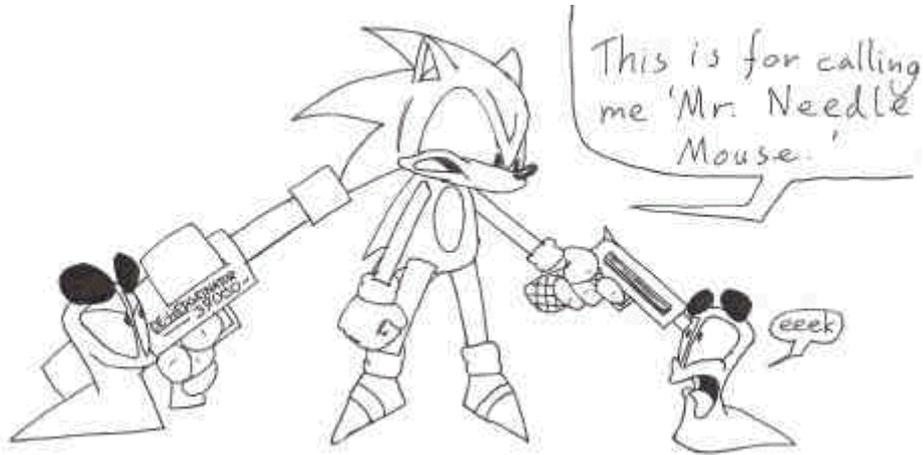


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17's Company: Aftermath... (Digitally Remastered)



Picture by philby4000.

Note: Although the above picture features worms, the characters in the sit-com are human.

Starring

*Worm Mad,
Paul.Power,
BetongÅsna,
SargeMcCluck,
Vader,
mocoworm,
Blinx,
thomasp,
UnKnownX,
FatWhitey,
Star Worms,
Test Zero,
wormsfreak,
APJ,
Spadge,
Squirminator2k,
Zero72*

Blank screen.

Worm Mad (Voice Over): This series on 17's Company...

Clips are shown of the following in quick succession...

#1: Zero72: Are you thinking what I'm thinking?

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Blinx: (running in from nowhere) RODE TRIP!!!

#2: Suddenly BetongÅsna leaps from the ceiling and sticks a stake through UnKnownX's heart who falls to the floor.

BetongÅsna: Eat dust, Vampire!

Worm Mad: Who are you?

BetongÅsna: (standing to his feet) My name is BetongÅsna. I am a vampire hunter.

#3: UnKnownX: I'm just trying to find him to carry out a bloody revenge upon him for sticking a sharp stick into me! I'm SANE!

#4: UnKnownX: You're not going anywhere. (he attempts to grab Betong but he avoids X and walks towards the door.

BetongÅsna: (turning around) Look, you can kill me when I get back. Don't touch anything while I'm gone.

#5: Vader: Hi. Don't worry about freak. He's just been a little scared of me since I escaped from the local mad asylum.

Run: I...see.

#6: APJ: (sitting down where Run was) Good work, Vader.

Vader: No problem. They don't expect a thing.

#7: Vader forces McCluck towards a car. APJ walks alongside.

APJ: Get in the car. You're going for a ride.

#8: Token Girl: We agreed, K^2. You're not backing out on our agreement. You do the day jobs, I do the night jobs.

#9: Token Girl: (smiling) Actually, I could do with a bite to eat.

K^2: Sure, I'll go get you something.

Token Girl: If you don't mind, I think I'll just help myself.

Token Girl grins – two sharp white teeth are clearly visible. She advances towards K^2 who attempts to escape but trips over a chair. She grabs him and pushes his head to one side so that his neck is visible. He screams. She bites.

#10: Worm Mad: Look behind you! A three-headed donkey!

K^2: (looks behind him) Where?

Paul.Power: (grabs another stake from the table and shoves it into K^2) Program this! (K^2 bursts into dust)

#11: Paul.Power: (throwing the stake) Betong, Catch!

BetongÅsna catches the stake and stakes the nearby Run who crumbles into dust.

#12: Suddenly a beam of daylight passes through the open window and hits Token Girl.

Token Girl: Is it me or is it hot in here? (she turns to dust)

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#13: Cuts to Betong walking towards church. He stops all of a sudden and sniffs. Then he looks up towards where his church stood. It has been engulfed in flames.

BetongÅsna: (screaming) NOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOOO!

Cuts to blank screen again.

