boy is a magnifier that snaps snugly onto the Game Boy. Thete's no light, but you can angle the lens up to 45 degrees in any direction and extend the telescoping legs up to 2 inches above the surface of the GB to zoom in and out of the action. (Sursoft 7148901-4500)

The Light Boy from Vic Tokai lights up the GB LCD screen and magnifies it up to 1.5 times normal. It takes two double As to power the unit and the lights are tralaccable (Vic Tokai

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Dynasound Inc. makes three Game Boy carrying cuese, each ranging in weight and available space. The \$12.99 Portable Video Game Case is 512.99 Portable Video Game Case is 50 fluydon case with a side strap and a tapper lid. Interior plastic trays form three compartments which hold the Game Boy TV. Huner, AC Adaptor, But tery Pack, Car Adaptor, and 12 game corruders

Dynasound's second holder is the Game Boy Tote. The \$12.99 Tote has a hard plastic outer shell, carrying hamdle, and a foam lined interior which holds a Game Boy, five cartridges, a Video Link Cable, and Stereo Ear-

phones.

The last and largest of Dynasound's offerings is the Game Boy Carry-All for \$24.99. Also made of soft nylon, the Carry-All has an adjustable clip-on strap and is designed to hold a Game Boy, eight cantridges, a Video Link Cable, Steroo Earphones, Rechargeable Batter Pack, AC Adaptor, and extra batteries. Chynasound Organizer, Inc.;

The Light Boy Game Keeper from Vic Tokai is prebably the most stylish looking of the lot. It minimizes the Game Boy's gray and pinkish tone features, and it has funly ridges on its hard plastic outer casing. The \$29.98 Keeper comes with an adjustable nylon carrying strap and it has eight

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ASSES Portable Carry All GLX.

polyurethane padded compartments which hold the Game Boy, Light Boy, four spare batteries, an AC Power

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Zelda II

Dear ASK THE PROS. I'm sorely in need of the Beflect snell in 7elds II. Where is it incated? Denick Picter Alberta Caracta



Dear Demick Talk to the forlow mother in Derunia and

she'll ask you to rescue her son in exchange for the powers of Reflect. Her son is being held on Maze Island.

Genesis

Shadow Dancer

Dear ASK THE PROS I'm getting whipped in the final battle with the leader of the Union Lizard terrorists. Any advice? Jesse Watts, New York, NY

Dear Joses

No problem. First slash his grey ninia followers as quickly as possible. Wait for him to shed his head, then aim for the red and blue glowing patches on his neck. In-between strikes, stand underneath the pillars and dodge his fire bolts

Nintendo Uninvited

Dear ASK THE PROS

How can I take the key from the little running demon in Uninvited? Paul Yang, Freeno, CA



Door Park

He's just a hungry gremlin. Place a cookis on the plate in the game room and he'll devour it in exchange for his law

Mega Man 3

Dear ASK THE PROS. Dr. Wilv's got me on the run in Mega Man 3. How can I finish off his huge obot at the end of the game?

Jason Costa Birmingham, Al. Dear Jason

Stand on the too right ledge, whip out your Hard Knuckles, and sock it to him After his head blows off, sting him with the Snake Weapon. See you in Mega Mon di

The Immortal Distr ASK THE PROS.

I'm positively stuck in The Immortal, How can Lopen the exit to Level Two? Charly Womble Flemmashum KY

Dear Charity

Try inserting your three red gerns into the circles next to the door (and don't force) to yell "Onen Sesame" a few times at



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Phantasy Star III Dear ASK THE PROS

I'm stuck in Phantasy Star III. In Aerone II. can't find the ship to continue my ackentures. Also, on the Planet of Ice, I noticed a high-tech boat which I couldn't reach. Do I need to bowel 32

Bran Krkpetrick Manessas, VA

Dear Brian.

Talk to all the villagers in Aerone, then take the lower stone passage east to the ship. which transports you to Dahla Castle. The "boat" you saw on the planet of ice is acbusty Sky Haven, where your Legendary weapons will be transformed into Nei weapons near the end of the game.

Dear ASK THE PROS How can Lenter Landen and find the Power Topaz in Phantasy Star III? Ann Priestman, Glen Burne, MD

Door Ann First, return to your family in When's Cave and dive Thea a buzz - she has the Twins' Ruhy which you need Next walk north and use the ruby to enter the case which is a secret passage to Landen. Finally, take the technique shoo's stairs into the castle, where you'll battle Saria for

the Power Topaz

Sword of Vermition

Door ASK THE PROS I'm fully stocked to reclaim my roval heritage, but my path is blocked! How can I enter the Dungeon of Thuis? Jeff Leat, Chicago, IL

Dear Jeff.

