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### Agent 357

http://www.jojo073.es/pages/agente357.html#



In this game, you are **Agent 357**, and have been tasked with investigating the facilities of a company deep in the forest. Once inside, you realize that something has gone wrong in this place and that you have to get to the bottom of this matter or people may be in danger; nothing can come out of that room!

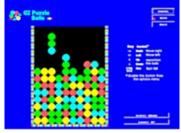
This game is not available in free download and direct from this website. To get the adf file or the physical edition you have to do an email request to: <a href="mailto:jojocreativo@gmail.com">jojocreativo@gmail.com</a> and as soon as possible, you will receive in your e-mail the ADF file ready to be played in emulator or gotek. In the same way, you can ask for the physical edition, containing: 3.5 disk, manual, and full color box.

#### AROS: GI Puzzleballs

https://www.iacosoft.com/home/aros.asp#PUZZLEBALLS

Giovanni Iacobelli has released a new game for Amigas operating under AROS. **GI Puzzleballs** is a game of skill, the object of which the game is to align at least 3 dots horizontally or vertically same color.

The game was written in C ++ and requires no installation. To launch this game, just double click on its icon. Once launched, the game will open a window.



This game is freeware, so it can be freely distributed on the net or in collections of P.D. and Shareware on CD-Rom. Please distribute the program together with all other files included in the package.

YouTube video: https://youtu.be/fLekQEVtN8w

Download: http://aminet.net/game/board/GIPuzzleBallsAros.zip

### **Long-lost Andy Warhol Portrait For Sale**

https://pagesix.com/2024/07/29/lifestyle/long-lost-andy-warhol-portrait-of-debbie-harry-up-for-sale/

A long-lost Andy Warhol **portrait of singer Debbie Harry** from 1985 that has been hanging in rural Delaware, is going up for sale for potential millions. The Harry portrait — and a signed disk of 10 Warhol images — was created nearly 40 years ago on an Amiga 1000 as part of a promo at Lincoln Center.

According to Harry, "I think there are only two copies of this computer-generated Warhol in existence and I have one of them." The second has just surfaced after nearly four decades. It was gifted by Warhol to Commodore's digital technician Jeff Bruette, who had taught the artist how to use the computer to create the portrait. A series of five Amiga images that were restored from obsolete floppy disks in 2014 were sold off by Christie's for \$3.38 million. This image is expected to sell for about \$26 million USD.

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#### MorphOS: Iris v 1.31 and Contacts v 1.40

https://iris-morphos.com/

Jacek 'jacadcaps' Piszczek has released version 1.31 of his e-mail client **Iris** and version 1.4 of the contact manager **Contacts** for MorphOS.

#### Changes:

#### <u>Iris V1.31</u>

- Don't show a 'Failed to obtain message body' error message if message doesn't have a body
- Updated cURL
- Implemented folders list context menu
- Mail list context menu improvements
- Implemented attachment icons in message lists
- Delete/Backspace keys may now be used to quickly delete messages
- Added more spacing before quoting the original mail in replies



- Fixed a bug that prevented various I/O operations from working
- Contact editing fixes and improvements
- Fixed a regression when editing a photo of a contact
- UI layout fixes in main window

Download: https://iris-morphos.com/iris.lha



#### **AmiWest 2024** October 25 — 27

#### https://amiwest.net/



AmiWest 2024, the 27th AmiWest show celebrating over 37 years of the Amiga history and over two decades of AmiWest will happen from October 25th to October 27th, at the Holiday Inn Express Cal Expo, 2224 Auburn Blvd., Sacramento, California 95821. (Seminar Day: 25th, Main Show: 26th-27th).

Come join us in person or online to the longest running Amiga show in the world. This year we will see the return of long time friends and new faces.

For the latest updates and details check the AmiWest Blog.

#### A1000+1.2 kickstart: Snake II

#### https://tukinem.itch.io/snake-a1k

Author Paweł 'tukinem' Tukatsch has written a simple Snake game in Blitz Basic 2. The game, **Snake II**, *only* runs on a standard Amiga 1000 with Kickstart 1.2 or with a Kickstart 1.2 disk.

This game is free, but the author accepts your support by letting you pay what you think is fair for the game (\$2.00 USD is suggested).

