

I came in when Androbot was in its second incarnation. Nolan didn't come around anymore- perhaps he was working on projects at Catalyst or Axlon.

I was a junior technician at the time. I wore a lot of hats at Androbot. I repaired Topos and FREDs. I ran various tests on battery charging and battery life. I prepared Topos for shipping by testing them before they shipped. A friend of mine, Sal Mania, worked in parts. We had a British guy as acting CEO.

I remember Doug telling me about and building his proto-robot vacuums. I now own an I-Robot Roomba, which always reminds me of my days at Androbot.

Reading all of the other 'Androbodies' brought back a number of great memories. I do remember an Italian TV show that wrote to us asking for help. They had about six Topos and were doing a dance number with them. It seems that the hot stage lights caused problems with the IR trancivers. At that point we did not have the time and especially not the funds to help out.

Did you know that a full one-page ad went into the New York Times towards the end, putting Androbot up for sale?

A few interested parties, but Androbot and all of its hardware, software, patents, etc. went on the auction block some months later.

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