# **COUNTRYWIDE COMPUTERS**

# CATALOGUE 1999

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### TWARE: Buyers' Guide





















As Countrywide fast approaches its 20th birthday (our own Millennium equivalent!), chess computer programs continue to improve in every way. Not just strength and speed, but extra flexibility and features to cater for players of widely different standards and aspirations.

The majority of our customers are now familiar with the different types of dedicated (standalone) chess computer (portable, tabletop & large, wood "auto sensory"), as well as the range of PC chess software. Our catalogue aims to show the particular attributes of each. If it doesn't answer all your questions, please call us. We will ALWAYS give you impartial advice.

Most buyers want to know how good the programs really are, without manufacturers' gloss! So, for each product in the catalogue, we give our estimated BCF (British Chess Federation) rating (see also NOTE 2 below). The following table shows what that means in practice, and in the case of dedicated/standalone computers, what sort of price you should budget for:

Ability level	May have BCF rating up to:	Price guide: From
Beginner/novice	60	£20
Hobby player	90	£40
Strong hobby player	120	£60
Regular club player	150	£80
Strong club/county pla	iyer 180	£100
Master	210	£200
International master	240	£300

NOTES: (1) All chess computers other than those for beginners can be set to play BELOW their maximum ratings. Therefore, with an eye to the future, it may be worth buying a model ABOVE your current standard, in readiness for dramatic improvement!!

(2) The worldwide equivalent of BCF ratings is called Elo (named after the Hungarian professor who invented the system). To convert from BCF to Elo, multiply by 8, and then add 600. Example: BCF 150 = 1800 Elo.

As we go to press (Nov. 1998), we recognise that some customers will be calling us in November '99 or February 2000! So - don't hesitate to check latest prices, availability & specifications. Call Mike Healey or Eric Hallsworth on 01353 740323 re dedicated computers and PC software.

### Our PLEDGE remains as ever:

- Best service: Unbiased recommendations Speedy delivery After sales care.
- **Widest range:** We stock almost everything within our field of expertise. However, if we don't have what you require, and the product is available, we'll obtain it for you straight away.
- Lowest prices: Should you find a lower price from an alternative, genuine source, we GUARANTEE at least to match it usually to better it. PLEASE NOTE: All our prices are INCLUSIVE of VAT and POST & PACKING within the U.K.

### NOVAG's latest Diamond and Sapp he "Jewels in the Crown"...

- Estimated rating 200 BCF/2200 Elo.
- Both computers house Dave Kittinger's latest and strongest program, enhanced by the extra power advantage of a 32MHz H8 RISC-type processor, 118MB hash tables and huge 123,000 position Openings book.
- With 64 pre-set playing time controls and unlimited USER time settings, helps & hints, bad-move warning system, 64 game

storage facility, and display for clock times, analysis and game evaluations, this dynamic duo from Novag will give lasting pleasure for many years.

Ideal for ANY player up to strong County standard.

### **1. DIAMOND 2 £279.95** (optional adaptor £9)

- Soft touch, stylish press sensory a joy to play on.
- Chessboard area 230 x 230mm.
- Overall dimensions 355 x 300mm. Mains or 4 x AA batteries.

### **2. SAPPHIRE 2 £224.95** (optional adaptor £9)

- Moves are entered on the easy-to-use keypad.
- Comes complete with folding magnetic chess board and elegant leatherette carrying case.
- Plus all the same terrific features & functions as for Diamond 2 too numerous to list!
- Dimensions: Computer 155 x 82mm; Board (open) 173 x 160mm, Mains or 4 x AAA batteries.





### 3. NOVAG UNIVERSAL de LUXE SYSTEM with SAPPHIRE 2 £449.95 (incl adaptor)



- An unsurpassed combination of luxury and technology!
- Play against the Sapphire 2 (see above) using the beautiful 81 LED Universal Board with its handcarved wood, felted pieces. You can of course use the Sapphire 2 as a perfect portable in its own right.
- Or... connect the Universal Board to your PC by the serial port, and play against Dave Kittinger's W CHESS program - all included in the package, together with connecting cables and mains adaptor. The Universal Board is also compatible with other top programs available from Countrywide - Hiarcs, Rebel, Genius etc.
- Dimensions (Universal Board): 370 x 370mm; Sapphire 2 - as above.

