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SC_AUTOBOOT released 1990 I think.

SC_AUTOBOOT was a modified ROM 3 chip which allowed Sam once reset or powered up to automatically load in the Dos without the need to press the function key F9.

Also software came with this to do special Dos loading, although I have lost the manuals for this, What I do remember is:-

On the Disc were 3 special Dos sector files.

SC_BOOTER which enabled one to have function keys F7 and F8 modified to do Directory things, screen mode 3 or 4, alter palette colour, system variable pokes before the Dos and normal auto files loads in.

SC_RESTORE If I remember this restored the Sam and Dos to the point such as a machine crash developed, I used this a lot in SC_ASSEMBLER so if a program I had assembled and about to test crashed within a couple of seconds. I would have my source and ram disc unaltered etc back to normal before the crash.

SC_ROM RESET This was the only special sector dos that was needed with SC_AUTOBOOT the other two work without the chip, as AUTOBOOT never cleared any memory above 24576 I think, it therefore became necessary to have this special Dos to fully clear the Sams memory as the only software I have known to crash was Champion the spreadsheet it needed the memory cleared out otherwise it would crash on loading.

I also sold other hardware from Edwin Blink for helping the Hard drive not to corrupt discs still in the sam when the power is turned on and off, or reseted, I sold it on behalf of Edwin here in England as SC_DISC PROTECTOR, although many customers also brought SC_AUTOBOOT at the same time.

I also sold 2nd hand Hard drives fully tested, Nice hard drive enclosures, Printers, ink refills, Labels etc.

If anyone has the manual for SC AUTOBOOT I would be grateful if it could be uploaded in some way.

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