Subject: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 05:11:03 GMT

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I just received this from EA to distribute to you all. Enjoy! Incidentally, February 26th, 2002 is when Renegade was released publicly, making this the 5-year anniversary of the game!

EA says:FORUM RELAUNCH TOMORROW = MULTIPLAYER ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS!

We are re-launching our message boards with a completely new skin to match our new site, as well as some new functionality to support Command & Conquer 3. The most important aspect of this re-launch of the forums is that once the new boards go live tomorrow, everyone in the community will be able to create their Multiplayer Online Nickname that they plan to use when playing Command & Conquer 3. This is because the name you use on our official message boards is the same exact name that you will use as your online handle when logging in to the Multiplayer lobby to play Command & Conquer 3. What this means for tomorrow is the following:

-Everyone on our current message boards who has 50 or more posts will have their current message board name automatically brought over to the new message boards as soon as they go live. This also means that your multiplayer name for Command & Conquer 3 has already been automatically reserved if you had 50 or more posts on our current message boards. Again, your message board name is the same name you will use online to login and play the game. If you did not want this name to be your official multiplayer name for Command & Conquer 3, please send an e-mail to rtscommunityleaders@ea.com with the name you'd like to use. We felt that those who have been dedicated to our community and forums in the past year should have the privilege of having their current names automatically reserved.

-If you did not have 50 or more posts, then when you go to our new forums tomorrow, if you are logged in to your EA.com account, you will be automatically prompted to create a new screen name. Please note again, this screen name you create is going to be your online nick-name for the actual game and it is also your official name on the Command & Conquer forums.

For all users whose name is being automatically brought over, we anticipate there may be some temporary errors with your posting-count history. Do not worry, if this occurs, will be fixing it as soon as possible. We will also try to answer all the questions for anyone who is confused on the message boards.

Our goal in all of this was to keep a cohesive and consistent atmosphere between the game and your online experience on our website, primarily because our new "RTS AS A SPORT" feature is very dependent on our official site, in terms of tracking your stats, managing and scheduling your matches, and a whole list of amazing features that you will learn about soon. In a nutshell, it will be awesome to know that you can talk on the forums, check your stats on our website, AND play multiplayer in Command & Conquer 3, all while using the same exact nick-name.

I will be posting a sticky message on the boards tonight to make sure everyone understands. When the new forums go live tomorrow, you will be able to start reserving your online nick-name

for Command & Conquer 3! Don't be left out!

WEBSITE RE-LAUNCH TOMORROW

Tomorrow we will also be re-launching our official site at www.commandandconquer.com to something much more robust and quite cool I might add. It's going to be a very different Command & Conquer site than you are used to seeing. One thing to note about the official site relaunch is that this is our Phase 1 pre-release launch. You'll notice a lot of the same sections are still on the site and even some added ones, like the Community section. I'll be adding more links and banners to this section, so not to worry. Drop me a line if you are not on the list, I'm just starting to populate it, it's a work in progress.

When the game launches on March 26th, we will be moving to the Phase 2 re-launch of our official site and adding in all of the multiplayer "RTS AS A SPORT" functionality which you've heard about and will hear quite a bit more about in the coming days and weeks leading to launch. Our official site is going to become your haven for all the latest official happenings on Command & Conquer 3 and it will also be where you schedule and track your multiplayer matches, stats, the list goes on. But this is more of a just a heads up that when the game launches the site will be expanding even further!

O YEAH, THE DEMO!!!!!

I'll leave you with this, the official demo for Command & Conquer 3 Tiberium Wars, that you've waited many years for, the gripping feeling knowing that C&C is back, Kane is back, Tiberium is back, ok, well lets say it right now:

C&C is officially back tomorrow as the demo for Command & Conquer 3 will be going live on our official site at www.commandandconquer.com, as well as FilePlanet.com whom we know many of you have already pre-loaded with. Keep your eyes peeled on both sites for the moment the file is live, tomorrow is the day!

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement Posted by Renx on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 05:29:50 GMT

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It just has to be released on the day of and day before I have an exam. Oh well, I guess I'll just have to fail that second exam

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Dave Anderson on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 05:35:43 GMT

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That is really awesome that our names are reserved. Crimson, I sent you a PM.

Posted by JPNOD on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 07:13:42 GMT

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C&C Renegade.. the game that holds me so long.

Happy birthday to C&C Renegade.

I won't be as excited when Renegade or Generals came out, which the last one I played for about a week. I don't have my expectations up that high this time. But goodluck to whoever is going over to C&C3.

As for the Forum Nick thingy, thats awesome. The game specifications which I saw last in a other topic are decent aswell.. at least most people will be able to play thats a good thing.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Crimson on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 09:12:45 GMT

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Um, just to clarify for those of you who didn't read it carefully. That message is basically a cut-and-paste from EA. It doesn't refer to THESE forums, it refers to the EA C&C forums.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Goztow on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 09:13:44 GMT

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Happy b-day renegade . w00t, am one of the > 50 posts dudes ^. Can't wait to play!

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by icedog90 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 09:54:47 GMT

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I registered there but I think my post count is like 5.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by TD on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 10:46:17 GMT

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February 26th, happy b-day to Renegade and to me

Posted by Oblivion165 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 13:40:06 GMT

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Man those fileplanet subscribers are greedy. Not one upload to Usenet or torrents.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Jecht on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 14:29:40 GMT

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That's because it isn't unlocked yet. Need to wait until tommorow probably.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by DarkKnight on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 14:40:54 GMT

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EA's site is down lol

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by OWA on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 16:22:20 GMT

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Happy Birthday C&C Renegade! Long live the uniqueness!

Lets hope the C&C3 Demo actually comes out today

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Oblivion165 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 17:32:20 GMT

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gbull wrote on Mon, 26 February 2007 09:29That's because it isn't unlocked yet. Need to wait until tommorow probably.

Ah i see, it just starts auto downloading. I thought they got it a day earlier or something.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Goztow on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 18:36:25 GMT

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Aaaa*cheat name removed* can't stand the wait!

Posted by Jerad2142 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 18:44:38 GMT

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Goztow wrote on Mon, 26 February 2007 11:36Aaaa*cheat name removed* can't stand the wait! He cheating in the forums hurry get a moderator, JK.

I can't wait for C&C3 it looks like EA did a good job on it (for once).

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Spoony on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 19:13:54 GMT

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Goztow wrote on Mon, 26 February 2007 12:36Aaaa*cheat name removed* can't stand the wait! lol

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by JeepRubi on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 20:03:35 GMT

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That was posted yesterday was it not? So, the demo is supposed to come out today?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by u6795 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 20:24:19 GMT

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Happy birthday Renegade!

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Ma1kel on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 20:25:31 GMT

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It's released.

http://www.fileplanet.com/174572/170000/fileinfo/Command-&-Conquer-3:-Tiberi um-Wars-Demo-FilePlanet-Exclusive

dutch mirror(being anally raped):

Sorry, I was asked by EA not to allow mirrors of the file as they wanted to give FilePlanet exclusive access to the demo for the first week. Link removed. -Crimson

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement Posted by Ryu on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 20:54:02 GMT

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Thanks for the links, Ma1kel.

Btw it was your 666th post.

The Dutch link isn't bad, 250kbps for me. 1 Hour wait.

Subject: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by [NE]Fobby[GEN] on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 20:57:04 GMT

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http://www.fileplanet.com/174572/170000/fileinfo/Command-&-Conquer-3:-Tiberi um-Wars-Demo-FilePlanet-Exclusive

1.17 GB

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by u6795 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 20:59:52 GMT

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I recommend downloading it by EA Link if you have it, if you don't, GET IT. All you need is an EA user name. Incredibly fast download speed, I had this sucker downloaded and installed in under half an hour.

I'm just spazzing out right now, I'm so excited!

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Ma1kel on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:06:46 GMT

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Would be useful if you gave us an EA link.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Oblivion165 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:07:59 GMT

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Well the only thing on the ea website that I can find is a pay service to get it.

Linkage.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Ma1kel on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:11:38 GMT

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Sorry, I was asked by EA not to allow mirrors of the file as they wanted to give FilePlanet exclusive access to the demo for the first week. Link removed. -Crimson

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by EvilWhiteDragon on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:16:17 GMT

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nvm

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Goztow on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:19:32 GMT

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http://www.renegadeforums.com/index.php?t=msg&th=23230&start=0&rid=4882

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by u6795 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:23:15 GMT

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http://www.ea.com/ealink/

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Oblivion165 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:24:16 GMT

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http://files.filefront.com/CnC3+Demo/;6816228;;/fileinfo.html

Going great from there, 770k!

EDIT:

u6795 wrote on Mon, 26 February 2007 16:23http://www.ea.com/ealink/ Pretty sure that's a pay service, thats what I was talking about. Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Renx on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:40:45 GMT

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Downloading from EALink at 900kb/s, should be done in minutes

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Renx on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:44:09 GMT

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EALink is free

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Oblivion165 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:45:36 GMT

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Well i installed it and it asked for a credit card so i didn't bother going from there.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Ma1kel on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:48:58 GMT

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Wow, that thing is packed in an intense way. It has been unzipping for 5 minutes and now it's installing for another 10..

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Viking on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 21:52:17 GMT

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OMFG I AM 9TH IN LINE WIIII!!!

EDIT: NOW I AM DOWNLOADING WHOO HOO!

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by RydarNuke on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 22:07:40 GMT

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Thanks for the links hope its good (better than genarals

Posted by EvilWhiteDragon on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 22:32:40 GMT

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Ma1kel wrote on Mon, 26 February 2007 22:11*Sorry, I was asked by EA not to allow mirrors of the file as they wanted to give FilePlanet exclusive access to the demo for the first week. Link removed.* -Crimson

BI server delivers a straigth 600 KB/s upload for it.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by icedog90 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 22:49:28 GMT

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EDIT: nevermind.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by JeepRubi on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 23:15:45 GMT

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Justfinished playing... Im speechles. You have to try it for yourself.

If you cant, tell me and ill record myself playing next time then post it here.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Nukelt15 on Mon, 26 Feb 2007 23:41:52 GMT

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Why does it always have to be Fileplanet? It's such a pain in the ass to clean out all those ad cookies after using that site. Fucking EA/Gamespy alliance...

Oh hell, might as well, it isn't likely to be downloadable from anywhere else any time soon... let's see if EA got C&C right this time.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 00:09:29 GMT

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http://www.n00bstories.com/image.fetch.php?id=1089392479

http://www.n00bstories.com/image.fetch.php?id=1163710921

http://www.n00bstories.com/image.fetch.php?id=1358307881

http://www.n00bstories.com/image.fetch.php?id=1376161048

If you're wondering why I'm killing my own units too...sacrifices had to be made.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Dave Anderson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 00:14:38 GMT

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How is the performance?

