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THIS one will run and run. That statement was originally made about a play, but it might just as well be applied to the BBC micro and its offspring, the Electron. As Editor of Acorn User for the past three years I have seen a devotion and enthusiasm to a product unequalled in my experience, with a commitment and growth of an industry to match.

What users of any other product would phone a magazine at eight o'clock in the evening -- on Christmas day? Car enthusiasts might spend their Sunday mornings polishing the delight of their lives, but Acorn users program, test, play, zap, enthuse and tear their hair out 24 hours a day. What other magazine can claim that 8,000 people entered a competition that required weeks of programming to win?

The BBC micro was the spearhead of a national computer literacy scheme that has yet to be matched anywhere in the world. And after more than three years it is still going strong. In its wake it has led to many firsts and introduced the British public to computer hardware in a way unheard of before. Although many will decry Acorn's disc filing system, the BBC micro introduced disc drives into our homes -- followed by monitors, printers, modems, mice, and trackballs. The software has led home computers into uncharted territory from wordprocessors to games. Teletext, telesoftware, Micronet, electronic mail, the list. And what about the way the micros are used? It is difficult to walk into a school, hospital, industry or business that has not been affected -- or even revolutionised -- by a BBC micro or Electron. From astronomers to speech therapists, magicians to blast steel furnacemen, they are all using BBC

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micros and Electrons.

But after three years of outrivalled success in the computer industry, our two biggest micro manufacturers have had their troubles. And there's nothing like the British media for kicking people when they're down. However, Acorn now has Olivetti to hold its corporate hand. The BBC scheme still has three years to run, the Domesday Project has thousands of children running around Britain to expand the frontiers of video technology. Will it ever end? Not as long as people can think up ideas to stretch the capabilities of all the micros Acorn has built, and continue to develop and produce.

The results of all this trailblazing and the unstoppable enthusiasm are amply demonstrated by the commitment to Acorn User magazine and in this, the third Acorn User Exhibition. The users of half a million Acorn computers are simply not going to lie down and go away. Their micros are going to carry on RUNning. If ever there was a computer equivalent of the Volkswagon, then Acorn makes it.

Tony Quinn  
Editor  
Acorn User

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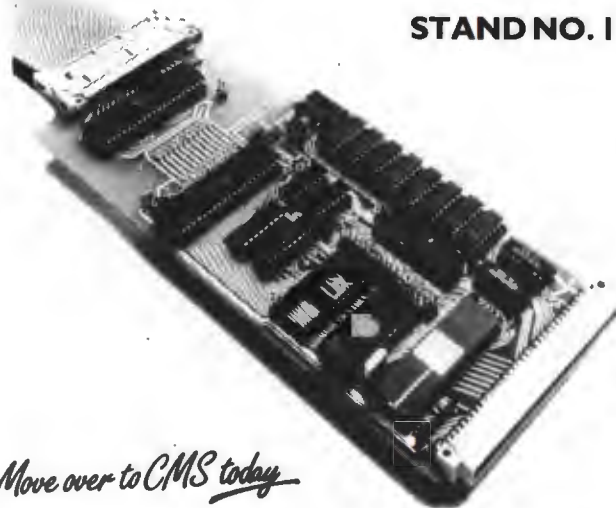
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Stand No. 39

A & B Computing has been serving the owners of BBC Micro's for over two years, upgrading from a bi-monthly publication to a monthly in September of 1984.  
In the Autumn of 1983 the Electron arrived and A & B met the challenge of the demanding computer industry with Acorn themselves.  
A & B enthusiastically reported and informed owners of the latest news and reviews of this ever progressing/changing industry.  
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Cambridge Electronic Design are demonstrating their CED 1401 intelligent laboratory interface for the BBC B. This professional interface, which has its own processor and 64k byte memory, is easy to drive from the BBC and is supplied with extensive software for laboratory use.  
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COMMUNITEL  
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Communitel Ltd make their debut at the Acorn User Exhibition. They will display their DIY viewdata/bulletin board software as featured in the Acorn User magazine (August 1985 issue). Launched in January this year, the software has been favourable received by over 600 educational establishments, libraries, local authorities and small businesses. The software enables any non-expert BBC Micro B user to set up an on-line information service and enter the world of electronic publishing and electronic mail painlessly.

