

## BRUTAL FOOTBALL

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#### LOADING INSTRUCTIONS

#### **AMIGA**

- 1. Turn off the computer and disconnect all unnecessary peripherals. We recommend that you leave your computer turned off for 30 seconds in case a virus has installed itself into the computer's memory.
- 2. Insert the boot disk into the drive and switch the computer on. The game will now begin to load. Do not remove the disc from the drive whilst the game is playing.

- Insert floppy into Drive A or B and Type Brutal to run from floppy.
   To install onto Hard Disk as above, from floppy drive type install C: and follow the on-screen instructions.
- 3. The game can be played with joystick or keyboard, all the keys can be user defined.
  Follow the on-screen instructions to define your keys. Choices in the frontend can be made using the cursor keys, return and space.

#### THE DEFAULT KEYS ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

Left	T
Right	0
Up	W
Down	S
Fire 1	<space></space>
Fire 2	Р
Fire 3	Q
Forfeit Match	F1
Return to Title Screen	F9
Pause Game	<tab></tab>
Return to DOS	<backspac< td=""></backspac<>
	Right Up Down Fire 1 Fire 2 Fire 3 Forfeit Match Return to Title Screen Pause Game

NOTE: If you are using a Joystick - to use the power-ups, do a short press on Fire 2 and a long press to scroll through them. Requires minimum 590k base memory and 1Mb of Extended Memory (EMS). If you do not have enough free memory please refer to your DOS manual for instructions on how to enable EMS and how to make a system disk.



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Welcome to Brutal Football. To guide you through this knuckledusting, face-crunching game are Jim Skinner and Bob Tanner, the most famous managers in the history of the sport.

"Hi folks, Jim Skinner here. There are two types of Brutal Football players, those who want a piece of 'in your face action' straightaway and those who want to find out about leagues and knockouts and the like. Well, if you're one of the first types, press down and fire on joystick, then Fire six times. Faster than you can say "Hack off his head", you're in your first unfriendly match. ENJOY!



If you can't stand the heat and want to get detailed information on different competitions and rules - I hate that word - see the section later on. Now for some body-slamming, double decapitating moves, here's my old mate, Bob Tanner."

"Thanks, Jim Bob me old pal. So you're in your first game and your players are getting kebabed or atomised. You need to know the basic moves in BRUTAL FOOTBALL."

- A player will automatically pick up the ball when he runs over it.
- Once in possession, press fire to pass ball.
- Press and hold down fire to kick the ball in the direction a player is facing.
- When not in possession, press fire to punch an opponent or launch a flying tackle.
- Stand over an opponent and press fire to stomp him.
- Press and hold fire to make a flying catch.

Now you think you're ready to rumble. Well, you're going to end up kissing dirt unless you take in the finer points of the game. This game ain't just about kicking and punching. It takes a lot of skill and practice to learn the best way of mincing the opposition. Here's how. Objects or icons will appear on the pitch at various times during a game.



		K UPS
	Sword	gives you a cutting edge in attacking opponents.
2	Shield	protects player from attack.
486	Grenades	makes your attack go with a bang.
2	Bomb	bigger bangs to wipe out the opposition (PC only).
20	Rabbit	speeds up your players.
<b>M</b> -	Tortoise	slows down your players.
4	Lightning	strikes down opposition for set amount of time.
B	Ice-cube	ices opposition for set amount of time.
ě	Magic potion	renders your player invisible for set amount of time.
*	Running ball	balls sprouts legs and will follow your controlled player for set amount of time.
0	Repel icon	bounces opposition into touch.
	Two extra icons	appear in two-player mode:
¥	Joystick reverse	reverses directions on your opponents joystick.

Joystick swap swaps team controls.

Now you know what's available, you'll want to know how to put it all into action. Back to Mr Skinner himself.
Yo, give me a high five and a low dive. Here's how to turn yourself into the best Brutal Football player since the Red Devils of Blood Alley.

Run over an icon to pick it up. A maximum of three icons can be held at any one time. See State of Play below.

Player one hold down the F1, player two F10 button down to scroll through stored icons. (Amiga 500/600/1200)
Player one press F2 and Player two F9 to unleash your weapons on opponents.

#### STATE OF PLAY

So you want to see if you're getting a mauling or if you're pasting the opposition? Sure you can. If you want any information about the game it's all there in the state of play panel.

- The dots on the central panel shows the position of every player on the pitch.
- The flashing coloured dots are the selected players.
- The white flashing dots show position of power ups.
- The solid white dot is the ball.
- Top bar shows the strength of your selected player.
- Lower bar shows overall team strength.
- Window shows any icons held by team.
- Hold down F1/F10 to scroll through your icons (Amiga only).
- Clock shows game time remaining.
- The score is shown in these boxes.



