



## MAX Internet

**NEW FREE ONLINE CLASSIFIEDS:** The Fort Trader is back, and it's ONLINE. Post your ads for free! NEW: PICTURES can be uploaded easily to your ad. Edit your ad, delete it, set how long to run it, mark it sold. It's even able to make your ad viewable to digital cell phones! You will be asked to register (it's free, just use your e-mail address & pick a password) and you'll get your own private control panel to manage your ads. Post as many as you'd like.

**IS ONE COMPUTER BRAND "BETTER" THAN ANOTHER? :** Simply said, no. Cheap and good do not mean the same thing. "Brand X must be good because *everybody's* buying one" is the stupidest argument there is. Dell makes models as crappy as the E-machine, so does HP. Other stores sell stuff that's dead by Boxing Day so why think their computers would be 'better'?

So as you don't think this is solely a pitch to buy our models, I'll tell you right now that we can sell you a budget model, too. But we'll at least tell you if it's a 'disposable' model and not claim it's 'better than X'.

If you want 'better', buy IN THE MIDDLE. Look for a system that's not the latest (most expensive, first to be out performed), and not the cheapest. You'll find that there is not a lot of price difference from brand to brand.

**READ THE FINE PRINT:** many places try to trick you with 'rebates' so you actually are charged as much as \$500 more when you get to the till. There's 3 reasons for rebates: 1 – the model is discontinued and must be cleared out, 2 – it is 'such a POS' no one would buy it, 3 – most people lose the coupon and the rest really believe some outfit in Korea will honor it.

Computers are like cars, AUGUST IS THE BEST TIME TO BUY – leftover stock & new school models are coming or already here. Yes they depreciate, too! ☺

**SPECIAL:** totally unlimited dialup internet for August \$25.00. Something to do on those hot nights you can't sleep, surf and post your stuff on the classifieds!

**VIRUS PROTECTORS:** The free ones run out quickly. The free online ones are the first to be disabled by a virus. The ones you buy eventually run out, the ones that come with your computer expire. If you have the latest and greatest protector, you can still get a virus if you don't use it properly. C'est la vie!

**SPYWARE:** Did your kids download an 'internet accelerator'? You probably now have several files that monitor you internet activity in your computer. Visit an adult site? There's now cookies that identify you and broadcast your e-mail address to mailing lists. Try downloading and installing Lavasoft's Ad Aware. This small program will search and destroy spy-ware and can speed up your computer & internet. Check the FILE SERVER link at [www.fsames.com](http://www.fsames.com)