

InfoBoot

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Chapter 1

InfoBoot

1.1 InfoBoot AmigaGuide® Documentation - Contents

InfoBoot v 1.24

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1.2 [1.0] Introduction - What is InfoBoot?

InfoBoot is a CLI/Shell utility ideal for hard drive/floppy disk users that want to make sure their machine is ticking over properly and no one is sneaking onto their machine.

InfoBoot will display system information (optionally at bootup).

This is a short list detailing some of InfoBoot's features....

ø Display the date in a more 'humane' fashion, i.e.

Thursday, 13th February 1997.

ø Display the time in both 24 hour and 12 hour formats.

ø Display how much 'total' memory you have free.

ø Display what...display you have!

1.3 [1.1] Requirements - InfoBoot needs...

InfoBoot requires an Amiga with the following minimum specifications...

ø Workbench/Kickstart 2.04

ø 64k free memory (maybe less!)

ø S:InfoBoot/DATA correctly installed

Fairly simple, and works on the vast majority of platforms as well!

1.4 [1.2] Installation - Installing InfoBoot

To Install InfoBoot I strongly recommend using the provided 'Install' script as it will do ALL the operations needed automatically and is very user freindly/configurable.

The 'Install' script requires the 'Installer' program, supplied with Workbench 2.04 and above. If you do not have this, check with your local PD distributer or the Aminet.

Manual Installation:

(Are you mad?)

> Copy InfoBoot <directory>

> Makedir S:InfoBoot

> Copy IB/DATA S:InfoBoot/

1.5 [2.0] Command Line Args - Optional Features

Optional features that InfoBoot has are:

ø Help - Argument Table

ø ? - Display Usage

To use an optional argument:

Type: InfoBoot ?

This will display the usage screen.

Type: InfoBoot Help

This will display an Argument Table (args).

Simple Eh!

1.6 [2.1] Boot-up operation - Using InfoBoot at boot-up

To use InfoBoot at bootup, I personally use it before anything else has loaded (i.e. as the very first line in S:Startup-sequence).

1) Edit S:User-startup or S:Startup-sequence

add the line:

<path>InfoBoot

1.7 [3.0] Disclaimer/Legal - Legal Information

Disclaimer:

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I hereby reject any liability or responsibility for anything that may arise from the usage of InfoBoot and accompanying files. InfoBoot has been tested and runs fine on several machines, I cannot however guarantee that InfoBoot is fully working with your equipment.

InfoBoot is provided "AS-IS" with no warranty implied. You use InfoBoot at your own risk and can not hold anyone else responsible for any problem that arises through use/misuse of InfoBoot and/or its accompanying files.

Distribution:

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InfoBoot is GIFTWARE. You may freely distribute and copy it as long as the following conditions are followed...

1) All of the program, documentation and accompanying files MUST be complete, unmodified and distributed together. Distributing incomplete or modified versions is forbidden.

2) If you use InfoBoot regularly then you must send me a gift of your choice.

3a) PD Companies wishing to distribute InfoBoot as part of their library or catalogue disk must send me a copy of the disk or a written letter informing me.

3b) CD-Roms/Magazines wishing to distribute InfoBoot as part of their collection, please let me know in writing before doing so. This does not include Aminet CDs and Fred Fish CDs.

I feel that these distribution rules are fair, and I would be grateful if you would conform to them.

1.8 [3.1] Contacts/Author - Contacting The Author

I am at current writing (13-Feb-1997) A 16 year old, British student. In September of this year I shall be going to college (a la internet and programming!) I am a complete Amiga fanatic and Paramount Text Mailbox reader (look for Wildwing).

I can at current be contacted in the following way...

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Bromley, Kent * WWW, EMAIL, PAGER, PHONE SOON*

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England

I am ALWAYS reading Paramount Text's Mailbox (Europe/UK). I use the nick Wildwing. Check it out!

1.9 [3.2] Thanks/Greetings - Messages

Thanks go to...

Online PD - Swapping/Supplying top quality PD, Give these peeps a hand ladies and gentlemen!

Darren Irvine (Amiga Format) - Writing the best Internet column!

Mat Bettinson (CU Amiga) - Writing top reviews!

Amiga User International - Best value shop-magazine imho!

Amiga Review - Best value mail-magazine imho!

Greetings go to...

Simon 'SimD' Dick - Thanks for uploading some of my other bits!

Steve 'Benefacto' Hazel - Umm..hi! =o)

Giorgos 'Gallant' Stagakis - I'll be back on the 'net coding ARexx soon!

Daniel 'DannyBoy' Isden - College soon m8! We'll be kicking A\$\$!

Tracie 'Luv2Kiss' Ironside - I lurve yoo =o)

And if your name isnt here, I havent forgotten you... I just couldnt be naffed to write your name! hahahahahahaha! =o)))

1.10 [4.0] History/Future - Past, Present, Future!

History

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v0.2

Display showed the 24 hour time and the display type.

Was not publicly released.

No Bugs.

v0.5

Display showed the 24 hour & 12 hour time and the display type.

Was not publicly released. Beta Tested on A600, A1200, A4000

No Bugs.

v0.9

Completely re-wrote routines. Now displayed 24/12 Hour times, display type, Simple date (dd-mm-yy). Was not publicly released

Beta Tested on A500+, A600, A1200, A1200 & A4000.

No Bugs.

v1.00

Further cleansing of routines, made date display as though it was written (Tuesday, 17th December 1996) etc. added Kickstart routine, Wrote Documentation, Beta tested as v0.9

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\*First public release\*

v1.02

Optimised routines, added Workbench 1.3 routine, fixed 'White Italic' bug, wrote better documentation, added Installer script, "professionalised". No Bugs? Beta Tested as v0.9 + A500.

\*public release\*

v1.08

All the little bugs fixed, removed WB 1.3 routine, removed various other bits. Added 'Processor' program.

v1.24

Ultra update! Totally re-wrote most routines, added and removed various parts. Updated installer, documents and assorted files.

This one is strong (mmm...I like that minty flavour!). =o)

Future:

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For future versions I may add the following features...

- Optionally display as GUI instead of CLI.
- Scrolling ANSI (It WILL look groovy!) =o)
- Logging, View Logging, Clear Logging
- Configuration File
- Your suggestions?

1.11 [4.1] Other Programs - Other Programs By The Author

InfoBoot

Display vital system information in seconds, now with ANSI or no ANSI! mmm...I like that minty flavour!

MaxLotto

A totally random National Lottery number generator for CLI/Shell
And it has a 'twirly' (Twirly...hmmmm!)

BackASCII

Reverse that text! Garoooooooooveyy! !yyevoooooooooraG. This is a CLI/Shell command.

AlterASCII

Consider this BackASCII II - Wibble with avengence! Reverses text and optionally elite(rises) text.

Moped

The first in a forth coming collection? of CLI/Shell executable ANSI/ASCII animations (A Dead Cow Production)!

ModLite

Music Mod Player *CURRENTLY DISCONTINUED*

TClock

A Talking Arexx Clock *CURRENTLY DISCONTINUED*