### 4. NOVAG UNIVERSAL BOARD (on own) with W CHESS £279.95 (incl adaptor)

- Connect the Universal Board to your PC by the serial port, and play against Dave Kittinger's W CHESS program (included), or other top programs such as Hiarcs and Genius.
- If you already have a Sapphire, Sapphire 2 or Super VIP, you can add the Universal Board and enjoy the best of both worlds!
- Picture and dimensions as above.

### MEPHISTO EXCLUSIVE (See also picture on front cover)

- A superb all-wood auto sensory board with matching, felted wood pieces. Compatible with all Mephisto's top programs.
- Buy a NEW Exclusive MM6, Senator or Magellan, or UPGRADE your existing computer if you have one of Mephisto's earlier programs such as MM2, Rebel, MM4, MM5 or Amsterdam.
- Overall dimensions 400 x 400mm, king height 70mm. Mains powered.

### **5. EXCLUSIVE MM6 £449.95** (adaptor £9)

- Estimated rating 182 BCF/2056 Elo.
- The MM6 module set is the powerful Morsch program which achieved an amazing 2330 rating in the U.S.A. in special computer v human tests.
- With multiple levels, a 35,000 move Openings library, large LCD screen for showing clock times, hints, analysis and evaluations, the MM6 is packed with features yet very user friendly. HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

### 6. EXCLUSIVE SENATOR £649.95 (adaptor £9)

- Estimated rating 195 BCF/2160 Elo.
- All the features of the MM6 with even more power and strength. Poses a formidable challenge to most players on Planet Earth!

### 7. EXCLUSIVE MAGELLAN £749.95 (adaptor £9)

- Estimated rating 205 BCF/2240 Elo.
- Mephisto's super strong Atlanta program (see item 9 below) now available in module form to go with the unique Exclusive board.
- Ultra efficient hash tables and 50,000 Openings book make this a must for any player wanting simply the BEST.

### 8. LONDON UPGRADE £159.00

- Strength increase up to 20 BCF/160 Elo (plus additional features).
- This is the program which defeated Garry Kasparov in LONDON at the Intel Grand Prix!
- You can upgrade to the LONDON if you have any of these modules: Almeria 68000/020, Portorose 68000/020/030, Lyon 68000/020/030, Vancouver 68000/020/030 (see illustration), or Genius 68030, in an Exclusive (or Munchen or Modular) board. Berlin or Berlin Professional owners can also upgrade. All you need send is your keyboard (buttons) module, or Berlin/Berlin Pro computer. We'll return it to you within 2 to 3 days with the London installed, and firing on all cylinders!



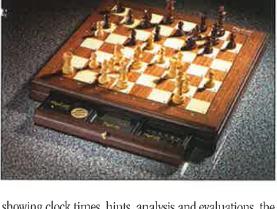
### 9. MEPHISTO ATLANTA (illustrated) £379.95 (adaptor £9)



- Estimated rating 205 BCF/2240 Elo.
- The very strongest press sensory available. The Atlanta is a version of the same program which beat Deep Blue along the way to winning the World Computer Chess Championships!
- Boasting an attractive 64 LED black and grey board with Staunton pieces, a 32 bit RISC processor with 512K hash tables, endgame database, multi level settings, display for clocks, hints, evaluations and much, much more, the Atlanta is one of the all-time greats.
- Dimensions 340 x 260mm. Mains recommended, or 6 x AA batteries for occasional use.

### 10. MEPHISTO MILANO PRO £249.95 (adaptor £9)

- Estimated rating 195 BCF/2160 Elo.
- Appearance and specifications as for Atlanta without hash tables, except that board LED's are shown by way of co-ordinates. Terrific
  value for the strong player wanting a very potent challenge from a dynamic and resourceful opponent.
- Dimensions 340 x 260mm, Mains recommended, or 6 x AA batteries for occasional use.





# NOVAG's three "SUPER VALUE" computers, ideal for the stronger player...

- Estimated rating (all 3) 180 BCF/2040 Elo.
- Novag have always been renowned for their style, excellent range of features, reliability and value for money. This trio more than meets those criteria.
- All 3 are on a fast H8 RISC-style processor running at over 26MHz, and include a 9,000 position Openings book, 128 time control settings, and info rich display with evaluations, analysis, clocks and extensive coaching facilities. Memory retention.



### **11. AMBER £139.95** (optional adaptor £9)

- A truly portable travelling set, with plug-in taller-than-usual chess pieces for easier handling.
- Dimensions 190 x 100mm, Mains or 4 x AAA batteries.

