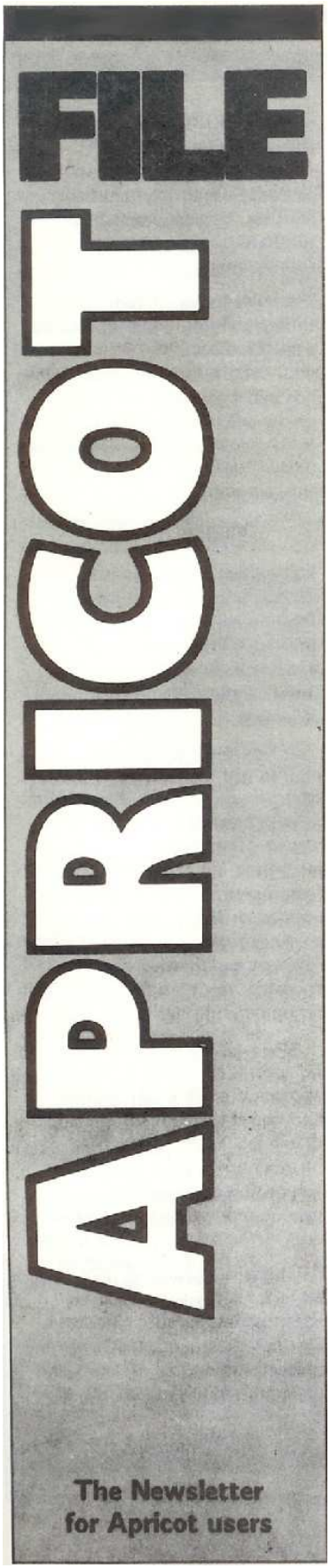
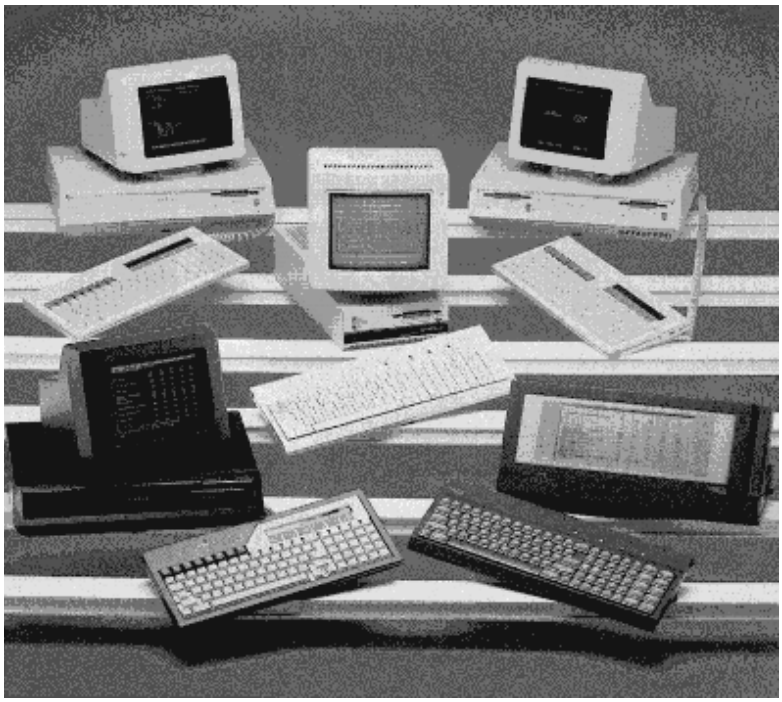


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- **Software:** New products include **WordPerfect 4.2** and Ansible's **Paragon** utilities for it; the revised **Ansible SuperWriter Disk**; **Open Access**, **Multiplan** and Microsoft's **Basic Compiler**; Ansible's **APE** Apricot emulator; and two go-faster options — the **OverDrive** disk accelerator (improvements of 50 per cent are not unusual) and Microcosm's **MicroCache** disk cacher.
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Highlights of the 53 files include the ASMGEN dissassembler, memory speed test benchmarks, improved version of SETUP, a year-planner, address label printer, and BANNER — prints fancy letterheads on daisywheel printer.