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 00:23:49 GMT

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Running at ultra high on everything, with 2x AA on 1280*1024 with no problems at all. I'm sure I could do 4x AA I just didn't bother trying since I wanted to get playing. Didn't look for anykind of fps display yet, supposed I could have just ran fraps though. Running it with 2.6Ghz A64 3800+X2, 7900GT, and 2GB RAM.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Ryu on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 01:00:04 GMT

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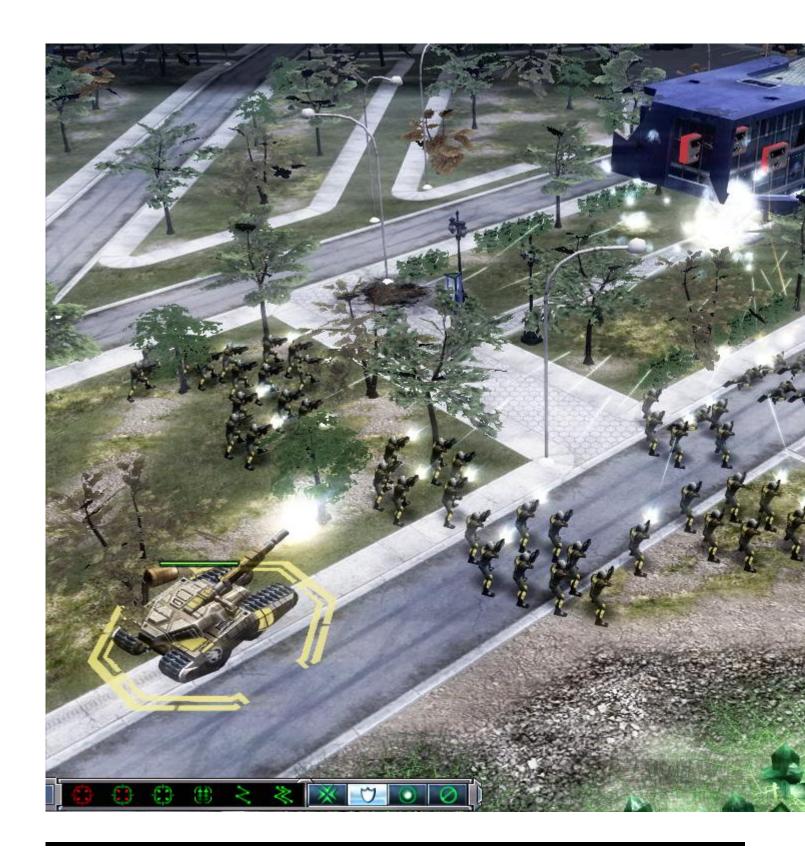
Damn you Renx! I wanted to be the first to post a screenie.

The Game runs pretty nice, I had no problems and my pc sucks.

I had a quick game, Going to go back ingame and unlock a few more units, I wish I could play Nod, Tho.

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1) BEGONE1!.jpg, downloaded 969 times



Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out Posted by kopaka649 on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 01:10:36 GMT

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Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by bandie63 on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 01:14:32 GMT

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Can someone post the md5sum for the exe please? I want to make sure mine downloaded properly.

Edit: Blah, don't even bother. I ran it, and it locked up my computer, so I had to reboot. I probably should have realized it should have had it's own icon. I HATE YOU FILEPLANET.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by cmatt42 on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 01:22:49 GMT

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http://www.gamershell.com/news/36615.html

Gr8 h8@Fileplanet.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Canadacdn on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 02:03:23 GMT

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I downloaded it via EA link. It is a million times better than that shit called fileplanet. I avoid that site at all costs.

Anyway, the demo is pretty fun, you get a lot of solid gameplay. My only complaint is that my mammoths seem to have a hard time attacking a garrisoned building that is behind another building, which can get annoying.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Jecht on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 02:17:03 GMT

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I liked the demo. I made a Juggernaut(they may be overpowered, haven't played enough to fully tell though) wall and crushed nod within their own base. Liked the interface, and I liked the mobile base things. Solid fun out of a skirmish. Haven't had that since RA and TS.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 02:29:33 GMT

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Mammoth tanks seem a lot better than juggernauts to me right now, but I haven't tried any really long range barrages yet.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Ryu on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 02:32:46 GMT

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The Mammys are awsome, Build 3 of em' and rush a base. You'll see what I mean.

You might want to buy a tech building and give them the upgrade (I forgot what it's called, Should tell you on the first GDI mission with the docks)

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by [NE]Fobby[GEN] on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 02:36:55 GMT

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Yeah my computer is really crap, I can only run it with lowest setting and the sound doesn't work. Even then it doesn't run perfectly

But other than that, I had a good time. I got some railguns on the Mammoth tanks and I built 5 of them, and rushed. Man those things are crazy.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Jecht on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 02:42:26 GMT

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Can anyone else set the anti-alias higher? My controls don't seem to let me using game controls.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Crimson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 03:42:54 GMT

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I'm getting my full retail version free from EA. I just hope I can get it from EA Link instead of waiting for them to ship it to us. I'm about to hop into the demo and check it out now. I hope it will play well... EA gave all the Community Summit attendees free high-end video cards from nVidia so we'd be able to enjoy it. I'm not sure my old Ti4800SE would have handled this well.

Posted by Crimson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 03:45:37 GMT

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Please do NOT mirror or offer links to download the file other than FilePlanet and EA Link. I have been asked not to allow them for the first week.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Viking on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 03:47:17 GMT

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WTF? Why, I think we should unless they give us a reason? We could just Google it any freaking way?

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Dave Anderson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 04:25:07 GMT

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Quote:Can anyone else set the anti-alias higher? My controls don't seem to let me using game controls.

Set your AA settings in your video card settings. That way, it will render it with whatever AA setting you have it on no matter what.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Caveman on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 04:34:46 GMT

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Good Demo. Fun to play. I'm upload two videos both of them are the same just one is HQ and one is LQ. Once I finish yousending them i'll try to edit this post and give y'all the links. (They're only 3min video but I thought i'd do it anyways.) Just to let y'all know there is no sound because FRAPS didn't want to record it but the graphics (On the HQ Video) are superb. Full detail with AA on the highest level which i'm going to assume is 4.

For some reason during the encoding the video lost alot of lighting, hopefully its not too dark. However if it is i'll either make another one and just encode it again with some tweaking.

LQ (Not recommended)

http://download.yousendit.com/05E605D328141C45

Posted by Cpo64 on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 04:40:50 GMT

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Bah, you've sold out!

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Dave Anderson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 05:06:57 GMT

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When my copy finishes downloading I'll take some screenshots and video of it on AAx16 and AFx16).

Quote:EA gave all the Community Summit attendees free high-end video cards from nVidia so we'd be able to enjoy it.

What chipsets did they give you guys? I'm curious to see what this would look like on a 8800.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Crimson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 05:20:32 GMT

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It's a GeForce 7900GT. I played at 1280x11024 with basically no lag and no problems at all. Well, I THINK I might have seen a bit of lag when there were a lot of things flying about... I'm so glad to see that all the minor little graphics issues that existed in the alpha are not there anymore. I beat the Easy AI in a 40-minute skirmish. I have a lot to learn because I totally suck at RTS games.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Crimson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 05:22:02 GMT

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Meh, apparently it's only for the first day, not the first week. I guess they knew they couldn't keep it in much longer than that.

To be honest, I'm sure EA just wants to know with pretty good accuracy just how many people downloaded it on the first day.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Dave Anderson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 05:23:44 GMT

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Just out of curiosity then, what are your full systems specifications? I have a 7800GS chipset so

I'm curious to see what is in store for me.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Crimson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 05:27:09 GMT

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I have an Athlon 64 3500+ processor with 2GB of RAM. I'm running on dual 19" LCD monitors at 1280x1024 on each.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Dave Anderson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 05:38:56 GMT

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Ah, cool. I should be able to max everything out at 1024x768 then.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Canadacdn on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 05:40:29 GMT

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The fact that you can't play as Nod sucks big time. Hopefully someone will use their 1337 HAX on the demo and make Nod playable soon.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 05:56:21 GMT

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Unless you have quad SLI you won't be reaching 16xAA.

I'll take some better screenshot tomorrow after my exam. The ones I took today only have 2xAA and I haven't applied any driver tweeks. Need to find a way to make the HUD flash when screenshots are taken as well.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 06:00:36 GMT

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I got amazing speeds from EA Link anyway, I don't see the problem. I was getting 900kb/s and most people that I talked to who also used it got even higher...

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by Canadacdn on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 06:22:28 GMT

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I was pissed at how many hoops I had to jump through to get the damn demo:

- -Open up Fileplanet download thing
- -Wait 45 minutes
- -Fileplanet tells me to wait ANOTHER 45 minutes
- -*Insanity*
- -I install EA link
- -The registration page dosen't work.
- -After about 30 refreshes, it still dosen't work
- -Register an account at EA's website
- -Download and install demo

Downloading the demo was a pain in the ass, and was not really worth it.

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Posted by Dave Anderson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 06:23:19 GMT

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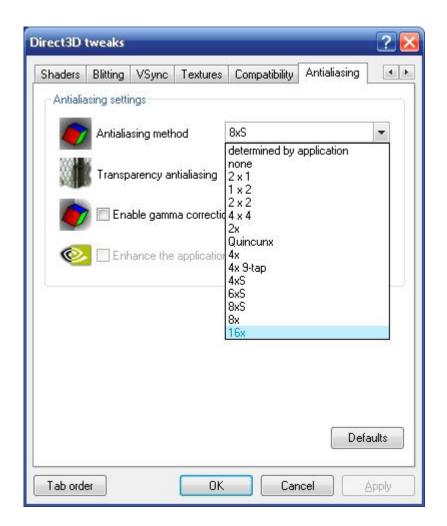
Quote:Unless you have quad SLI you won't be reaching 16xAA

Wrong. If your video card supports it, but doesn't have it in the driver settings, you can force-enable it with RivaTuner. And you don't need Quad SLI for AAx16, that's ridiculous.

The same can be done for OpenGL settings.

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1) AAx16.JPG, downloaded 818 times



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Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 06:32:03 GMT

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You can't force it because the card pysically does not support it, nor could it handle it anyway. The 8800GTX can barely handle 8xAA on newer games with 768mb of RAM, you're crazy if you think a 256mb or 512mb card could handle 16x.

Also, 8xS is not really 8x AA. Excluding the 8-series, any single gpu nvidia card out there today can only handle 4x AA, and 6xAA for ATI cards I believe.