### 12. EMERALD CLASSIC PLUS £179.95 (optional adaptor £9)

- One of Novag's top models, the Emerald is a delight to play on, with its attractive soft-touch, wood-imitation sensory board and hand carved wood chess pieces.
- Dimensions 370 x 265mm, Mains or 6 x C type batteries.



### **13. TURQUOISE £149.95** (optional adaptor £9)

- Modern, soft-touch press sensory board.
- Multiple style Openings library, including active, passive and tournament.
- Comprehensive coaching system, including 8 built-in classic mate studies.
- Dimensions 330 x 288mm. Mains or 6 x AA batteries.

### 14. TIGER Mk2 with ALL-WOOD CHESS SET £89.95 (optional adaptor £9)

- Estimated rating 170 BCF/1960 Elo.
- This is Countrywide's conversion from the original Fidelity Travelmaster, avoiding the need to press the small chess board
- squares. The re-design enables you to enter the moves by making just two key presses on the built-in module at the top of the unit. Hence the Tiger is one of our top selling models, due to its high strength and specification allied to low price.
- The numerous features and functions are very similar to the Cosmos/Cougar group (page 6).
- The Tiger comes with both stand up and flat disc pieces, but most owners will make their moves on the large set with its attractive wood, felted chessmen. On the right of the chess set is a purpose built drawer with compartments to accommodate both the Tiger (during play or whilst stored) and all three sets of pieces.
- Dimensions: Tiger (closed, including keypad module) 240 x 82mm. Mains or 4 x AAA batteries. Chess set (drawer closed) 415 x 415mm, king height 73mm.





### "A เrio of thoroughbreds"...

- Three computers all containing Franz Morsch's powerful 2100 Elo program. You have the choice of a handy, plug-in portable (Cosmos), sleek attractive tabletop press sensory (Cougar), or the luxurious and beautiful President auto sensory wood board.
- Estimated rating (all 3) 180 BCF/ 2040 Elo.
- Powerful 32K program on a high-speed RISC style processor.
- Extended playing levels, including casual, blitz, tournament and problem solving.
- Display can show principal variations, position evaluation, search depth and nodes per second.
- Choice of opening book style and of brute force or selective search algorithms.
- Memory retention when game is switched off.
- Many other exciting features and functions select those most helpful to you in order to develop & improve your game.



### 15. KASPAROV COSMOS (top left) £99.95

• Dimensions: 230 x 180mm. Requires 4 x AA batteries.

# 16. KASPAROV COUGAR (top right) £129.95 (optional adaptor £9)

• Dimensions: 415 x 280mm. Mains or 6 x C type batteries.

### 17. KASPAROV PRESIDENT (left) £299.95

(optional adaptor £9)

• Dimensions: 370 x 370mm, Mains or 6 x C type batteries.

### 18. MEPHISTO MONDIAL DALLAS 68000 £169.95 (adaptor £9)

- Estimated rating: 178 BCF/2020 Elo.
- An exceptionally high quality product housing Richard Lang's World Championship winning program. The Dallas has consistently performed well against human opposition e.g. 203 BCF at Dundee largely due to its all-round level of chess

knowledge and tactical ability.

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- Multi information display can show hints, evaluations, clocks and analysis. All moves can be taken back and replayed if required. Also has full autoplay facility, enabling you to start the computer from an interesting or tricky position, and have it play out the game at whatever timing you wish, coming back to it later to see how the computer expected the game to progress and finish.
- Has weak-move chess instructor feature with recommended alternative move if required.
- Dimensions 315 x 250mm. Mains powered.

### 19. SAITEK CHESS ACADEMY £149.95

(optional adaptor £9)



- The world's first standalone talking chess computer with 100 interactive voice commentary lessons!
- User-adjustable options for voice announcement of moves and, if desired, other comments during the game.
- LED on every square, plus soft-touch system for easy piece sensing and comfort of use. Also info rich display for clock times, analysis, evaluations and hints.
- 100 different playing levels, suitable for novices and enthusiasts right up to good club standard.
- 6,000 position Openings book, 30 move take back. Can solve mate up to 8. Memory retention,
- 10 "Teach Topics", each with no less than 10 individual interactive voice prompted lessons covering Rules of Chess, Opening Theory, Simple Openings, Classic Openings, Pawn Structures, Tactics in Chess, Mating Nets, Endgames, and Famous Chess Games played by some of the World's greatest Masters.

WITH VOICE

Dimensions: 410 x 270mm. Mains or 6 x C type batteries.



