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Chapter 1

IntuiNews

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IntuiNews 1.2b

A Mail- and Newsreader for the Universal Message System.

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1.2 IntuiNews.guide/FI

Quickstart guide for IntuiNews

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1.5 IntuiNews.guide/DO_DOC

Documentation

Introduction

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Because IntuiNews is very "intuitive" to use the documentation was mainly designed as a

Online Help

. It is not necessary to read the whole documentation. The chapters about the configuration should be read carefully nevertheless.

This document was created on an Amiga 4000 with Kickstart and Workbench 3.0. Because of this it is made especially for the AmigaGuide Datatype of 3.0 so some features which are not available in the normal AmigaGuide for 2.04 or 2.1 are used.

1. The text style is changed sometimes which ought not be a problem.
2. Backslashes are escaped by a second backslash because otherwise MultiView will not display them. If you see two backslashes in the following example you should halve the number of backslashes in your mind while reading this document.

Test: \

1.6 IntuiNews.guide/DO_ONLINE

Online Help

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IntuiNews features a detailed Online Help which should be able to explain all questions concerning IntuiNews. That's why you haven't got to read the whole documentation. If you have a question while using IntuiNews just press Help and you should get the right help page.

Attention: This documentation must reside in a directory which is part of AmigaGuide's path.

Usage:

- * To get help concerning a part of the user interface move the mouse pointer over the object and press Help. The object's window must be the active one to use this feature.
- * If the mouse pointer is not on a certain object you'll get the help page for the active window.
- * To get help for a menu item select it with the mouse pointer and press Help while holding down the right mouse button.

1.7 IntuiNews.guide/IN_INTRO

Introduction

What is IntuiNews?

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IntuiNews is a Mail- and Newsreader for the Universal Message System (called UMS from now on).

IntuiNews was especially designed for easy use. The user interface was created with MUI and complies fully to the Amiga User Interface Style Guide. Nearly all functions can be invoked via keyboard shortcuts to make a fast usage possible.

This way novices should learn easily how to use IntuiNews and experts should be able to read mail and news comfortably and efficiently.

Because IntuiNews is not designed for a special network it doesn't support special network features like Fido File requests. We don't support such network specific stuff and will not do so in future. Instead we will create a powerful ARexx interface to make it possible to add such features to IntuiNews.

For more information about MUI or UMS you should take a look at the respective documentations distributed with these packages.

1.8 IntuiNews.guide/IN_INSTALL

Installation

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Normally IntuiNews will be distributed with the official UMS archive featuring installation via the Commodore Installer. Updates may also be distributed in single archives which have to be installed manually.

There are some requirements for the installation of IntuiNews. The used machine should fulfill the following hardware and software requirements:

- * Operating system 2.04 or newer
- * Installed UMS package 10.8 or newer
- * Installed MUI system version 2.1 or newer
- * 2MB or more free FastrAM. This is not only caused by IntuiNews, MUI and UMS take their part of the main memory, too. If you are really low on memory reduce the buffers specified in the UMS configuration. This will reduce the performance of the whole Newssystem but may help to get IntuiNews to work with less than 2MB RAM. Attention: IntuiNews will terminate automatically in low memory situations, no special error message will be returned.
- * A fast CPU is not required but will increase comfort a lot.

You have to do the following steps for the installation of IntuiNews:

- * Copy the files "IntuiNews" and "IntuiNews.info" into a directory which is in the command path of the shell or where they can be easily accessed from the Workbench.
 - * The editor which will be used for creating the messages can be set up in two different ways. Either you can set the environment variable
EDITOR
to your editor's command (e.g. "TTX WAIT" for TurboText or "ED -sticky" for CED) or you use the corresponding UMS config variable (see
IntuiNews.Editor
).
)
 - * Copy the address book file "IntuiNews.Addresses" into any directory and set the UMS config variable
IntuiNews.Book
to it,
the default is the current directory at IntuiNews's startup.
 - * The documentation "IntuiNews.guide" should be copied into a directory which is part of AmigaGuide's path. Under OS 3.0 you should use the directory "Help:english/" for this purpose. This file is used for the
Online Help
of IntuiNews, too.
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If you install IntuiNews with the Installer script from the official UMS packet you don't have to do these steps.

