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BRIEF INVENTORY OF AVAILABLE KAYPRO ITEMS:

DIGITAL PICTURES ALSO AVAILABLE + ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
– E.G., S/N, MODEL, MANUFACTURER, ETC.

WHAT OTHER INFORMATION DO YOU FEEL YOU NEED?

PLEASE SEE MY 4+ OTHER “GADFRAN” POSTS UNDER “LOTS OF
KAYPRO STUFF” WHEN MY COMPUTERS WOULD NOT LET ME
FULLY USE THIS SITE FOR SOME REASON.

ALL SEEMS TO BE FINE NOW THAT I AM USING ANOTHER
COMPUTER SYSTEM FOR ACCESSING THIS WEB SITE

SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE

ALL CAPITAL LETTERS WERE USED IN THIS DOCUMENT TO MAKE IT
EASIER TO READ AND USE

1] 6 - WORKING KAYPRO “8” COMPUTERS –

THESE ARE NOW VERY UNUSUAL – I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO
FIND ANY ON THE WEB, BUT WERE VERY POPULAR IN
THE LATE 1980’S / EARLY 1990’S AS A WAY TO KEEP THESE
OLDER SYSTEMS RUNNING & TO TRY TO KEEP UP WITH THE
MANY FAST MOVING & DRAMATIC ADVANCES IN THE
COMPUTER FIELD AT THAT TIME

PERSONALLY MODIFIED / UPGRADED / MAINTAINED / REPAIRED
FROM KAYPRO 4 [IV]’S ACCORDING TO MICROCORNUCOPIA
METHODS / PARTS, ETC.

2.5 MHz TO 5 MHz
4 TEAC HALF HEIGHT DSDD DISK DRIVES
4 KAYPRO “8” COMPUTERS HAVE TEAC “QUAD”
HALF HEIGHT DSDD DISK DRIVES – SO
ALMOST ALL SOFTWARE CAN BE IN A: DRIVE

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ALL SWITCHES ON FRONT PANEL

SECURITY - BOLTS & KEYED MOTION DETECTOR & POWER
SHUTOFF ADDED + 2 SETS OF KEYS FOR EACH

RADIO SHACK FAN ADDED FOR EXTRA COOLING

NOTE – THESE KAYPRO “8” COMPUTERS OFFER MUCH MORE
THAN THE ORIGINAL NOT UPGRADED / MODIFIED KAYPRO II [2] AND
KAYPRO IV [4] COMPUTERS THAT ARE SO MUCH MORE COMMON.

2] ORIGINAL SOFTWARE DISKS MODIFIED AS NECESSARY TO WORK
ON THESE KAYPRO “8” SYSTEMS

ORIGINAL SOFTWARE DISKS – NO MANUALS [DISPOSED OF
EARLIER, BUT DISKS HAVE HELP INFORMATION ON THEM &
EBAY HAS SOME], COMMAND CARDS, ETC.

MUCH ADDITIONAL SOFTWARE AVAILABLE AT THE TIME FOR
MANY COMPUTER OPERATIONS – FROM PROFILES, KUG,
PEOPLETALK, MICROCORNUCOPIA, ETC.

DISK DRIVE TESTING SOFTWARE INCLUDING “SPECIAL DYSAN”
DIAGNOSTIC DISK - ESPECIALLY GOOD IF YOU INSIST ON
STILL USING TANDON DRIVES

3] 4 - MAINBOARDS MODIFIED / UPGRADED TO KAYPRO “8” ‘S –
SEVERAL WITH ADDED MICROCORNUCOPIA BOARDS FOR
EXTERNAL VIDEO

4] 2 - MICROCORNUCOPIA EXTERNAL VIDEO BOARDS TO BE ADDED
TO MAINBOARDS

5] 1 – EXTERNAL NAP MONITOR FOR EXTERNAL VIDEO – BLACK
SCREEN / ORANGE LETTERS – 11.5 INCHES DIAGONAL
SCREEN

6] 2 - ELSTON CRT'S & BOARDS – 1 FROM KAYPRO & 1 FROM ERAC
[BOARD CONNECTOR TO CRT DISCONNECTED]

