

ARCADIANS

A USER GROUP FOR OWNERS OF THE BALLY HOME COMPUTER

The potential for Bally's computer system seems large, and a user group was started in early 1978. As it turned out, we were somewhat premature because the deliveries of the Bally base unit were minimal to non-existent during most of the year. The Tiny BASIC portion did not start to appear until October.

The organization of the group was informal as there was little point in formality when there was very little to talk about. However, now with the Tiny BASIC in distribution, people will be experimenting and learning new things, things not covered by the Bally documentation, and it seems apropos to have some sort of newsletter or journal to identify and disseminate the information that is developed by owners.

I am therefore soliciting subscriptions to the ARCADIANS on a yearly basis, November to October, at a \$5. rate. Payment at any time will result in receipt of all issues for the full year, as hopefully the material included will have continuing worth.

At first, issues will be produced on an "as-needed" basis with a bi-monthly minimum, expanding to monthly as required, possibly at the same time the keyboard option becomes available. A large majority of the material will be subscriber-developed, I'm not a computer expert and am learning as much or more than you are. The first issue will start up with a number of subscriber questions that have been received the last year. If there are any that you have, please send them along and they will eventually be answered. Inputs of all kinds are requested. We need programs, methods of interfacing to other gear, methods of getting around the limitations of the Tiny BASIC language, all the kinds of things that Shack and PET user groups and commercial outfits are developing. If you have a program to share, please send a copy-able version so we can just duplicate it.

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