#### THE RULES

I guess the good people at home have had enough of us by now, you're probably itching to get into some blood-letting, so we'll let you go.

Hold on Jim. I think you're forgetting the different competitions and their rules.

Pa, I hate that word. OK, OK, here goes.

- You can win a Brutal Football Game by outscoring the opposition OR by slaughtering six out of their seven players.
- Each game lasts seven minutes.
- Once the game begins there are no rules.
- If a game ends in a draw, the ball is thrown away and injury time is played. During this time each team must fight to the death. The first person to kill six opponents wins.

Ha! Injury time. That's more like it. Now can they get on with it? I'm dying to see some fast and furious action.

Sorry Bob we need to explain the different games that can be played. Let's start with the unfriendly.

How about we start with being unfriendly?.... SMACK ... I'm afraid Jim is having a quick lie down ... STOMP... So I'll begin.



## UNFRIENDLIES

After starting the game, the select game screen will appear. Scroll through the choices using the joystick and chose UNFRIENDLY by pressing fire.



- Unfriendlies can be played by 1 or 2 players.
- Scroll through the eight humanoid teams
- Press fire to select a team.
- Type in the new name if you wish to customise team names.
- Use keyboard to change letters.
- Moving it left or right will select whichever letter you wish to change.
- Press fire again to get control options.
- Use joystick to scroll though control options.
- Each option is explained on screen.
- Press fire again to select preferred control option.
- Both players must chose teams (two player mode only).

#### **NUMBER OF GAMES**

After selecting team and control option, the player can choose how many unfriendlies they wish to play. There is a choice of playing one game, best of three or best of seven. Scroll through these options and press Fire to select.

That's about all there is to know about unfriendlies. My old sparring partner Ed Case seems to be recovering in time to explain the knockout competition. Let me give you a hand OOF!

Hello folks, it seems that Jim's been knocked-out by the knockout competition. But he will insist on getting up like the old battler he is CRUNCH.





#### THE KNOCK-OUTS

Eight Viking teams compete in the knock-out competition. Scroll through the teams on screen and press fire to select your team.

To select computer or human controlled teams, scroll through the column with computer chip or hand icons and press fire. Change of name is possible by typing in new name.



If you win a game you will proceed to the semi-finals. Your next opponents will be selected by the computer.

## THE LEAGUE

OK, OK. Let's crank it up for the big one - the Brutal Football League.

Dust down those knuckle dusters and get ready to slash and smash. But first, here's some information supplied by Noel 'Bonecruncher' Knowall, our resident expert on all aspects of the league. OK then, shoot ... on no. I didn't mean ... stop BANG!

The idea for a Brutal Football League was first mooted in 2034 when the American Football Leagues dwindled due to audience boredom. Brutal Football was invented by a Mr Dan Syco and was initially conceived as a crude population control operation.

At first Brutal Football matches, played by humans were extremely popular. However, interest began to die as quickly as the players. Crowds grew restless as the games rarely lasted for more than a minute. Two teams dominated this period: the Braindead Bazooka's and the high-flying National Nukers.

The final confrontation between these teams drew an enormous crowd to the Badlands Arena where the game was to be fought. An explosive match was predicted. Unfortunately, no one had predicted quite how explosive it would be. Within thirty seconds the Nukers lived up to their name as they declared war on their opponents - thermo-nuclear war. The entire land mass of Utopia was obliterated. The result was deemed a no score draw.

This setback might have seen the end of the game but for Professor Graham Geek. His genetically engineered bi-peds proved ideal players of the game. Once production had been taken over by Acme Bi-Peds Inc, the league was up and running.





After long and detailed consideration - lasting at least three minutes - the following rules were made up.

- Four leagues exist.
- Each new member of the league must start at the bottom of the fourth division with a team of Viking Bi-peds and attempt to work through the league.
- Each league is made up of four teams.
- Six games must be played per season.
- Three points are awarded for an outright win
- Two points are awarded for winning after injury time.
- One point is awarded for losing after injury time.

That's great Noel. I love this game! And seeing Ed Case on the floor there in a pool of blood reminds me of the special locker room option that occurs at the end of each match. To explain how this works, let's hear a big hand for Doc. Harry Skulls.

Gee thanks Bill. Hey, you're looking a bit overworked, you need to take a break, a neck break. CRUNCH. Enjoy your lie down - you'll thank me later.



At the end of each league game a championship screen appears. Scroll through the options and press fire to select your choice. The screen appearing at the end of each league match has two extra choices. The first is the locker room option.

## THE LOCKER ROOM

When entering the locker room you will see your players in various states of repair. You can try and return your players to match fitness and select players for your next match.



You can select players from the nine bi-ped squad. Player number one is a specialist goalkeeper. All others will play in any position.

The physical health of players is constantly checked and displayed on monitors above their heads.