Download: https://tukinem.itch.io/snake-a1k/purchase



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#### OS4: **DirMeUp** v 4.0

http://os4depot.net/?function=modules/snapshot/display&fileid=13009#13009 2



Five years after its last update, the modern file explorer utility for AmigaOS 4, **Dir Me Up**, is back in version 4, with more than 130 new features, optimizations, and fixes! More than ever, it will be your faithful companion to explore, copy, and transform your data. Dir Me Up is a program to explore and manipulate files, links, and drawers of your Amiga.

The list of new features is too long to list here, but you can read an (almost) complete list here: http://glames.online.fr/products/dirmeup\_nouveautes.html

Download: http://os4depot.net/share/utility/filetool/dirmeup\_demo.lha

#### Cecconoid

https://thalamusdigital.itch.io/cecconoid-amiga

The starship Equinox is under attack from Stormlord and his robotic minions, the Exolons! You're the crew's only hope. Take your Samurai-1 fighter, find Captain Solomon's Key, clear the decks of evil robots, and save the Equinox from certain destruction! **Cecconoid** is an 8-bit inspired, flick-screen, twin-stick-shooter, set in an alternate dimension where the pixels are still chunky, and the bad guys are black and white -- except for their dangly red bits.



BONUS!: the download also includes a full arcade game: **Eugatron**! 60 levels of Robotron-style, twin-stick, arena-based shooting, direct from the '80s and remixed for your pleasure. Do you have what it takes to become a Eugenius? To download both of these Amiga games you must purchase them at or above the minimum price of \$9.99 USD.

YouTube video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v="nXJli5ZPrg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v="nXJli5ZPrg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v="nXJli5ZPrg">nXJli5ZPrg</a>
Download: <a href="https://thalamusdigital.itch.io/cecconoid-amiga/purchase">https://thalamusdigital.itch.io/cecconoid-amiga/purchase</a>

### New Raspberry Pi installer for AmiKit

https://www.amiga-news.de/en/news/AN-2024-08-00025-EN.html



Ján Zahurančík's workbench distribution **AmiKit** now includes a new, Debian-based, installer for the **Raspberry Pi**. It adapts to the actual Raspberry Pi device used, be it model 5, 400 or 4.

Features of the distribution include:

- Performance: 2500 MIPS and 800 MFLOPS on the Raspberry Pi 5
- Start: Boots into AmiKit directly
- Rabbit Hole: All Linux programs (such as modern browsers, playback software, or LibreOffice) can be launched and controlled directly from the AmiKit desktop

Subscribers will already find the installer in their inbox.

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#### WhatIFF? issue 14

https://www.whatiff.info/

A modern Amiga Guide magazine for creative Amiga users, **WhatIFF?** aims to fill the void left by magazines such as Amiga World, Amazing Amiga, and Amiga Report. This free magazine provides guides on various Amiga software and hardware. The Amiga has recently experienced a resurgence in popularity,



with many people returning to their computers of their youth. While most of them want to relive their childhood games, there are others who wish to re-learn how to use their Amiga for more productive purposes.

Although WhatIFF? is a free magazine, we also accept donations to support the running of the magazine. you can donate at this link: <a href="https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted">https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted</a> button id=X8ECVVSYYEYLL

Download: https://www.whatiff.info/Issues/WhatIFF3.14.lha

The contents of the August 2024 - Issue 15 - are as follows:

#### Reviews:

- SDBox v2
- TF536
- Amiga GPT
- Backdrop Pattern Generator
- Redit
- Retronics Plastic Covers
- ApolloExplorer

#### Game Reviews:

- Zombie Survivor
- Cecconoid
- · Shift

#### **Tutorials:**

- Blitz Basic Basics Part 1: Introduction and Setup
- How to Setup WPA2 Encrypted WIFI on PiStorm
- More on Noise Reduction
- ApolloBoot: Getting Started
- Creative Graphics: Creating Custom Brushes
- First Time: Creating MagicWB Backdrops from Modern Photos

#### Articles:

- Show Report Kickstart 02
- Old Computer Challenge 2023
- The Elements of the Game
- FPU or not FPU
- Full Circle

#### Interviews:

- Karri-Pekka Koljonen: Hippo Player
- Cameron Armstrong: AmigaGPT
- Wayne Ashworth: Scourge of the Underkind
- Michael Rupp: TAWS
- Badgerpunch: Henning and Ricki Roguecraft

