

STDB

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Chapter 1

STDB

1.1 STDB - StarTrek DataBase

STDB

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V1.7

First thing, make sure you have required fonts.
(Xen/8 & FixPlain/16)

Also for included pictures a working JPEG datatype must be installed.

Running Program

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Thanks

You do need all the 'Ent/###' files to have a fully working ↔
version.

If you don't have all the 'Ent/###' files the use a text editor to comment out those file from the list at the top of the file 'mainmenus'.

1.2 Starting STDB

Starting STDB

STDB is started by double clicking the Icon.

First Running of STDB

When first ran, new index files will be created, this does take quite a while, but is only done when first run or when updated files are used for the first time.

To change the default resolution, remove either of the screen or depth tooltypes from the icon file.

1.3 Mouse & Keyboard Controls

Mouse & Keyboard Controls

Most functions are usually operated by clicking on a button or highlighted text with the Left Mouse Button.

Keyboard use.

'ESC' - Quits program

'r' - 'Retraces' through the pages. (Same as 'parent' button)

's' - Enter 'Search' mode. (Same as Find)

'n' - Find the next occurrence of search.

't' - Goto top of this page.

'b' - Goto Bottom of this page.

'p' - Brings up a palette requester, to allow you to change the 'Text' and 'Link' colours. (with ability to save them.

',' - Go to the page backward to this in the database. (Left arrow)

',' - Go to the page forward to this in the database. (Right arrow)

CrsUp - Scroll Up. (Up Arrow)

CrsDwn - Scroll Down. (Down Arrow)

1.4 Main Display

Main Display

Find - Enter the text to find.

- Find next occurrence of search.

Info - Gives info about STDB & database

Main - Go to then First Page of the databse.

Quit - Quit program (of course ;))

A - Z - Goto a Index page of letter.

TOS-VOY - Goto the page for desired series.
 A-Z - Goto list of all episodes.

TRIVIA - Goto trivia pages.

1.5 Creating Text Files

Creating Text Files

When creating your own files, the dat drawer is still required.

All commands begin with '@', below i will insert a space where needed to allow amigaguide to display text.

(Needless to say don't include the space when you write any commands)

Begin a new page with '@page', followed by it's own uniqueID description. You can also follow it with "Title of page" (if required)

E.G. @page jelien "Jennifer Lien"

Each line of text should be formatted to a width of 90 characters then add link tags.

A link to another page is @ {"Text in link"uniqueID}

Highlighted is similar but instead of the 'uniqueID' use '&' symbol.

For a link to a picture/sample instead of 'uniqueID' use '*' followed by path+name of picture/sample.

E.G. @ {"Kes"*stv/_kes}

Paths are based on the directory the STDB is in, unless device is in filepath

E.G. @ {"Kes"*dh5:stv/_kes}

See

Picture format
 to see dimensions of pictures

Samples are played through Datatypes so any sample must have the

corresponding datatype installed.

Your saved text files can be added to filelist of mainfile by inserting

```
@file 'filename' into top of mainfile.
```

If there is no 'uniqueID' in the link then the text from that link will be used as the 'uniqueID'.

```
E.G.  @ {"Sensor"} - Will be taken to mean @ {"Sensor"Sensor} and would link
        to the page defined by,
        @page sensor
```

Look at my files to see how I've used links etc.

(not the demo ones as they are full of missing and deliberate deadend links)

A bar can be displayed by using the command @ {&}

If it is the first thing on the line then it goes across whole page.

If it indented then a bar 2/3rds of the display will be drawn.

1.6 Adding Pictures

Adding Pictures

Any picture can be in any format you have a datatype for.

Also must be 160*128. (can be more, but only that 160*128 will be used)

I personally use 'GFXCON2' to convert a file to required size.

I have a button on 'DOpus' set up as follows.

```
1.  c:gfxcon2 {fu} TO {d}{o} size 160 128 FORMAT JPEG
```

1.7 Tooltypes

Tooltypes

```
CHECK=YES|NO - check if a filelink exists before displaying link.
                If available display as a link.
                If not available then display as normal text.
                DEFAULT-NO
```

```
FLASH=YES|NO - If a filelink doesn't exist and the text of a link is '*'
                then display the '*' in black (invisible) or as flashing
                colour.
```

DEFAULT-NO

CYCLE=YES|NO - If this is set to yes the pens 20-30 are used for a cycle.
(Used by @ {&} commands)
If No then those pens are added to the remappable.
(if 6 bitplanes you are advised to have this as no)
DEFAULT=YES

TEXT=rrr,ggg,bbb
LINK=rrr,ggg,bbb

Sets the colour of the text used for normal and link text.
can be hex (\$68) or decimal (104) and must be three characters,
representing each colour. (e.g. for 30 use 030)

From inside the program, if you press 'p' then you will get a
palette requester, which allows you to change the 'Text' and 'Link'
colours and has the ability to Save them to the tooltypes.

1.8 Legalities

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with a web/e-mail address if you wish that to be included.

I know that there was a picture of a version very similar to
this on aminet, by Philip Reyntens.

This is in no way related to his version.

I hadn't seen this when I first set out the layout of my screen.
(Quite spooky as they are nearly identical, and colours are
nearly same as well. SPOOKY)

1.9 History

History

v1.5

- * Added option of tooltypes TEXT=###,###,### and LINK=###,###,###
to allow user to change colours of the text used for
normal text and links.
can be hex or decimal (MUST be 3 digits - 30 should be 030)

v1.4

- * Changed tooltype code, so screenmode is stored in ttypes, rather
than comment field.
- * Also allow different depths of screen rather than set 8
- * Added tooltype for CYCLE.
- * Changed sound loader, now uses datatypes.

v1.3

Changed Datatype code, so now Jpeg's can be used.
(this cuts the picture sizes by 50% - 70%)

Typical. I tried for ages to get a jpeg remap (selected colours) working,
but couldn't, so I uploaded the RGFx picture version.
Next day - got it working. Typical.

v1.2

First public release.

v0 - v1.1

Private versions, with bugs and unfinished parts.

1.10 Future

Future

Improve speed of picture loading. - Seeing this uses datatypes,
this may be impossible without writing a custom JPEG routine.
So unless really needed, I won't spend much time trying to do this.

Update text and picture files.

Any suggestions ?

1.11 Known bugs

Known Bugs

Some JPEG datatypes don't return a perfect picture, if this happens on your system, try changing to a different JPEG/JFIF datatype.

there are several different version available on aminet an CoverCD's.

- Also happens for Multiview - on WB windows

Send any reports to e-mail address.

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