Select the player you will treat by scrolling through team then pressing fire when reaching appropriate player.

A door will then appear in front of this player. Three sorts of treatment are available, each with their own sign.

- Too cure flesh wounds.
- The 'magic sponge' will clear up serious injuries.
- Cranial reconstruction is reserved for the most serious cases.

BE WARNED all treatment costs money. The health of your medical finances is monitored on the central panel.

REMEMBER success on the field of battle, er sport, will bring financial rewards.

Having treated your players, you must select your team for the next match.

For automatic team selection, press return, this will choose the first 7 Vikings with heads.





For individual player selection, scroll through your team and press space.

That's all from me folks. Jim and Bob want a few more words with you but seeing as they're temporarily incapacitated, I'll hand you over to the large, capable hands of our very own half man, half mutant, Ben 'Cannibal' Deth... OOOOF!

Magic stuff, Doc. Now stitch that! Evening all. I've seen a lot of brutal sports and I know the teams. Here they are.

#### THE VIKINGS

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The weakest teams in the league

Best Viking Player: Best Viking Team: Thor Gutstrech Lasse Rate
The Blooded Horns - placed

sixth in league in 2045

Worst Viking Player:

Noggin 'no brain' Nunsense. Debut lasted 1.5 seconds

Stomping

#### THE LIZARDS

Special moves:



The second worst teams in the league are lizard players

Best Lizard Player:

The Barbecue Beast - a

Best Lizard Team:

ferocious monster of a player The Komodo Goat Slayers fourth placed team in 2048

Worst Lizard Player:

'Giraffe Neck' Gecko. For obvious reason, this player's

contract was soon terminated

Worst Lizard Team: Special moves: The One-legged Leapers Fire-breathing skills can roast

an opponent within seconds

#### THE WILD GOATS



Excellent Brutal Football players. Mainly found in the second division

Best Wild Goat Player: 'Butt-out' Belcher

Best Wild Goat Team: The Ram Raiders - second

placed 2066

Worst Wild Goat Player: Dan Green Horn. This

player's head was never discovered after being kicked

into orbit

Special Moves:

rolling tackles and Horn butt

#### THE RHINOS



The best Brutal Football players in history. Always in the first division

Best Rhino Player:

The Concrete Warrior: Rhan

Hardplate

Best Rhino Team:

The Earthquake Seven -

league winners 2059 - 2065

Worst Rhino Player:

Five Kill Smallhorn

Worst Rhino Team:

Trampled underfoot by other

Rhino outfits. No records

remain of them

Special Moves:

Almost unstoppable, massive

players

Well that's all from ... AAAAARGH.

That was a great wrecking job Bob.

Certainly was, there's just time to ace Ben Bloodaxe and let you know the last few details.

To save your position in the league after a match, choose the show password screen, then the follow the directions.

After every match, whether unfriendly, knockout or league, you will be able to see your team's performance on the statistics screen.

That's all there is. Knuckle down, enjoy Brutal Football and don't lose your head. This is Jim Skinner and Bob Tanner wishing you a happy, bloodfest time.





#### **BRUTAL FOOTBALL SPEAK**

Now, for you to understand the finer points of the game you need to know the terms and slang so listen up!

**ACED** The removal of the opponent's head in

one attempt

**ATOMISED** Complete annihilation requiring the Slab

Man

**BELLY VENT** Slashing with a sword across the midriff

**BOOTHEELED** Running over an opponent across the

midriff

**CANNONBALL** Full speed collision, running at full tilt

CRYING TIME The ultimate defeat

DUKE The toughest of players

**EAT WALL** Splattering of opponent into the pitch

edge walls

FREEWHEELING Throwing opponent's head instead of the

ball

GUILLOTINED Clean removal of the head

**ICED** Locked in a temporary ice prison

KISS DIRT Deliberate pressing of the other player's

face into the field

**KEBABED** Skewered coming down from a jumping

catch

MINCED Extreme use of the sword to turn players

into burger meat

**RECYCLED** Regenerated player

**RATATOUILLE** The state of a player after a Mincing

**SANDBAGGED** A player at the bottom of a Wrecking Job

**STOMP** Merciless use of the feet on horizontal

opponents

**SLAB MAN** The unlucky guy who has to scrape the

players from the pitch

TURKEY SHOOT Easy victory

WRECKING JOB A mass attack of players bundling the

opponent



with a commentary by Vinnie Bones.
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A sure fire winner of a present for the problem child in your family. This action-packed video is guaranteed to turn heads, featuring the very best head-hacking, bone-crunching, jaw-smashing moments from last year's Brutal Sports Football League.

Gasp as the Rhinos inflict devastating damage with their thundering upfield charges, thrill to the double-decapitations by the Concrete Warrior and cheer as the Lizards light up a Viking barbecue.