#### Cover Disk:

- M1 Samples
- Printable WhatIFF? Disk Label
- Mods from MrRobot
- Transparent Low-Res Pointer
- WHDLoad Torrent File

### REDPILLGameCreator v 0.9.41

https://aminet.net/package/dev/misc/REDPILLGameCreator



Since the May 2024 <u>WAUG News</u> article on Carlos Peris's game construction kit, **RedPill**, this program has gone to 0.9.41. RedPill is a free tool to empower people to create many games for Amiga without programming knowledge. It is easy to use and, at the same time, allows one to do complex things and allows people to create 2D games with the true Amiga feeling! See the link above to AmiNet to view all the changes.

Download: http://aminet.net/dev/misc/REDPILLGameCreator.lha

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### Kickstarter project: Retro Gaming Library - Amiga Edition

https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/dememuskermedia/retro-gaming-library-amiga-edition/

Hey there, fellow gamers and nostalgia lovers! Ever wonder what happens when two primary school

teachers get bitten by the retro gaming bug? Well, that's us – Anton and Jarret, the creators of **Retro Gaming Library: Amiga Edition** and founders of Deme Musker Media. Now, we're not just talking about slapping together a list of games. Oh no, we went full-on detective mode – researching, reviewing, testing, and handpicking each title to make sure our book does justice to one of the greatest computers of all time. We sat together and played these games just like old times. Almost two years went by as we poured ourselves into the reviews, and now we're finally seeing the fruit of our labors!

Retro Gaming Library: Amiga Edition is filled with over 300 game reviews spanning the Amiga's lifespan from 1985 to 1997. Each review features beautiful, crisp images of the game, its box art, and title screen. The final book will be over 400 pages and will measure 8"x10" - the perfect, eye-catching coffee table size! We have access to a professional book printing company that can print our book to the highest possible print standards.



The hardback book will be printed on 157g art paper with a greyboard cover, which will be finished with a matte lamination. The cover and spine will be accented with gold foil, while the 106g art paper inner pages will be printed using the higher-quality offset printing method. The book will have a sewn binding and include a bookmark ribbon.

To back this project (remember, you're only charged if the project meets its funding goal by the campaign deadline), go to: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/bdkvsedu">https://tinyurl.com/bdkvsedu</a>

#### AROS: The Chaotic Dungeon

https://spacecpp.itch.io/the-chaotic-dungeon



The indie Brazilian game developer Space.cpp has released **The Chaotic Dungeon**, a roguelite dungeon crawler with Zelda-style gameplay. Fight your way through the dungeon defeating enemies and collecting items. Level up your character to become stronger and take the following floors with ease.

Can you reach the floor 30, slay the guardian and come back to the surface alive? If you die you have to start over, but you keep your attributes.

This game is free but the developer accepts your support by letting you pay what you think is fair for the game (\$2.00 USD is suggested). The AROS port was created using the Raylib library, so it will work best on a computer equipped with

an Open GL-enabled card.

YouTube video: https://tinyurl.com/fvespn4s

Download: https://spacecpp.itch.io/the-chaotic-dungeon/purchase

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### WAUG Summer 2024 Meetup/Party Photos



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### Kickstart 3.1: Holy Warrior

https://amiten.itch.io/holy-warrior-digital-download

Amiten Games has released the arcade game **Holy Warrior**, in which in which you play as a knight having to defend against skeletons and fallen soldiers in order to recover six holy books. These books had been scattered and hidden by evil forces and are the key to restoring balance and peace. The fate of Eldoria hangs by a thread, and only the one who proves worthy of the sacred books can claim victory and restore light to a world engulfed in darkness.



The game runs on ECS Amigas with 1MB chip RAM and 512 KB Fast RAM or 2MB Chip RAM; Kickstart 3.1 is required. You can purchase this game as a digital

download for 2.95€ EUR (about \$3.22 USD) or more. You can also pre-order the physical version for around 35 euros (about \$38.24 USD). The DVD box contains an automatically starting CD32-compatible CD, a USB stick, a copy of the game on disc, and a 3D-printed figure of the Holy Warrior. It also includes a color manual in PDF format and the digital download. The copies will be sent out from September 2024.