### **20. KASPAROV EXECUTIVE £99.95** (optional adaptor £9)

- Estimated rating 170 BCF/1960 Elo.
- A dual purpose computer ideal for use at home, with its 200 x 200mm playing area and almost 50mm high king, but equally easy to carry around, with a hardtop clip-on lid and piece storage compartment.
- Packed with features such as chess clocks, analysis facility, hints and position evaluation. Memory retention.
- Numerous level settings make the Executive suitable for a wide range of players up to strong club standard.
- Dimensions: 310 x 230mm. Mains or 4 x AA batteries.

### **21. KASPAROV CAPELLA £99.95** (optional adaptor £9)

- Estimated rating 160 BCF/1880 Elo.
- Classic press sensory chess computer in a luxurious and elegant wood-finished veneer with genuine hand-crafted wood pieces.
- 64 levels of play, including tournament, blitz, fixed ply depth, and mate solve.
- Take back up to 15 moves each side if you want to experiment and learn from any mistakes.
- Dimensions: 311 x 311mm. Mains or 4 x AA batteries.





- Estimated rating 135 BCF/1680 Elo.
- Elegantly designed, with integrated training system to develop your chess skills, the Agate is an excellent introductory model for beginners, hobby players and chess enthusiasts.
- 128 redesigned levels offer maximum versatility.
- Large LCD shows all the moves, and there is a hint function if you need advice plus a special teach mode for beginners.
- Take back facility (up to 12 moves each).
- Dimensions: 300 x 270mm. Mains or 6 x AA batteries.





### 23. KASPAROV AVALON 29.95 - our price includes the excellent

100 page "School of Chess" book, containing a wealth of information to help you learn more about the great game and improve your skills.

- Estimated rating 60 BCF/1080 Elo.
- The Avalon is your personal, portable chess opponent, with plug-in press sensory board.
- 64 level settings, becoming progressively more difficult.
- Special teaching modes with games for individual pieces. Self-rating instruction card included.
- Dimensions: 175 x 100mm. Requires 2 x AAA batteries.





### 24. KASPAROV BULLET £49.95

- Estimated rating 100 BCF/1400 Elo.
- Your very own talking chess coach!
- Learn all the basics of chess perfect for anyone new to the game, young and not-so-young alike. Eight voice coach levels guide and warn you when your pieces are threatened.
- Suggests moves when you need help and even displays the moves being considered.
- An amazing 384 level settings help you to progress from beginner right up towards club standard.
- Knows all the standard rules of chess, such as draw recognition and promotion/underpromotion of pawns.
- Piece verification allows you to confirm where all the chessmen are at any time.
- Position evaluation tells you whether you are winning or losing.
- Take back lets you experiment or change your mind after a less than perfect move!
- Memory save will retain the current game for up to 2 years ideal if you like to switch off and think for a while!
- Dimensions: 230 x 180mm, Requires 4 x AA batteries.

### 25. NOVAG JASPER SPECIAL £32.95

- Estimated rating 105 BCF/1440 Elo.
- A genuine pocket size chess computer comprising a calculator style keyboard for ease of move entry, plus folding magnetic chessboard and pieces.
- 119 playing levels, extended to include fun and handicap settings.
- Take back of 16 moves each lets you experiment and learn from mistakes.
- Hint, teaching and training features, to improve your knowledge, understanding and enjoyment.
- Dimensions: Computer 100 x 60mm; Board (open) 173 x 160mm. Requires 4 x AAA batteries (up to 1,000 hours battery life!).



## 26. NOVAG AQUAMARINE PREMIER PLUS £54.95

(optional adaptor £9)

- Estimated rating 105 BCF/1440 Elo.
- A really good value tabletop press sensory computer, with all the features and functions of the Jasper Special above.
- If you are a hobby player who enjoys the unique pleasure and challenge of a game of chess, and you were struck by the Jasper's features but would prefer a larger chess set, then you cannot go wrong with the Aquamarine.
- Dimensions: 285 x 230mm. Mains or 6 x AA batteries.



#### 27. The FRITZ DGT BOARD £274.95

- Play on a Tournament size chess board against your PC loaded with Fritz or any of the engines which run within - e.g Hiarcs and Junior.
- You need Fritz 5 of course (or any future upgraded version) - this already includes the necessary driver. You also need a PC with Win95/98. The package includes the beautiful DGT board, connection cable to go into your PC serial port, and presentation software enabling generation of graphic HTML files, PGN files for chess databases, and even tournament displays.
- The DGT piece-recognition Board is unique in that it uses no LED's at all - moves are announced vocally by the playing program through your PC

speakers, whilst analysis can be obtained in the usual way from the PC screen whenever required.