Gain clearance into Cartagena with the pass you bought from Lincle Tibor in Barrow: Once inside Cartagena, search all the buildings and someone at random will give you the key to Thule.

Castle of Illusion Starring Mickey Mouse

Dear ASK THE PROS Minnie's in trouble, and she needs my help! How can I defeat the Avil witch Misrahai? Will Dane, Manchester, MA



Wait on the top left platform for Morphel to appear. When she granks out fireballs. use hounce attacks on her head.

Dear ASK THE PROS In the November issue of GamePm you stated that the number of Dragon Coins must match the last digit on the dock when entering a pipe in Chocolate Island Two, but that doesn't work, How can I reach the secret goal? Mke Brown, Montgomery, AL



ef the clock to wore to W

Nintendo gave us moved signals on that area and messed up our game plan. In order to uncover the secret path to Wendy you actually need to enter the second one with 250 or more seconds. remaining on the clock. Coin collection. afters which sections of the level you replore but won't affect the final outcome. Sony about the inconvenience.

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Dear ASK THE PROS. is there any way to "win" the entire F-Zero game? Anhert Review San Formism CA

Dear British

If you complete the King league, consider vourself an accomplished hovercraft pilot. However, once you beat expert mode on any league, you'll have access to a secret "master" setting. Finish that and you truly will be an F-Zero chamound

TurboGrafx-16

Ys Book I & II

Dear ASK THE PROS I'm having difficulties in the CD game Ys Book I & II. Where is the Blue Orb the goddesses want? Also, where is Sads. and how can he help me? Robert Allegar, Potomac, MD

Dear Robert.

Talk to Tarf and Dekka in Rama Village and then look for the Blue Orb inside Salamon Fast's North Conference Hall Sada is waiting in Canal East to give you the Cloric Sword

Game Boy

RoboCop

Dear ASK THE PROS I give up on RoboCop, is there any way to match all the pics in the Photofit section, or is just impossible? Randy Olive San Jose, CA

Dear Randy Don't descer, just read GarriePro. Try us ing this sequence of photos: helt ohin ears, nose, mouth, and finally ears. If the pictures don't guite merge, tinker with the features one at a time until they fit You have 40 seconds to complete the match, so be quick

Rive Lightni Dear ASK THE PROS.

Level nine of Blue Lightning is giving me a headache. What should my shootion. strategy be? Juan Carlos Lopez H. Quartelanen Mexico



Your LIFE is at stake in level nine of Blue Lightning.

Dear Juan, Don't use missiles willy-nilly or you'll incinerate alled bases. Only fire it a target is not blue, and stick with the machine gun in crowded sections. Good luck! PS in case any of you lighter jocks missed it in SWAT, the password for level nine is! IFF.

General Group Gaming Goes 16-Bit?

Dear ARK THE PROS.
While Genesis and Super NES may be bigger, badding, and more expensive, I prefer the TuthoGrafu-16 for one reason and one reason only the TuthoBigh Five players are a trip for sports cards. Will multi-player adaptors ever be introduced for the other 16-thistes? Alexy, why aren't the extra controller spockets built right into the system?

Mick Love, Carson, CA

Dear Mirk

Locar Moo, It Sage and Nintendo have multi-player periphasis under development, it's news to se — company spokesponanos state "there are no plans at this imin." For right now, MES and TG-16 are the only consoles with that capability. Seign believes the winh built-in sockets would be an unrecessary expense for the majority of players. Mintendo's representative had no comment.

Convertor Shopping Tips

I have seen ads in GamePro for NESFamicorn, Genesis/Mega Drive, and TurboGrafx-16/P.C. Engine game convetors, but I'm confused about their neces-

sity. Which ones do I need to play both American and Asian software, and which are just a waste of good money? Also, how can I purchase overseas software? Chron Tan, FT Labum, Malayse

Dear Choos Nintendo and its Japanese cousin, the Famicom, are incompatible and require a convertor to run each other's carts. Same deal with the Turbo and PC. Fooine Genesis and Mega Drive games are interchangeable, but you'll need to chip of some plastic from your system's cartridge port. And in case you're wondering about the Super NES/Super Famicom situation, it's identical to the Genesis problem. In any case, you may want to rivest in a convertor to avoid possible damage to your machine. Foreign titles are probably available from the same companies that self the convertors.

