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Catalyst: Integrating it for a IIe and Corvus ProDOS Omnidrive

The information below assumes that you are totally familiar with the commands and terminology of the Corvus ProDOS System Manager and the constellation system that was included with your Corvus Omnidrive. Incidentally, the instructions below are also compatible with any copy protected software application. Any problems with this installation of the Catalyst system should be referred to Quark Technical Support.

NOTE: Most protected software will only run from slot #6. In most cases, the Transporter card must be in slot #7 and the floppy controller card will reside in slot #6. When creating and mounting volumes, do so on logical drive 1. (eg. slot 5, drive 1.)

PROCEDURE

1. Boot the Corvus System Manager software. At the prompt, type "A2MGR" and press RETURN.
2. Create a ProDOS "user" and format it using the PRODOS FILER. Once the "user" has been created, give it write access to a volume that is to be used for data storage.
3. Boot the Corvus. You will be presented with a prompt stating "NO .SYSTEM FILE PRESENT"
4. Press CONTROL RESET which will take you to the monitor level. An asterisk "*" prompt will appear.
5. Place the Catalyst disk in the floppy drive with the write protect tab removed. Press the 6 key, the CONTROL key, and the P key (read 6 control P) and RETURN. You will be presented with the Catalyst menu. At this point follow the instructions in the Catalyst manual starting with step 5 to complete the Catalyst installation.

NETWORK NOTES:

Catalyst will accept any ProDOS compatible mass storage device including those that support a network environment provided that the user purchase separate copies of software that is copy protected for each node of the network. For example, if you have a Corvus Omninet system with six work stations using VisiCalc, it will be necessary to purchase six separate VisiCalc packages and six Catalyst packages in order to use the Omninet within the guidelines of the agreement. Under NO circumstances will two or more Catalyst packages be sold with identical serial numbers. This will necessitate the creation of a separate volume within the network for each network node. This volume will contain the copy protected programs used by Catalyst.

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