• Dimensions: 480 x 480mm, king height 95mm.



### 28. SAITEK DIGITAL CHESS CLOCK £49.95



- A superbly made, ultra reliable product, selling to individuals and chess clubs alike. It is clear and accurate and can also be used for many other games where precise timing is essential.
- A digital clock has many advantages, not least of which is eliminating the neck contortions one sees when players in time trouble are down to the last few minutes of their game!
- Has ALL the features you could require, including Tournament, Blitz, Bonus, Bronstein and Hourglass time control systems and combinations, or even create your own!
- Large, highly visible 17mm twin digital clocks. Built-in name plate for user or club personalisation. Memory retention function saves all settings at switch off. Optional sound effects. Easy to use, with well laid-out keys. Exceptionally good value.
- Dimensions: 190mm wide, height 70mm. Requires 2 x C type batteries approx. 600 hours life!

### 29. MAINS ADAPTOR P5006 or N5006 £9.00 (not illustrated)

• Suitable for all computers where mains power is required or optional. As particular models specifically need either Positive (P) or Negative (N) polarity, we will supply the correct version "P" or "N" for the computer you choose. All our adaptors are "smoothed" and have fixed settings, so you simply "plug in and play".

# 30. CHESS COMPUTER MAGAZINE - "SELECTIVE SEARCH" Annual sub - 6 issues £20.00 (Overseas £25.00)

- In its 14th year of publication, "SS" keeps you up to date with all the latest happenings and developments in the chess computer and chess software world.
- Editor Eric Hallsworth has built up a reputation internationally for unbiased, hard hitting reports. His Ratings of all the different computers and programs carry weight in most of the world's chess-playing countries.
- Regular topics include: Reviews of new models and programs with 'Best buy' guides,
  News, results, annotated games from computer v computer and human v computer
  tournaments, Readers' letters, games and opinions. Discussions of playing styles, and
  their strengths and weaknesses! Special sets of positions for testing and comparing
  different computers and PC programs. One recent issue even had a small picture of
  Eric's latest rescue dog "SKY". 'There IS a chess connection, but it's hardly obvious!



### 31. FRITZ 5 PRO on CD-ROMs for Windows 95/98 £89.95 (Screen shot on page 9)



- Estimated rating 240 BCF/2520 Elo (see footnote at bottom of page).
- New 32-bit version with PowerBooks and 300,000 game database included.

- Multi-media, great features and graphics, including 3D Virtual Reality.
- Franz Morsch's latest plays sharp and active chess, and is particularly recommended for its clever generation of analytical comments and its game & diagram printing facilities.
- Hobby players will appreciate the online voice coaching option, and functions which enable all available moves to be listed and explained, with threatened pieces and squares colour marked.





Additional and equally strong 32-bit engines available for running within Fritz 5 Pro are JUNIOR 5 and NIMZO 99 (both require Windows 95/98).

32. JUNIOR ENGINE £44.95 **33. NIMZO ENGINE £44.95** 

### 34. HIARCS 7 on CD-ROM for MS-DOS, Windows 3 or 95/98 & Apple Mac £89.95



- Estimated rating 244 BCF/2552 Elo (see footnote).
- Mark Uniacke's HIARCS is back at the top of the rating lists with the new, fasterthan-ever, Master 7.0, enhancing its reputation for human-like play, massive chess knowledge, tactical brilliance and superb endgame technique.
- 25% overall speed up, with highly accurate evaluations and greater precision in the search extensions. Hash table efficiency displayed on screen.
- New, tuned 485,000 position Openings book, with improved info display of move priorities. Position learning when out of book increases HIARCS' knowledge the more it plays!
- Games database, PGN and EPD files import/export, Multiple analytical features, Special "strength reduction" features for beginner and hobby players. Even plays 'Shuffle' chess! Apple Mac and PC versions contained together on one CD!

### 35. REBEL 10 on CD-ROM for MS-DOS, Windows 3 or 95/98 £79.95



• Estimated rating 239 BCF/2512 Elo (see footnote).



- Ed Schroder's latest has extra features and is as strong as ever. The special, new 'anti-GM' setting beat Vishy Anand 5-3 in their 1998 challenge match!
- Huge Openings repertoire with Encyclopaedia of Chess Openings CD.
- Rebel has the unique ability to let you type in a particular Elo rating and it will then play to that strength, enabling you to find out how good you are, and assess your progress!



