

Re: Non-Scientific Survey of Scientific Calculators

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In article <df61bf7d-6a5b-461c-896b-af2108b9fad4@s13g2000prd.googlegroups.com>, mpmillard@xxxxxxx says...

On Jan 31, 9:12 pm, SoothSayer <SaySo...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

That would have been about 1974 or so....

Are you sure you had LCD in '74? I don't think so.

Well, I really was starting to wonder if I was going crazy, until "Chairman" posted this link:

<http://www.mrmartinweb.com/calculator.html#commodore>

Mine was the "Sears C2", a 5-function job that ran on house current and sported a LCD display (Not LED).

Thing is, I recall mine was black, with a silver (or maybe black?) front, so maybe that was the Lloyds Accumatic version of the same thing (made by Rockwell according to the article.)

Check out the link if you get time. It's like a stroll down memory lane. (No pun intended.)

I had forgotten that in high school, I also had the TI-30, and also the Sharp Elsi-Mate EL-8118.

The former met its demise under the screeching rear wheels of my friend's Ford Maverick (302 Engine) when its flake-y keypad screwed me for the very last time on an AP Physics exam. (That calculator had lots of problems from day-1 -- and I am NOT blaming my tools. It really was a POS!) We half expected it to explode, but I think there were less than five components in the whole device!!

The ElsiMate arrived slightly earlier, and as I recall I really liked it.

I probably gave it to a niece or nephew somewhere along the way, when I finally switch to programmable handhelds.

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And yes, I really do use the programming capabilities on my current HP48GX's
...though the HP-41's were MUCH better IMO, if a bit less capable.

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Funny, I got my TI-83Plus when I was taking an econ course of all things. I programmed in all the formulas, etc.

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