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Posted by Dave Anderson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 06:43:10 GMT

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The two 8800 series chipsets in SLI mode can easily handle 16xAA and 16xAF.

Quote:» New NVIDIA driver brings 16xAA

Just before the GeForce 7800 GTX launched last month, NVIDIA informed the press that a future driver release would bring new AA modes (including a 16x setting) for SLI users. Well, today that driver has sort of arrived, as NVIDIA has posted their beta ForceWare 77.76 driver to their nZone website.

Two new AA modes are now available for SLI users only, an 8x mode and a 16x mode. With the 8x setting, both cards utilize 4x multisampling, with each card using different rotated-grid sampling patterns which are blended together before being output to your screen. Under the new 16x setting, each card runs NVIDIA's 8xS mode with different sampling patterns. If you recall, 8xS combines NVIDIA's traditional 4xMSAA with 2x supersampling for sharper visuals.

End users must use the Coolbits registry hack to enable the new AA modes (change the value to . Once that's done, change the SLI rendering mode field to SLI antialiasing to enable the new modes.

I may have been wrong about it having an effect on a single chipset on 16xAA settings, but you can still force AAx8S, and I CAN physically see the difference in games both in image quality and it drastically drops the rendering and processing power. But it does not effect the performance enough to not use it in certain scenarios.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 06:51:21 GMT

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In SLI mode yes, because then there would be 1.5GB of video RAM at their disposal.

http://www.nvnews.net/vbulletin/showthread.php?t=53847

Read that. Like I said, 8xS AA is not nearly the same as 8xAA. You need two cards for real 8xAA, and four cards for real 16xAA. For each level of AA you increase it effectively doubles the amount of video ram the card uses.

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Dave Anderson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 06:52:39 GMT

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I'll have to read it tomorrow after school. Thanks for the link though, it should be interesting to

Posted by Ryu on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 07:19:18 GMT

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I was downloading at 100kbps from that EAlink crap, uTorrent was off and other internet bw hoggers, I was only on msn and IRC. :V

I had a direct download link, Didn't take too long, And the download was orgasmic, I'm definitely buying C&C 3.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Official Announcement

Posted by icedog90 on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 07:23:32 GMT

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It was good, but so far I still want Supreme Commander more. It's out, I just need to buy it.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Goztow on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 07:38:06 GMT

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Mammoth tanks are very strong but the game really seems to be much faster than previous C&C's, meaning the cost and building time will prolly be the biggest handicap of mammoth tanks! If you can get 4-5: GG but u need to keep your base and economics alive to do that .

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Fabian on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 07:42:04 GMT

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by icedog90 on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 07:42:54 GMT

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I was wondering the same thing. I wasn't too happy about the reversed buttons. Right clicking is for Age of Empires, not C&C.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Kanezor on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 08:47:59 GMT

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But enough of Generals! We here at EA have decided to make C&C 3: Tiberium Wars.

It's complete with multiple separate build queues, purchasable unit upgrades, and even a mouse interface similar to Starcraft! If you want to build a lot of infantry, you can just build lots of barracks! How is this different from C&C? It's not! Well, unless you count the fact that you have to tell each barracks to build a unit individually. Also, each individual barracks does not get production speed increases if you build more barracks. But don't worry, it's still the same old C&C you like.

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Goztow on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 08:54:04 GMT

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LApredator confirmed that patch 1.01 (which they are already developping) will include a mouse configuration option.

As to the Generals >< C&C-stuff, I'm a bit between both atm, I think I need to play it a bit more to make up my mind completely. What concerns me most is the environments who look very generals-like, but i must say they did do a good job getting the C&C-feel with in-game movies, ...

I definately like the game though and feel like playing more of it .

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by OWA on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 10:54:48 GMT

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Canadacdn wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 05:40The fact that you can't play as Nod sucks big time. Hopefully someone will use their 1337 HAX on the demo and make Nod playable soon. A Generals modder friend of mine is looking into this.

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Posted by Goztow on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 11:35:34 GMT

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I figured teh hax out already! It's called an engineer. It'll allow you to check out Nod's side.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Spoony on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 11:40:27 GMT

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I understand every individual word you just said, but string them together into sentences and it becomes totally incoherent.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by DutchNeon on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 15:29:30 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Its Nice, although there are some bugs i noticed, Juggernauts tend to Glitch in Buildings (they wanna walk threw buildings) if u attack a enemy past the object, also, Juggernauts CAN walk Deployed, if they are attacked, they kinda Strafe then = Bug lol Anyway, I think its smart for EA (sorry, not) Allowing u Full Tech Tree in Skirmish. Also, they Don't Allow u to ply nod, but wow, check what i got

i Have Highest Settings, but with AA off and shadow's off, and my Card Fucks its a bit (Old 128 MB AGP Card, doest support bloom), its the fully Updated Avatar Mech, only can adept Own Teamed Nod Vechs to steal the Technology (Fully Updated has 4 parts, but im not telling) Anyway, also, when i Captured the Nod MCV, my nod Blue MCV (looks like a scarab) turned into a purple one o.O kinda wtf, so ul see Purple Nod Units on the SS While im Blue.. ¬¬ anyway, i miss the old command & Conquer Sounds + Ion kinda big, i just build Temple of Nod and gonna test the nuke Maybe put a vid on here, oh and btw, Stealth Tanks look like Snow Motor's kinda

Also, There are some things i Dislike, maybe for Good power but u can Change Mammy's Guns to railguns as a upgrade (also Predator) and laser's for Scorpion tank (Its the new Named Light tank for nod) and ob kinda tends to fire slow, although i think its good how they Balanced Base Defenses now, GDI has a building at same power as a obelisk now although ob tends to fire slowly, Tib Sun Sound...

/ -=	Neon	=- \

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by Caveman on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 16:06:18 GMT

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Caveman wrote on Mon, 26 February 2007 22:34Good Demo. Fun to play. I'm upload two videos both of them are the same just one is HQ and one is LQ. Once I finish yousending them i'll try to edit this post and give y'all the links. (They're only 3min video but I thought i'd do it anyways.) Just to let y'all know there is no sound because FRAPS didn't want to record it but the graphics (On the HQ Video) are superb. Full detail with AA on the highest level which i'm going to assume is 4.

For some reason during the encoding the video lost alot of lighting, hopefully its not too dark. However if it is i'll either make another one and just encode it again with some tweaking.

LQ (Not recommended) http://download.yousendit.com/05E605D328141C45

HQ Video: Fixed the lighting.

http://download.yousendit.com/CD8880513D7889E0

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Sir Phoenixx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 16:57:22 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Assuming you're not trying to be sarcastic or making fun of those few bashing the game...

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I hope you're actually quoting someone else, because I'm not sure what kind of idiot it takes to think that using a modern, perfectly capable engine and just upgrading it is in any-way-what-so-ever a bad thing. I'm sure you'd rather them waste hundreds of thousands of dollars to make an unnecessary new engine instead of just upgrading a current engine to accomplish the exact same thing and putting that money to better use.

Quote:and even a mouse interface similar to Starcraft!

You mean, "similar to every other modern RTS game", right? Besides, they'll most likely include the option to use the left click instead.

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No you don't, you just switch tabs on the side bar to build each extra unit, you don't have to go to each barracks to build each unit.

Quote: Also, each individual barracks does not get production speed increases if you build more barracks. But don't worry, it's still the same old C&C you like.

I don't see what the big deal is, instead of building two units at a faster rate, you're building two units at the same time at normal rates, you still get two units quicker by building two barracks. I don't see the huge-gotta-bitch-and-whine-about-it difference.

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So, I just imagined the Mammoth Tank and Juggernaught and the other units becoming available only after I built the Command Post and Tech Center, right?

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I see you're still confusing "like all other modern RTS games" with "like Starcraft"...

And, no you couldn't buy the upgrades in Starcraft several times, each time you bought an upgrade, a better new upgrade was made available.

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The modders that will add it back in within months of it's release, if walls are not added in a patch or something. CnC3 had walls, they just for some reason removed the ability to build them at the last minute. Wow, an actual valid complaint, must have been an accident, right?

Quote:We also felt that Generals was pioneering this awesome macro ability. Now instead of being able to tell each unit what to do individually, you can control whole squads of infantry with a single click!

Because 6 people taking 6 direct hits to die is less stupid then 1 person taking 6 direct hits to die? It's only a visual change.

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Damn, a second valid complaint, even though it is a very minor and insignificant one.

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You're ranting about it being bad because it has a few different features then C&C games, but it having a "real C&C plotline" is somehow bad?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 17:13:25 GMT

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Walls were taken out of skirmish/multiplayer only, and on purpose. They'll still be accessible in SP.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Sir Phoenixx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 17:50:14 GMT

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Why aren't they in skirmish and multiplayer?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 18:03:06 GMT

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http://forums.ea.com/mboards/thread.jspa?sls=2&tstart=15&threadID=188624 &start=0

Predator

The reality is, yes, we made a late design decision not too long ago to take out walls from multiplayer. We will explain this further in the upcoming podcast, but we found after extensive testing that walls were being hardly used and didn't suit the gameplay style, the fast paced feel, they became more of a nuance than an actual enhancing gameplay feature.

I can see them being added back in a patch later on.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Canadacdn on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 20:11:43 GMT

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I could see myself using walls to keep out hordes of annoying Nod infantry, while my auto-defenses take care of them.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 21:03:24 GMT

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http://www.n00bstories.com/image.fetch.php?id=1053960969

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Crimson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 21:10:24 GMT

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ROFL

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Demolition man on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 21:41:07 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I don't get why they remove walls. Because they didn't use it in MP... So? Just leave it in for others they made it already so let it stay.

Also when unpacking an apc, building or deploying a mcv you have to select the deploy/unpack button at the bottom right. My suggestion would be to also add that a cursor like this will show up when hovering over the unit/building (Like all the other C&C games had). Also keep it at the bottom right for specific units to get out the building/apc.

Also GDI was to blue if you ask me.

EDIT: also you can't see how space you got left for tiberium till you need a silo.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 21:54:18 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I don't like that you can only put one unit type in an APC. It makes since in the way that there are 5 people in a squad, but I liked mixing up the units in my APCs.

Demoman when you learn to use that feature right it's great. You can tell an APC to go to the drop point then come back right after it drops them off with waypoints.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Demolition man on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 21:56:41 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

but what i said doesn't only count for apc's but yeah i still need to test out the waypoint stuff. Only played on real skirmish game =/

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by YSLMuffins on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 22:22:20 GMT

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Holy fucking shit--I am so excited!!! I have not been this excited about a video game since...since RA2! AHHHH!!!!

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An so they decided to make it a bit more gay General's like, and take away options for the user. I want to build a wall and make my base look like a real base, but now tanks and infantry can just run into my base and throw a party.