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Order no:	AP009
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A total of 38 files plus full documentation — includes John Lyth's imaginative MS-DOS menu front end, a suite of dBASE II programs to control your bank account, CHECKER to verify inputting in MS-BASIC, a clutch of Spellbinder utilities, the IBMBASIC BASICA-to-MS-BASIC converter ... and much, much more!

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Order no:	AP018
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Chock-full of 89 files: 24KB of BATch file extras, essential MS-DOS utilities like DPATH30 (works like PATH but for data files like overlays and Help text), latest versions of SWEEP and WHEREIS, the excellent archiving utility ARC — even a few programs for inveterate hackers!

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A fascinating pot-pourri. Includes a graphics-based version of MANAGER for BIOS 3.1 (thus making it run on all Apricots), screen dump programs for the PC/Xi to Epson and C Itoh printers, a printer intercept program (substitute a pound sign for the hash, for example) and a Xenix terminal emulation — plus all the latest screen device drivers.

Apricot Disk No. 9 [Black Hole 9]

Order no: AP029
Price: £10

A BIOS 3.1 treasure trove. Main programs are Windows-style KEYEDIT and FONTEDIT (much improved, with pull-down menus and windows). Best with a mouse but usable if you have an ALT key configured (see AP027). Plus utilities to transfer fonts to and from Windows applications. A double-sided disk.

NEW

Batch File Utilities

Order no: AP038
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MS-DOS has its very own programming language in the shape of BATch files; this disk gathers together a pile of utilities which enhance or simplify your batch file programming. Includes many examples and source code — over 100 files!

Apricot Diagnostics

Order no: AP033
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A clutch of programs that can check on the health of your hardware — RAM, the 8087, screen geometry, the keyboard, mouse, I/O ports, the sound chip, floppy disk drive, even hard disk. Use with caution, though!

■■■ Programming ■■■

Programmer's Disk 1

Order no: AP011
Price: £15

For programming fans. Star attraction — public domain implementation of LISP called XLISP. Plus fifteen Pascal routines and utilities, a C cross-referencer, an MS-BASIC programmers' toolbox, a program line indenter and useful batch file utilities.

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Features BSU, a program to unprotect protected MS-BASIC programs; plus Ron Cain's Small C compiler, a trio of cross-referencers for Basic and C, an ASCII-to-Hex converter, a GW-BASIC core dumper, the appendix that Microsoft omitted from the MACRO-86 manual, and a C source code checker.

Turbo Pascal Tutor/Compiler

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A double-sided disk comprising an 11-chapter tutorial with 60 or so programs to illustrate the lessons. Also includes a rare public-domain Pascal compiler. You don't need Turbo Pascal to run the routines, but we can supply that as well — see AS048.

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■■■ Games ■■■

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Only two games on this disk, but both excellent and quite realistic entertainments. GREAT BRITAIN LTD is a political-economic simulation — be Prime Minister, balance the books, win the election if you can; INHERITANCE is an interesting investment/gambling game.

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More MS-BASIC and compiled games on a double-sided disk. A good version of Colossal Cave, simple pseudo-graphic PONTOON, a kill-the-Zombie game, a pirate adventure, 3-D noughts and crosses, and finally a truckin' game.

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For the first time on an Apricot, a challenging public domain chess game with superb hi-res graphics — even supports an 8087 if you have one. As an hors d'oeuvre we include a version of PACMAN and a golf game. Self-booting on PC and Xi, with the latest version of MS-DOS with RAM BIOS 3.1. Includes special chess character sets for all Portables and F Series.

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Lindsay Doyle's MS-Basic racetrack game for the thinking user — up to four players manoeuvre a vehicle around a track; three different tracks of increasing complexity are incorporated. You also get a graphics-without-GSX program called SIMPLEDRAW which can be used for creating extra tracks — or indeed any background for any program of your own. This disk provides everything described in the Font Tricks Workshop in Release 2.5 of APRICOT FILE.

■■■ Applications ■■■

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Apricot version of the well-known general-purpose 'shareware' database/filing package, though with restricted documentation. Menu-driven, superb power and speed, very easy to use; handles everything from mailing labels to multi-page reports. Exchange data with 1-2-3, MailMerge, many other WP and spreadsheet programs. Indexing on all fields, searches includes 'soundex', multiple selection criteria ... Complete with the latest IBM emulator and improved IBM-type keyboard. For BIOS 3.1 only.