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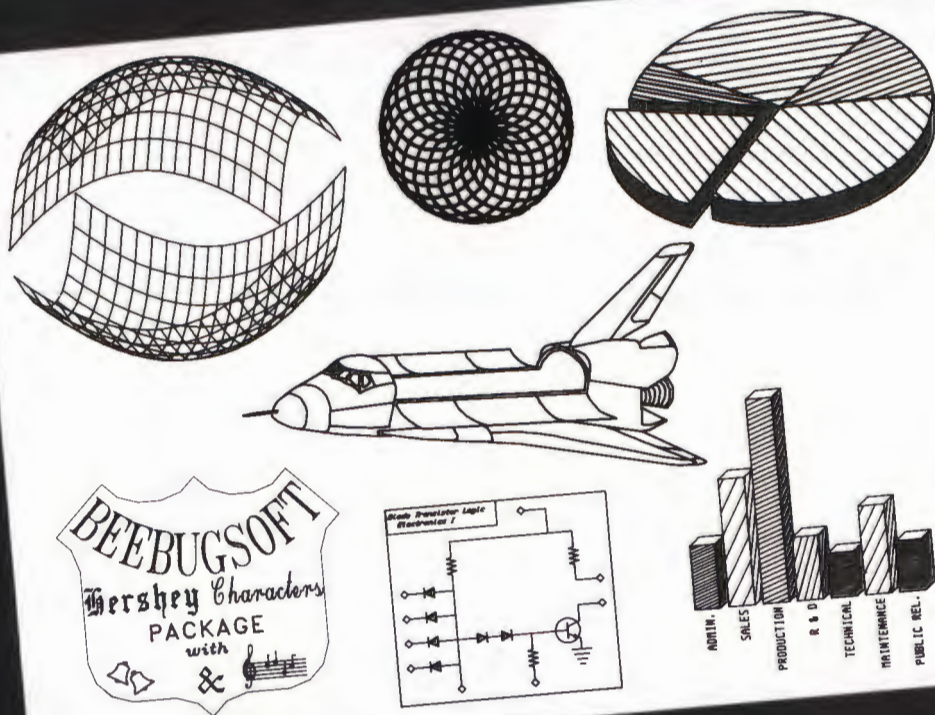
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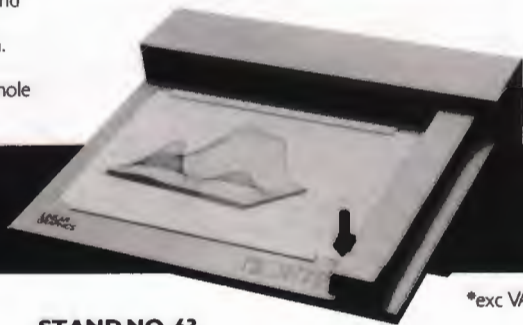
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Electronics & Computing is the magazine for the serious BBC micro user. Our unique blend of articles, reviews and projects makes Electronics & Computing essential reading.  
Amongst the special features in our August issue, we show you how to use a Dragon 64 as an impressive but inexpensive 6809 second processor for the BBC micro, we also have a special offer on a BBC experimenter ROM.  
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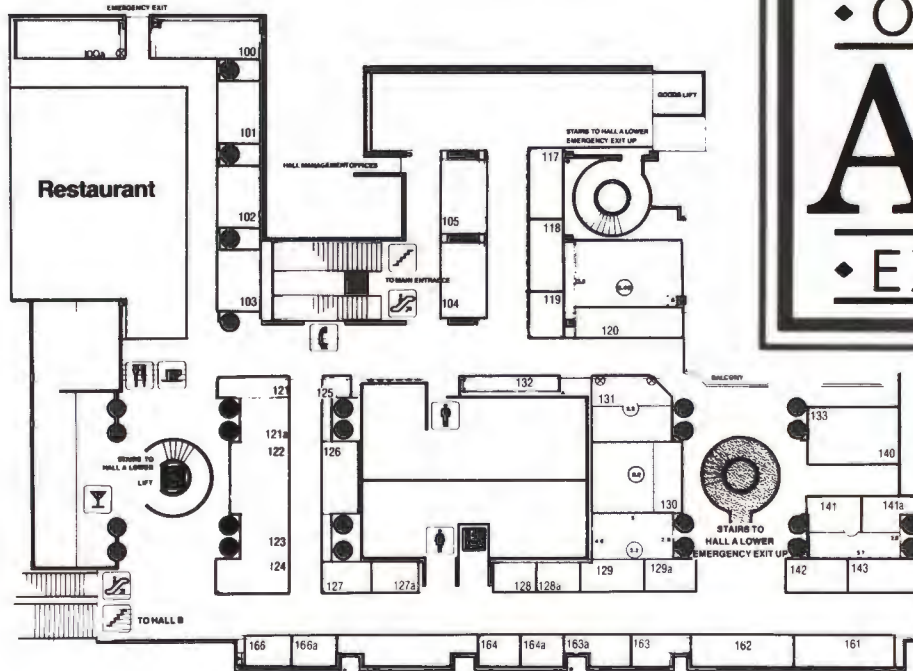