YouTube video: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KLNSpZILqso">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KLNSpZILqso</a>
Download: <a href="https://amiten.itch.io/holy-warrior-digital-download/purchase">https://amiten.itch.io/holy-warrior-digital-download/purchase</a>

#### AmigaOS 3.x: Adventure 3

https://grindercowboy.itch.io/adventure-3



Author Grindercowboy has released his third (and final) text adventure for the Amiga, titled appropriately enough, **Adventure 3**. This game is inspired by The Hobbit, Leisure Suit Larry, Police Quest, and Mission Impossible. Your mission is to find the three rings of power and destroy them.

Requirements: An Amiga (real or emulated) running AmigaOS 3.x is needed. The game is written with ADMS and ADMSplay is needed to run the game. ADMSplay is included in this release and the complete ADMS-package is available on Aminet. This game has been tested on AmigaOS 3.0, 3.1, and 3.2, with 2MB RAM. While not tested, it should run on AmigaOS 2.x as well.

Download this game for free at the title link above.

#### AmiBrixx v 2.3

http://evil.bplaced.net/index.php?name=AmiBrixx&page=About

Jörg 'Evil' Renkert has released version 2.3 of his puzzle game **AmiBrixx**, which was first featured in <u>WAUG News</u> in our December 2020 issue. The player's task is to eliminate the stones stacked on the board by clicking on groups of the same color. In doing so, the tiles above fall down and form new groups. The game ends when no more groups can be eliminated. The new version was released due to some server updates. Some minor bug fixes and speed improvements are also included.



The game can be downloaded at the links below:

Amiga OS3 68k: <a href="http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx 68k.lha">http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx 68k.lha</a>
Amiga OS3 FPU: <a href="http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx 68881.lha">http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx 68881.lha</a>
Amiga OS3 WarpOS: <a href="http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx WOS.lha">http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx WOS.lha</a>

Amiga OS4: <a href="http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx">http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx</a> OS4.lha

MorphOS: <a href="http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx">http://evil.bplaced.net/software/AmiBrixx/downloads/AmiBrixx</a> AROS.lha

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#### PDF: Amiga Future issue 144

https://www.amigafuture.de/app.php/kb/viewarticle?a=10703

The German and English issue number 144 (May/June <u>2020</u>) of the print magazine **Amiga Future** can now be read on the magazine's website in the form of image files of the individual pages. Fusion, Remaining copies of the magazine as well as a higher resolution PDF version can be purchased from the publisher.

In this issue are reviews or articles on or about:



ScummVM

Rotator

Tiny Little Slug

Café International

Fusion

Atomic Bomberman

Rabenstein

Matchic

AmiCygnix and Programs

MorphOS Camp

Font Tester

**AmiCygnix Prospects** 

News from Aminet

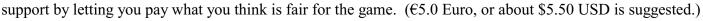
Read on-line (select individual pages): <a href="https://tinyurl.com/zwsbyyn8">https://tinyurl.com/zwsbyyn8</a>

#### The Ghosts of Blackwood Manor v 14

https://8bitgames.itch.io/ghosts

The January 2024 issue of <u>WAUG News</u> reported on **The Ghosts of Blackwood Manor**, a horror text adventure from Stefan Vogt. You take on the role of novelist Thomas King and his wife Cora as they move into Blackwood Manor, a remote Scottish manor house, only to uncover a dark secret that dates back centuries to the days of the Great Scottish Witch Hunts.

The developer has now released version 14 with bug fixes. All users are advised to make the update! This game is free but the developer accepts your



YouTube video: <a href="https://youtu.be/MswHxrpnk60">https://youtu.be/MswHxrpnk60</a>

Download: https://8bitgames.itch.io/ghosts/purchase

#### Serena



https://github.com/dplanitzer/Serena

**Serena** is an experimental operating system for 32bit Amiga computers, developed by Dietmar Planitzer. The kernel is object-oriented and designed to be cross-platform and future-proof. The features are: Dispatch queues, virtual processors, memory management, SerenaFS file system, ROM and RAM-disks, floppy disk driver, Zorro II & III, keyboard, mouse, joystick, paddles, light pens and a graphics driver.

