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Q-Link's Online Resort Combines Interaction, Animation and Fun!

Imagine an island resort where you can get away from your everyday cares, a vacation spot where you can swim, sightsee, take in a show and chat with other tourists. Well, now you don't have to hop a plane to take a dream vacation — Q-Link invites you to Club Caribe, our new online island resort!

From the moment you enter Club Caribe, you cease to exist only as words on your Commodore screen. Caribe is a joystick-controlled alternative world where anything goes — it has its own environment, laws of nature, and currency. You become a guest of the island, and you can custom tailor a new physical "self" before kicking back to enjoy a break from the cares of your day.

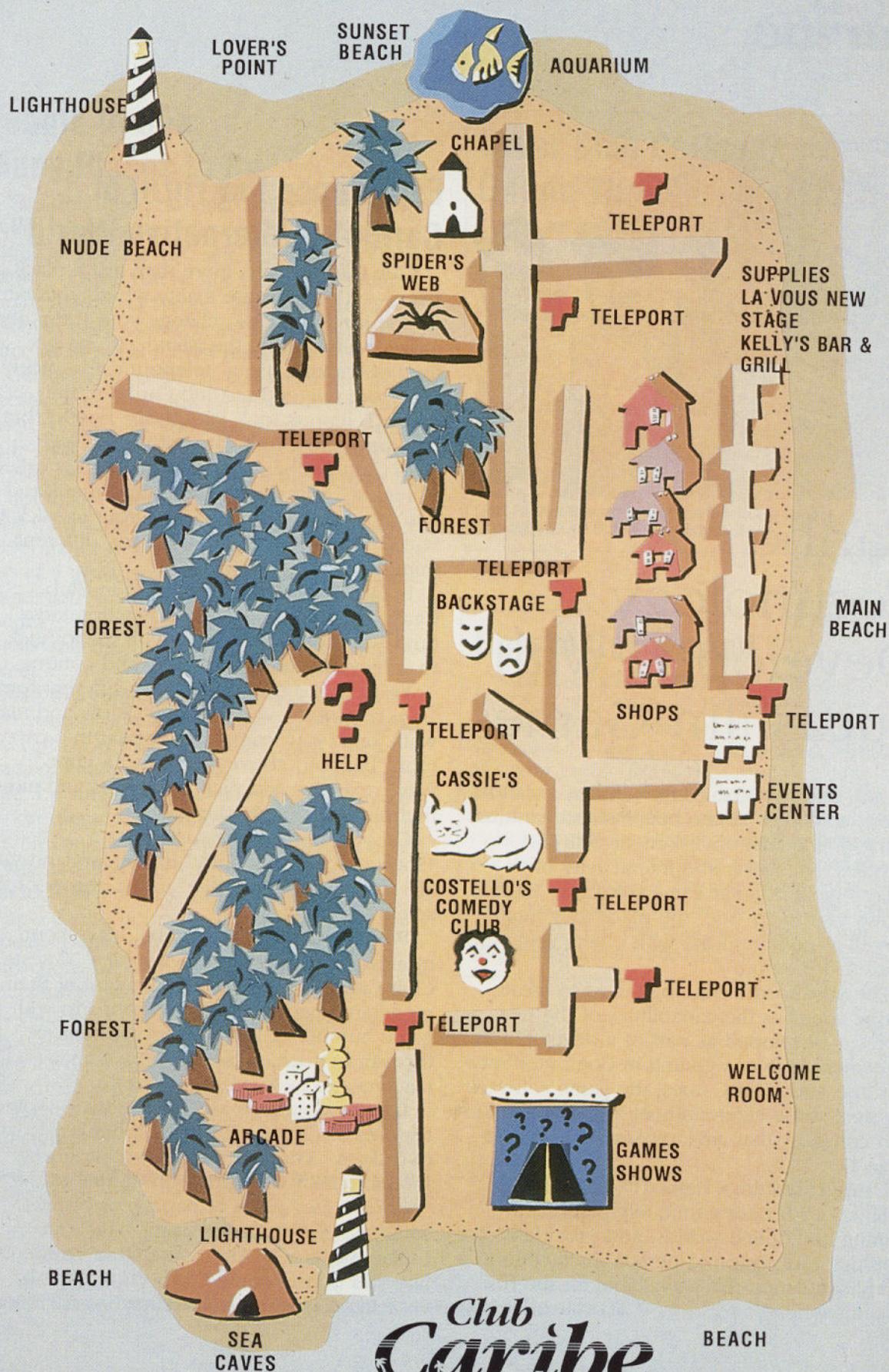
Relax on Club Caribe's luxurious beaches or drink at one of its friendly pubs. Play a game in the Arcade or marry your Caribe sweetheart in the island Chapel. Spend an evening at the Comedy Club, see the exotic fish in the Aquarium, explore the dark Sea Caves, or buy vacation goodies in Caribe's Shopping District.

