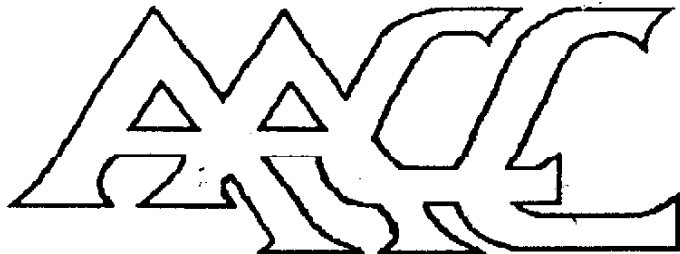


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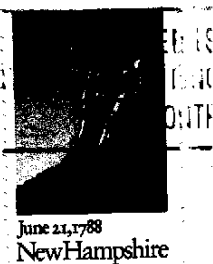
NEXT MEETING: 6:30 PM Sunday September 11, 1988 at the John Jay building, Room 22, at Robert Morris College. Ask the guard for direction from the entrance road.

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This Month's Program

September Software: I tried to demo Sargon chess once before. I now have a full working version. Load from XB, select 1 E/A (on the disk), select 3 Load & Run, type CHESS, hit return when it asks for the file again, and then hit return again to START. It is about the same strength as Video Chess at level 1, and you will not want to wait for it at any higher level of move search. Sargon.4 has just been released for most other computers. I have a Wheel of Fortune, Perfect Push, and an absolutely awful Strip Poker. I have some commercial software at Club prices: Popeye, Buck Rogers, Video Chess, and Espial. I haven't yet had the opportunity to see the new data base programs. Maybe for October. As usual, if you have something to show the members please bring it along.

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President's Musings

The summer was long and hot but I still wonder where it went. I had plans to do so many more things than I actually got accomplished. I guess you have heard that story before!

I did get to the Club post office box during August. I don't have the combination but was able to obtain all of the accumulation. After seeing the exchange newsletters which we receive I intended to reprint some here, but as so often happens I have run out of time. I will try again for October.

I have something different on the program for September. I am going to have the programmer who created a nice piece of software demonstrate it himself! I usually feel at a disadvantage trying to demonstrate programs in which I am only barely acquainted. But I will admit very quickly that I have misled you in this paragraph - the author will not be present in person, but is available via video tape. The organizers of the Multi-User Group Conference held in Lima, Ohio last May made an excellent tape of all of the proceedings, and included a presentation on "PLUS!" by Jack Sughrue. The software is an enhancement to word processing and copies of the program will be available to members who find it interesting after the presentation. The speaker was given 30 minutes at the conference, and using

the TI99 and monitor, lets you see what happens in the program as he explains it. The ready availability of camcorders makes this an innovative way to distribute such proceedings. I will be interested in your reaction to this type of presentation. There are six full hours of presentations if we wish to use them for future meetings.

Everyone is aware that our group no longer has large turnouts. As long as we are able to meet the needs and interests of those who come I feel that the Club is worthwhile. In the past the officers have asked each other if we should perhaps add another computer system to the program to appeal to a wider audience. Our feeling has been that it might simply lose the TI99 altogether if we begin presenting programs for the IBM or Atari also. One group in Ohio is trying the strategy and it will be interesting to see what happens there.

On the Geneve front, MYARC has announced that it has some new software to be out "soon". MYARC says it will not release any priced below \$100, in order to leave room for other software developers to offer cheaper programs! Several new versions of the existing MDOS and other MYARC supplied programs are reported to be coming. I have not seen any nor been offered any way to update mine.

Bob Dudley