

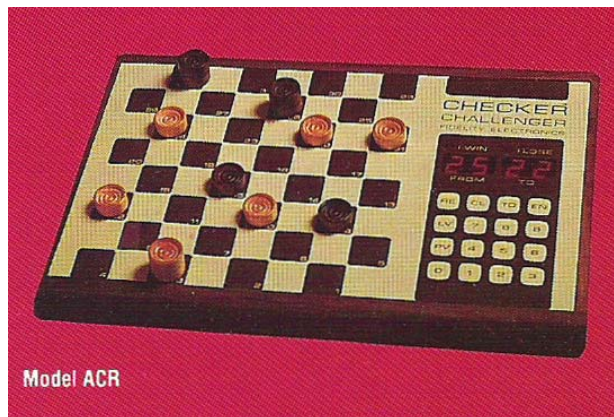
04-1978 [C-1451] Fidelity - Checker Challenger 4

Fidelity model: ACR. Soms komt men ook wel de naam Checker Challenger IV tegen. In tegenstelling met de Checker Challenger 2, is dit tafelmanier van teakhout gemaakt. Een luxere uitvoering dus. De uitvoering is zoals die van de Fidelity Chess Challenger 3 maar dan met een paneel met 16 bedieningstoetsen. In Duitsland werd dit model ook wel Senior Checker Challenger genoemd en kwam daar in april 1978 op de markt. Het is natuurlijk goed mogelijk dat dit model in de USA nog iets eerder verkrijgbaar was.

Elo (September 1978) Björn Schwarz

... Seit April dieses Jahres gibt es auch ein mikroprozessorgesteuertes Damespiel, den "Senior Checker Challenger". Das 498.00 DM teure Gerät ist ähnlich wie der "Senior Chess Challenger" aufgebaut, jedoch soll nach Auskunft der Herstellerfirma dessen Programm noch anspruchsvoller als dasjenige des Schachcomputers sein. Bei dem Spiel werden die Regeln des amerikanischen Damespiels (Checker) befolgt. Im Gegensatz zu den Regeln des deutschen Damespiels kann die Dame jeweils nur einen Schritt vorwärts- oder rückwärts-, jedoch nicht diagonal über das gesamte Spielfeld bewegt werden. Dieser Unterschied macht sich besonders im Endspiel bemerkbar, da sich eine einzelne Dame einer gegnerischen Überlegenheit nicht mehr so leicht entziehen kann ...

Erwerbsquelle: 09-1978, Zeitschrift Elo, Björn Schwarz: Computerspiele – die programmierte Unterhaltung.



Van Luuk Hofman komt de volgende info (deze keer in de Franse taal)

"Il s'agit de la seconde version de Checker Challenger, avec 4 niveaux de jeu et un meilleur programme. Il n'y a plus de film plastique et le jeu est resté très beau. L'alimentation électrique est en 12V alternatif et il n'est pas facile de trouver un adaptateur secteur. J'ai acheté ce jeu tel que sur la photo. J'ai trouvé un adaptateur secteur de récupération et des pions plastiques afin de jouer (et perdre) quelques parties. J'ai aussi récupéré des pions en bois plus jolis mais il ne sont pas magnétisés.

Internet

<http://www.acfcheckers.com/interview.htm>

(Un interview de Richard L. Fortman sur le site de l'ACF)

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Beknopt literatuuroverzicht over de tweekamp van Dr. Marion Tinsley tegen Chinook

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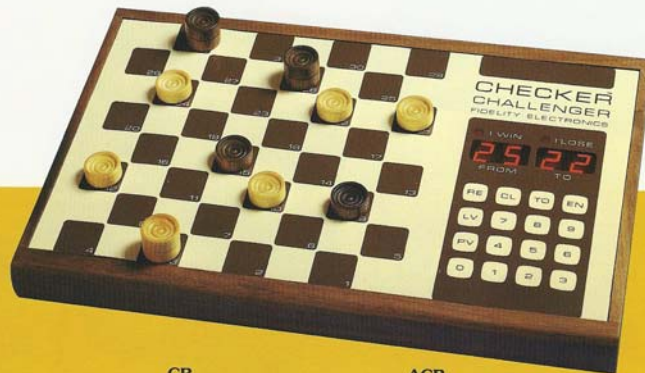
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Fidelity Challenger Series (1983)

Programmierer / Programmer

- (?)

Baujahr / Release

- Erste Einführung: April (?) 1978

Technische Daten / Technical specifications

- Mikroprozessor: (?)
- Taktfrequenz: (?) MHz
- Programmspeicher: 4 KB ROM (32K bits of ROM)
- Arbeitsspeicher: 256 Byte RAM (2K bits of RAM)

Spielstärke / Playing strength

- Spielstärke: (?)

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