7] 4 - POWER SUPPLIES – 2 ASTEC & 2 CALIFORNIA

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- 8] 2 - REPLACEMENT KEYBOARDS BUT NOT IN CASES
- 9] 4 – NOT USED NEW TEAC HALF HEIGHT HALF POWER DSDD [390K]
DISK DRIVES – BLACK COLOR
- 10] 4 – NOT USED NEW TEAC “QUAD” [780K] HALF HEIGHT HALF
POWER DISK DRIVES – LIGHT GRAY COLOR
- 11] MISCELLANEOUS -
 - 4 KEYBOARD CORDS – THESE LOOK LIKE COILED PHONE CORDS
BUT THEY ARE NOT
 - 2 POWER CORDS
 - WIRING HARNESS & DIAGRAM TO MAKE YOUR OWN [FROM ERAC]
- 12] 3 CARRYING CASES
 - 1 HEAVY DUTY BLACK VINYL + BROWN LEATHER KAYPRO LOGO –
ZIPPER CLOSURE
 - 1 PADDED HEAVY DUTY BLUE NYLON FABRIC – VELCRO CLOSURE
 - 1 LIGHT WEIGHT BLUE NYLON – HAS “SOFTWEAR” LOGO - VELCRO
CLOSURE
- 13] MICROSPHERE EXTERNAL RAM EXPANSION EXTERNAL UNIT
- 14] INTERFACE FOR USING KAYPROS TO MONITOR HOME &
ENVIRONMENTAL DEVICES – APPLIANCES, WEATHER, ETC.
- 15] LOTS OF PARALLEL PORT RIBBON CABLES – SOME SHEILDED –
FOR PRINTERS & MECHANICAL SWITCH BOXES
- 16] LOTS OF SPARE CHIPS, CAPACITORS, CRYSTALS, ETC. – SOME
CHIPS IN ANTISTATIC TUBES OR ON ANTISTATIC FOAM /
ALUMINUM FOIL
- 17] LOTS OF SPARE TANDON FULL HEIGHT & FULL POWER DSDD AND
SSDD DRIVES – SOME WORK & OTHERS USEFUL FOR SPARE
PARTS

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DSDD – GOOD = 2
QUESTIONABLE = 6
BAD = 3

SSDD - GOOD = 8
QUESTIONABLE = 6
BAD = 8

REPAIR PARTS FOR TANDONS – BELT, HEAD LOAD PADS,
TERMINATORS, JUMPERS / SHUNTS, 2 LOGIC BOARDS, ETC.

18] 4 – EXTERNAL DISK DRIVE CASES WITH POWER SUPPLIES –

ADDED A RADIO SHACK FAN FOR COOLING

COULD HOLD 2 FULL HEIGHT TANDON DRIVES IF EXPANSION
METAL STRIPS ADDED AT SIDES

USEFUL IF WANT 4 TANDON FULL HEIGHT FULL POWER
DRIVES – 2 INTERNAL & 2 EXTERNAL - ONLY 3 CAN FIT INTO
A KAYPRO, BUT POSSIBLE POWER ISSUES WITH POWER
SUPPLY

2 USED BEFORE WENT TO ADDING 4 INTERNAL TEAC HALF
HEIGHT HALF POWER DSDD DISK DRIVES

1 CASE STILL HAS 2 TANDONS MOUNTED IN IT

19] TECHNICAL KAYPRO SERVICE MANUALS – BUT NOW ARE
AVAILABLE FOR DOWNLOAD FROM SEVERAL SOURCES & ARE
LATER REVISIONS – BUT DO NOT CONTAIN OTHER USER
INFORMATION FROM KAYPRO – E.G. HARDWARE FIXES,
SOFTWARE USE INFORMATION, ETC.

20] MICROCORNUCOPIA BRIEF MANUALS FOR KAYPRO - UPGRADES,
SCHEMATICS / OPERATION THEORY, JOURNAL ARTICLES, ETC.

21] TANDON & TEAC DISK DRIVE MANUALS

22] ASSORTED REPAIR BOOKS – BUT MANY AVAILABLE THRU WEB
AND AMAZON [E.G. CHILTON'S EXCELLENT BOOK FOR KAYPROS]

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LET ME KNOW WHAT YOU ARE SPECIFICALLY INTERESTED & WHAT YOU
WOULD BE WILLING TO PAY WOULD BE NICE, SO WE CAN MAKE
EBAY ITEMS OR OTHER METHODS OF SALE AS EFFICIENT &
PRODUCTIVE AS POSSIBLE.

THANKS!

ALL THE BEST IN YOUR KAYPRO INTERESTS.