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Ultimate Stuntman (Camerica)



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Captain America and the Avengers (Data East)

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scenes in this Superhero-scine? What's more there's an abundance of hidden levels to explore, and, depending which path you choose, there are also multiple ways not have you got what it tokes to be a superhero?

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Galaxy Force II (Sega)



Galloy Focal I wowed our opes and channed go or storach in the wands, now be ready to do the same on the Garesis. From a behind-he-controls first proson 3-D perspective you by your ship through five diagnosm missions. Or norment you're blasting your way through a installative of every sign in the depth of older special, the next income you're warring through the most income you're warring through the most income you to might be the special solution. If you was not considerate the your to be mission your equilibrium, to the limit, Ameliate some

TurboGrafx-16

Night Creatures (NEC)

The kiss-of-death has been bestowed upon you by the evil Queen of Darkness, \$\$MEPES • JESSEY 1882 Hecate. The kiss has given you the power to transform into powerful creatures of the forest, including a wolf and a bear. Unfortunately now you're Hecate's slave for etemity. The only way to free yourself from her



hold is to distroy her, so you must make sed your beastly powers and track hor down. Nour hard takes you shrough 11 terrifying beets, where you barde it out against hocasts set hardmann – the Walking Undead. To complicate matters even further, there are multiple parts to choose the reas even multiple parts to choose the set. Sound confusing and challenging – it is I May the best board with Australiate Federatory 122.

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RPM Racing (list Assertes)



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Crystal Quest (Data East)



It's fast, it's frustrating, it's addictive, it's Crystal Quest. This Macintosh favorite is now ready to rip on the Game Boy.

You're questing for crystals in this Asteroids-style shoot-em-up game. While piloting a micro-dot of a spacecraft, you must cather up all the crystals and escape out the exit area before enemy crafts blast you to smithereens. Easier said than done. The higher the level the greater the number of enemies and cavetals. Only the best can complete the Crystal Quest. Have you got what it takes?

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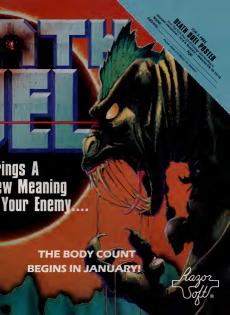








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ntures of Lolo III

Strange Password Skip straight through the first three lev els with this unusual password.

2022 2022 2022 2022 When the game begins you'll discover that you can waitz right into Level One and Level Two and grab the Egg and the Key. Once you have these all you have to do is create the rambow bridge and you're set to cross over to the other side and begin the next levels of the game. filliam Striker, Madison, Wi

Might and Magic (Genesis)

Chow Down!





Tried of the level you're on? To skip alread just hit Pause, Button C. Button B three times, Button A four times, Button C two times, and Button A four times. You can worst this procedure as many times as you like during the game - all the way up to the last level.

Nine Extra Men Use this trick to snag nine extra men whenever you're running low. Just Pause the game and he Button A four arnes, Button C two times, Button E three times, Button C, and Button A. You can repeat this trick as many times as you like during the game.

Stormlord (Genesis)



More Time fitme is getting tight in a particular level all you have to do is Pause your game and then hit Button B. Button A three times, Button C, Up three times, and Button Attree tross to reset the clock!

Go! Go! Tank (Game Boy)

To become invincible by this trick : During the title screen press Left

Up, Right, Up, Left, Left, Up, Right, Ub. Left, Ub. Left, and Start.

ave Warren, Omaha, HE

Invincibility

Final Fight (Super NES)



To access a hidden option menu, hold down the Left and the Right keys at the top of your controller and press Start You'll be able to change the number of starting lives and the difficulty level, plus sample Final Fight's sounds

Intion Screen



Food, Repeat this procedure several frees and your entire food supply in-Sizsher Ouan creases. You might even end up with

more than 40 units John Stone, Denver, CO

Here's a way to feed your entire party -

without buying any food! No. it's not a

miracle. All you have to do is go to you

command screen, select Share and then

Go! Go! Tank (Game Boy)

Begin with Seven Extra Vehicles To begin with seven vehicles instead of three use the following code: During the title screen hit Left, Up, Right, Up, Left, Left, Up, Right, Up, Left, Up, Right, and

Dave Warren, Omaha, NE

NHL Hockey (Genesis) Final Round Passwords!



