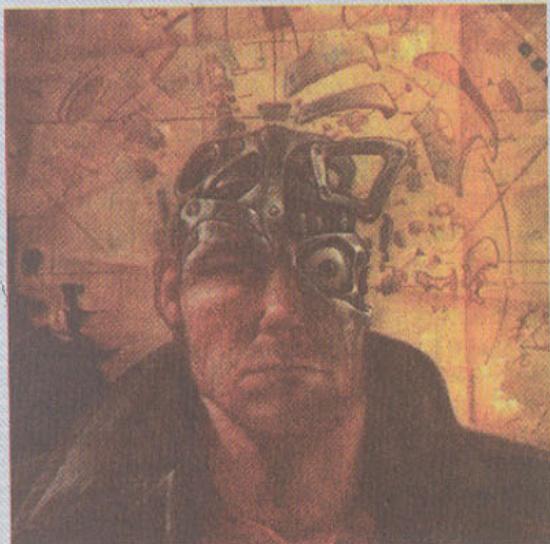


Scientist claims to be world's first 'cyborg'



If Professor Kevin Warwick has his way, then 50 years from now most human brains will be linked electronically through a global computer network. Warwick, a professor of cybernetics (automated control systems) at Britain's University of Reading and has an electronic implant in his arm, claims to be the world's first cybernetic organism or "cyborg" that is part-human, part-machine. According to The New Zealand Herald, the professor and his wife contacted each other through implants in their arms, through what can be termed as the first direct link between nervous systems. Although the technology of linking human brains with a global computer is a long way off, Warwick's next priority is to develop a system for paraplegics who have lost nerves in their limbs but still have the brain nerves to control the limbs. (ANI)

'Datasaver' to the Rescue

A new device called 'Datasaver' reportedly has the ability to recover an entire PC or system in three simple steps after a crash. According to The Straits Times, Digital Artifact, the team that created the 'Datasaver' said that it not only backs up data but also recovers it. It can restore a system to what it was before a virus attack or blackout brought it down, right down to putting desktop icons in the same place. Company spokesman Jason Lim said that the hi-tech device will also allow a company to restart and be back in business in as little as 30 minutes. The 'DataSaver' is available in four different capacities. The entry-level DS0250 has 250GB of disk space, supports between three and 10 PCs in an office and costs 4,800 dollars.



Tamagotchi

The virtual pet, Tamagotchi, will soon be seen in a new avatar - that of asking for a mate so that it can produce Tamababies.

According to The Straits Times, the new Tamagotchi Connexion has built-in infra-red communication ability that enables it to contact and interact with others of its ilk. The latest version of Tamababies

the toy is available in six different colours and patterns and costs 29.95 dollars. It also has better screen display, with more sophisticated graphics and smoother character movements. Hundreds of people in Japan queued up to buy the new version when it was launched in March.

Over 40 million units of the toy were bought globally when Tamagotchi was initially launched in 1996. The pet had to be fed regularly and it contributed towards changing the nature of human computer interaction.