If you are a serious user of the BBC micro, then a visit to Gemini's stand is a must. We shall be demonstrating our fabulous new 'Triple-D' suite (see advertisement in this guide), comprising a disk based database, spreadsheet and business graphics - all with a common file structure. Thus for example, data from the database can be loaded directly into the spreadsheet, and data from the spreadsheet into the graphics etc.  
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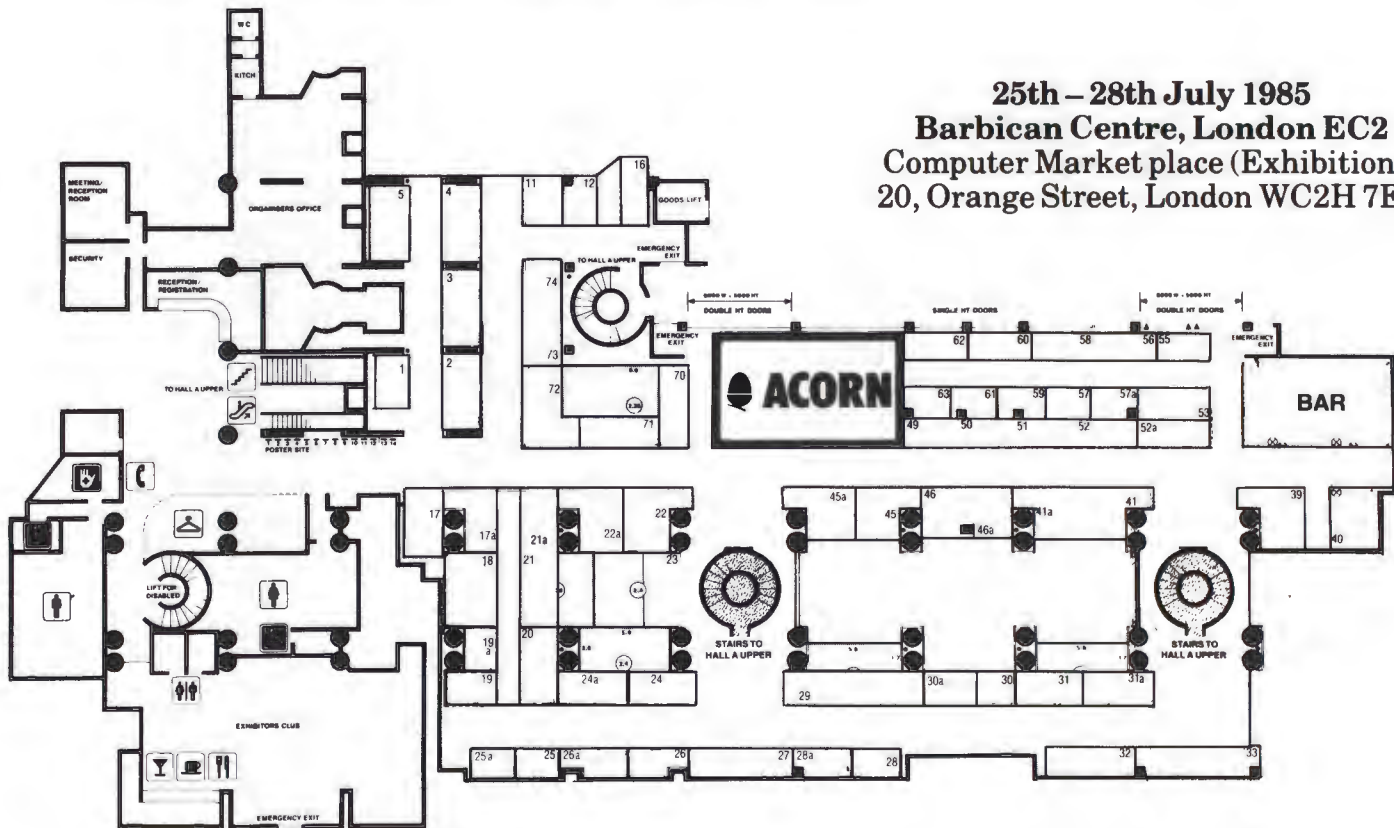
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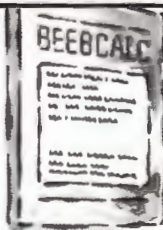
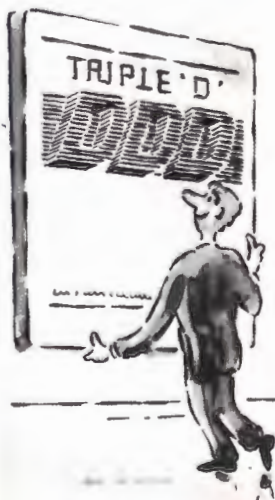
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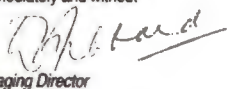
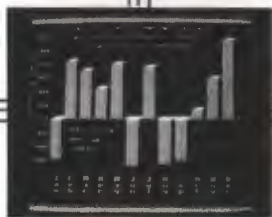
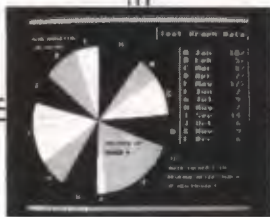
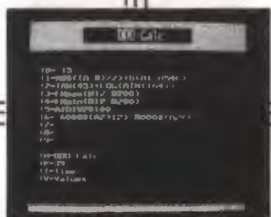
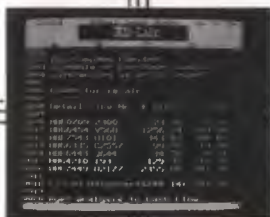
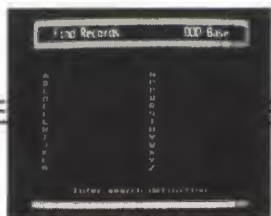
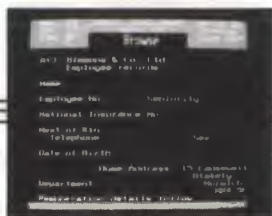
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Watch-out for some special summer price offers from Opus Supplies at the Show. Opus, one of Britain's leading suppliers of disc drives and computer equipment to the home and education markets, is currently staging a special summer pricing campaign with lots of tempting bargains reserved specially for the Acorn User event. As usual the company will be displaying its complete range of Japanese 5 1/4" disc drives which all carry the longest warranty on the market - a full two years. The Opus double density disc interface - DDOS - will also be available together with the company's price-leading high resolution colour monitor and value for money Organiser home computer desk.