With built-in slow motion, action replays and a commentary by the legendary Vinnie Bones this a video fans will kill for. Here's what the critics say.

"Er... Quite remarkable".

"Outstanding violence - I couldn't get enough!"

"No boring goals, just action - a hit."



Is life getting you down? Are you having problems with parents or teachers? Well, kick worries into touch. Your problems solved with your very own Brutal Football Bi-Ped.



From Acme Bi-Peds R Us, you can hire Reg the Unstoppable for a mere three hundred dollars a minute. He'll take care of any small problems - and that's guaranteed!

Be the envy of your friends and the most popular kid on the block with your very own Bi-Ped. Any one of the Brutal League players can be yours - ideal for settling those small neighbourly rows or for heavy jobs about the house. Discover happy, violent endings. We're sure you'll have a great day.

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## HEADS A GO GO

Souvenir Bi-ped heads for sale or to swap for upper body limbs. Also second hand swords and shields fresh from the battle field.

# FOR SALE

Goals, goals, goals video. Unwanted present, any offers considered. Also for sale, 1 betamax video player, 1 Squariel and 1 Lada.

# **FOR SALE**

Souvenir T-shirts and shorts with blood stains. This is the genuine article, as worn by ringside season ticket holders. Ring Entrail Entertainment on 9957590 now! We take only the best - accept no imitations.

## COMPETITION

Win action photos of this season's lowlights. Great close-up, full colour snaps showing limbs cracking and heads flying. Collection includes before and after photos of big matches. In order to win, simply look at the pictures of the Dragon Flame-Throwers taken before and after yesterday's big match. Circle the differences on the photographs and send in them in to us.

#### **SPOT THE HEAD**

Win a ringside seat and a locker room tour with our great new, spot the head competition. Using your skill and judgement, study the action-packed picture below and work out where the severed head should be. Mark the position of the head with a cross, cut out the photograph and return it to Hemlock News International.



#### FANSLETTERS

I am writing to say how absolutely appalled I was by a gesture made during last week's match between Odin's Odious Seven and the Lacerating Lizards. In the second minute of the game one of the Vikings offered to help a tackled lizard get to his feet. This sort of gentlemanly behaviour should be banned immediately. Just think what sort of example it might set to the younger generation.

I was only thankful that the Lizard player stood up and instantly chopped off the Viking's arm - an action that met with my warm approval. I really think such conduct should be firmly stamped upon. Any player that does such a thing should be put in the army - it never did me any harm - then hunted with an elephant rifle. That'll teach the do-goody blighters a lesson they won't forget in a hurry.

## Yours in spluttering disgust Colonel Wildbore-Smythe

I am afraid that I have never plucked up the courage to write to you before but I feel that I owe you a great debt. I am a rather timid and shy person who rarely goes out, so my television set really is my constant companion. It always brings me warmth and entertainment and the highlight of my week is your own delightful sport.

I always pour a sweet sherry and tuck myself up with a hotwater bottle to watch some Brutal Football. The sight of those muscle-bound players, all hot and sweaty with their bones crunching is marvellous. The way they hack off heads as they pour forwards in a boiling frenzied attack is almost too much to bear. I love it when they get into hand to hand combat with fists flying and blades glinting.

Ahem, ... and so I'd like to thank you for screening a few hours of harmless fun each day for someone like myself to enjoy. My only slight complaint is that the slow motion replays could be slightly slower and closer-up to enable me to have a better view of the action. However, keep up the good work!

#### Yours Miss Lickspittle (librarian retired).

# Angry with your boss? Frustrated at home? Sounds like you need a holiday.

Well here's your great chance to get away from it all and to practise some of your favourite Brutal Football moves. If your sword slashes are a bit rusty or you need to polish up your kebabing techniques, we've got the perfect remedy.

Why not spend a week at the world's first Brutal Football Theme Park. You'll be staying in luxury with all the facilities you would expect from a five star hotel. In the morning you will receive top tips from that all time great coach, Dick the Disemboweller. After a four course lunch (price included in holiday) you can put your new skills into action against a team of specially programmed Bi-Peds. They can run and they can fight, but they cannot to injure our guests.

In the evening you can relax in the bar and tell your friends about your sporting exploits. We're sure you'll have a slashing good time. There are also some great rides with a brutal theme and each evening there's a new football game. If you want to take a break you can always visit our Hall of Fame or check out the memorabilia stalls.

At the end of your stay we will present you with a souvenir certificate and a video showing the highlights of your sporting action.

So why not treat yourself? We're sure that once you've stayed with us, you'll come back again ... and again.

PS. Special Summer family rates. Why not bring the children too? It's never too early to teach them those playground skills such as grenade throwing and decapitation.





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CONSIDERED.

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