

I BEG YOUR PARDON?

Dear Dave,
Answer my questions or I'll spank your botly with my ruler, and poke your eyes out with my compass.

Is there a possibility of the N64 coming bundled with Super Mario 64 and Pilotwings 64 too?
In the July issue, you said that Cruis'n USA would have a September release date. Will it come out before Christmas in the UK?
In Super Mario Kart R, will there be a Time Trial mode as in an original Super NES version?
Do you get a memory card in the bundle when you buy a N64 will I have to buy one separately?

I own a Super NES and can't make up my mind whether to buy Olympic Summer Games or wait until Christmas and buy Donkey Kong Country 3. Can you please recommend the better game?
Are there any decent football games for the N64? I haven't any of any yet?

On the first day of the N64's release, will it be available in all areas that sell video games, or will it only be available to the bigger retailers?
Ian Mitchell, Wollaton, Nottingham.

A DAVE: What a pleasant little boy you are, Alan - your parents must be so proud. Anyway, here goes with your geezies: (1) I don't think the N64 will be bundled with two games - it's not even definite yet that it'll come bundled with Pilotwings (2) Obviously, we still don't know when we're getting the N64, but yes, Cruis'n USA should be one of the first titles ready for release in the UK. (3) Unfortunately, details about Super Mario Kart R are shrouded in mystery, so we still can't reveal which gameplay options it will feature. (4) You will need to buy a memory card separately, which should cost between £10-15. (5) Tough choice. Why not buy Olympic Summer Games now, and start creeping around your parents' closet to the release of DKC3? If all goes well, they'll buy it for you as a Christmas present. (6) There are several football games in development, but the most promising are EA's FIFA '97 and Konami's footy game which is rumoured to be ISS Deluxe 64. (7) The N64 should be available almost everywhere, so there won't be any problems tracking one down.

WOW! IT'S WARIO!

Dear Dave,
I think NMS is simply the best and I would be happy if you could answer my questions:

- (1) I'm a big platform nut. In your opinion, which platform game should I buy: Donkey Kong Land, Diddy's Kong Quest (when it comes out), Wario Land or Toy Story?
 - (2) Does Wario Land: Super Mario Land 3 feature Mario?
 - (3) How much do you rate Super Mario Land on Game Boy?
 - (4) The Super NES is able to produce 24 and 32 meg games. Will the N64 be able to produce even higher-powered games?
 - (5) Can the N64's 3D Stick work with all games or just certain titles?
 - (6) Will Nintendo stop producing Game Boy games when the N64 and Virtual Boy are released in the UK?
 - (7) Is the Virtual Boy any good?
 - (8) Are Squaresoft really going to Sony or Sega?
 - (9) Apart from Mortal Kombat 64 and Killer Instinct 64, will there be any other good beat-'em-ups?
- Kelech Achara, Dublin, Ireland.

A DAVE: (1) With the exception of Toy Story, which is okay but not brilliant, they're all tops. I would probably buy Wario Land and start saving for Diddy's Kong Quest. (2) No, it doesn't. For once, Mario takes a back seat and lets someone else to take the credit. (3) Super Mario Land is still in my top five on Game Boy. Even now, I always take it on holiday to keep me amused whilst soaking up the sun. (4) The majority of games are going to be either 64 or a whopping 96 meg. (5) It's up to the programmers as to whether or not they develop the game to work with the analogue stick. (6) With Nintendo having just released the new Game Boy Pocket in Japan, it seems unlikely they'll stop developing for it. There's also very little chance of Virtual Boy being released in the UK. (7) The problem with Virtual Boy is the lack of quality software. At present only Wario Land has been worth playing, but with Zero Racers (seen last issue under the name G-Zero) looking pretty damn cool, that could be about to change. (8) Unfortunately, Squaresoft have deserted Nintendo at present, but we still firmly believe they'll be back to develop for the N64. (9) War Gods from Williams is the only other beat-'em-up to be confirmed but there will be plenty more, don't you worry.



ABOVE: Can you turn the joypad into a light gun? Er, the answer appears to be 'No'.
BELOW: Nintendo's Japanese web site is fab - but when will NMS have one too?



MISSING IN ACTION!

Dear Dave,
I NEED to know the answers to these questions, so please answer them!
(1) What happened to Street Fighter 2 on the Game Boy?

Why is some of the text featured in SM64 and Pilotwings 64 in English?
Can you have another video on the front of your cover but this time with N64 footage, like Mario 64?
Why don't you have a Nintendo Magazine System web site on the 'Net'?
Will you still be able to put a light-gun on the N64 joypad?
Andrew Johnson, Harrow, Middlesex.

A DAVE: (1) It was considered too dated to be released in the UK, although it may see the light of day on import... one day. (2) The only text that appears in English is the title - but don't ask us why! (3) The problem with a video cover-mount is that it's very expensive, although we'll definitely consider it when we have something really special to show you. Stay tuned... (4) Although we don't have a web site at the moment, it is something we are working on. Expect news sooner rather than later. (5) The light gun attachment was an inaccurate rumour which circulated when the controller was first revealed. However, accessories like light guns and steering wheels should start appearing during 1997.