This must be what EA thought: "And perhaps beings we have these walls in the game and the majority of people don't use them, we better take them out, I mean it keeps people from sending engineers into you construction yard and they act as a second layer defense against low flying projectiles, but thats all."

Oh BTW lets make it fast paced so those "boring" 2 hour games can no longer happen and after your 11 minute battle you can say: "Remember 5 minutes and 30 seconds into the game, you had that one harvester and I blew it up." And they will say "No, because I was watching your infantry and dealing with about 50 other things."

Quote:

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Yes lets make it so if a tank comes along it can run them all over instead of them being able to scatter, so you just lose all you money at once, and don't forget the splash damage.

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Why would the base defenses be more powerful than the other teams base defenses, it adds more "strategy" (EA thinks: "what the heck does that word mean") to the game. And after all its only a strategy game why have strategy.

Quote:

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When does EA give us options.

Speaking of options the actual game better have an options screen that looks something like this:

or they better get a patch done quick.

I bet C&C3's "rules.ini" file will be called "EARules.duh" and it will allow you to change the volume of sound effects and music.

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Generals game play style this is the play style demo's style

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 22:26:04 GMT

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Demolition man wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 14:41Also GDI was to blue if you ask me.

I think that was just the "team colors" feature. When you set up your skirmish you can pick a different color, like a light yellow. That feature allows for easier unit identification when you're playing something like GDIvsGDI or more in a multi-player map.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Nukelt15 on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 22:30:26 GMT

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My first impressions (the bad):

- Structures die way too easily, especially base defenses. A handful of basic-level tanks and infantry can wipe the floor with three or four defense towers before said towers can make as many as two or three kills combined.
- On the other side of the coin, structures build too quickly. Building a base feels like TS at speed 6.

- I do not like the way the game handles mission updates in SP. It does not merely focus the normal camera on a point of interest, it focuses in on it then bounces. It is possible to skip this bit, but it is annoying to me just because it is something getting between me and my game. On a similar note, is it really necessary to deselect everything the player has selected every fucking time the mission status updates? It interferes with the player's ability to play, and is not a good feature.
- A note on infantry selection: when you have a big crowd of infantry, it is stupidly annoying to pick out which soldier belongs to which squad, as they have a tendency to mingle with one another and each individual soldier does not have a health bar of his own. This problem could be solved either by pinning a little health bar/selection dot/something over the head of each individual squad member, or by having squad members not wander off from their squad leaders. It doesn't need to be that much of a pain to pick out who's who.
- The Ion Cannon seems stupidly powerful. This is a disturbing trend in the superweapons that EA puts into their RTS titles. The Ion Cannon in TD and TS was a precision weapon that could take out a key structure (A key structure) in preparation for a follow-up attack. It shouldn't be a nuke-beam that fries the entire core of a base on its own. Honestly, anything that can take out one, two, or three structures in one shot is powerful enough and then some, and anything which can cause more damage than that needs to be limited to a single shot ala the Nod nuke in TD.
- Units take a little too much personal initiative when enemy units come calling. So far I've had infantry squads run off to attack enemies that aren't even in my field of vision yet, which is a bit annoying. I don't mind them firing from where they are or moving when enemies get into firing range, but I'd like it better if they wouldn't actively try to get into firing range before I give them orders to do so.

First Impressions (the good):

- Good job on the cutscenes. It is nice to see Kane's face again, and I think Mike Ironside is a good pick for GDI brass. That reporter seemed a bit wooden, but that's forgivable IMHO.
- Vehicles handle nicely. The temporary hulks of dead vehicles are a nice touch, as one could conceivably stall a big formation of tanks by destroying its leading units and forcing the rest of the column to maneuver around or wait for the hulks to go away. That has some nice potential for ambushes and defensive tactics.
- Unit balance (vs. units) in general seems about right. I didn't get a chance to test drive the Juggernaut, but the Medium and Mammoth tanks seem to balance out nicely with infantry (thankfully, infantry units aren't pushovers... unless you literally push them over). It is nice to see that groups of dissimilar units will move at the same speed when moved together; infantry and armor can be moved up without the tracks getting too far ahead of their squishy support.

Prolly more later		

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Demolition man on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 22:31:56 GMT

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No i knew that but just check the video before the first mission and also why is the GDI default in skirmish blue?

But maybe the blue gui made the blueish feeling worse.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jerad2142 on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 22:35:09 GMT

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Sign the petition to bring walls back:

http://forums.ea.com/mboards/thread.jspa?sls=2&tstart=0&threadID=188951

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Renx on Tue, 27 Feb 2007 23:57:51 GMT

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I've been compiling images here:

http://www.n00bstories.com/image.gallery.php?id=2845&folder=1740

It's pretty much just me nuking and shooting things with my ion.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by icedog90 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 00:09:03 GMT

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YSLMuffins wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 14:22Holy fucking shit--I am so excited!!! I have not been this excited about a video game since...since RA2! AHHHH!!!!

Weren't you really excited about AOE3? Well, I was, but after I played it I was pretty disappointed...

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Oblivion165 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 01:34:31 GMT

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I wish EA would stop using the Sage engine and move onto something else, C&C3 looks and feels like a modded generals. I play a lot of generals mods and all this seems to be is a new toolbar and a replacement of models and teams.

Also I despise squads, Dawn of war and a lot of games are using the squad system now and I hate it. I would like to just send one man out to scout or to take a derrick, not this massive shift of units across the battle field.

The menu system is all the same, just look at the multiplayer screen.

That being said, I'm glad they are trying to bring back the gold.

EDIT: I went and reviewed some of these pages and my post didn't bring anything new to the discussion but at least I got to say it too.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 02:11:16 GMT

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Oblivion165 wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 18:34

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Ever heard of Homeworld 2? Same type of deal, but with ships (very annoying).

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by [NE]Fobby[GEN] on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 03:40:23 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

They should have Scouts in this game, like in Emperor. Basically a cheap unit with either a pistol or no gun, that is just made for running around and searching. That unit realy worked out for that game.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Viking on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 03:51:38 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

C&C 3 totally blows... I dont know why I pre-ordered it. Maybe I will get it and sell it on E-Bay for \$80.00 and make some profit hoping some people wanted it and dident manage to get a copy.

Wait I pre-ordered it for C&C95 .

Serously, no walls. Squads are gay. The build times seem to fast to me. It looks and feels like a generals mod. I don't like left clicking to select and right clicking to tell stuff to move and shit why could they not keep it the old way?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by icedog90 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 04:00:51 GMT

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I think the funny thing about this demo is that you either love it or you hate it.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Viking on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 04:05:25 GMT

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I WANT FUCKING WALLS AND GATES GOD DAMMIT SCREW EA!!!!

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Renx on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 04:10:12 GMT

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The funnest part of any CNC games was modding it, by far. I expect that to be no different here. I'm sure there will be a mod out within the next couple days to enable walls in MP. I'll probably play around with other things too like the build times and unit speeds.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Kanezor on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 04:34:41 GMT

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MaidenTy1 wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 05:40Kanezor wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 02:47That is my personal opinion. I can't believe I fell into yet another trap of EA's. Shame on me.

I played the C&C 3 demo for about 2 hours. I simply cannot believe the stench of Generals that it has. Sure it has some pretty graphics... but coming from EA, that is unsurprisingly just about the only nice thing about it. Oh yeah, and it has a real C&C plotline, but I don't think that's a good thing.

This game is not C&C. This game is Generals with Tiberium.

Way to fuck us over, EA. I just thought you guys were trying to make the community happy. I guess I thought wrong.

I understand every individual word you just said, but string them together into sentences and it becomes totally incoherent.

It's not my fault you're too retarded to understand simple sentences.

Sir Phoenixx wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 09:57Assuming you're not trying to be sarcastic or making fun of those few bashing the game...I was being highly sarcastic while trying to be focused at bashing EA and their work on Generals with Tiberium.

Sir Phoenixx wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 09:57Quote:Hi! We here at EA feel that C&C did not have enough Generals in it. In addition, we believe that we did not sufficiently fuck over the C&C name with the game Generals. So, we have decided to make a C&C Generals mod, and sell it for uber profit! We won't spend uber monies on designing a new engine because it's all right there. And we get the specialized feel of Starcraft with the awesomeness of our own C&C Generals look. And the best part? We get to cut costs because all the engine work has already been done!

I hope you're actually quoting someone else, because I'm not sure what kind of idiot it takes to think that using a modern, perfectly capable engine and just upgrading it is in any-way-what-so-ever a bad thing. I'm sure you'd rather them waste hundreds of thousands of dollars to make an unnecessary new engine instead of just upgrading a current engine to accomplish the exact same thing and putting that money to better use. You could be right. It might not have been better for EA to create a new engine. But my point was that the feel of Generals' engine sucks.

Sir Phoenixx wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 09:57Quote:and even a mouse interface similar to Starcraft!

You mean, "similar to every other modern RTS game", right? Besides, they'll most likely include the option to use the left click instead.

Being that I don't play "every other modern RTS game", no. I mean Starcraft. I played and loved C&C because it was different. Generals with Tiberium changed that.

Sir Phoenixx wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 09:57Quote: If you want to build a lot of infantry, you can just build lots of barracks! How is this different from C&C? It's not! Well, unless you count the fact that you have to tell each barracks to build a unit individually.

No you don't, you just switch tabs on the side bar to build each extra unit, you don't have to go to each barracks to build each unit. Okay, so I didn't mention that you could switch via tabs. So what? My point was that it's the Starcraft-style (oh, forgive me... "every other modern RTS game"-style) of production whereas each building has its own production line. So much for C&C being unique.

Sir Phoenixx wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 09:57Quote:Also, each individual barracks does not get production speed increases if you build more barracks. But don't worry, it's still the same old C&C you like.

I don't see what the big deal is, instead of building two units at a faster rate, you're building two units at the same time at normal rates, you still get two units quicker by building two barracks. I don't see the huge-gotta-bitch-and-whine-about-it difference. The

huge-gotta-bitch-and-whine-about-it difference is that it's not C&C. It's Starcraft-style (oh, wait... "every other modern RTS game"-style)... again, so much for C&C being unique.

Sir Phoenixx wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 09:57Quote:If you want more tough units, you can build a technology building. No, that doesn't grant you access to special tougher units. So, I just imagined the Mammoth Tank and Juggernaught and the other units becoming available only after I built the Command Post and Tech Center, right?I left that part out. I wasn't focusing on the Mammoth Tank and Juggernaught, I was focusing on the upgrades that you have to purchase separately. My mistake.

Sir Phoenixx wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 09:57Quote:What it does do is let you buy things called "upgrades". Don't worry, that's nothing like Starcraft though. You see, in Starcraft, you could buy several upgrades several times. So you see, it's still C&C! I see you're still confusing "like all other modern RTS games" with "like Starcraft"...