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■■■ Comms ■■■

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Modem Connections Bible

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Sensible, pragmatic explanation of connection between computers and modems — one of the best introductions we know, in fact. Includes a section giving detailed and very clear illustrations showing how to connect popular micros to some of the better-known US modems; it's a shame that no-one seems to have done the same for British products. By Carolyn Curtis and Daniel Majhor, published by Sams.

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■■■ Spreadsheets ■■■

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A LA CARTE	AS032 [out of production]
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■■■ Word processors ■■■

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This must be the best word processor currently available for the Apricot — it's not without its quirks, but it is loaded with features for the professional writer (why else would Langford and Priest use it?) — and the RRP is £75 more. Not available for F series.

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■■■ WP extras ■■■

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Order no: AS056
Price: £69

The two previous ASD disks have been discontinued by Ansible and replaced by this single (but double-sided) collection — the best of the two ASDs plus some new items. Includes the lowdown on SW.DEF, numerous XQT files, two-column printing, high-speed 'format on screen', DOCTOR for disk recovery, MAILER mailing list program, customised keyboard loader, improved display fonts, many handy .COM utilities ... and much, much more. The complete Apricot extra.

AnsibleIndex

Order no: AS022
Price: £69

Sophisticated SuperWriter indexing utility, even permits indexing of subjects and themes. Can handle documents chained across more than one disk, too. Only requires two marks per index item.

The Printer Pack

Order no: AS015
Price: £34.50

Mainly for Epson-compatibles, mainly for spreadsheets: SIDELINE prints worksheets sideways so that wide spreadsheets fit on to the paper, FXPOUND prints the pound sign on FX-type printers, SETFXPR provides a set-up menu for printer functions.

Polyprint

Order no: AS003
Price: £30

Pretty printing from your Apricot on any matrix printer — PolyPrint lets you produce near-letter-quality printing (almost typesetting quality, in fact) on ordinary dot-matrix printers that are capable of printing graphics (which these days means just about any low-cost matrix printer). Comes with 12 selectable typefaces, some of them very fancy. Accepts ready-to-print output from any word processor; will also work directly from WordStar files without your having to save them on disk first. You must specify which printer you have when ordering, because PolyPrint comes customised for particular printers.

Polyprint Plus

Order no: AS021
Price: £20

For existing PolyPrint users only: 13 new typefaces and additional facilities including the new capability of mixing typefaces in the middle of a document.

Some of these packages are supplied on double-sided disks; where that applies, it's indicated in the entries for each disk.

In most cases we can alternatively provide the package on two single-sided disks, but we do have to ask for an extra £5.00 per disk to cover the copying and media costs. Call us first on 01-833 3501 to check whether this is feasible before you order.

IANKEY Crash Course

Order no: AS007
Price: £30

The very best keyboard tutor we've seen for newcomers. Sensible design based on serious research; clear on-screen instructions; takes only three or four hours to teach the basics of touch-typing. The APRICOT FILE review concluded "excellent value for money".

IANKEY Two-Fingers to Touch-Typing

Order no: AS008
Price: £30

An alternative keyboard tutor — converts a two-fingered 'hunt and peck' typist into a fast user; and it does so without wasting your time, boring you, or forcing you to relearn the keyboard.

Integrated packages

NEW

Open Access 1

Order no:	SI176
Price:	£172.50

Incredible value — a true full-function fully-featured integrated package. Incorporates word processor, database, comms, spreadsheet, graphics (including excellent 3-D graphs) and a comprehensive 'time manager'. Simpler to use than Symphony!

File management

WordTech DBXL

Order no:	AS167
Price:	£125

A dBASE III+ clone for a quarter of the price! File structures, syntax, commands and indexing are fully compatible with dBASE III+; they run identically, too. Features menu-driven options and 'Tutor' line for novices. Brilliant value. Needs 450KB free RAM minimum.

Quickcode

Order no:	AS040
Price:	£75

By Fox & Geller — version 2.00 of the dBASE II program generator, at a low, low price (less than half the RRP). "Rich in facilities" said the VICTOR SIRIUS FILE review; can dramatically reduce development time for dBASE programs.

PRICE CHANGE

dGRAPH

Order no:	AS041
Price:	£86.25

Another of Fox & Geller's dBASE add-ons; this is version 2.00 of dGRAPH, and it enables you to turn your dBASE II data into a variety of graphs — pie-graphs, bar charts and line graphs. Again, a very low price for this proven utility.

