

Once you have entered one of these programs the method of returning to the Menu varies and can be found under the documentation for that particular program. However, you can nearly always over-ride this by hitting the Panic Button on the Pegasus Board, to return to the Menu.

When in the Menu all keys not representing a Menu entry will be ignored. In the following discussion about the keyboard it is best to enter Basic by typing B in order to experiment.

The Pegasus Keyboard

The keyboard can generate any character in the Ascii character set. After Power up the upper case alphabetic characters are active and the lower case characters are obtained using the shift key. However, by tapping the caps lock key the lower case letters become the normal characters and the shift key is used to get upper case. Tapping the caps lock key again will take you back to the normal power mode.

The ESC key (Escape) has only one function and that is to halt the output of text to the screen. Tapping it again will resume the output. Alternatively, The Break Key can be typed. In most programs this will also cause a termination of the output as well. Here is a program in Basic to illustrate this. If you are in the Menu and you have Basic installed type B to enter basic and get the "ready" prompt. Now type in the following. You may use the BACK SPACE key if you make an error. Type RETURN when it is all in.

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10 PRINT "HELLO": GOTO 10
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If you get an ERR 4 message try again. Now type RUN. Again if you get an ERR 4 message something is wrong. You should have lots of "HELLO"s appearing at the bottom of the screen and scrolling up. Now type the ESC key. The "HELLO"s will stop. Typing ESC again will allow the output to continue. Type ESC once more to stop output and then type the BREAK key. This will start output but immediately stop the basic program and return you to the basic prompt. This is typical of the way most languages will use the BREAK key.

On the bottom right hand side of the keyboard there are two unmarked keys. They have functions which are used in a typical way in Basic. Firstly tapping the right hand blank key will cause characters typed in to become inverted video on the screen. Tapping it again will revert to ordinary video. This key is called INVFLAG. The left blank key when tapped causes control codes typed in to be displayed as Greek characters, instead of performing their normal functions, (which are described later). Tapping it again reverts to normal mode. This key is called RAWFLAG.

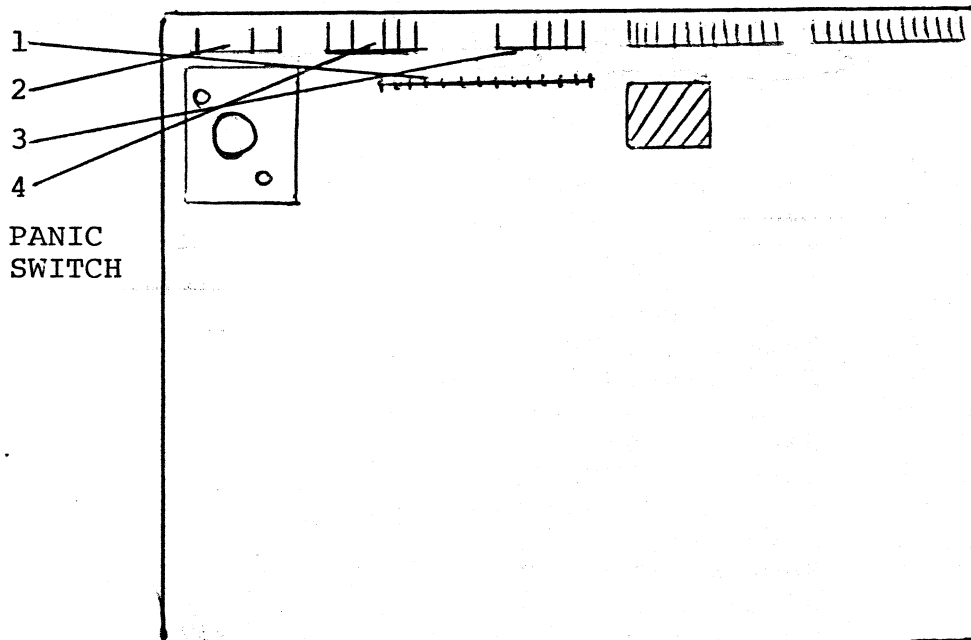
APPENDIX 1

HOW TO START YOUR PEGASUS

Check your equipment:

- 1 Pegasus
- 1 Power supply
- 1 RF Modulator
- 1 Keyboard
- 1 TV

Plug positions:



1. Keyboard plug : plug in so metal chips face inwards.
2. Power supply plug : you can only plug this in one way
3. Cassette recorder plug : you can plug this in one way only.
4. RF modulator plug : you can plug this in one way only.

NOTE: On cassette recorder interface cable, blue is microphone and yellow is ear.

HINTS FOR CASSETTES

Cassettes can be a difficult media to use for data storage, especially to get working on a wide range of quality in equipment and tapes. The following information may be helpful to those experiencing difficulties.

1. Keep recorder away from TV set when saving or loading as it may pick up interference which will degrade performance.
2. Volume setting on playback is usually not critical and should be set between half and full volume. The correct setting for your recorder will be found with experiment. Try three or four positions in this range to get the best results. If you cannot get good loads relatively quickly it is likely something else is wrong. If the load operation never returns with a message it generally means that the volume is so low that it will not trigger the input circuitry. Load Aborted or Checksum errors may mean the volume is either too high or too low.
3. If you suspect the cassette you are trying to load has an inverted recording, see special sheet.
4. Cassettes which have excessive wow may give checksum or load errors, especially if the file was recorded in that condition. Try firmly squeezing the cassette sides and resaving the file. Long cassettes such as C60 or C90's are particularly prone.
5. Sometimes noise on the tape prior to the file can cause a load abort before the file is even reached. If this happens position the tape close to the file before typing load. N.B.: When the Pegasus records a file it first records 10 seconds of silence followed by four seconds of ones, followed by the file data. The cassette can be positioned anywhere before the file data. Generally the Pegasus does not mind starting loading well before the file, even within a previous file. It starts loading data when it finds the first file header.
6. The new leads can be used on old boards by plugging it in upside down.
7. If you still cannot get reliable success, please contact us as we also would like to know why.

Appendix 2 - EPROMS

Eprom need considerable care when handling since they are delicate and expensive devices.

Firstly, always remove the mains power before changing or installing eproms.

Secondly, made absolutely sure that you install the eproms the correct way round. Applying power to an eprom that is plugged in the wrong way round will instantly destroy it.

A screwdriver makes an excellent lever to gently pry the eprom loose without bending any of its pins. When installing eproms you must make sure that all the pins locate correctly into the socket and do not bend out or underneath. All eproms must be aligned the same way - that is with the small notch facing the edge of the board.

The monitor should never be removed and always occupies socket 3. Sockets 1 and 2 may be used for any of the following (Socket 2 is the middle socket). Relocatable means that the eprom will work in either socket 1 or socket 2.

<u>Language</u>	<u>No. of Eproms</u>	<u>Sockets</u>
BASIC	1	Relocatable
FORTH	2	A in socket 1, B in socket 2
PASCAL	2	A in socket 1, B in socket 2
XBASIC	2	A in socket 1, B in socket 2
WORDPROCESSOR	1	Relocatable
MICRO ASSEMBLER DISSEMBLER	1	Socket 1
DEBUG PACKAGE	1	Relocatable

The eprom expansion board removes the need to change eproms and allows all languages to be in the Menu at once. (software selectable)