### 36. GENIUS 5 GOLD on CD-ROM for Windows £79.95



- Estimated rating 233 BCF/2464 Elo (see footnote).
- Richard Lang's programs have always been the ones to beat! Genius is renowned for its features, all-round strength and superb graphics (2D or 3D).
- Huge Openings book named and ECO coded, 500,000 games database with wide-ranging functions, including PGN and BookUp files import and export, Many adjustable parameters: playing style, pawn and piece values etc.
- Excellent analysis functions, including add your own notes, together with game and diagram printing facilities.

All BCF/Elo ratings shown above are for programs on a Pentium PC at 133 MHz. Deduct 15 BCF for 486 PC; add 10 BCF for a Pentium Pro or MMX 200 MHz PC, or slightly more for an even faster processor. SOFTWARE PRICES: these can be volatile - e.g. rise when new versions come out, or reduce sharply if substantial "old" stocks are left. You can always ring us for latest prices or specifications on 01353 740323.



### 37. CHESSBASE 6.0 for Windows £87.50

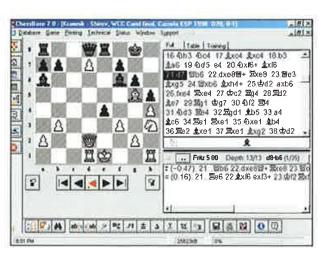


- In our view, by far the best DATABASE program for studying games. ChessBase 6.0 is a brilliant stateof-the-art multi-media product with video, soundtrack, and large encyclopaedia of photos and profiles of leading players.
- 300,000 games database with improved search functions for studying openings, endgames and tactical themes.
- Plus optional Fritz and Hiarcs analysis engines - please ring for details.

# 38. CHESSBASE 7.0 for Windows 95/98 £199.95



 New 32-bit high speed program, with position trees and statistics to delight all serious students of the game. Huge database of player photographs and biographies. Includes Bob Hyatt's 'Crafty' chess engine for analytical work, plus BIGBASE '98 and 875,000 games!



### **CHESS MENTOR for Windows**

- The most popular and effective PC Chess Courses.
- Can revolutionise anyone's chess understanding and strength and the PC environment means you're free to concentrate on the chess, moving through each lesson and its variations with the greatest of ease.
- The integrated 'hints' and 'counsel' sections available at each move of every single lesson offer different levels of advice according to your own requirements highly recommended!



### 39. COMPREHENSIVE COURSE £59.95

• Ideal for novices and hobby players. Learn chess the right way and build up to club standard with Mentor's brilliantly designed course, including no less than 867 separate chess challenges!"



#### 40. ADVANCED COURSE £59.95

• Three fine modules for the stronger player: "Lessons in Strategy" and "World Champions", both by Jeremy Silman, plus "Master your Technique" by Thomas Wolski.



### 41. CHESS MENTOR de LUXE £224.95

• The new de luxe version includes the Comprehensive Course for hobby players, the modules from the Advanced Course, plus all these excellent additional modules: Openings, Strategy, Tactics, Endgames, World Champions, Deep Blue and Kasparov. Wonderful chess and training of the highest calibre.

#### **QUESTIONS - QUERIES - LATEST INFO**

As we always say, the chess software scene can change so rapidly - NEW programs, databases, tutorials etc., or UPGRADES to existing products (usually half price for current owners). CALL us on 01353 740323, Mon - Sat 9.00 - 6.30.

### 42. PRO BRIDGE 310 (on right of picture) £99.95

- Your personal portable bridge opponent or partner, for playing either at home or "on the move".
- Plays ACOL and standard 5-card majors. Shuffles and deals cards automatically. The large clear display shows your cards and all the bidding, then shows dummy's hand at the appropriate time, plus all tricks made, and cumulative score. Will even offer hints!
- Can be connected to the even more powerful Pro Bridge 510 see items 43 & 44 below.
- Dimensions: 195 x 108mm, Requires 4 x AAA batteries.



### 43. PRO BRIDGE 510 (on left of picture)

**£249.95** (optional adaptor £9)

- An attractive, elegantly designed computer with a genuine club standard program. Also equipped with teaching and training facilities, particularly helpful for less experienced players.
- The "510" knows all the major systems ACOL, Standard American 4 and 5-card majors, French 5-card majors and Precision Club.
- Select your own preferred bidding conventions from the preprogrammed computer options.
- Plays Rubber and Duplicate (teams of four). 10 skill levels from beginner to advanced. You can choose deal method - i.e. randomly shuffled, or from one of 10 million hands in the computer's 'library', or key in any deal yourself! You can if you wish ask for hints during the bidding or playing the hands. Allows take back to rebid the hand or to replay cards - perfect for practice and study.
- Dimensions (closed): 225 x 225mm; height (open): 180mm, Mains or 6 x AA batteries.



