
Subject: try this

Posted by [metasonix](#) on Tue, 21 Sep 2004 07:34:06 GMT

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<http://users.net1plus.com/scottm/homecomputer.jpg>this is a hoax.i defy anyone to post an explanation of how you can tell.

Subject: Re: try this

Posted by [GarMan](#) on Tue, 21 Sep 2004 12:46:16 GMT

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I'm not an old-time programmer, but the earliest version of Fortran I know of is FORTRAN-77.BTW, here's a prediction that was real, but 30 years late to come true.gar.

Subject: Re: try this

Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Tue, 21 Sep 2004 14:13:25 GMT

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What's the steering wheel doing there?-akhilesh

Subject: Re: try this

Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Tue, 21 Sep 2004 14:14:45 GMT

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Looks like a ship control center to me....noithng like a computer should look like.

Subject: Re: try this

Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Tue, 21 Sep 2004 14:15:47 GMT

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Cool pic! BTW, there was a version fo fortran before F-77. thanx-akhilesh

Subject: Re: try this
Posted by [GarMan](#) on Tue, 21 Sep 2004 18:35:18 GMT
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I don't think there was one. That's why I think the ad, supposedly done in 1954, is a fake.

Subject: Re: try this
Posted by [Challenged by Sound](#) on Wed, 22 Sep 2004 02:07:15 GMT
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I think it's been overclocked

Subject: Re: try this
Posted by [metasonix](#) on Wed, 22 Sep 2004 05:16:35 GMT
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no takers?....the "console typewriter" is a DECwriter, a commonplace 1970s computer peripheral. So, this was a Photoshop hoax. The big control panel with a wheel on it probably came from a ship's engine room. The TV on the wall is just a random pic of an old TV. Guess nobody here learned computers in the 70s?

Subject: Yes there was: Fortran programs were being written in 1954
Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Thu, 23 Sep 2004 14:02:35 GMT
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<http://compilers.iecc.com/comparch/article/97-10-008> Check out that link. -akhilesh

Subject: Re: Yes there was: Fortran programs were being written in 1954
Posted by [GarMan](#) on Thu, 23 Sep 2004 18:56:29 GMT
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Stand corrected. I did do a quick search but wasn't able find any reference that far back.
