Password

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*** PASSWORD V2.0 + KEYS V1.2 ***

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1.2   Introduction

Introduction

I wrote this program, because I got annoyed with the way my sibling's delving into the recesses of my hard-drive frequently wrecked it's delicate balence.

The program asks for a password, and depending on the reply, lets the user in, retries or resets.

After fiddling about, my brother found how to get round this by looking the text file in which the password is stored, so now everything gets encrypted. Simple.

Oh, and it is using (Beta test) my new Keys system, which I've been developing for a while.

1.3   Requirements

Requirements

Not many really, just those below:

- OS 3.0 and above.

- Standard Workbench DOS Commands (Mainly "LoadWB" and "Lock").

- Public Key (Keys v1.2).

That's it, told you it wasn't many.

1.4   Installation

Installation

1. Dead easy, run the DOS script called "Install_Password", this will copy the
main program to your C: directory.

2. Run the "SetPass" and "MakeKey" programs, and follow the instructions.

3. Load "S:Startup-Sequence" into your favourite text editor, and change the
line called "C:LoadWB" or "LoadWB", to "C:Password" or "Password".

4. Save the file as ASCII text and reboot.

However, make sure that you make a backup copy of the "SetPass" program,
you'll need this somewhere safe if you ever want to be able to change the
password.

1.5   Usage

Usage

Nothing could be simpler, you use SetPass to change the password (Just run
it).

When you type in the correct password to the program, it runs the "LoadWB"
command, and loads Workbench. By typing in "guest" as your password, you
can get into the system, but "DH1:" and "DH2:" will be write-protected.

If the program can't find the password file, it will default to a password
of "password", and will warn you. The password file itself is encrypted and
stored in the ENVARC: directory.

The program will not work without a "Public" key, and the requester does not
come up once the program has been registered.

1.6 Richard Hodger

Richard Hodger - The Author

My full name is Richard Hodger, and I'm 17 years old. I have been using various types of computers for about 6 years (since I was 11), and have chosen the Amiga as my favourite, and I live in Northern Ireland.

I have been doing an NVQ in "Installing IT Products" for about 6 months, and have to admit that it is quite possible the most boring course you could ever choose.

I started writing programs about 6 months ago, and so far don't think I'm doing too badly (Comments are appreciated), I started working on the "Keys" system about 4 days ago (14-2-97) after I heard many complaints from fellow programmers that there was no copy-protection system as such, and that a PGP style one would be good.

So far this is the first program to use the "Keys" system, and as soon as it is finalised it will be realised for use by everyone and anyone.

I'm not going to give out my address here, as I'm none too happy about that, but I will give the address for my Web pages and e-mail address (No junk please!!).

World Wide Web Pages: http://www.rhodger.demon.co.uk

E-Mail: rick@rhodger.demon.co.uk

Keys: keys@rhodger.demon.co.uk <-Send your Public key here.

1.7 Registration

Regisration

Use the "MakeKey" program, this will create a public key for you in your "ENVARC:" directory. You need to e-mail this to me to register the program, after a few days I'll send you back your "Private" key.

Your private key should be placed in your "ENVARC:" directory and called "Password.Key". Once this is done, you should not see the annoying requester anymore.

Please note that registration is free, and that the Private key that I give you will not work with any other program (Oooh!), this is because it's only a "beta" test as such, but I'd appreciate bug reports.

Keys: keys@rhodger.demon.co.uk

Keys Bugs: keybug@rhodger.demon.co.uk

Everyone who registers will be kept up to date with the programs new releases/adverts for other programs (If you don't want these, tell me).