Hello.. Did you read my message?

I think so, this morning, didnt you just leave it last night??

Yeah...

Well, I had to run off to work , sorry about that, I just got home.

Ohh... want me to send you the message again??

No I didnt delete it yet, so it should still be there. I will be happy to answe
answer some questions now though since I am here.

Ok... welp, I don't remember exactly what I asked... could ya read it again?

IN that case, I will read it again, and answer you as much as I can later, OK??

OK, welp, how about a couple quest?>?? 1st offall, are you the Jay miney that
helped desigh the Amiga chipsset?

I was one of the 2 founders of the original Amiga Corp, and was the VP of engin
engineering, I designed the Agns chip, and was in charge of the design of the r
rest.

That's cool... how come you no longer work at C=? Not interested in computers
any more? :)

Commodore wanted to close down the Amiga division out here on the west coast, a
and none of us wanted to move back east. So the plant closed and I retired abou
about the end of 1986.

Wow... didn't you guyshave a 128 or so color chip set??? If so, why didn't it
ever get introduced??

Nope, never was such a thing.

Ahh... Do youthink we'll be seeing a new one seon?

Yes, C= has had time to do a full 8 bit plane chipset , and they should have on
one real soon (justmy opinion, no evidence).

Yeah... Black Belt Systems have stopped manufacturing HAM-E and have said that
they have signed a non-disclosure agreement with C=,,, think that could be a hi
hint?

Wouldnt be supprosed if C= will have HamE in their next release.

Think by any chance that the 3000 is capable of a 32 bit addressable chip set?>

Dpoont think so, but not sure, maby exchange of motherboards??

Ackk. I picked up a 3000 a year ago last August hoping it would be upgradable..
upgradable... Think the next chip set upgrade will be chips, board, or mntherbo
motherboard?

Well, just a guess, but prob new machine (4000) with the 040 chip, and full 32
bit buss, and new 8 bitplane chipset.

:(wow... Think anything may happen at the World of Commodore? Also, will th
the workbench be able to display all 8 bits? If so, why can't something like D
DMI Resolver work with WB?>

Dont know anything about DMI. No guess about WOC either. I go to the Ami Exp;os
sometimes, but C= doesnt invite me to WOC.

Really?/ Why not?? Also, did you have anything to do with the History of Amiga
video from AmigaWorld, and know if it's any good? I'm interested in buying it.
it...

I was in it, bt havent seen what they have done with it, so cant say yet. The p
party at which it was takes was good. Lots of fun!!!!

Hmm.. know anything aboyut that Amiga laptop?

Nope, just waht Ive read in the mags.

Are you happy with what C= has done with the Ami? I'm dssappointed that they j
haven't enhanced the chip set much yet... Is it really that much of aaclosed sy
system?? Sometimes I wish I had an IBM or something?.

Well, I havve an IBM at work, and I lothe (sp) it. Try one our by rental before
yo jump that direction. The Amiga still has the bes OS of the lower cost machin
machines, in fact I have a Sun also at work, and I would MUCH rather operate my
Amiga, except the CAD software just isnt there on te Amiga.

Are you happy with what C= has done? Is the Amiga THAT closed ended? Also, I
work at an IBM clone store, basically yûuI assemble, repair, etc. .. And I kinda
like them... I like the VGA disyúplay, eben though it doesn't animateswell at al
all, Also, why can't AmigaDOS work with an 8 bitplane device like Macs and Win
Windows?

Who says it cant?? Thethe programs call for sprites (fast pointers etc) tehn t
those have to use the pointer registers, but the Amiga is a general purpose bus
driver, and its 68000 can drie any frame buffer that they care to put in there
on the bus.

I jastraasume that ofdAmigaDOW could, then it would support Commodore's and Dig
DMgis 8 bit displays... Where do you work now? Another Computer company? I am
very interested in computers... A am a computer science majpr... Someday, I'd l
like to be aytleast ABLE to design a machine... sounds very interesting, but I'
I'm probably in the woong major...

Where are you studying??

Northeastern Universityyû..

Well, mhst openings will be in software, and IBM wxperience is prob good for yo
you, I whish you well withyur major. Right now I design Defibrillator chips
for a medical electronics co called Ventritex, here in Sunnyvale Calif.

Hpowcome AmigaDOS cantt go through C=ss graphoccboard? Also, ever think of hel
helping design a new chip set with C=? You doddsuch a good job on the 1st one!
:)

Well, some would dissagree , Actually I should have made it more expanddable, b
but they were trying like mad to kekep the costs down!!!!! Yes Iv_ thiught of
it, but I found this real good job (good pay, good stock options, and close to
my home) and worthwhile (medical applications), So I took it.

qst quest??   ^^

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How come AmigaDOS can't go through C=s graphic board? (U of Lowell)

It was designed to take advantage of the hardware registers in the Agnus chip t
to do fast windows etc. Look at the spped of windows (and the mem it takes)in
frame buffered machines. Ok for pictures (non animated) but ery rough to do fa
fast windows etc.

Yeah... i just wish something would happem that would put the Amiga's graphics
up to par with the rest... higher res, bigger pallette, etc.... For the time, t
the Ami blew everything else out of the water! Too baddMultimedia wasn't the t
thing then! Are you happy with how C= has pushed the Ami?

Thats why they dont inite me to things, I have been very critical of their PR a
and marketing. Actually I like the 2000 and the 3000, but they took too long t
to incorperate a flicker fixer, and their monitors generally suck.

Yeah! I have a ViewSonic 4E now, and love it.... Ya know those neww'VGA Modes'
Modes'? Think they mayuy be the future sereen modes?

Could be, probably next machine. I have a Zemith flat face, and love it, great
colors and contrast. (VGA).

I bet! You have a 3000? Also, I wish I coudl attend those developer meetings/
meetings// supposedly they've seen the protobotype chip set...

I wish I could too. Im very curious. They do have some good engineers, but a
are stuck with being back software compatable, just like IBM. Big problem!!!

I say screw it! :) I wish... I love myyAmi so much, had one since I was like
13 (my 1000)... Why dontt you apply for developer status?ñ I'm sure you're qual
qualified! Any tips on programming in C on the Ami? I am takinggC next quarte
quarted, and have picked up the AmigaDOS Hardware, Includes, and Devices, but
I can understand veey little out of them...

There is a book called "C on the Amiga" by Chuck Berry. Give that a try. I am
going to have to run along, my din din is getting cold.

Sorry about taht/.. Thanks alot for chatting It's been REEAALL interestedg!

I enjoy chatting, so gie me a chat again later OK???

OK1 (I thought you'd probably be sick of questions like mine by now!0

Thats why you asked right??? 8^)#### just kidding. Well, everyone is somewha
somewhat different.   OK Mike, key ya later????

L8r