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BITSTIK 2 represents a significant step forward from the successful BITSTIK 1 Graphics System currently available for the BBC Model B. Plotter software is now available and will also be seen at the show. Although eminently suitable for all drafting disciplines from architecture to circuit design, BITSTIK 2 is expected to find particular favour with the educational fraternity, as many schools and colleges already use BBC Model B's in their classrooms.

SHARDS SOFTWARE  
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Following the launch of their successful T.D.ROM earlier in the year, Vine Micros have scored yet another first in the field of tape to disc transfer. This brand new system is more sophisticated than the T.D.ROM in-as-much that it is 100% effective and has a mid-play 'stop-and-save' facility. It will be more costly than the T.D.ROM, and is not intended to be a replacement, Vine Micros, however, will be offering an exchange facility for present users wishing to upgrade to the new system.  
The T.D.ROM and the ADDCOMM Toolkit and graphics ROM will also be on show

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10 REM Kaleidosco
pe
20 REM by C Johns
ton
30 REM (c) Acorn
User 1985
40 MODE6
50 PROCinit
60 MODE2
70 PROCpattern
80 REPEAT
90 K%=INKEY(0)
100 IFK%>0 THENPRO
Ckey
110 IFD%>5 THENPRO
Cforward ELSE PROCre
verse
120 UNTILFALSE
130 DEFPROCinit
140 DIMC%(15),D%(1
0)
150 FORD%=0TO10
160 D%(D%)=100-(D%
-5)*(D%-5)*4
170 NEXT
180 N%=-1
190 REPEAT
200 N%=N%+1
210 READF$
220 UNTILF$=""
230 REPEAT
240 PRINT"WHICH PA
TTERN (1-";N%;" ) ";
250 INPUTF%
260 UNTILF%>=1 AND
F%<=N%
270 RESTORE
280 FORL%=1TOF%
290 READF$
300 NEXT
310 DATA 6E6 DIV (
(X%-604)*(Y%-60)*(X%
-Y%-100))
320 DATA 5E7 DIV (
(X%-204)*(Y%-300)*(X
%-Y%-300))
330 DATA 5E4 DIV (
(Y%-60)*(Y%-X%+204))
340 DATA 1.2E5 DIV
((Y%+1)*(Y%-X%-1))
350 DATA 1E6 DIV (
(Y%+1)*(Y%-X%-1))
360 DATA 1E5 DIV (
(X%-404)*(Y%-150))
370 DATA 3E8 DIV (
(X%+500)*(Y%+500))
380 DATA 100*(Y%+8
) DIV (X%+8)
390 DATA 1000*(Y%+
8) DIV (X%+8)
400 DATA 1200*(X%+
350) DIV (Y%+500)
410 DATA X%*(Y%+1)
DIV 40
420 DATA X%*(Y%+1)
DIV 80
430 DATA X%*(Y%+1)
DIV 200
440 DATA X%*(Y%+5)
DIV 1000
450 DATA (X%*X%+Y%
*Y%) DIV 1000
460 DATA (X%*X%*X%
+Y%*Y%*Y%) DIV 1E5
470 DATA ""
480 *FX9,50
490 *FX10,50
500 D%=10
510 ENDPROC
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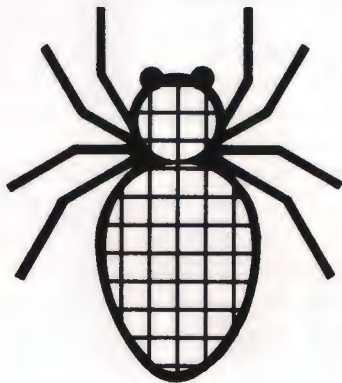
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520 DEFPROCpattern
530 VDU23,1,0;0;0;
0;
540 VDU29,640;512;
550 FORY%=0T0512ST
EP8
560 FORR%=1T03
570 VDU19,RND(15),
RND AND 15;0;
580 NEXT
590 FORX%=Y%T0640S
TEP8
600 GCOL0,EVAL(F$)
AND 15
610 FORA%=-1T01STE
P2
620 FORB%=-1T01STE
P2
630 PLOT69,X%*A%,Y
%*B%
640 PLOT65,0,4
650 PLOT69,Y%*B%,X
%*A%
660 PLOT65,0,4
670 NEXT
680 NEXT
690 NEXT
700 NEXT
710 ENDPROC
720 DEFPROCkey
730 REPEAT
740 IF(K%=46 OR K%
=62) AND D%<10 THEN
D%=D%+1
750 IF(K%=44 OR K%
=60) AND D%>0 THEN D
%=D%-1
760 IFK%=32 THEN D
%=5
770 IFK%=13 THEN P
ROCblack
780 K%=INKEY(0)
790 UNTIL D%<>5

