
Subject: Where is Thorn EMI?

Posted by [dsmith](#) on Tue, 11 Jun 2013 01:26:25 GMT

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Posted: Sun Feb 3 02:50:26 1985

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Organization: Hewlett Packard Labs, Palo Alto CA

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David Smith

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Subject: Re: Where is Thorn EMI?

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References:

Organization: Terak Corporation, Scottsdale, AZ, USA

Lines: 11

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Subject: Re: Where is Thorn EMI?

Posted by [dsmith](#) on Mon, 17 Jun 2013 21:20:32 GMT

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Posted: Wed Feb 13 16:33:33 1985

Date-Received: Thu, 14-Feb-85 18:53:40 EST

References:

Organization: Hewlett Packard Labs, Palo Alto CA

Lines: 23

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I still have no responses giving Thorn EMI's address.

David Smith

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Subject: Re: Where is Thorn EMI?
Posted by [yosh](#) on Mon, 17 Jun 2013 21:20:32 GMT
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Article-I.D.: hou2e.454
Posted: Fri Feb 15 12:45:35 1985
Date-Received: Sat, 16-Feb-85 06:38:18 EST
References: ,
Organization: AT&T Bell Labs, Holmdel NJ
Lines: 11

From what I understand, Thorn EMI is the British counterpart to our RCA. (A tremendous corporation into just about everything) I believe they produce albums so you might have more success searching through that route....

Dave Bloom
Bell Labs, Holmdel

Subject: Re: Re: Where is Thorn EMI?
Posted by [ugthomas](#) on Mon, 17 Jun 2013 21:20:33 GMT
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Article-I.D.: sunybc.1165
Posted: Sat Feb 16 19:46:15 1985
Date-Received: Mon, 18-Feb-85 06:16:09 EST
References:
Organization: State University of New York @ Buffalo,NY
Lines: 34

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There are many ways to copy a cartridge (I thought everyone knew that, but I will explain anyways). The older cartridges (Thorn included I believe) were easily copyable simply by putting the cartridge in, doing a binary save

and adding a couple loader bytes.

Software companies got wise to this; so they add protection. This protection in a cartridge is done by having the program write to the ram where the rom cart. goes. If a rom cart. is in place, it will simply have no effect because you cant overwrite rom. If the program was 'loaded' into ram (i.e. disk or cassette), the program will kill itself and not work.

A simply solution to this is to wire your last 16K of ram, so you can turn off write to it when you want. The program is loaded into ram, write is turned off, and a warmstart is done (memory stays in place, but write to that portion of memory is disabled). This way, the program can try as hard as it likes to kill itself but cant.

I have added this feature to my atari, but for backup purposes only :^}

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...Tim Thomas

...{burdvax, rocksvax, bbncca, decvax, dual, rocksanne, watmath}!sunnybcs!ugthomas

Remember.....

Only you can prevent software piracy.

Subject: Re: Where is Thorn EMI?

Posted by [mathnews2](#) on Mon, 17 Jun 2013 21:20:34 GMT

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Article-I.D.: watdcsu.984

Posted: Tue Feb 19 10:48:38 1985

Date-Received: Thu, 21-Feb-85 00:18:53 EST

References:

Reply-To: mathnews2@watdcsu.UUCP (mathNOOS [editors])

Distribution: na

Organization: U of Waterloo, Ontario

Lines: 31

Summary: Here's a way to find out:

In article yosh@hou2e.UUCP (M.CHING) writes:

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Sorry to be picky, but a major record company in the EMI group is Capitol, as in Capitol EMI Canada Ltd., whereas I believe RCA is still independent (although I seem to remember hearing somewhere that the Rockefellers owned it... I can't see the FCC permitting a foreign interest such as EMI to own a company that just happens to own a major broadcasting interest (read: NBC)). If anyone out there wants a hint, check the address of the manufacturer on the back of any Capitol album, then write to them asking for the address; they should have it around somewhere.

-- Scooter! @ mathnews2
[mathNOOS (editors)]
@ U. Waterloo DCS Unix (watdcsu)

UUCP: {allegro,inhp4}!watmath!watdcsu!mathnews2
Canada Post: mathNEWS, MC 3035, U. Waterloo, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada
N2L 3G1
Bell Canada: (519)-885-1211 x.2324
Audio: shout "Hey Scooter!"

Subject: Re: Where is Thorn EMI?
Posted by [fred](#) on Mon, 17 Jun 2013 21:20:34 GMT
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Article-I.D.: mot.105
Posted: Mon Feb 18 12:02:10 1985
Date-Received: Thu, 21-Feb-85 03:58:25 EST
References:
Organization: Motorola Microsystems, Phoenix AZ
Lines: 11

Thorn EMI has some sort of office in Atlanta, GA. 404-587-0017.
800-243-2572. see Digital Design mag, Feb '85.

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"Should any of your I.M. Forces be caught or killed, the secretary will disavow
any knowledge of your actions. This tape will self-destruct in five seconds."

>

Fred Christiansen, Networking Software, Motorola Microsystems, Tempe, AZ 85282
{allegra,ihnp4}!sftig!mot!fred {ihnp4,seismo}!ut-sally!oakhill!mot!fred
{ihnp4,amdahl}!drivax!mot!fred ucbvax!arizona!asuvax!mot!fred

Subject: Re: Where is Thorn EMI?
Posted by [benw](#) on Mon, 17 Jun 2013 21:20:35 GMT
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Article-I.D.: bocar.104
Posted: Thu Feb 21 13:40:49 1985
Date-Received: Tue, 26-Feb-85 03:51:31 EST
References:
Organization: AT&T Bell Laboratories, Piscataway
Lines: 23

The Book of Atari Software 1984 gives Thorn EMI's address and phone as

Thorne EMI Video, Inc.
1370 Avenue of the Americas
New York, N.Y. 10019
(212) 977-8990

I have on several occasions bought cartridge software that was missing
directions, especially if it was bought on a bargain rack somewhere
where little probing hands can open the boxes (E.G., Kaybee toy and
Hobby stores here are dumping all Thorn cartridges, out on a table and
NOT wrapped in plastic).

I have, however, bought Jumbo Jet Pilot (what a dog!), directions and
all. Xerox and mailing address in hand, I have also been known to
be generous on occasion.

SO, now can we get off the topic of Thorn, piracy, open boxes, ethics
mom and apple pie???

Ben Weber

Subject: Re: Re: Where is Thorn EMI?
Posted by [roux](#) on Mon, 17 Jun 2013 21:20:35 GMT
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Posted: Wed Feb 20 16:02:24 1985
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References:
Organization: TRW, Redondo Beach CA
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David,

I looked at all my game instructions from Thorn and could only find that they are in England (somewhere). I guess they don't (or didn't) care to hear any user comments - good or bad!

I did find a review of one of their games that gave the following as Thorn's address:

Thorn-EMI Video
1370 Avenue of the Americas
New York, New York 10019

To tell you the truth I found the game to be a real BORE! it takes soooooo long to get into the air that I lost interest in even trying to get the flying part of it down (er up?). I think Flight Simulator II is much better.

Good Luck!

Ray Roux
{ucbvax|decvax}!trwrb!trwspp!spp3!rroux
Compuserve [75056,2103] (mostly weekends)