Worm Mad (Voice Over): And now on 17's Company...

Fades to Betong outside burning church. UnKnownX stumbles out of the flaming building.

BetongÅsna: (enraged) YOU! (he shoves X) How...how could you? You could have killed me, done anything but...you killed my only passion. You killed my religion.

UnKnownX: B...but I didn't...

BetongÅsna: Don't even bother... (he walks off down the path and is lost in the distance)

UnKnownX: (to a passer-by) My revenge was actually to hang all his picture frames at crooked angles.

Canned Laughter.

Passer-By: What the hell are you talking about?

UnKnownX: Yes, you're absolutely correct. I should try and find out who did this. It's the honourable thing to do.

Passer-By: The honourable thing to do is to shut the hell up! (Passer-By walks off)

Canned Laughter. Cuts to interrogation room, McCluck is in a chair with his hands tied. Vader stands directly behind him. APJ can be seen pacing the room nearby. The room is dark other than the spotlight on McCluck.

Ominous Voice: Mr.McCluck, I'm so glad we're able to have this little chat.

SargeMcCluck: Who the hell are you? What do you want from me?

Ominous Voice: M3ntal, Vader, AndrewTaylor, Oliver, Gareth Butterworth and yourself. What do you all have in common?

SargeMcCluck: We were all part of the first focus-test but what...

Ominous Voice: (interrupting) Ex-actly. A focus test that was approved by a member of my company but not – me – personally. I worry, Cluck – can I call you Cluck?

SargeMcCluck: No! You can call me McCluck or Sarge but not Cluck, NEVER Cluck!

Ominous Voice: I have the gun, Cluck, I can call you whatever the hell I want...

SargeMcCluck: Then why did you bother asking?

Canned Laughter.

Ominous Voice: Courtesy, geMc, Courtesy. But my patience is tiring of your questions. You will listen, I will talk.

SargeMcCluck: Okay.

Ominous Voice: Shut up. (Pause) You see, I didn't approve of this Focus Test or the more recent Studio Tour which I found on the Worms 3D site. I had APJ remove the tour but...you...and your friends still bothered me. What if one of you spilled too

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much? The financial success of the game could be ruined. I wasn't prepared to take that risk. Now, Vader, he has been an associate of mine all along and I knew I could trust him to reveal any secrets. In fact I had him pretend to be mad in order to persuade possible questioners not to ask him about the Focus Test.

SargeMcCluck: But he's always acted like that! He didn't change after the Focus Test.

Ominous Voice: (With reflection) Ye-s. I suppose you're right. He has...(Pause) But didn't I tell you to be quiet?

Canned Laughter.

Ominous Voice: I thought it would be okay if I just kept an eye on you all but I've lost track of Taylor and then we have to remember (laughing) your little Road Trip. We completely lost track of you. As you can imagine I was very upset. So upset that I had to have an employee, a close personal friend of mine, painted bright red in order to show how (angry) BLOODY PISSED OFF (suddenly calm) I was. You. Out of our sight. With non-focus testers. (Pause) You do realise that we have no idea what you told them? But don't worry...we're going to deal with this little problem as quickly and efficiently as we can.

Cut to bar. Two goons dressed all in black approach the bar and sit down.

Spadge: Uh...What do you want, guys?

Goon #1: Have you seen these individuals recently? (he shows Spadge some pics of Worm Mad, Blinx and Zero72)

Spadge: Er...no, haven't seen them in a while.

FatWhitey: (walking by) What are you talking about, Spadge? They were here earlier today...

Spadge: Uh..u...I don't know what you're talking about...

FatWhitey: Zero72's still here, he's over in the corner.

Spadge: Shut up!

FatWhitey: I was only trying to help!

Canned Laughter.

Goon #2: Thank you, you've been most helpful.

They advance upon Zero72.

Zero72: Oh, I know what this is about. But I had a perfectly good reason for being in that woman's dressing room...in the closet...while singing...

Canned Laughter.

Goon #1: Uh, this isn't to do with that. We're here to kill you.

Zero72: I see. Well forget everything else I told you (shifty eyes, pause) Anyway, if you want to kill me then you shouldn't do it somewhere so public. Try somewhere private, like the alley behind the bar – Come on, I'll show you.

Goon #2: Er, thanks.

Canned Laughter. Moves to table.