Cardbox Plus 3.5

Order no:	AS044
Price:	£280

The very latest version of perhaps the best flat-file database around. Up to 65,600 records, 26 fields per record, all fields indexable. Very powerful, yet surprisingly easy to use. We swear by it! Normal RRP £345.

Delta 4

Order no:	AS045
Price:	£450

Britain's very own answer to dBASE II — a powerful menu-driven transactional data management system. Up to 90 fields per record, up to 32,000 records per file. The RRP is £569.25.

Delta Graph

Order no:	AS046
Price:	£65

Produces graphs from your Delta data.

Spreadsheets

NEW

Lotus 1-2-3 Release 1a

Order no:	SI123
Price:	£172.50

The classic spreadsheet — and still one of the best for worksheets of up to 2,048 rows and 256 columns if you want a good range of functions, some of the best on-line Help in the business, and very good graphics.

NEW

Multiplan 3.00

Order no:	SI170
Price:	£172.50

Microsoft's extra-wide spreadsheet offering — worksheets can be up to 4,096 rows by 255 columns. No graphics, but lots of calculations functions instead. Features worksheet consolidation, full auditing, support for 8087 maths co-processor, data exchange with Lotus 1-2-3 — and it's now twice as fast as the previous version.

Moneywise

Order no:	AS050
Price:	£110

Award-winning financial modeller/spreadsheet, originally sold for £395 plus VAT. A powerful alternative to conventional spreadsheets, Moneywise's ledger-look format is particularly suitable for accountants and businessmen. Features simple page-style format, fast recalculation times, easily-traced model logic, context-sensitive help, full graphing and reports available, virtual memory. Includes excellent tutorial disk.

Comms

TRANSEND

Order no:	AS025
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A low-priced complete comms package for electronic mail, Prestel/Viewdata and fast file transfer. Runs at 300/300, 1200/1200, 1200/75 and 75/1200 baud. Includes text editor for message preparation, a virtual (off-line) mailbox for Prestel, user-definable autodial/auto log-on. Permits automatic unattended operation at specified times through comprehensive and powerful COMMAND files. Supports X-ON/X-OFF and XMODEM file transfer too. This program comes with a free subscription to Telecom Gold. A custom-made cable is available at an extra £25 (order on a separate sheet). Also available in IBM and Sirius formats as order nos. CS107/207 and VS038 respectively — handy for transferring files; price again is £57.50 per copy.

NEW

CrossTalk XIV

Order no:	SI175
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The Apricot version of one of the most popular general-purpose comms packages. Hayes-compatible, with auto-dialling; offers VT100 and VT52 emulation as well as straight ASCII (and IBM 3780!); provides file transfer with protocol options (XMODEM, KERMIT, XON/OFF) as well. Powerful script-file language. Caters for speeds between 600 and 115200bps — but not 1200/75. A good choice for VT-compatibility, and a sophisticated package for general comms requirements. Not available for F series.

Programming

VICAR

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dBASE II:	AS029
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dBASE III:	AS030
Price:	£148
C:	AS031
Price:	£148

Variables In Context Analysis and Reporter: clutch of neat programmer's aids that began life as a fairly conventional cross-referencer to track the names and usage of variables, but adds the ability to handle multiple source files (handy for applications which can extend across several programs) and importantly shows the complete context for a variable — not just a line number. Does not include the programming language itself.

Turbo Pascal

Order no:	AS048
Price:	£69

The worldwide best-seller, a real eye-opener for those who thought they couldn't write programs, and currently one of the most powerful language development tools available. Easy to learn, features a WordStar-like editor; would David Langford use anything else?

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The official Microsoft compiler for MS-BASIC — everything you need to make interpreted programs into fast-executing COM files.

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- display, set, restore file attributes
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APE Apricot Emulator

Order no: SI180 [5¼in disk]
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Order no: SI174
Price: £69

OverDrive is a file access accelerator for hard-disk Apricots — it's a memory-resident program that cuts down the time MS-DOS takes to access your hard disk. Just how much it will speed up your hard disk depends on factors like type of disk and file size, but improvements of 50 per cent are not unusual. Comes from Business Simulations, makers of the excellent CardBox Plus.