Make a power play for the Starriev Quo with these passwords: Roston vs. Vancouver. H5MNCCBX4L4H73/77 Las Angeles vs. Buffala:

Stasher Quan

Totally Rad (Nintendo)

Earn Tons of Lives To earn tone of lives wait until you encounter the first green soldier Stand and do bettle with him over and over - he'll keep on coming

back at ye'. For every 100 soldiers you led you'll earn an extra life. The maximum number of lives is 13 Solid Leingrein, Secramento, CA

ia Boy (Game Boy)



Stage Select

To choose any level in Ninja Boy wait unif the title screen appears and then press Up, Up, Down, Down, Button A, Button B, Button A, and Button B. Next, smultaneously press Button A and Start. The symbols "W 1-1" will appear in the upper left-hand corner of the screen. Use Up and Down on your control pad to change the Stage numbers. As a special bonus this code also gives you 80 fighters and 99 Miracle Kicks.

Buzz Mckntosh, Boston, MA



Use these passwords to begin at different stages in the game. Level 1: 985206 Level 3: 394391 Level 4: 520771

Level 5: 108048 Level 6: 900718 Level 7: 773224 Level 8: 165111

Helicopter 2: 882943 Francis Mao, San Mateo, CA

per Castlevania IV (Super NES)

Use those passwords to get a head start

in Castlevania M. Check out the god to one how the formet works.

P = Potor A = Axe H = Heart For example: C2/A = An Ave in the C-2

Level 2: A1/P, A2/A, A4/P, B3/H, Level 3: ALP, A2/A, A4/H, B3/H, B4/P, D1/A, D2/H Level 4: ALP, A2/A, B2/P, B3/A, B4/P, D1/H, D2/H, D3/A

Level 5: ALP, A2/A, A4/P, B3/H, B4/H, D2/H, D3/A Level 6: A1/P, A2/A, A4/P, B2/P, B3/A, B4/H, D1/A, D2/H, D3/A Level 7: A1/JP, A2/A, B2/H, B3/P, B4/H, D1/H, D2/H, D3/P Level 8: A1/H, A2/A, A4/P, B2/P, B3/A, D1/A, D2/H, D3/P

Enter your name as "Ousn." Staster Ouan

Gradius III (Super NES) Max Up Your Credits



To earn extra credits hit Button X as rapidly as you can during the title acreen Matt Fox, Lorain, OH

Gradius III (Super NES)

Practical Joke



OK, so everyone tries the standard Konsmi trick (Up. Up. Down, Down, Left, Right, Left, Right, B, and A) on ev ory Konami game. Try it have and you'll explode when you un-Pause

the carnel

Matt Fox, Lorain, OH

Ronk's Revenge Hat Springs 1-U



To snag a 1-Up at the beginning of the Hot Springs (World Three) just bounce of the first Yellow Floret and bonk the

snowfishes until you reach the 1-Up st the left edge of the screen. Stasher Quan

Gradius III (Super NES) Power-Up

Here's how to power-up with all of the weapons; Pause your game and press Up, Up, Down, Down Left, Right, Left, Right, B, A, and then un-Pause. Remember, you've got to use the Left and Right buttons on the top of the control pad for the trick to work Matt Fox, Lorein, OH

Bonk's Revenge

(Turbo Grafx-16) Bonus Round Sneak Peek!

> 97 CAVE VANDOL RO PIRMON LIFE

To practice all of the bonus rounds in Bonk's Revenge, all you have to do is go to the difficulty select menu and then press and hold Button II and hit Run.

Bonk's Revenge /TurboGrafx -16

Crabby Strategies

in King Droot's police, falling walls will crush you into a crabby mini-Bonk. As a crab, you can fit into crevious to collect blue hearts, red hearts, and free lived in the water tunnel, get flattened and use the crab's swimming speed to avoid piranhas and mines. Shor Ocean

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Rattle Unit Zeoth (Game Boy)



To choose any stage and have invnobility to boot wait until the intro music during the title screen ends. Next, simultaneously Nt Down, Button A, and Button B over and over. Wat until you hear the same number of musical tones as the stage you wish to play (i.e. if you hear four tones you can begin on Stage Four) and then hit Start. To see the game end wait until you hear six musical tones. Now you're set to play through the stage you've chosen with an invincible fighter.