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S-2k: It's sure quiet without K^2 and Run around. (he sighs sadly)
moworm: Oh, they're still here. You see – I SEE DEAD PEOPLE!
S-2k: You'll be joining them if you don't stop the lame movie quotes.
moworm: Are you talking to me? (pause) Are YOU talking to ME?
S-2k: Evidently not, goodbye! (he walks off)

Canned Laughter.

thomasp: (leaning over) Does it hurt when they walk off while you're in the middle of quoting films?

moworm: Every time.

Canned Laughter. Cuts to titles.

Title Music Lyrics

*Not 1, Not 2 and Certainly Not 3,
There's a number which makes people believe,
Just pay the 300 post fee,
And you'll never want to leave...*

*17,
17's Company,
Between 16 and 18, it's true.
It's Open Discussion through and through.*

*17,
17's Company*

*The jokes are flowing thick and fast,
The drink's are cheap and numerous,
The fun you have is sure to last,
But above all this – it's humorous!*

*17,
17's Company,
Between 16 and 18, it's true.
It's Open Discussion through and through.*

*17,
17's Company*

Cuts to interrogation room.

SargeMcCluck: Let me get this straight - You're planning to kill my friends on the off-chance I spoke to them about Worms 3D and then you're going to replace them with brainwashed clones.

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Ominous Voice: Uh...not just your friends. (he points the gun at McCluck) Goodbye, SMC, you were a most worthy adversary.

Sarge throws himself to the floor. The shot goes past him and hits Vader who drops like a stone. APJ brings McCluck to his feet by pulling him up by his shirt. McCluck head-butts APJ who staggers back. He then runs. Another gun shot hits the door.

Ominous Voice: I want that man dead.

Cuts to inside burnt out church.

UnKnownX: (searching the debris) Hmmm... clues...clues...clues (he doesn't notice a burnt poster of a blue hedgehog, a piece of wood that reads 'SE', a scrap of paper reading "Publisher Rights & Wrongs" and pieces of an egg) Hmm.. whoever did this covered their tracks well (a red fox runs by behind him)

Canned Laughter. Cuts to bar.

Star Worms: Strange things have been happening lately.

wormsfreak: So?

Star Worms: I don't like it. It feels like matters have been taken out of our control.

Worm Mad: (can be seen at a nearby table with lots of models of the 17 Company crew) I AM THE PUPPET MASTER!

wormsfreak: I guess the amount of lunatics around here doesn't help matters.

Star Worms: Hmmm... There's only one logical explanation...

wormsfreak: That this is just a strange place and we have to accept that or leave?

Star Worms: THE SITH!

wormsfreak: I think my idea had more merit... (he walks out of the bar)

Canned Laughter. Cuts to alley.

Goon #1: So can we kill you now?

Zero72: No.

Goon #2: (Pause) Now?

Zero72: You have to wait.

Goon #2: How long?

Zero72: As long as it takes.

Goon #1: But I need to go to the bathroom.

Goon #2: Didn't I tell you to go before we left?

Goon #1: I forgot.

Goon #2: Wait a minute... where's Zero gone?

Goon #1: I thought you were watching him.

Goon #2: I let my concentration slip.

Goon #1: He can't have gone far. What's the worst that can happen?

Some policemen appear.

Policeman #1: FREEZE!

Goon #2: You had to say it, didn't you?

Canned Laughter. Cuts to interrogation room.

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that game. Just come out with your hands up and I promise I'll only shoot you in the heart. (Pause) Please? (Pause) Pretty Please?... Pretty Please with Sugar on Top?

Eventually Sonic sees McCluck. He runs after him and eventually ends up boxing him into a corner.

Sonic: (holding the gun up) Goodbye, Sergeant. Give my best wishes to the Dreamcast.

A shot is fired. Sonic falls to the floor. Vader steps out of the shadows.

Vader: Nobody shoots me and gets away with it.

SargeMcCluck: (breathless) Thank you.

Vader: Seems I'm not so bad after all.

SargeMcCluck walks over to the body of his assailant and looks down in horror.

SargeMcCluck: Oh my god! You shot Sonic!

Canned Laughter

Vader: Okay, maybe I am still a little evil...

SargeMcCluck: You **KILLED** Sonic!

Vader: He shot me and was going to shoot you.

SargeMcCluck: But...but...you murdered (Pause) Sonic!

Vader: You know, for someone who still has a gun pointed at them, you're being awfully irritating...

SargeMcCluck: (scared) I'll be good...

Test Zero runs in.

