

IMS/Interconnex Peanut

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Introduction

In 1998 Innovative Media Solutions (IMS), a small company based in Somerset, announced that it was collaborating with Interconnex UK Ltd to build a RISC OS laptop using technology licensed from Acorn. The laptop was called project Peanut. The computer was demonstrated at the 1998 Wakefield RISC OS Show in May 1998. The system was based on the ARM7500FE CPU and would run RISC OS 3.71.

Unfortunately Acorn closed their workstation division in September 1998 and cancelled the Risc PC2 (Phoebe), Interconnex took over IMS in Nov 1998 and in April 1999 the Peanut died when the Interconnex web site said that "Due to increasing difficulties obtaining the necessary components, and the reduction in the size of the potential market, we have regretfully had to halt development of this product".

Manuals and documents

None.

Peanut

Here are some pictures of the Peanut:



Peanut at 1998 Wakefield PISC OS show

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Peanut from Arcade BBS



Peanut form Arcade BBC

Specifi cation:

Storage	2GB Hard Disk
	20 speed CD ROM
	3.5" 2Mb Floppy Disk Drive
Display	12.1" TFT Screen
	800x 600 in 256 colours
Memory	4Mb page mode RAM
	16Mb or 32Mb EDO RAM
	240b battery backed CMOS RAM
	Unique ID Chip
Data Input	88 key keyboard
	Touch sensitive 2 button Glidepoint mouse
Software	RISC OS 3.71
	Internal battery management
Connectors	Parallel port
	Serial port
	VGA output
	External keyboard and mouse
	Headphones (3.5mm jack)
Audio	CD Quality 16 bit sound
	CD Audio
Dimensions	297mm x 236mm x 47mm
Weight	3.5kg
Power supply	External mains transformer
	NiMH battery
Price	£1,500 (approx)