

FAQ

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Chapter 1

FAQ

1.1 DayDream BBS FAQ

DayDream FAQ

Introduction

What is this all about?

Topics

The FAQ itself.

1.2 DayDream BBS FAQ - Topics

How do I install DayDream?

How do I create a SysOp account?

Why when I try to upload something, it says not enough free space?

Why can't I flag files for downloading?

How should I number my conferences and message bases?

Why is it that when I ask for a file listing, it says only 1 area ←
in use, when in fact I have more?

When I upload a file to a conference with more than 1 file base, ←
it always puts the file in file area 1.

How can I get it to put it in the right area?

I added a new conference with a message base, and when I join the ←
conference,

it comes up with insane numbers for highest and lowest messages.

How come?

I can't get SModem and Hydra to work properly, what's wrong?

1.3 DayDream BBS FAQ - How do I install DayDream?

How do I install DayDream?

You must de-archive DayDream to the directory into which you want in to be installed. Then you must run the supplied installer script called InstallDD, this will create some required directories and add some essential commands to your user-startup.

1.4 DayDream BBS FAQ - How do I create a SysOp account?

How do I create a SysOp account?

This is either done directly via the supplied installer script, or you can do is manually from CLI/Shell by typing the following:

```
run <>NIL: server
run <>NIL: daydream n2 lc
```

This will start a local login. You must proceed as a new user and create your SysOp account in this way. Once you've reached the main menu, select Local UserED from the menu bar. Select C for current user, then select L to alter the Security setting, change it to 255. This has created your SysOp account.

To skip the login delay when doing a local login, use 'run <>NIL: daydream n2 lo', this selects an operator login and you don't have to type your account name and password.

1.5 DayDream BBS FAQ - Why when I try to upload something, it says not enough free space?

Why when I try to upload something, it says not enough free space?

It's not that you don't have enough space, it's that it can't find the directory to put it in (because it doesn't exist). You specify the upload path in DayDream.CFG in the CONFERENCES.DAT section. eg:

```
!CONFERENCES.DAT
CONF_NUMB..... 1
CONF_NAME..... RoøkIEs
CONF_PATH..... DayDream:NewUsers/
CONF_FILEAREAS 1          <-- Must be 1 or more for uploads to work.
```

```

CONF_UPLOADSTO 0
CONF_MSGBASES. 1
CONF_COMMENTS. 1
CONF_ULPATH... DayDream:NewUserConf/NewFiles/ <-- This is where files will go
CONF_NSAREAS.. - after uploading. Please note:
. . . MUST end with / or :
. . . ~~~~
. . .

```

1.6 DayDream BBS FAQ - Why can't I flag files for downloading?

Why can't I flag files for downloading?

You need to specify the download path separately. The file you need to create is called DayDream:<conference path>/Data/PATHS.DAT. Just use Ed or Cygnus to enter the FULL path of 1 or more directories that files can be downloaded from, from the specified conference. All paths MUST end with / or :

1.7 DayDream BBS FAQ - How should I number my conferences and message bases?

How should I number my conferences and message bases?

The numbering system is very flexible, but the standard way of doing it is like this:

```

Conf 1
Base 1
Base 2
Base 3
*
Conf 2
Base 1
*
Conf 3
*
Conf 4
Base 1
~

```

You could leave Conf 2 out, and just have 3 conferences numbered 1, 3 and 4, and it would work ok.

You should have at least 1 message base per conference, for comments to sysop messages entered with command C.

1.8 DayDream BBS FAQ - Why is it that when I ask for a file listing, it says only 1 area in use, when in fact I have more?

Why is it that when I ask for a file listing, it says only 1 area in use, when in fact I have more? ↔

That message is stored in the file DayDream:Display/iso/FileCatalogs.GFX (and .TXT). You should create a directory in your conference directory: DayDream:<conference path>/Display/Iso, and then, using an ansi or text editor, edit the file FileCatalogs.GFX so that when displayed, it lists your file areas.

1.9 DayDream BBS FAQ - How can I get it to put the file in the right area?

How can I get it to put the file in the right area?

You must configure DayDream to ask the user (after upload) where to put each file. To do this, you need to edit DayDream.CFG. In the CONFERENCES.DAT section there is a line in each conference called 'CONF_ASKDEST.. N'. Change the N to a Y, that's all (don't forget to recompile DayDream.CFG though).

1.10 DayDream BBS FAQ - Insane messagenumbers etc.

I added a new conference with a message base, and when I join the conference, it comes up with insane numbers for highest and lowest messages, why is this?

DayDream is uncertain of the new LastReadPointers and the LastScannedPointers for all users, you need to run the program 'FixBases' in DayDream:Utils/ and this will take care of the problem.

1.11 DayDream BBS FAQ - I can't get SModem and Hydra to work properly, what's wrong?

I can't get SModem and Hydra to work properly, what's wrong?

Make sure that the serial device you are using is opened in SHARED access mode. (IO_MODE..... S in IO-DEVICES.DAT)

Also make sure that the path to SModem and DDHydra executables is in your systems path. ('Path DayDream:Utils/ ADD' should do just that.)

1.12 DayDream BBS FAQ - Introduction

This document is intended to help you as a user to troubleshoot some of the common problems encountered while using DayDream BBS.

I really hope that you will help to maintain this FAQ with new questions/answers and that you will receive some guidance through this FAQ.

A very big thank you to Stefan Holmes for writing the first DayDream FAQ, but who unfortunately is unable to update this. Some of the questions in here were originally answered by him and all I did was to AmigaGuide:ize them.

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