And, no you couldn't buy the upgrades in Starcraft several times, each time you bought an upgrade, a better new upgrade was made available. Only in your eyes am I confusing "like all other modern RTS games" with "like Starcraft". C&C doesn't need to be Starcraft-style to a modern RTS game. Otherwise, it is exactly what you're implying: it fits into "all other modern RTS games" that you can simply pick up off of the shelf, play for a few days or weeks, and then get bored of it because it has absolutely no uniqueness to it.

Sir Phoenixx wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 09:57Quote:We've also felt it necessary to remove the ability to build base walls and gates. It was entirely too unique, and we felt that it detracted from the necessity of building more structures and units. Who cares about walls, anyways? I know I sure don't.

The modders that will add it back in within months of it's release, if walls are not added in a patch or something. CnC3 had walls, they just for some reason removed the ability to build them at the last minute. Wow, an actual valid complaint, must have been an accident, right?I'll ignore your cynical sarcasm at the end.

And who cares about the modders? I for one do not fucking care about mods. I want the real game to be the way it should have been rather than needing modifications to make it the way it should have been. Is that too much to ask? Seriously, think about it.

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Sir Phoenixx wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 09:57Quote:While we're changing things, we decided that tiberium trees were entirely too unsightly. They do have a habit of growing tiberium, you know. So instead, we felt that tiberium should come out of large holes in the ground. It doesn't matter how these holes formed, what matters is that tiberium grows out of them. Damn, a second valid complaint, even though it is a very minor and insignificant one. Yeah, it was rather insignificant... but I figured while I was ranting, I might as well throw it in there. I did actually like the tiberium trees of old.

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thus doesn't deserve the real C&C plotline.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Ryu on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 04:42:44 GMT

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I like the feel to this game, No walls? Wtf EA, This now sucks, I can't make a awsome looking base.

I did expect to see walls, And maybe more new units like a watch tower, And bla bla <;Insirt more rant here:>

Apart from that, everything looks nice, and the new models for buildings and tanks etc look and feel awsome. Tho thats my opinion, I'm sure there are others that completely hated this game.

Right now I'm rendering a movie, I'm going to upload it to YouTube soon, So I'll edit this post or make a new post.

EDIT; Btw, Did anyone notice CnC3 Had Renegade death screams on the Infantry Soldiers?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 05:05:53 GMT

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They should have released the demo sooner so we could have complained about it before they made 10,000 copies, thus preventing them form making another generals game.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Nukelt15 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 07:11:52 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Walls are a necessity; they have been ever since TD. Walls are what keep enemies from jacking things like MCVs and tech buildings with surprise engi rushes. Without walls, a lone early APC can make your life a living hell by stealing away half your base. Let's not even consider how important walls are as a passive defense against damaging attacks, huh?

Walls have been especially important in the Tiberian branch of the universe- TS had no fewer than four wall-type defenses, all of which were valuable in their own way. Concrete walls and gates for basic defense, Laser fences and Firestorm walls for defense against heavy attacks-Firestorm walls being able to defeat even superweapon and airborne attacks- and finally pavement, to defend against subterranean units and cratering.

It's a mystery why Nod seems to have abandoned subterranean units, and terrain deformation

died with TS, so the loss of pavement is acceptable. However, that leaves both passive and active walls for both sides that could have played a major role in defensive strategy. I'd be interested to see how EA justifies the complete omission of walls as a defensive tool.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Kanezor on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 07:26:56 GMT

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Nukelt15 wrote on Wed, 28 February 2007 01:11l'd be interested to see how EA justifies the complete omission of walls as a defensive tool.

Simple. EA thinks everyone should go out and rush in 10-minute games.

It's worth noting that 10-minute games are not fun at all.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Goztow on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 07:29:38 GMT

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What I really, really hate is the freaking fog of war. I do NOT need to know in advance where all tib fields are but I DO want to keep revealed terrain revealed.

I hope they will still put the option to disable fog of war in the multiplayer.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Nukelt15 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 08:09:17 GMT

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Another nod in agreement from me. Fog of War was an option in TS, but it was left disabled by default and I don't know anyone who opted to enable it. It is something decidedly not C&C, regardless of whether or not it is what everybody else is doing. Hell, I remember playing three different RTS titles by 2001 (Homeworld, C&C, and Star/Warcraft) and actually having three different sensor systems to play around with- and each one worked well with its own unique gameplay style.

Fog of War doesn't go well with C&C gameplay. It goes very well with 'Craft-style base building and massing, requiring players to station units at key locations to keep tabs on bad guys. It does not go very well with C&C. When you roll back a section of shroud in C&C, it damn well ought to stay rolled back.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by icedog90 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 08:27:25 GMT

I didn't play the demo much at all, but after reading everything you guys are discussing and recalling what I saw in the demo, I'm beginning to realize how this feels a lot like Generals. It doesn't feel completely like it, but it definitely has many elements. I think part of the reason is because it's still based on the SAGE engine. I don't know what EA was thinking when they decided to remove the walls, the proper shroud, the left clicking, THE RADIO, and other things. Even the cut-scenes don't really do justice. I think all of the actors overact, including Kane, not because of themselves but because of how EA directed them. I played all of the C&C games since I was 8... I have a pretty good idea of how they feel. They just totally lack what the original ones had.

Not everything is bad, but there are more bad things than I expected.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Kanezor on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 09:00:12 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

icedog90 wrote on Wed, 28 February 2007 02:27I played all of the C&C games since I was 8... I have a pretty good idea of how they feel. They just totally lack what the original ones had. You and I are in the same boat. I've been playing C&C for more than half of my life, how sad is that?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by icedog90 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 09:29:02 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

It's not sad to me... it's more like... nostalgia. Is it normal to feel an extreme amount of nostalgia for your childhood when you turn 18? Actually, I've been feeling this way since about a few months ago.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Goztow on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 09:37:53 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

TBH: C&C movie actors have always been overacting. It's part of the deal.

Don't get me wrong: I like how the game looks and feels but there's some Generals-elements in it that make my hair rise.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Ryu on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 10:11:23 GMT

Good thing I didn't play Generals.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Spoony on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 10:35:38 GMT

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was not needed.

Nukelt15 wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 16:30- Structures die way too easily, especially base defenses. A handful of basic-level tanks and infantry can wipe the floor with three or four defense towers before said towers can make as many as two or three kills combined. In the original game, defence structures were simply too powerful. They were sensibly nerfed during alpha testing. A player being able to turtle effectively and win against an aggressive opponent does not make for a good RTS game. Perfect example: Mirkwood Archers in towers in Rise of the Witch-King (well, if Mirks were as cheap as the turrets in CnC3 are)

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Sir Phoenixx on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 13:41:40 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Apparently the same part that you don't understand. How many RTS games have squads instead of individual units? Maybe a dozen or so (only 2 that I know of, Rise of Nations and Company of Heroes)? Out of hundreds that use individual units. Which way is more unique then?

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You mentioned 4 actual differences, 1 of which (the mouse thing) will be only optional, and 1 will be fixed in a patch or at least a mod. I fail to see how 2, maybe 3 permanent differences would qualify as "many". There were more differences between TS and TD.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by DarkKnight on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 16:08:59 GMT

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I just played the first mission of the demo and I like it but it took me a bit to get used to it from playing generals all the time.

Since I only have 512 of ram. it dumps every now and then back to my desktop but doesn't leave the game, guess it replenishes the ram then I just click the game on my toolbar and it goes right back to the action. I really need more ram lol

Personally I think the units were better looking in generals. Everything is really small even close up. I like Tibwars just took me a sec to get used to how to do stuff again after playing generals. It's the old style of building and moving.

No walls do suck. I don't know why they left that out but its new missions and C&C is still going strong so maybe hopes for Ren in the future.

Have to look at the positives sometimes and not always the negatives about everything. At least to me.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Scythar on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 17:01:21 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I liked it a lot. Here's the "bad things" -list:

- -Too many of those special weapons on the left bar. No need to have the same unit available in two ways in my opinion.
- -I kind of miss the fog of war.
- -Bad music.
- -Finally, the biggest difference with modern RTS when compared to older ones is the lack of grids. In RA you could easily line your units in any formation. Beautiful. Now you'll have troubles just lining two tanks next to each others quickly. It's the one thing I miss the most, and for me, it's probably the most important factor that makes a game feel like C&C.

Kanezor:

So, if they can't change aesthetics because it won't be C&C anymore, and they can't change gameplay because it won't be C&C anymore, then what CAN they change? Nothing Just add new unit models? Yeah, let's wait for C&C4 next, which comes with RA1 textures and game engine...if you liked those games, they're still available you know, just stick to them.

Or maybe it's just the usual "too old" syndrome, which makes us love our childhood games immensely, and as a result, every new version of them sucks. I should know...*looks at Descent 1*

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Renx on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 17:55:16 GMT

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The fog of war is still there. Do you mean the black that covered the map at the start so you couldn't see anything? I miss that too

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by GEORGE ZIMMER on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 18:19:53 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Firesbh AKA Seadust on rp2 forums I FOUND OUT HOW TO PLAY AS NOD IN THE DEMO

u can play as nod by highlighting it in the menu, then press n and click the icon at the same time, u can also do this with the ai by the corresponding starting letter, the scrin does not really work beacuse only the side bar was put in

It also works with AI personality too.

Also, I have a problem. It randomly crashes during Skirmish and immediatly crashes when I start a mission

Can anyone help with this one?

EDIT: Apperently someone already said how to do this (to play as Nod). Oh well, still will stay here for anyone who didn't see the topic (like me)

Subject: Re: C&C 3 Demo is Out

Posted by JPNOD on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 18:21:14 GMT

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Crimson wrote on Mon, 26 February 2007 22:42I'm getting my full retail version free from EA. I just hope I can get it from EA Link instead of waiting for them to ship it to us. I'm about to hop into the demo and check it out now. I hope it will play well... EA gave all the Community Summit attendees free high-end video cards from nVidia so we'd be able to enjoy it. I'm not sure my old Ti4800SE would have handled this well.

>Ti4200 worked fine here, it's just that you won't be able to put all the candy on.
[/quote]
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Can anyone help with this one?[/quote]
Does it just crash to desktop? or as in PC crash? If so try to increase your virtual paging memmory. Also post your system info.
Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by JPNOD on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 18:40:06 GMT

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Oblivion165 wrote on Tue, 27 February 2007 20:34I wish EA would stop using the Sage engine and move onto something else, C&C3 looks and feels like a modded generals. I play a lot of generals mods and all this seems to be is a new toolbar and a replacement of models and teams.