### 44. 510 and 310 (purchased together) £338.90 (including adaptor)

• The "510" comes equipped with a 1 metre cable, which links to the "310" (as pictured) enabling two players to be partners (or opponents) and to enjoy the strength and features of the 510, whilst each having their own LCD screen!

#### 45. PRO BRIDGE PROFESSOR £79.95

- Perfect tutor for less experienced players wanting to learn and improve.
- ACOL based bidding, Clear LCD screen demonstrates and teaches all aspects of the game.
- The Professor comes with large, illustrated and integrated Bridge Manual.
- There's a library of 600 carefully chosen training hands to help you study bidding and play at three levels of difficulty. The hands can be replayed as often as you wish, and you also have the option of sitting at North, South, East or West! Display shows all hands, plus sequence of bids and trick count.
- Dimensions: 190 x 108mm, Requires 4 x AAA batteries.



### 46. BRIDGE SOFTWARE for PC - "Q PLUS BRIDGE" £59.95

(requires 486 or better, 4MB RAM and Windows 3 or higher)



- A strong and highly intelligent program, set to play basic ACOL, but with multiple alternative and easily set bidding systems and conventions.
- Tested by leading bridge authors and suitable for players of all standards due to its variable strength parameters, Q Plus is exceptionally flexible yet offers immediate access to a pleasant, uncluttered, no-fear environment in which the user can play a real game of bridge and develop his/her skills and knowledge in comfort.
- Excellent on-screen Help displays e.g. on your turn you can request a list of all possible bids and their meaning in a clear and comprehensive form.
- Special facilities for bridge partnerships e.g. Systems and Conventions can be switched on/off independently for each pair.
- With Rubber, Team and Pair scoring, Q Plus will prepare you for all the systems and methods you are ever likely to encounter.

### **47. ORION DRAUGHTS £49.95** (optional adaptor £9)

- An attractive 16 level press sensory computer, ideal for novices and occasional hobby players.
- Large LCD shows moves and hints. Take-back function and game memory retention.
- The Orion also incorporates a multi level CHESS program with special help and hints for beginners!
- Dimensions: 295 x 240mm. Mains or 4 x AA batteries.



### 48. DRAUGHTS and OTHELLO SOFTWARE for PC: SAGE 4000 for Windows £49.95







Price includes the magnificent 200 page Encyclopaedia of Draughts by Derek Oldfield - a MUST for all draughts enthusiasts and students.

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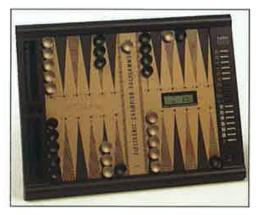
Easily the strongest Draughts program we have seen - genuine Championship standard! Many features and functions, including 256 colour graphic display, facility to add your own notes

and comments, true-type fonts for board and game printing, endgame database, and analysis of complete games move-by-move.

On the same disk are 10 x 10 and other Draughts versions, plus Flip It (OTHELLO). Unbeatable value!

### 49. SAITEK CHAMPION BACKGAMMON £89.95

- A handsome tabletop backgammon set with a challenging program.
- 30 combinations of strength and aggression. Can give you coaching hints and LCD evaluation of score. Plus doubling, take-back, and many other facilities.
- Four Backgammon variations also included: Jacquet, Tric Trac, Moultezim and Plakoto.
- Dimensions: 355 x 266mm. Requires 4 x AA batteries (100 hours playing time).



### JELLYFISH BACKGAMMON for PC



- Three years ago Jellyfish version 1.0 received high acclaim in the National Press for its performance in the World Championships held in Monte Carlo. It was clearly recognised as the best commercially available backgammon program.
- Version 1.0 was later improved with 2.0, and we can now offer version 3.0 which, at its highest level, can compete with the world's best human players.
- Jellyfish can be used for fun or, most important, to improve your game by giving a running commentary on moves and cube decisions you make. You can play against the program, or go through previously recorded matches, whereby it will keep track of the score and give comments on both players' moves. It's like having your own private professional to help and advise!
- System requirements: PC with Windows 3.1 or higher, 386 processor with 4MB RAM.