Download: <a href="https://github.com/dplanitzer/Serena/archive/refs/heads/main.zip">https://github.com/dplanitzer/Serena/archive/refs/heads/main.zip</a>



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The game runs on ECS-Amigas with 1MB chip RAM and 512 KB fast RAM or 2MB chip RAM and is available to purchase for 2.95€ EUR (about \$3.25 USD),

or more. Kickstart 3.1 is required. You can also pre-order the physical version for around 35 euros (about \$38.61 USD). The DVD box contains an automatically starting CD32 compatible CD, a copy of the game on diskette, and a 3D printed figure of the Holy Warrior. A colored manual in PDF format and digital download are also included. The copies will be sent beginning in September 2024.

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Download: https://amiten.itch.io/holy-warrior-digital-download/purchase

#### Win64: **DiskFlashback** v 1.0.2

https://robsmithdev.co.uk/diskflashback

With **DiskFlashback**, developer Rob Smith has developed a practical software for Windows 10/11 (64-bit) that enables PC floppy drives to read and write image files such as ADFs (Amiga Disk Files) during operation. This also makes it possible to process real floppy disks in Amiga or Atari format, with appropriate hardware extensions. The FloppyBridge plugin is required to use it, which in turn requires DrawBridge, Greaseweazle, or Supercard Pro hardware.



He has now released version 1.0.2 of the software. This utility is totally free, but consider sending Rob a tip to say thanks!

YouTube video: https://youtu.be/zFYf9jhp3bs

Download: https://robsmithdev.co.uk/download/DiskFlashbackInstall1020b.exe

#### MorphOS: Wayfarer v 8.10/8.11

https://wayfarer.icu/



Jacek 'jacadcaps' Piszczek has released versions 8.10 and 8.11 of his web browser **Wayfarer** for MorphOS in quick succession, which is now based on the latest, stable WebKitGTK version 2.44.3. A rare crash when pressing the back/forward buttons has been fixed, and cURL has been updated. Version 8.11 now offers a small bonus: an HTML API is activated, which is required for Meta AI.

This means that it is now possible to chat or generate images with the open source AI model Llama 3.1 under MorphOS.

Download: https://wayfarer.icu/wayfarer.lha

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### Screenshots from August's virtual WAUG meeting



#### **Zombie Survivor** v 2.04

https://8080.itch.io/zombiesurvivor

Sami Vehmaa continues work on his game **Zombie Survivor** (see <u>WAUG News</u> July, 2024). The latest version supports DLC, additional downloadable content. To download it, you must purchase it at or above the minimum price of \$5

USD. You will get access to versions 1.42 (uses less CPU power, but does not support DLC), and 2.04. Download: https://8080.itch.io/zombiesurvivor/purchase

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#### Westchester Amiga Users Group

"Triathlon" (A.K.A. "Co-Prez")

**Bill Winters** 

"Squash" (A.K.A. "Co-Prez")

**Anthony Becker** 

"Breaking" (A.K.A. "Editor")

**Al Priest** 

\*(These are all Summer Olympics events)

Meetings are held once a month, usually on the 1st Thursday of the month, starting at 7:00 PM.

**→** NOTE: <u>Until further notice</u>, all WAUG meetings will be virtual.

From the Editor:

Thanks to WAUG Co-President Bill Winters (AKA AmigaBill) for the screenshot from our last virtual meeting.

What about <u>your</u> contributions to <u>WAUG</u> <u>News</u>? You don't need to write an original article (which <u>would</u> be **much** appreciated), just e-mail me any links or photos relating to the Amiga that you come across. But, what about reviewing some new (at least new to you) piece of hardware, or software, or Amiga related book?

If you are NOT yet registered on WAUG's Google group:

https://groups.google.com/group/waug
then, you should sign up.

If a meeting is cancelled or rescheduled a notice will usually be sent to our <u>WAUG Google</u> <u>Group members</u>.

Al Priest, Editor <a href="mailto:aapriest@usa.net">aapriest@usa.net</a>

The *Amiga* community is made up of so many great people and we are excited to meet many more of you. If you are interested:

#### Our web site is:

http://www.TheGuruMeditation.org

#### YouTube:

http://www.youtube.com/TheGuruMeditation/

#### **Facebook:**

http://www.facebook.com/TheGuruMeditation/

#### and Twitter:

https://twitter.com/TheGuruMeditate

Hope to see you there!





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