World Champs Go For Gold

Munich, Germany, which was the home of the 1936 and 1972 Olympics, was also the site recently for a competition that will send Centipede champions to the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. On September 14, 1983, regional Centipede winners competed for the title of World Centipede Champion in *Atari's Centipede Video Game Championship*. The two categories in the competition were: The 18 and under and the 18 and over divisions.

Winners in the 18 and under were: 1) Stewart Murray, 14, of Aberden, Scotland with a high score of 323,512 points; 2) Shui-Fan Or, 14, or Hong Kong with 318, 881 points; and 3) Michele Minet, 17, or Vise, Belgium with a score of 311,516 points.

In the 18 and over winners circle were: 1) Andrew Brezezinski, 19, from Greenford, Middlesex England, racking up 322,944 points; 2) The United States Champion, Doug Leighty, 21, of Carlisle, PA with 290,986 points; and 3) Thomas Magnusson, 19, of Malmo, Sweden with a total of 272,195 points.

Each of these winners will receive a seven-day, all-expense-paid trip for two to the 1984 Olympic games in Los Angeles, plus an Atari home computer.
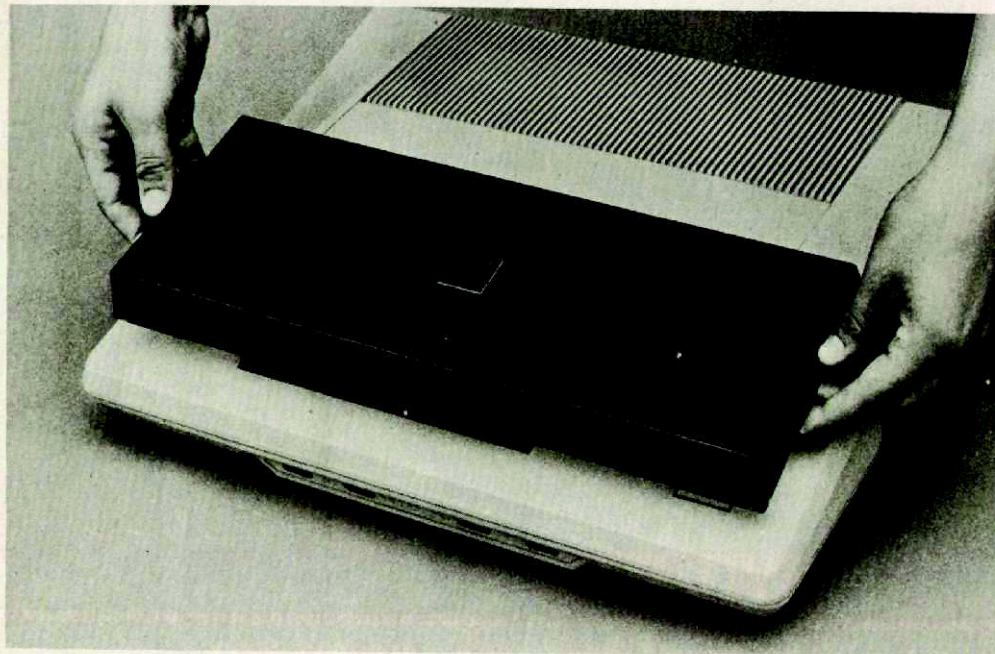
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Undercover

For those who hate the thought of housework, and own a microcomputer, there will be one less chore to do, since the job of dusting the computer keyboard can be virtually eliminated! Penguin Products has introduced the K-Cover, an anti-static, unbreakable computer keyboard cover which fits most microcomputers. Damaging dust and debris is kept out with the use of this angled lid, which can also serve as an angled rise for a computer or monitor. Another plus for this cover is its lifetime guarantee against breakage.

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Meet Me in St. Louis

In late November, Atari opened the first in its new concepts for arcades: Atari Adventure. The first unit in St. Louis, MO., features a three-pronged approach to video and computer games, including a standard arcade area, a computer learning center and the high-technology display.

High-tech is the operative word for the Atari Adventure locations as they will be designed with a futuristic motif. The entrance spotlights an "exploded view computer" showing all of the machines components. The computer also uses a voice track which invites the patrons to "come in and touch tomorrow."

The eight-spot Computer Learning Center provides time on an Atari XL computer workstation and will carry Atari software, Atari Apex software and some software from other companies. A certified computer learning instructor will be on duty at all times to assist customers and special classes in programs such as BASIC and VisiCalc may also be offered.

Atari games as well as favorites from other manufacturers will be available in the arcade area while the high-tech display provides hands-on experience with the latest of the company's technological developments. Some game prototypes will be included in the display.

A second Atari Adventure is also slated to open in the Midwest during the winter and if the concept lives up to expectations, it will be followed by many more, the company says.

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