Also I despise squads, Dawn of war and a lot of games are using the squad system now and I hate it. I would like to just send one man out to scout or to take a derrick, not this massive shift of units across the battle field.

The menu system is all the same, just look at the multiplayer screen.

That being said, I'm glad they are trying to bring back the gold.

EDIT: I went and reviewed some of these pages and my post didn't bring anything new to the discussion but at least I got to say it too.

It's a Generals mod exception of the ingame movies. meh > Reborn and Renalert > the closest if will ever come to a Renegade 2 I said it before and ile say it again. Some people anoyed about me making a quote download Renegade 2 from www.renalert.com because it's not really a

Renegade 2 the so called C&C3 isnt otherwise.

me

pro's

- -Ingame cut scens
- -The menu with the music felt tiberian sun/futuristic

Cons

- -ingame to much generals like
- -I prefer the generals taunts over the taunts of the nod/gdi taunts.
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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 18:47:33 GMT

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JPNOD wrote on Wed, 28 February 2007 11:40

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Left/Right click will be fixed in the games first patch (as well hopefully the wall).

They got rid of the old music director, so thats why the music is not as good as it was in the original c&c series.

I also miss the old shroud.

The first mod I make well get rid of the squads, and put a build limit on the factories (one unit at a time).

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by trooprm02 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 20:57:57 GMT

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Wow 5 years already? heres to another 5

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Renx on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 21:13:32 GMT

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Why would you put a build limit? That's ridiculous. Being able to tell it to build more than one unit at a time was one of the best features ever added to RTS's.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 21:41:13 GMT

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Renx wrote on Wed, 28 February 2007 14:13Why would you put a build limit? That's ridiculous. Being able to tell it to build more than one unit at a time was one of the best features ever added to RTS's.

And destroys the uniqueness of the C&C series.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Renx on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 22:03:28 GMT

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Did you ever play RA2? I'm sure if it were possible or they had thought of it 11 years ago it would have been in TD and RA too. I don't recall WS ever saying they included an inferior feature on purpose.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by icedog90 on Wed, 28 Feb 2007 22:50:23 GMT

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Scythar wrote on Wed, 28 February 2007 09:01 Or maybe it's just the usual "too old" syndrome, which makes us love our childhood games immensely, and as a result, every new version of them sucks. I should know...*looks at Descent 1*

Not true. Supreme Commander is a successor to Total Annihilation... well, more like a revamped version of Total Annihilation since the original game barely received the recognition it deserved. I think it is very well done and it still remains faithful to the original, along with its own feeling.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Spoony on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 00:13:28 GMT

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Jerad Gray wrote on Wed, 28 February 2007 15:41Renx wrote on Wed, 28 February 2007 14:13Why would you put a build limit? That's ridiculous. Being able to tell it to build more than one unit at a time was one of the best features ever added to RTS's.

And destroys the uniqueness of the C&C series. You're saying the destruction of C&C started with Tiberian Sun?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Anderson on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 02:09:45 GMT

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I finally got around to playing this demo for a few hours and am happy to say I will be purchasing this game. I am very pleased with the gameplay, textures are nice too (can't say better graphics, its the same engine), and really neat effects.

Of course, my favorite thing in the whole thing is the Ion Cannon Strike. I think they did an outstanding job on it.

Though, I want them to bring back the walls. Their claim was it did not suit the fast paced gameplay, but I say it would, its not that fast paced (as they seem to make it look like), and as a classic C&C fan, having walls is a must.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by SeargentSarg on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 02:19:44 GMT

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Walls are a big thing for renegade imo.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Zion on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 08:24:22 GMT

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Yeah, the only things i'd chage are:

Walls,

Grid.

Mammy track animation when coming to a halt,

Infantry animation when they part to let a vehicle past,

Mouse icons,

Mouse clicking,

Rare Building looping animation during construction, and

Tutrorial mission less like RA2's tut mission.

Apart from those points it's a very good game. 9/10

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by trooprm02 on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 18:25:05 GMT

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Wow.. Tom Aderson or whoever posted the min. requirements was WAY off, so much so that now I can't even play the demo w/o upgrading

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Goztow on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 19:38:03 GMT

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trooprm02 wrote on Thu, 01 March 2007 19:25Wow.. Tom Aderson or whoever posted the min. requirements was WAY off, so much so that now I can't even play the demo w/o upgrading Then your pc must suck bigtime

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Anderson on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 20:09:47 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

trooprm02 wrote on Thu, 01 March 2007 11:25Wow.. Tom Aderson or whoever posted the min. requirements was WAY off, so much so that now I can't even play the demo w/o upgrading

I posted the requirements from a reference on CNCDEN and some game magazine. They were changed after that.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Viking on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 21:56:30 GMT

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Half the fun of tiberian sun was making youre base look nice with walls and stuff...

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Anderson on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 22:08:08 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Viking wrote on Thu, 01 March 2007 14:56Half the fun of tiberian sun was making youre base look nice with walls and stuff...

I completely agree with that. Part of the entire Command & Conquer series was the art of creating a unique base. Without walls, I can't make bases like I used to, not to mention that now it kind of has the feeling of a sloppy setup.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Sir Phoenixx on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 22:11:36 GMT

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I'd use walls in TS and make a nice, paved base with walls when I could, most of the time there was too many cliffs that I'd have to make the walls zig-zaged, or there were elevation changes in the way. Unless they make it so the walls follow the elevation changes and can be placed free form (instead of at right angles), then I don't think I'll be using walls except to surround the construction yard, etc. if they're put back in.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Tunaman on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 22:18:44 GMT

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I just realized that you can rotate your buildings if you hold down the button when you're placing them lol. It helps out with refineries I think.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by SeargentSarg on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 22:21:02 GMT

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Lol! Put them under the map so your enemies can't destroy em

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by DarkKnight on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 22:36:42 GMT

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Sorry if this was already stated but I'm suprised no one from the summit brought this point up when they were there.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Crimson on Thu, 01 Mar 2007 23:09:03 GMT

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I knew they took the walls out but I never used them so I didn't realize they were a big deal.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by JeepRubi on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 00:51:45 GMT

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Well, I diddnt think walls was such a big deal untill I started playing, after being rushed by suicide

bombers and having some guys run right through my defences, I really think their neccisays.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by jonwil on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 01:05:13 GMT

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Things I would change in C&C3:

- 1.Stuff builds too fast compared to previous C&C games including generals (they could add options for "fast build" like it is now and then various options to slow down the speed that stuff builds at)
- 2.Bring back the C&C style mouse clicking (which they are going to do)
- 3.Fix bugs (whatever may exist)
- 4. The engine uses up a lot more system resources than it needs to. This should be corrected

Also, gameplay changes (these may very well end up in a mod

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- 2.Get rid of the special powers that appear down the side, keep the superweapons though.
- 3.Get rid of the crane & deployable outpost thing.
- 4. Make tiberium more like what it was in Tiberian Sun.
- 5.Bring back walls

Keep everything else including the new graphics, engine changes etc etc.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Canadacdn on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 01:22:59 GMT

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Creed3020 on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 13:36:15 GMT

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I found the outpost to be one of the best new additions. It allows me to setup areas of defense units and structures quickly at key chokepoints. That was something I really liked doing in TS and it is now made possible without having to move your MCV into the battle.

The mouse settings drive me crazy...nuff said

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I don't see why everyone compares it to Generals. To me it seems like Firestorm with fancy pictures.

I like the cranes and really could care less about the walls myself. Fast build times is good. Keeps the game moving.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Tunaman on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 15:20:08 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Renegade set in the Tiberian/um Wars setting with graphics superior to BF2. The sound of that is secksi. But would it be well supported(By Electronic Arts I mean.)?

Anyways, I too would like to see walls(and gates for that matter) included in some sort of a patch or an expansion pack. Also, perhaps a collapsible control for displaying superpowers and such so they aren't in our way all the time.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Nukelt15 on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 17:58:49 GMT

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Generals has this bug, the other games do not.

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Not to mention it puts you at the mercy of how fast you can move your mouse and click, which really has little to do with strategy at all.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 19:15:42 GMT

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We have tried to convey the different experience and perspective of the game that we got from talking to several of the developers and seeing where they all work and talk about what they have done. When you see the number of people who contributed to this, the research and attention to detail they used, and see how all the small pieces come together, you're less likely to act like an idiot and go "Huuurrrrr no walls this game fucking SUCKS omg ea wtf srsly!"

Instead, how about NOT insulting people and go post on the C&C3 forums your opinion in a polite and mature way and perhaps they will listen and add walls in as part of a patch?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Viking on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 20:36:56 GMT

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Posted by Zion on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 22:39:13 GMT

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That's why i love, and still play Warzone 2100 after 8 years. Because you can sit back and let the research roll in, then own everyone with Gauss Cannons.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Ghostshaw on Fri, 02 Mar 2007 22:45:00 GMT

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You just need to build virtual walls using base defenses. And seriously those suicide bombers can do jack shit against a watch tower, or a turret array...

-Ghost-

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Crimson on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 03:44:59 GMT

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Anderson on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 04:01:42 GMT

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Personally, I think Command & Conquer 3 is well suited for a C&C game, and it deserves a lot of recognition, and so does EA. They did, and still are, doing an outstanding job.

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Ryu on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 04:52:07 GMT

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Hot dogs, Anyone?

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by CarrierII on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 06:33:04 GMT

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lol Alex, well, I just finshed downloading it (go me!) and will edit this post with my thoughts.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Anderson on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 06:40:10 GMT

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Too bad the edit button will expire for your post before then, lol.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Carrierll on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 07:09:30 GMT

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It did indeed expire, lol

Now, I'd say EA have got this right so far, with two problems:

1: A little too fast, slow down the game.

2: Walls!!!!

Other than that, it looks amazing, it feels like C and C, I am happy to say I will be buying this game, and wasting hours playing LAN games with my elder brother.

P.s: did anyone here find the side tab -too- graphical? For something that is more a tool than a decoration it's very decorated.

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Set there Handicap to -95% if it's too fast.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Anderson on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 07:31:11 GMT

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Yeah, so when I first downloaded the demo, the second skirmish game I played, I decided to set it to -95% on myself to see what happened... I'll tell you what, it is not fun watching the AI destroy every building in one hit each.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Ryu on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 09:06:07 GMT

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Not his handicap, The Al's.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Viking on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 09:11:41 GMT

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Jerad2142 on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 09:30:37 GMT

Viking wrote on Sat, 03 March 2007 02:11The super weapons are to super. Especially the Ion Cannon BEAM.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by DarkKnight on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 12:44:51 GMT

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In the past you could turn the superweapon feature on and off. Will that be the same in the full version?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by CarrierII on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 13:19:06 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Having played some more, I think that it's the music that made people think of Starcraft, not the gameplay.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Spoony on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 13:24:57 GMT

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Expecting a Renegade community leader to be an RTS expert would be like expecting a RTS community leader to be an expert at, say, Halo 2.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by CarrierII on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 15:42:15 GMT

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I have to agree about superweapon overpowering. one Ion cannon destroyed far too much of my base. *must get better!*

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by m1a1_abrams on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 16:49:14 GMT

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I'm gonna have to eat my words about the AI. I said that game developers always say that it's going to be much better than previous games, but we always get the same old stupid AI. Well it looks like they actually delivered this time.

