Alan Emtage - Inventor of internet search (Barbados)

Alan Emtage was born in Barbados in the Caribbean, the son of Lord and Lady Emtage in 1964.

While he was studying in high school, Alan became the proud owner of a Sinclair ZX81 with 1Kb of memory, which changed his life when he fell in love with computing.

After leaving high school, Alan moved to Canada to study Computer Science in Montreal, where he received both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees. In 1986, while still at university, Alan helped bring the first internet link to Eastern Canada and in 1989 he invented *Archie*, the world's first internet search engine!

Emtage was a founding member of the Internet Society and went on to create and chair several working groups at the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF), the standard-setting body for the Internet.

Emtage also co-chaired the *Uniform Resource Identifier* working group which created the standard for Uniform Resource Locators (URLs or web addresses) working with other famous programmers such as:
- Tim Berners-Lee,
- Marc Andreessen,
- Mark McCahill
- Jon Postel