

FOOTBALL CRAZY



More football games – but they're more of the same

The quest for a top quality Dreamcast football game continues unabated, with the impressive Sega Worldwide Soccer Euro 2000 the current leader, but still offering room for improvement. However, it's now been revealed that there will be at least another two footie games before the end of the year (and make that three if ISS Evolution makes its much rumoured appearance), although both of them are extensions to what has gone before. On paper, UEFA Striker 2001 sounds the most intriguing, thanks to the extra levels of detail that programmers Rage are putting into it. For instance, should your player be injured at the start of the game, they may hobble round with a limp for a bit, but if you don't take them off, the injury will get gradually worse as things continue.

The other main contender will be the third Dreamcast coming of the Worldwide Soccer series, predictably titled Sega Worldwide Soccer 2001 (as ever, subject to change). Little is known about this one at the moment, other than the fact that it has appeared on Sega release lists and looks set to further improve on the SWS model. And if it's anything like its two predecessors, it'll look stunning.



MORE PINBALL?

American release lists hint at something new incoming...

Thus far, the pinball scene on the DC has been restricted to Empire Interactive's upcoming Pro Pinball release, which promises to unite all the tables from the hit PC series. However, taking a look at American release lists, we discovered that over the next few weeks they are due to be receiving a title by the name of Worms Pinball. Experienced gamers are already well ahead, and will have deduced that this mixes both the popular Worms franchise with, er, pinball. Furthermore, you'll also know that the game was released on the PlayStation recently to, ahem, lukewarm reviews. As ever though, we live in hope of a pleasant surprise, and shall update you fully on the Worms situation in a future issue.



SONIC'S BACK!

A second adventure is on the way

As predicted in these very pages only an issue or two ago, Sega have confirmed that their mascot of old, Mr S Hedgehog himself, will be returning to the Dreamcast for a new adventure. With Sonic Adventure being a launch title for the console, and both a commercially and critically successful one at that, it didn't take us an enormous amount of genius to predict the return of the blue one.

So Sonic Adventure 2 is a goer then, and whilst we won't be seeing his friendly face until well into 2001, it's a meeting we'll be pencilling in our diaries.



THE BITCH IS BACK

Sigourney will be on the Sega

Fox Interactive, they who are published by the notoriously Dreamcast-shy (despite announcing a Nintendo 64 game for Christmas) Electronic Arts in the UK, will be turning to one of their parent company's most famous franchises for one of their early DC efforts. The title in question? None other than Alien Resurrection, not the most staggering of the four films, but certainly juicy

enough to warrant a fun packed game. The plot will centre around you trying to prevent a shipload of the little bastards getting to Earth and causing all kinds of havoc, and if it can capture even half of the mood and atmosphere of the PC game Alien vs Predator, then we'll be most happy, thank you very much.



NOTHING LEFT TO TEST

A drive we'll miss out on

Fans of the Test Drive series (given the quality of releases under the name over the past five years we'd be surprised if there were many about) will no doubt be left in floods of tears and uncontrollable hysterics, given the news from the States that work has been stopped on Test Drive Off Road 3 for the Dreamcast. We're sorry if we're the ones to break this tragedy to you, but since it's just yet another update of yet another middle of the road PlayStation title, we somehow think you're going to be able to overcome your trauma.