The skirmish AI is friggin' hard. It really does react to what you build and uses the appropriate counter. You have to build a mixed force or you get punished quickly. I had one game where I built lots of tanks and grenadiers, then got attacked by masses of aircraft, because I forgot to build any anti-air. Usually I was building lots APCs for my anti-infantry, so the AI wasn't building aircraft because I had a huge counter already in place... but I only realised this when I used something else as my anti-infantry, that wasn't also an aircraft counter. I find "normal" skirmish AI as hard to beat as the "harder" setting on most RTS games. I think "normal" is just clever, but "hard" is clever *and* cheating... although someone will have to delve into the game files to find out for sure. I think it's the first time that "normal" and "hard" actually mean just that.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Scythar on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 18:15:53 GMT

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Posted by OWA on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 20:16:38 GMT

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Much <3 for the Arty.

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Posted by Dave Anderson on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 20:21:02 GMT

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I don't believe the superweapons in C&C 3 are overpowered at all. Its very easy to destroy the Al's superweapon before they can use it, even in Brutal difficulty. If they were not that powerful in the first place, they wouldn't be called superweapons anyway.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Canadacdn on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 20:25:23 GMT

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There needs to be advanced power plants. Everything seems to guzzle power, especially on Nod.

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Renegade is also not an RTS... it's a combined-arms first/third person shooter. With all due respect to Ren, it doesn't compare to C&C3 or any of the rest of the series; it is a completely different animal.

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Anderson on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 23:17:17 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I finally beat it on Hard Balanced, but the Brutal Al made me cry.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by CarrierII on Sat, 03 Mar 2007 23:41:02 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I can't get past "Easy" yet, I haven't played RTS (or any PC game really) for some time.

I did ok Vs Medium, but they Ion'd me... (I'm only saying this now becuase it doesn't make look useless rofl)

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Ghostshaw on Sun, 04 Mar 2007 01:14:14 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

A simple shockwave artillery and poof gione is their nuke/ion. I most like the steamroller AI as an opponent, because it seems to be the hardest.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by m1a1 abrams on Sun, 04 Mar 2007 01:53:27 GMT

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I play as Nod and the hard AI balanced or steamroller is now a taken cap for me, over to brutal. I find the best way to beat hard is to quickly expand to one tib field and spam base defences while you're quickly going up the tech tree. Once you get obelisks, most of your problems are solved. Then it's a matter of getting a nice attack force and nuke.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Scythar on Sun, 04 Mar 2007 11:25:36 GMT

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Hard balanced isn't that hard once you learn how to beat it. Here's how I do it:

Build up a base expansion to one of the tiberium fields immediately, and get a refinery and base defences there. Get 5-10 tanks and couple APCs in the bridge so you can get them to both bases quickly. Build up your tech so you have high-level units available (mammoths or avatars). Once you pump out some 4 of those, go and get the the other tib field too. At that point the game becomes quite easy, it's the beginning where it's easy to lose, right when you're setting your base in the first expansion tib field.

Oh, and is it just me or are the Nod laser turrets kind of useless? Maybe I'm wrong, but it looks as if the shredders are almost as efficient when dealing with tanks, let alone troops.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Ryu on Sun, 04 Mar 2007 11:32:08 GMT

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Yeah, The Nod Lazer Turrets do suck, Quite badly.

19 Stanks + 4 Avatars mechs FTW!

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Goztow on Sun, 04 Mar 2007 12:28:51 GMT

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I find the lazer turrets guite useful but maybe too expensive.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by CarrierII on Sun, 04 Mar 2007 12:53:23 GMT

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Their power consumtion isn't nice either.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by m1a1_abrams on Sun, 04 Mar 2007 14:57:37 GMT

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So do you guys think the base defenses will be worth building against human opponents? It's probably kinda hard to tell vs the AI.

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You'll have different kind of human players: rushers, turtlers, ... Base defenses can be worthy in some cases, I guess, especially because it seems buildings aren't super strong (as in it doesn't take all that long to kll them).

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by m1a1_abrams on Sun, 04 Mar 2007 16:16:21 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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With as only difference that a brutal AI cheats, so u're not supposed to have what he has, really.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Mon, 05 Mar 2007 03:41:52 GMT

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The Rusher AI is funny... I got a Crane up and built several power plants rather early. I expanded to one tib field and set up massive anti-infantry defenses and they just sat there and shredded his rushers like toilet paper. So while he kept wasting money on that, I was able to increase my tech, build a buttload of Refs and Harvesters, garrison most of the buildings, and got my Ion Cannon online. He was SO done. Of course, he was on easy. I'm sure Medium won't continually send troops after a lost cause and pick another route to rush at.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by m1a1_abrams on Mon, 05 Mar 2007 14:01:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Actually, hard rusher AI does just that, so medium almost certainly does. It attacks from multiple sides, but will keep attacking no matter how impenetrable your defense. I've been playing around with the defenses and just built lots of Obelisks, not bothering to expand at all. You need lots of tanks at first, to fight off the first rushes... but once you have 2-3 Obelisks on either side of your base, the AI continues to sends attack groups to die, over and over. It doesn't stop rushing and tech up, so by the time you're ready to come out of your base with Avatars and Stealth Tanks, the AI is still throwing unupgraded Predators at you. It only bothered to take one of the expansion

fields too, even though both were completely unguarded for about 10 minutes.

It seems that the rusher is really easy to beat just by turtling, which is disappointing, although it's much harder to beat by rushing yourself. I can't keep up with the AI in a tank spamming race.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Mason on Tue, 13 Mar 2007 21:08:41 GMT

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Something I've seen mentioned somewhere:

Quote:An interesting note about selling refs: The Ref costs \$2000. After selling it you have \$1000 + \$1000 harvester + \$300 riflemen = \$2300. So you basically get a harvester for the normal price in addition to free riflemen.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Ryan3k on Tue, 13 Mar 2007 22:26:00 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

That reminds me of Emperor, where if you bought a Sardaukar Barracks (700 credits) and sold it, you would get two free Sardaukar troopers (worth 600 total) plus 350 credits for the structure. So a net gain of 950.

Even in Tiberian Dawn the developers weren't so foolish and made the sell value of the 2000 credit Refinery somewhere around 350-400 credits.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Spoony on Tue, 13 Mar 2007 23:52:01 GMT

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The sale value was half of the refinery's value after the harvester's value had been deducted... i.e. 300. Sensible

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 02:31:28 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Actually in tib dawn the harvester cost around 1500 to build buy it self.

Secondly what happened to the mutants (I am especially concerned about visceroids they have been around since the beginning (but they were only in multiplayer of C&C95 though) its going to be really dumb if they just disappeared).

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Spoony on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 02:34:04 GMT

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refinery: 2000 harvester: 1400

money received when selling a refinery: half the refinery's cost not including the harvester,

therefore (2000-1400)/2 = 300

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 02:35:03 GMT

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Then you got soldiers out of it, so I think you might have also gained money in that game to (net value).

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Spoony on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 03:24:02 GMT

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That's a point actually.... lemme sell a few refs

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Spoony on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 03:27:25 GMT

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I have spent long arduous minutes selling three refineries and can now give a full report:

First two times gave me 3 minigunners

Third time gave me 1 minigunner and two technicians

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 05:53:20 GMT

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So was it a gain in the end or does it even out (or possibly be slightly less).

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Goztow on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 07:29:05 GMT

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Visceroids are back in some way:

Quote:Oh, did I mention that visceroids are back? Corruptors can actually turn infantry into visceroids, yours to control. Visceroids aren't exactly the tiny blobules from Tiberian Dawn and Tiberian Sun. They actually have legs now, three to be exact, and are still as ugly and oozing as before.

http://www.forumplanet.com/planetcnc/topic.asp?fid=19062&tid=2031428

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by m1a1_abrams on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 11:09:21 GMT

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Anyone here beating the Brutal GDI AI with Nod consistently? And if so, how do you do it? I can beat the Brutal Nod with GDI after watching some clips of how other people did it and it's fairly straightforward. Expand to another field ASAP, then spam turrets and watchtowers until you can get Sonic Emitters. Put a couple at each place the enemy likes to attack, then build up Mammoths with Railguns and go kill everything.

But Brutal GDI just kills me everytime, with about 30 Predators closing in from all sides. The same tactic doesn't seem to work, because Obelisks are nowhere near as good as Sonic Emitters. Also, I'm not even sure what to build in Nod's late game. The Avatars are so expensive and are not Mammoth Tanks, sadly. Upgraded Scorpions are much more cost effective, but the AI has such a resource advantage, it can still spam enough Predators to beat them. The Stealth Tanks seem quite useless to me, vs the AI at least, because they're way to expensive to keep losing fighting vehicles and aircraft, but the AI knows about all your sneak base attacks too What to do?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 15:44:03 GMT

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Nod AI seems to like Flame tanks... have you tried them?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by m1a1_abrams on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 16:27:51 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Nope, I haven't built them much at all. The problem I'm facing is the AI building massed Predator tanks, with some Rocket Soldiers mixed in. Flame Tanks might counter the Rocket Soldiers, but they'd have to get close enough to shot by the Predators. I've been using Buggies to kill the infantry, and trying to keep them behind my tanks. Also, Buggies give you an already made aircraft counter. If you build enough of them, the AI doesn't seem to bother building many aircraft at all.

Flame Tanks seem good against buildings though, so I'm sure there's a use somewhere (besides the obvious clearing out of garrisoned structures). Will play around with them and see what happens. The brutal GDI will probably kick my ass like always, but that's part of the fun.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 17:16:22 GMT

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I would suggest playing as GDI against the Brutal AI and making a shitload of Predator tanks... see what they come up with as a counter.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 17:46:12 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Legs and you control them, that kind of ruins the point of them and a big strategy I had developed with them (send lots of infantry into a tib field by an enemy base and run them around until they are killed for tib exposer then they combined and attack the base, and the base defenses will not fire back until the visceroids attack them because the visceroids are on a special team).

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 18:07:24 GMT

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Um, if your fan is dirty and not spinning fast enough, and the high CPU usage of the game makes it overheat, then that's not their problem. You expect them to come and clean your fan for you or write software that does it???