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```

800 *FX15,1
810 ENDPROC
820 DEFPROCforward
830 P%=FNrnd(0)
840 FORL%=0T015
850 FORW%=1T0D%(D%
)
860 NEXT
870 VDU19,L%,P%;0;
880 C%=C%(L%)
890 C%(L%)=P%
900 P%=C%
910 NEXT
920 ENDPROC
930 DEFPROCreverse
940 P%=FNrnd(15)
950 FORL%=15T00STE
P-1
960 FORW%=1T0D%(D%
)
970 NEXT
980 VDU19,L%,P%;0;
990 C%=C%(L%)
1000 C%(L%)=P%
1010 P%=C%
1020 NEXT
1030 ENDPROC
1040 DEFFNrnd(C%)
1050 R%=(RND AND 3)
*(RND AND 1)
1060 IFR%=3 THENR%=
4
1070 =C%(C%) EOR R%
1080 DEFPROCblack
1090 FORL%=0T015
1100 FORW%=1T0200
1110 NEXT
1120 VDU19,L%,0;0;
1130 C%(L%)=0
1140 NEXT
1150 FORW%=1T02000
1160 NEXT
1170 ENDPROC

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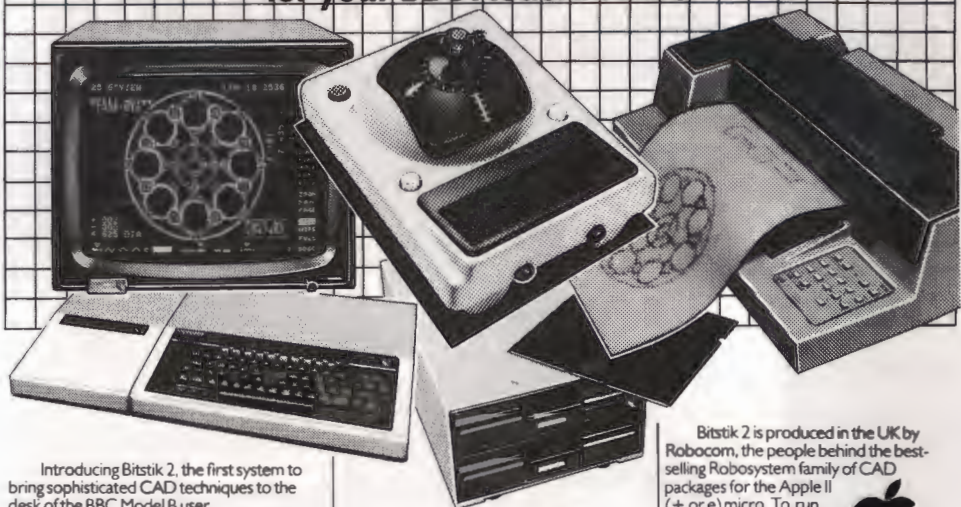
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Bitstik 2 is produced in the UK by Robocom, the people behind the best-selling Robosystem family of CAD packages for the Apple II (+ or e) micro. To run Bitstik 2 you will need a BBC Model B with 6502 Secondary Processor, Twin Disk Drives and colour or monochrome monitor. Quality hard copy can be produced from a wide range of supported plotters.



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