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Order no: AS001
Price: £25

FAST is an accelerator for the Apricot screen: it bypasses certain screen interrupts. Simply running it in an AUTOEXEC.BAT will cause your Apricot to handle screen text up to twice as quickly. FAST doesn't affect CPU clock speeds and so it does not accelerate your graphics or supercharge your program execution times. But its effect on screen performance is pretty impressive. Not available for Apricots with BIOS 3.1, the F Series, or Portables.

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An excellent collection as usual from Ansible Software. ACOLYTE itself is a memory-resident keyboard configurator — reconfigure keys on the fly, or assign up to 79 characters of text to a single keypress. Also includes several utilities — a real-time clock, a printer port switcher, the printer intercept program APP (customise printer escape codes into something understandable). Plus HARE (Ansible's version of FAST) and TORTOISE (slows down Xens).

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Games

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Infocom's truly funny text-based adventure game, derived cleverly from the best-selling book and featuring the trials and tribulations of Arthur Dent, Ford Prefect, Zaphod Beeblebrox et al. Watch out for the Babel fish!

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Two games from Alan Solomon. ADVENTURE is the original classic 'Colossal Cave' adventure; CASH CRISIS is an arcade-style 'Space Invaders' with money!

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If you need to move into the mainstream of IBM-compatibility, this is probably the easiest way to do it — you retain the Apricot and your existing software; we give you a fast IBM-compatible clone (Martin Filmer's OMEGA) and everything you need to make the switch.

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- System unit with 80286 processor — switchable between 6 and 12MHz (Apricots run at 4.77MHz)
- Internal 20 megabyte hard disk with fast access times
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Cable connections

Problems with RS-232 connections? These simple-to-use tools should help.

Male-to-Male Gender Changer

Order no: AC001
Price: £10

Solid, simple, fully-shielded adapter that plugs into the RS-232 serial port before you attach the cable — thus allowing a female RS-232 connector to plug into a female socket.

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Order no: AC002
Price: £10

Allows a male RS-232 connector to plug into a male serial port socket.

RS-232 Mini-Patch

Order no: AC003
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One of the cheapest, safest break-out boxes we've found. Plug-in 'jumper' wires allow you to connect any combination of incoming and outgoing RS-232 lines; male connector at one end and female at the other, so there's no problems with attachment. Use it with AC004 and you'll have the equivalent of a full-scale break-out box at modest price.

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Simple plug-in unit with eight pairs of LED indicators to monitor negative and positive signals on each of the most commonly used RS-232 lines — 2 to 6, 8, 11 and 20. Use it by itself or with AC003.

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Apricot Extras — expansion, upgrades, spares

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The genuine Intel maths co-processor to speed up your Apricot PC/Xi, F-Series, even the Portable! Easily fitted — it just plugs in to a vacant socket. Comes pre-fitted to a socket mount to avoid damage during installation. Make sure your software is capable of addressing it!

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□□□ APRICOT 9in MONITOR for PC or Xi. Cream. Little used, £40 plus VAT. Telephone 0705 730566.

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■■■ APRICOT PC or 10MB Xi wanted; also PRINTER if available. Fair price paid, immediate cash. Phone Mrs Morrison, 0636 704208.

■■■ WORD PROCESSOR wanted for Apricot PC with single-sided disks — MS-WORD 3.0 preferred. Also ANY OTHER SOFTWARE. Phone 01-908 4631

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■■■ APRICOT PC TECHNICAL REFERENCE MANUAL wanted. Phone Simon Protheroe, 01-836 5454 ext 2161 (office hours) or 01-263 4489 (after 6pm).

■■■ APRICOT Xi with manual — preferably HD, but FD or Xen considered. Also DELTA 4 with manual. Contact C Sherwood, 021-233 2997.

□□□ DELTA 4 PROFESSIONAL wanted for Apricot Xi with 512KB memory and BIOS 3.1. Contact 037 971 246.

□□□ WANTED: software for Apricot PC on single-sided disks for private buyer. K R Dodd, 57 Evelyn Drive, Hatch End, Pinner, Middlesex.

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□□□ 10/20MB EXTERNAL HARD DISK required for Apricot PC with BIOS 2.4. G S Jayaram, PO Box 2642, Doha, Qatar (phone 417282 6-9pm UK time).

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Help

■■■ F SERIES user wants to get in touch with others in the States. Contact Bob Mandel, Lewis & Clark College, Box 96, Portland, OR 97219, USA.

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Misc

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