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jimbo27 on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 19:29:35 GMT

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GDI v Hard Nod.

won in 8 minutes

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 20:36:09 GMT

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Oh yeah... zone troopers are bad ass. For some reason, I never build more than one WF and Barracks, and yet I usually have 1 or 2 cranes. I should try setting a rally point in their base and use one barracks to just spam zone troopers on Aggressive until I win.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Ferhago on Wed, 14 Mar 2007 22:36:51 GMT

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So where are these boards im supposed to register at so reserve my online nick?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Crimson on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 02:31:30 GMT

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http://www.commandandconquer.com I believe.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jecht on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 11:44:52 GMT

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I always build a crane right from the get go, I usually end up with one barracks and two war factories. It allows me to pump out my juggernauts faster

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Spoony on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 13:21:56 GMT

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Chrono Legionnaires wouldn't own a base unless your opponent was an idiot... any units could beat them, all you needed was to outnumber them.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Apache on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 16:55:31 GMT

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Ha, just stomped a hard turtler with nothing but 6 teams of 6 juggernaughts, and a couple snipers I dropped in at the back of their base behind their defenses, LOL

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Anderson on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 16:58:34 GMT

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Now try that against a Brutal enemy using the Steamroller strategy.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 20:24:50 GMT

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Tunaman on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 21:00:29 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I tried that too.. I got owned everytime. Then I played again and just expanded and didn't move my con yard.. And I pretty much owned hard. It seems like they like to send more troops to the expansion field than to your main base so I just built up my defenses there and got the microwave(I don't remember what they're called) turrets asap.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by m1a1_abrams on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 21:30:27 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Well Brutal GDI is still owning me, unless I play mirror GDI. Nothing seems to work. Without the Sonic Emitters to hold back their attacks, I can never mass enough units to launch my own attacks. Have to send units to defend, because the Obelisks are too easily overwhelmed.

I think they made a big mistake in removing walls, because you could build your Nod defenses behind them. GDI wouldn't be able to do the same, because their cannon/sonic turrets couldn't fire over their own walls... so it would justify them being stronger than Nod. Also, if you were charging your Obelisks with the Beam Cannon, walls would stop that expensive unit being wasted immediately by focus fire (it has to be pretty close to charge). Not to mention that the Shredder/Laser Turrets seem to be designed completely with walls in mind. These "professional"

gamers" they hired must be very narrow minded if they can't spot building the Nod defenses behind walls as being a good tactic. If they weren't using them in the games they played, then maybe they just weren't inventive enough... or maybe the walls were priced too high to be competitive. Removing them was not the answer.

Edit: Also, I doubt that static defenses are going to be a staple of the most competitive games anyway, walls or not... so I guess they should have lobbied for the removal of all defenses too.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 21:41:23 GMT

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If you play the single-player mission, Nod uses walls and hides the hub for their base defenses behind the walls. It's kinda fun to bring in a bunch of mammies and set them on aggressive stance and watch them lay waste to the walls.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by m1a1_abrams on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 21:56:39 GMT

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Yeah I know, that's what I mean. They designed it so you could do that, then they listened to the "pro gamers". The Shredders and Lasers are now just a gimmick in multiplayer, because you can just shoot the hub straight away.

The ability to place them anywhere within a cirle around the hub isn't so hot, because you need them in overlapping fire arcs to get the best out of them (i.e. pretty much in the same place). Building the hub behind walls would have been the real advantage of those things. It's cool that it's still in single player, but we could have been doing that online and in skirmish too. It would have helped particularly against the hard/brutal AI settings. All we can hope is that enough people make a fuss about it, so they patch it back into multiplayer.

And it really gimps the Obelisk, if you're going to use it at all. It has this big advantage that it can fire *over* walls, unlike the Sonic Emitter, except it doesn't have any walls to fire over. And it doesn't damage multiple targets at once. So I'm not really sure what advantages the MP Obelisk has at all.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Jimbo27 on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 22:50:52 GMT

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kept trying to leave the base and getting pwned. The funny thing is that the AI assumed I was using the default field and never expanded to it.

Key is to expand to two tib fields, build lots of rocket men and gun towers while you tech up (tech center til you can get mammies and zone troops) and then just beef 'em.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jerad2142 on Fri, 16 Mar 2007 00:02:23 GMT

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I noticed that pieces of tiberium that are alone don't grow, whats up with that.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Goztow on Fri, 16 Mar 2007 07:34:38 GMT

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Jerad Gray wrote on Fri, 16 March 2007 01:02l noticed that pieces of tiberium that are alone don't grow, whats up with that.

AFAIK Tib only grows in red zones.

Obelisk seems underpowered compared to sonic emitor, allthough u can power it up with beam cannons. Worst thing is that it doesn't kill a predator, it leaves it with a couple HP of health, so it needs to fire twice to kill one tank (unless powered up). That makes it useless.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Chronojam on Fri, 16 Mar 2007 17:04:51 GMT

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Jerad Gray wrote on Thu, 15 March 2007 19:02I noticed that pieces of tiberium that are alone don't grow, whats up with that.

C&C tradition dictates that tiberium that is isolated will grow slower than tiberium that is in a patch, hence the optimal harvesting strategy is to collect in a checkerboard pattern. A lone chunk often has trouble spreading far, but the bigger a field is, the quicker it replenishes. Sometimes I wonder if EA is forgetting C&C or if the fans are XD

Goztow, try mixing together different kinds of base defense-- put lesser turrets with your Obelisk to handle clean-up and defend against infantry rushes. Forcing an Obelisk to waste shots is a classic C&C maneuver.

Crane, surveyor, Power-refref-barracks, surveyor, crane, ref wf defenses, tanks, techup. Cockwalleting optional, but gives a 50% boost to odds of winning.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by nopol10 on Sat, 17 Mar 2007 01:23:34 GMT

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Is it possible to charge up the Obelisk with beam cannons such that it B2B?

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jerad2142 on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 05:56:48 GMT

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nopol10 wrote on Fri, 16 March 2007 19:23ls it possible to charge up the Obelisk with beam cannons such that it B2B?

Yes, that is exactly what the beam tanks (or whatever they are called, nod's artillery) can do.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Tunaman on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 05:59:19 GMT

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Nah, the radius of its fire stops getting bigger at a certain point.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jerad2142 on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 06:03:58 GMT

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Well I'm sure it will be able to be changed.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Goztow on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 07:59:45 GMT

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It all depends where you set up your base.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Ferhago on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 23:06:29 GMT

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Crimson wrote on Wed, 14 March 2007 21:31http://www.commandandconquer.com I believe.

Thank you much!

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by DutchNeon on Mon, 19 Mar 2007 23:36:53 GMT

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I think you quoted the wrong person, but yes they changed everything.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Spoony on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 01:23:52 GMT

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No complaints here tbh... OP defenses: crap game.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Oblivion165 on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 03:41:01 GMT

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Well the AI was built off Generals AI so it sucks, and in multi player people are going for the same thing (there will also be other maps with different locations of tib fields etc.).

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Actually multiple power plants is needed, if it was just build one power plant to power a base, people would be 10 and you could never get their power down.

As for silos, it just adds to the build list (which is way to short).

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Outposts should have you build other buildings first.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Tunaman on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 06:39:13 GMT

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I'm pretty sure there's a glitch where if they deploy an outpost, and you kill it, they can still build there.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 08:48:01 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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If they do manage to get a building up before you take out the outpost, they get a small circle of "ownership" where they can place buildings in close proximity to the remaining structure.

I encountered a weird instance in the demo mission where Nod was down to a Hand and nothing else... they kept deploying and destroying a Ref, maybe to get the minigunners? And they never ran out of money... kept deploying infantry. Of course I was being a little shit and I set up camp right in front of it and put in like 20 watchtowers... hehe.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Tunaman on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 09:33:40 GMT

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Zion on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 11:29:37 GMT

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Well if you think of it this way, EA supposedly made the AI free source so if you know xml you can fix these issues and distribute them as a pack. Maybe if EA catches on about this issue they'll release it as a patch.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by DutchNeon on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 13:24:46 GMT

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i Also noticed that the Enemy Al Tends to Build Buildings in your own Buildings, Especially on the buildings at SP. At the skirmish, i build a lot of PowerPlants so i could build a Obelisk in Enemy Base where he had his obelisk after it got destroyed, Guess what? 10 secs later a enemy Obelisk is build in my obelisk.. so they are in each other shooting at each other, happened the same at SP with the mission with those ships, Capture the HoN (Hand) with a engi, then some secs later the Al HoN is build in ur own HoN.... and if u capture that HoN again, u get more HoN's in each other, i did this quite some time until i had 12 HoN's in each other, 11 in my ownership and 1 of the Al.

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Jerad2142 on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 17:15:28 GMT

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Ralphzehunter wrote on Tue, 20 March 2007 03:33I mean, lets say they get an outpost down and a refinery.. I rush in there and take both of them out. Somehow they can still manage to build buildings there.. :\

They probably have another building hiding somewhere.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Tunaman on Tue, 20 Mar 2007 19:05:41 GMT

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Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Oblivion165 on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 01:52:40 GMT

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Exactly, i used the orca stealth detector mines and put them everywhere. There are no buildings what-so-ever.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Crimson on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 02:17:59 GMT

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I'm going to go through this thread and send your feedback to EA to make sure these things get fixed in a patch.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Oblivion165 on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 04:35:56 GMT

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Excellent oh and one thing I forgot to mention is that civilian structures should be repairable unless they were completely destroyed.

IMO anyway.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 04:44:27 GMT

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What, they are not in this game. Thats stupid. There is also a building in the civilian town that disappears when ever the camera hits a certain position.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Dave Anderson on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 05:33:32 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Oblivion165 wrote on Tue, 20 March 2007 22:35Excellent oh and one thing I forgot to mention is that civilian structures should be repairable unless they were completely destroyed.

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I noticed that too. It would be nice if they were repairable again.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged) Posted by Canadacdn on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 05:35:58 GMT

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Yes. Also, this graphical error happens sometimes to the shields on buildings when units are garrisoning a building with medium health.

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Nice effects EA.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Zion on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 08:59:13 GMT

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C&C3 on XBOX LOL!

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Crimson on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 09:36:31 GMT

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That looks awesome. I only got to see the single player XBOX 360... they did an entirely separate UI for it so players hopefully won't miss their mouse.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jerad2142 on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 13:29:37 GMT

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That guy needs a sanity test.

Subject: Re: C&C3 Demo and C&C3 Official Website discussion (merged)

Posted by Jecht on Wed, 21 Mar 2007 14:24:24 GMT

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I wish I had a helmet like that guy in the vid.