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To begin with 9 lives: PENVZILE For infinite lives: GXXZZIVI Super fast punching: AEUZITPA Mega Jumping: EYSAUVEI Begin on Level 6: TAXAALAA Begin on Level 8: AAXAALAE Begin on Level 10: ZAXAALAF Begin on Level 12: GAXAALAE These cool code updates are from Camerical

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General Hints

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Two heads are better than one!

Once you've bestern the first five worlds KEEP PLANING AND PRACTIC-ING, Just beating them son't enough. You must be able to complete three levels with very little loss of energy white picking

up as many extra lives as possible smorthe sidth world will be completely unincream and youth be exploring in for the first time. It is your time in the first world. Everything you learned in the other worlds will help you have if you've madered the first five you can work you way back to the Treasum World tailing quarity if you lose at or your merit.

all of your meny.

Tip 1: Here's how to gain the first of the three exits lives to be found in World #1. If you place the bornb agarest the far right wall (see picture) it will blow an opening in the wall.



This is the only way to reach the pool.



Be quick, the fuse is just long enough to allow you to get from the Bomb Factory to the wall if you hurry.



Tip 2 The Bow and Arrow are located in this hidden room. You'll need a Bomb to get in, but where to place it and what the Archary Set is used for are things you'll have to figure out on your own!



Tip 3: Socotar's going to need this Heat Haif In order to swim the required distunce, you'll need to find and select the Emergency Chygen. To use the Air Tank filled with caygon, pump Button B while you're swimming. This keeps your caygen level from dropping.



Tip 4: Once you've grabbed the Hard Harl the correct way to leave the platform is to step off, not jump. If you've been here before, you know the reason what



Tip 5. This underground area is the one place where you should keep the Hard Hat salocted instead of a weapon. The spikes on the cetting are dangerously sharp.



Tip 6: This is the Transporter that leads you to the bonus game and your second exits life. All you have to do is figure out where it is!



Tip 7: When you get near to the end of the first world, the third extra life is easy to find. The only problem is getting by the Shark in such a confined small



Tip 8. When you drive the Space Hopper in any of the worlds, the best technique is to keep your finger on Button B (jump) and blast away with the Cannon.



Tip 9: Socoter needs to stay a step alread of the Dragorrilles in order to move to the end word. If yo lare than slightly to the last before making your first jump. They only cost you one energy until if you touch them, but you'll need all the energy you can get for the nest world — so be carsulat



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Tip 10: You'll find many different tools in the various worlds and all of them are on

Tip 10: You'll find many different tools in the evicus works and all of them as important. However, when you're not using particular tool, (fice a Key or the Emergency Oxygen') us should always keep the Boots or the Rey Out selected. That way you'll always have a weapon ready.

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After 25 years of being closed to the public the Consumer Electronics Show (CES), an electronics industry trade show which is held two times a year, plans to open its doors to the general public.

According to Cynthu Upson, Staff Vac President for the Efectrones Industries Association, the Summer CES (held every year in Chrago, Illinois at the McCormick Conterly will be open to the general public or Sametay, May 30, and Sunday, May 31. Tackets are \$10 for achidis and \$5 for lidds 6-12. Kids under 6 get in for free! Evolutions come not me Genie -

As reported here lest meenth, the folks at Camerica have confirmed that there is definitely a Game Genze for the Sega Geneses on the way. But that's just the up of the looking! Game Boy and Super Nintendo owners will soon have a reason to ordebeate as well. That's right, Genze Genzies for the entire Nin-

Game Genas for the enter Nintendo family of video game systems are in the works. Expect Camerica/Galoob to make some sort of official announcement at the January 92 CES, Zoushkill

In other Camerica news, the computity's newly-introduced line-up of game carrudges is 100% computible with all NES decks. Nintendo recentiv installed improved 'lock-

out' chips in new-model systems to more effectively block unsubocized software Camerlea has solved this problem by including switches in its genies Users simply choose one of two settings on the cattridge – one for the old version of the NES

and one for the new! Nintendo/Lottery in Minnesota

The Minnesota State Lonery an nonnoved that it will store plans for a lumited market test that would have allowed lotters: players to purchase tickets from their homes using a Nintendo Entertainment System and modem. According to George B Andrewen Director of the Min nesota State Lottery "Legismon issues raised by lenslative policy makers call for extensive discus uon before the project should proceed. The test was to involve 10,000 homes next year For the test, participants would have been charged \$10 a month and would have been

traument Systems and moderns that would allow them to connect to a central computer. The Minnesots attorney general had criticized the Nintendoplan saring it would have made it easy for leak to geneble. It illegal in Minnesots for majors to

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