### 50 JELLYFISH PLAYER 3.0 £59.95

- This is the simpler version of the two ideal if you just want a terrific game of backgammon and a real challenge.
- Amongst many attributes, it has exceptionally good understanding and evaluation of deep backgames, outfilled primes, and long races.

### 51 JELLYFISH TUTOR 3.0 £99.95

- As its name suggests, this is the version for all backgammon afficianados who wish to achieve maximum improvement in their game.
- Incorporating the terrific "Player" program, the Tutor is also able to evaluate all positions, comment on moves and cube decisions, give percentage probability of victory throughout the game, and much much more.

### MEPHISTO KLACKS: 1 1/1

• The ever popular reaction games to test your skill, concentration and sense of timing - you can play on your own, or compete against friends or family. They're always great gifts for youngsters and adults alike. All four games have alarm clock facilities and include long-life batteries. The Tele, Hit and Disco also come with highly accurate built-in chronographs/time recorders. Approximate dimensions (sides or diameter as appropriate) 100mm.

### 52. Hit only £9.95 53. Hit & Tele £16.95 54. Hit, Tele & Knobel £23.95 55. All four £29.95



Our special GIANT TELE KLACK - Star of the Show at London's Toy and Hobby Fair

### Tele Klack (see picture - left)

 The "numbers elimination" game that demands excellent judgement and perfect timing. Six levels of difficulty.



Disc-o, Hit & Knobel, shown mounted on our in-store demonstration units



### 56. POCKET BLACKJACK (PONTOON) £13.95

- Las Vegas style Blackjack with single deck of 52 cards.
- Computer re-shuffles automatically when approaching end of deck. Clear display with automatic score keeping. Added features include insurance, double down, sound on/off.
- Dimensions: 104 x 88mm. Requires 2 x AAA batteries.

### 57. Saitek PRO DRAW POKER £29.95

- Large LCD with poker table design. Exciting visual & sound effects.
- Play against 3 real-life styles: statistical, conservative or aggressive!
- Bet, raise, call, fold and even bluff your way to the pot.
- Hints on strategy improve your game and play to win.
- Dimensions: 150 x 83mm, Requires 1 x lithium CR2032 battery (included).



If you're a relative newcomer to PCs, trying to get the right system can be akin to walking through a minefield. Especially if you are wanting it mainly to play chess, bridge, etc., and you don't want to spend weeks or months fathoming out all the intricacies.

Even if you're an "old hand" and "computer literate," you will still want to make sure you are buying a high quality, trouble-free product.

Countrywide are therefore recommending two PCs - one Desktop and one Notebook, both Millennium compliant, pre-installed with Windows 95.

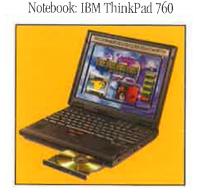
When you order, show the PC program/s of your choice on the Order Form, and we will install them for you. Windows 95 will boot up automatically when you switch your computer on, and when the screen shows the name/s of your selected program/s, all you need do is "double-click" the mouse on the one you want and it will be ready to play within moments.

For the inexperienced user, this is all you will need to begin with, but you'll know that your computer is equipped for multitudes of other tasks, many of which you will enjoy using in the future once you have gained more knowledge and experience. Here are the two models, with some of their key technical specifications:

Desktop: IBM 300GL







### **Specifications**

Processor Pentium MMX 166MHz RAM 16MB Level 2 cache 512K pipeline burst

Hard disk drive 2.5GB Floppy disk drive 1.44MB CD-ROM drive  $20 \times CD$ 

Display 14" SVGA Cirrus Logic 64-bit

Video RAM 2MB RAMBUS Yes

Audio PC Card support Yes

Ports 8 incl. 1 video, 2 serial, 1 parallel, 1 mouse

Battery life N/A Operating system Win 95

Input devices 105-key keyboard, IBM mouse

Software Lotus Smartsuite or equivalent Pentium 133MHz

16MB

256K write-back

2.1 GB 1.44MB  $4 \times CD$ 

12.1" TFT: 64K colours at 800 x 600

1MB EDO Yes

1 serial, 1 parallel, 2 infrared, 1 mouse, 1 display

Up to 3 hours Win 95

85-key keyboard + 8 Fn key, Trackpoint III

Lotus Smartsuite or equivalent

**58. Desktop £995.** Add: Insured delivery £15, plus the PC program/s of your choice from pages 10-13.

#### **59. ThinkPad:** Add further £100.

- All your chosen chess, bridge etc. programs will be installed on your PC prior to dispatch, unless you otherwise wish.
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