Test Zero: We've gotta get out of here! This place is going to explode!

SargeMcCluck: Who the hell are you?

Test Zero: No time to explain – Run – Run – Run!

Vader: No, Run's dead.

Canned Laughter.

SargeMcCluck: Run's Dead?

Vader: Don't ask me, I'm just reading what it says in the script.

SargeMcCluck: Pretty lousy script.

Vader: I didn't write it.

Canned Laughter.

Test Zero: (hurrying them out) **JUST GET OUT OF HERE!**

SargeMcCluck: Hey, wait! Sonic's not dead yet!

Sonic: H...help.

Vader: He was going to shoot you, McCluck. Leave him alone.

Sonic: I have one...I..last...request.

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SargeMcCluck: What?

Sonic: Tell my creator that I'm s..sorry...I let down...the company...

SargeMcCluck: Sure.

Sonic: Then shoot that damned jackass!

SargeMcCluck: Uh...I'm going.

Sonic: Next, I want you to find Tails, Amy and Knuckles and tell them that they suck!

SargeMcCluck: (walking away) Bye!

Sonic: Then, I want you to set up a cult called 'Super Sonic Memorial Cult Turbo' and then... (looks around) Hey! Where'd he go?

They leave the warehouse just in time. It explodes behind them.

Paul.Power: (standing by an impressive sports car) Anyone fancy a lift?

SargeMcCluck: And how did HE afford a car like that?

Vader: Don't ask. I'm still wondering why he's turned up with only a minute to go before the credits.

Test Zero: And what the hell am I doing? How do I tie into this?

Paul.Power: Did APJ survive the explosion?

Vader: For that matter what caused the explosion?

Test Zero: How did we afford the special effects for the Sonic character on this sit-com's ludicrously low budget?

Vader: How did I recover from being shot so easily?

Test Zero: Where's the big series finale cliff-hanger?

Worm Mad: (running in) Sorry I'm late. I can explain all. Test Zero is supposed to be Zero72's clone but is in fact a unique individual who was kidnapped by the insane Sonic. Paul.Power created the car in his laboratory from a combination of scrap metal parts. He's turned up so late in the episode as a means to transport the principle cast members back to the bar in time for the next series. The explosion was a result of Sonic deciding to blow up all evidence of his work after receiving word that his goons had been arrested and were being interrogated. Whether APJ survived or not and how Vader recovered from his bullet wound are questions which will be answered in the next series. You can find out how we created the Sonic Special FX in the 90 minute documentary - 'I was a teenage hedgehog' available on Video and DVD from Monday. And in case you're wondering, I came here by bus.

Paul.Power: That still doesn't explain the lack of a cliff-hanger ending.

Voice of Andy Davidson: I believe I can help you with that.

They turn around and see AD pointing a laser cannon at them. He is riding a donkey.

All (except AD): Andy Davidson!

Black out.

Text (across screen): TO BE CONTINUED...

Coming Soon...

Trailer 1:

Voice-Over: He's one of the industries most loved figures...

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Pic of Sonic is shown.

Voice-Over: But until now, nobody has told his incredible story...

Worm Mad: We approached Sonic and he said that he'd love to appear in the series as long as we did it in CGI (Pause) You see, he's very shy. (Pause) His one condition was that we made a documentary about...not just how we created the CG Sonic...but about his life.

Sonic: (face blurred out) Around the release of Sonic 2, I have to admit I got pretty messed up. Taking all kinds of drugs. Tails refused to be seen with me outside of press-releases. It was bad. (Pause) There's a lot that the public don't know about me and with this film I hope I...I've put that right.

Voice-Over: 'I was a teenage hedgehog', Available on Video and DVD from Monday.

Trailer 2:

Voice-Over: There's something out there...

Clip of group of teenagers looking scared.

Teen #1: John's gone missing...

Teen #2: Now there's only three of us left...

Teen #3: What could have happened to them?

Voice-Over: And it's only a matter of time before you disappear too...

Cut to clip of other teenagers in a hut playing Worms on the PC with Blinx.

Teen #4: Ha ha! Beat you!

Blinx: Best of 3?

Voice-Over: 'I know what Blinx did last summer...'

Clip of Teen #2 walking into hut. Blinx and the teenagers are lying around asleep with crisps, chocolate, etc spread everywhere and the PC on with Worms still playing. Teen #2 screams.

Voice-Over: At Cinemas from Monday.