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# ri 520ST. omputer of 1985.

with 512 colours for superb graphic applications. The system's software is GEM<sup>™</sup> which means you can have overlapping windows, drop down menus and icons, plus the use of a mouse controller. Not to mention the choice of either mono or colour monitors.

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That's bad news for Apple, IBM and Commodore.

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520ST

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## Browsers' food Perth link to for thought

THE Minister for Arts, David Parker, says he dreads having Sunday lunch there The tood is cheap, but the books cost a poultire.

How it all came about is quite Staronizary The English writer of 1974 was a terrendous William de Win

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William had a chat with a pub-lister triend who said there wer-ous four areas which succeedes when economic times were har - tood liquer films and books Will

d his first New com-top with bearbons in in the same year. He could one in the his-d Arcade a bew years

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#### Champagne brunches

#### Painting's owner in 'poverty

A FORMER WA family is scouring the world in search of what they claim to be a lost painting by French Impressionist, Renoir.

Renor. The bitarre story preads across Mus-traha, Bertan, New Zealand, Fiji, South Mrica, Switzerland and the United States. It began to unfold this week when Mr Brett Carrol tel-ephoned the Sandas Dires from a catasan pass of Pensance, on on Mr Carrol Sadh e and Mr Carrol Sadh e and

Mr Carrol said he and

Mr Carrol said he and his mother, Jennifer, who used to live in Ger-aldton, were living in near powerts in the caravan park, because the Australian Govern-ment had suit off Mis Carrol's war widow mension.

He said his father had been killed in Viet-nam in 1968. Loss of the pension

had spurred the family to search for the Re-noir, "Les Daffodils." Mr. Carrol. says. the painting was purchased in 1951 by Mrs Carrol's de Lacto husband, Mr Phillip Woolfendon Phillip Woonenas, and a British art histo-rsan, the late Mr An

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According to newspa-per reports, the paint-ing, which Mr Eden is reputed to have judged as genuine, was found hidden in a secondhand shore, in 1901, and hought for 17 pounds -tertime. According to new

#### Imprisoned

He said the pair He said the painting had been given to a man who claimed to be a prominent Fijian rugby union identity and former MP involand in the recent him. ved in the recent Eijnan Barbarians' rebell tour of South Africa. The man had said he would take it to Swit-rerland and the United States' to have it

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any of us heard of it."

any of us heard of it," he soud. Mrs Carrol was re-leased from jail in 1983 and deported to Aus-tralia, while her de facto husband was deported to Britain

Mrs him there in December 1983.

Mr Carrol said the painting left the fam-ily's hands after his mother and Mr Wool-lendon were imprison-



in South Africa. A relative of Mr Car-rol, who lives in Perth, but asked not be identi-







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### High quality hi-fi units

FOR those want-ing to spend under \$2000 on someone special this Christ-mas, midi systems are well worth a look look

The compact hi-fi systems were once sold as items for those once living in apartments and other dwellings with limited space.

But these days, with heir improvement in

#### New PC AMSTRAD

will release a new comthe Christmas trade.

The PC20 will be MS-Dos compatible sell for \$899 on its own, or \$1199 with a color monitor.

It will be bundled (sold in a package with) with a number of software programs -expected to include a number of games and typing tutor, aimed at attracting the first-time user. Amstrad is obviously

Amstrad is obviously aiming, in part, at the market segment occu-pled by the games com-puters manufactured by Atari and Commodore. PC20 can be con-PC20 can be con-ected to a television

Those who have seen the unit say it looks like an Amiga 500 or a Atari

Around 2000 are ex-pected to arrive in WA ext week

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shrouded with sccreey and dealers who were talking were not saying anything. One dealer offered this journalist a free hunch, as much as I could eat, and he would tell me all he knew -without saying a thing! (I would reveal his identity, but a journal-

ist never reveals his sources - or his salad dressings.) Amstrad fanatics will

be hoping the company gets its stock control right this time around. No point in buying a Christmas present for someone if it will not be

Chr ere for the big event. The PC20 is fitted or ith an 8MHz 8086, 16-

bit microprocessor, 512K of Ram (random access memory), single 3.5inch, 720K floppy disk drive, enhanced 3.5inch, 720K floppy disk difve, enhanced AT-type keyboard, par-allel and serial ports, speaker with volume control, analog joy-slick port and expan-sion sockets for exter-nal disk drives. PC20 also features an interrated display

integrated display adaptor compatible with CGA (color graphics adaptor) for levision set and onitor and MDA (mo and nochrome display adap tor), an adaptor for mo rome text

A feature of the soft-ware package will be a version of the popular Gem menu program. Gem Version 3 inclucolor capability.

Alberts hi-fi

quality, midis are sold as quality hi-fi units. It possible to buy the units for under \$1000. The Electronic Enter-prises Group has four in its Christmas catalo-gue for under \$1000. in-cluding an Amstrad. JVC. Aiwa and Akai svstem.

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Both companies make midd systems with sepa-tate components. This sensible arriv-plice break down, re-plice break down, re-plice break down, re-relatively easy. With many three-in-relatively easy. With many three-in-relatively easy of the replacement means carting the entire box to the store and leaving it Recently I had the pleasure of a Marantz system in my home office. Also in its catalogue is the Amstrad Studio (\$999), similar to a midi in many ways, but advertised as a recordtce. This provided me in the opportunity to This with the opportunity to listen to some great comedy in the privacy of my own room. The Marantz MX583 (\$1999) comes with

ing studio mixer. Among the systems I have had a good look at are those manufactured by Panasonic and by Marantz. (\$1999) comes with turntable, tuner, ampli-fier, cassette deck, compact disc player and remote control. The remote will oper ate controls on the case ette deck. compact dis player, tuner and an plifier (includin raphic equaliser

#### Connected

It will also operate items not sold with the system, but which can be connected - televi-sion set, video recorder and CDV (compact disc

Speakers with the system are of a good standard and the remote is easy to follow and operate.

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The Marantz MX583





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