While you're taking advantage of the island's many activities, you can chat with other Q-Link vacationers as well. Every



visitor to Club Caribe customizes a tourist "body", so you'll soon know their faces, not just their screen names. The adventures you and your fellow tourists can have are limited only by your imaginations!

All this month, you can get your Club Caribe Kit, with everything you need to enjoy your island getaway, FREE — just order it online by July 31. Turn the page to find out more about our new island resort — and plan to come visit us soon. We'll see you on the beach!





Caribe Technology Developed with Lucasfilm Games

Club Caribe, Q-Link's new online vacation resort, combines all the benefits and features of the online chat environment with the graphics, animation and interactivity of today's most popular game software. Caribe allows visitors to "see" the place they inhabit as well as communicate with others using the usual text method.

The advanced technology used to create Caribe stretches the capabilities of the C64 and was developed as part of a development agreement between Quantum Computer Services and Lucasfilm Games, the game software division of the entertainment and film production company that gave us *Star Wars*TM (see page 11).

Using Lucasfilm's HabitatTM technology, Q-Link's Club Caribe uniquely blends the gaming and online worlds, and provides color graphics and person-to-person interaction in a world simulation that's available for the first time anywhere!

Experience the Thrill of Caribe's "Alternative World"

Club Caribe offers more than just a place to relax — it's a separate reality where you can decide how you look, change your form, and move freely around the island. If you get tired of walking use a "teleporter" to quickly hop from one end of Club Caribe to the other. Teleports look like phone booths, but they transmit your body, not your voice!

In Club Caribe, each area or room is called a "region," and you move around the island and interact with others using your joystick to "Go," "Get," "Put" and "Do" many different things.

In fact, there's so much to do in Club Caribe that visitors use their function keys (and "Control" keys) along with the joystick to achieve maximum mobility and control.

You can roam Caribe in two different forms — as a "Guest", you are fully visible and may walk, talk (your comments appear in a cartoon "balloon" above your head!), jump, wave, exercise and pick up objects and move them in and out of your "pocket."

Or, you can roam the island as a "Spectator." Your "body" disappears and you are seen only as an "eye" in the corner of the screen!

When you visit Club Caribe, leave your money at home with your troubles. Guests in Club Caribe use tokens to take care of their monetary needs. You begin your trip with a given number of tokens, and can remove them from your pocket or the automatic teller machines to make your purchases.

It's not as strange as it all sounds — some features of Club Caribe will be familiar to all Q-Linkers. You can still send other guests E-Mail (which will appear in Caribe guests' "pockets" as a piece of paper), or contact someone else in Caribe using "ESP" (an online message). And you chat in Caribe just like you do in People Connection, typing your messages in using the keyboard.

People to See, Many Places to Be

The first time you visit Caribe, you will create your vacation "look," deciding such things as your height, sex, hair, and clothing colors. Once you've got your body created, you're ready to explore, and you'll quickly discover Club Caribe is as "happening" a place as any real tourist resort!

Get back to nature as you roam the island's forests, sea caves, and beaches (be careful where you go, or you might end up on the nude beach by mistake!). Play games in the arcade, or hang out in one of the island's bars or hot tubs. There are regularly scheduled Club Caribe activities too, so you can attend a performance at Costello's Comedy Club or be part of a trivia game run by a member of the island staff (called CCGs, or Club Caribe Guides). You can even win tokens at these events and use them to go on a spending spree!

And if you get tired of the way you look, give yourself a makeover! At "La Vous New," you can shop for a new outfit, buy a new head, or change your sex. If you buy a new head, be sure to stick your old head in your pocket quickly — island guests sometimes get mischievous and take things from each other!

Whether you enjoy chatting in People Connection, entering contests, or playing games, you're bound to find something that appeals to you in Club Caribe. Complete instructions on island geography and protocol are included in your Club Caribe kit, which you can order FREE online during our special introductory period.

