Formatting a ProDOS RAMdisk

You can use Apple Computer's FILER program to format the RAMdisk as instructed below. Any other program that will format large volumes will also work. For your convenience, FILER is provided on the AppleWorks Expander disk. Complete Filer instructions are in the ProDOS User's Manual and tutorial HELP screens are also available from within the program. Here's an outline of the FILER's format procedure:

1. **Load Filer**

   Either

   Boot the AppleWorks Expander disk and then select the Copy Files option from the Main Menu

   or

   At the AppleSoft BASIC prompt ( ]), use the ProDOS dash command, -FILER.

2. **Select option "V" from the FILER main menu.**

3. **Select option "F" from the Volume Commands menu.**

4. **Enter the number of the slot containing the RamFactor card.** For the new volume name enter: RAMs, where s is the RamFactor slot number. (- or name it anything you like.)

5. **Answer "Y" to the "DESTROY 'RAMs'?(Y/N)" prompt.** Your RamFactor RAMdisk is formatted in less than a second.

6. **Press the ESC key twice to return to the FILER main menu.**

7. **Press "Q" to Quit Filer.**

If you booted the AW 2 Expander disk to run Filer, you will be left in Bird's Better 'Bye. (Instructions on screen and in AW 2 Expander User's Manual.) If you run Filer from another launcher program, you'll be returned to that launcher.

Copying files to a ProDOS RAMdisk.

Treat the ProDOS RAMdisk just like any other ProDOS volume. Files can be copied to or from it by using a file-copy utility program, such as Apple's FILER, Central Point Software's Copy II Plus (version 6.5 or later), or Applied Engineering's AUTOCOPY2 (AUTOCOPY2 is described in the AW 2 Expander User's Manual).