Isn't it time you pampered yourself with a little vacation time? At Club Caribe, you can get away from it all — without ever leaving your home! Join us there soon!

(People Connection/Play or Observe an Online Game/Start a Game/
Club Caribe)

Order Club Caribe Free Online Through July 31st!

Don't wait too long to get your Club Caribe kit and meet your online friends in our island paradise — act now to order your Club Caribe kit and you'll get it free!

As part of our special introduction of Club Caribe, you can get the complete Caribe kit absolutely free in The Mall and Just For Fun's Gaming Connection. Just enter the Club Caribe order area and reserve your kit. We'll send it to you free if you order by July 31.

With just the regular Plus service charges and a free kit, it's the least expensive vacation you'll ever take! Order your Club Caribe kit now, and start enjoying your personal vacation getaway on Q-Link!

(Just For Fun/Gaming Connection/Order Club Caribe)
(The Mall/Q-Link Store/Order Club Caribe)

How to Get Started

To use Club Caribe, you must have a Commodore 64, 64C, 128, or 128D. You need a 1541/1571 disk drive (or one that's 100% compatible), a monitor, a joystick, Q-Link Version 3 or 4 software, and the Club Caribe disk available for order in Just For Fun's Gaming Connection and The Mall. The software may not work properly if there are other peripherals attached to your computer. The Club Caribe kit contains complete instructions for adding Club Caribe to your Q-Link disk. You enter Caribe through People Connection — just choose the "Play or Observe an Online Game" option, "Start a Game," and the "Club Caribe" option that will top the next menu when you've added it to your disk. Insert your Club Caribe disk, and you're ready to roll!

Get in on the Fun at Club Caribe!

You won't want to miss a single event this month in Club Caribe, Q-Link's online vacation resort!

Saturday, July 1

- **11:00 p.m.** Comedy/Talent Show in Costello's Comedy Club.

Sunday, July 2

- **9-11 p.m.** Trivia Quizzes at Quiz Shows, Inc. — Win free tokens and shop 'till you drop!

Friday, July 7

- **9:30 p.m.** Newcomers' Tour! Meet in PC room "CC Newcomers."
- **10:00 p.m.** Meet at the Caribe Help Desk and tour the Sea Caves, Main Beach and North Shore — all are welcome!
- **8-11 p.m.** Hot tub party at Cassie's Corner.

Saturday, July 8

- **11:00 p.m.** Grand opening of the Spider's Web.

Sunday, July 9

- **5-7 p.m.** Parlor Games - chess, checkers, and backgammon in the Arcade.

Friday, July 14

- **9:30 p.m.** Newcomers' Tour! Meet in PC room "CC Newcomers."
- **10:00 p.m.** Meet at the Help Desk and see the Spider's Intersection — all are welcome!
- **10:30 p.m.** Party at the Spider's Web.

Saturday, July 15

- **11:00 p.m.** Treasure Hunt! Meet at the Caribe Help Desk.

Sunday, July 16

- **5-7 p.m.** Trivia Quizzes at Quiz Shows, Inc. — Win free tokens and go on a spending spree!

Friday, July 21

- **9:30 p.m.** Newcomers' Tour! Meet in PC room "CC Newcomers."
- **10:00 p.m.** Meet at Caribe's Help Desk and check out the Quiz Show Studio and Backstage, including the prop room. All are welcome!
- **8-11 p.m.** Grand opening of Club Caribe's Aquarium.

Saturday, July 22

- **11:00 p.m.** Head Fashion Show. Meet Backstage and see the latest in fashionable "Neckwear."

Sunday, July 23

- **9-11 p.m.** Parlor games - chess, checkers, and backgammon in the Arcade.

Friday, July 28.

- **9:30 p.m.** Newcomers' Tour! Meet in PC room "CC Newcomers."
- **10:00 p.m.** Meet at the Caribe Help Desk and see the Arcade and Aquarium — all Caribe Guests are welcome!
- **10:30 p.m.** Block party at Kelly's Bar and Grill.

Saturday, July 29

- **11:00 p.m.** Spelunking at the Sea Caves.

Sunday, July 30

- **9-11 p.m.** Trivia Quizzes at Quiz Shows, Inc. — Win free tokens and buy Caribe merchandise!

All times listed are Eastern Daylight