1.9 IntuiNews.guide/IN_CONFIG

Configuration

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IntuiNews's setup is mainly controlled by UMS configuration variables. Only the editor can be set up via an environment variable.

Environment variables

EDITOR
UMS Configuration variables:

Applications using UMS have the possibility to access their own variables in the main UMS configuration file. This file is located in the same directory as the messagebase. Because IntuiNews makes heavy use of this feature it does not require an own configuration file.

If a variable has the suffix "[...]" you can expand its name by a full or particular group name. The dot in the group name is used as separator. The variable "IntuiNews.Signature.comp.sys.amiga = ..." e.g. would apply to all UseNet-Amiga-Groups. This method is also explained by examples for all variables supporting this feature.

"Misc" is the virtual name for the group created by globally searching through the messagebase.

The group name "Mail" applies to personal mail. You can expand it by a folder's name. With "IntuiNews.Signature.Mail.MailingList = ..." e.g. the signature for the folder called "MailingList" is set. If you append a dot but no folder name the variable is used for your normal personal mail not located in any folder.

Global configurations variables:

IntuiNews.AttachDrawer
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Width of quotes

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Put "Re:" in front of subject ?

IntuiNews.ReplyTo
Default for Reply-To

IntuiNews.SaveDrawer
Directory for saving messages

IntuiNews.SaveMark
Seperator between save messages.

IntuiNews.SaveNameType
Type of the filename for saving

IntuiNews.Signature
Signature

IntuiNews.Sort
Default sort method for articlelist

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\$EDITOR

=====

This variable can be used to set the editor used by IntuiNews for writing or editing messages.

Attention: IntuiNews requires a standard Amiga texteditor. Lines must be terminated with a LF (\$0A). IntuiNews does not apply any changes to the textfile before writing it into the messagebase.

The editor must not detach from CLI. Most editors need a special option for this behaviour.

You can set environment variables with the CLI command "SetEnv".

Try e.g. this command:

```
SetEnv EDITOR "ED -sticky"
```

to use CED.

After this use:

```
Copy ENV:EDITOR TO ENVARC:
```

to save the variable permanently.

See also:

IntuiNews.Editor

IntuiNews.Stack

1.11 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_ATTDRW

IntuiNews.AttachDrawer

=====

In some networks it is possible to send binary files or append them to messages. For easy usage of this feature IntuiNews offers a menu item while writing a message. Activating it will open a filerequester to let you select the file. This variable defines the initial directory for this filerequester.

Example:

```
Directory for file attaches:
IntuiNews.AttachDrawer = "Work:UMS/Binaries"
```

Default: "" (the current directory)

See also:

File-Attach

1.12 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_BOOK

IntuiNews.Book

=====

IntuiNews supports an address book for saving e-mail addresses of friends and other important people. The address book is read from a file and this variable contains the complete filename of it.

The adressbook file looks like this:

```
Firstname Name
Comment
Address1
[Address2]
[More addresses...]
<empty line>
Firstname Name
Comment
<...>
```

Example:

```
Complete filename for the address book file:
IntuiNews.Book = "UMS:IntuiNews.Addresses"
```


Default: "IntuiNews.Addresses" (in the current directory)

See also:

Address Book

1.13 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_FASTSCAN

IntuiNews.FastScan

=====

If you work with IntuiNews on a slow computer or on an extremely large messagebase the grouplist scan will take quite a long time. In this case this flag may help you. If you turn it on IntuiNews doesn't scan informations about selected, archived, filtered or postponed messages nor which message are from or to the user. As a result of this the cycle gadget "ScanModel" is disabled. You must set this flag to "Yes" to turn it on. Everything else will be treated as no.

Example:

```
Switch fast groupscan on:
IntuiNews.FastScan = "Yes"
```

Default: "No"

See also:

ScanModel

1.14 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_GROUPS

IntuiNews.Groups

=====

Some UMS importers create so called "crosspostings" if a message is part of multiple newsgroups. As a result of this IntuiNews will show a lot of groups with you don't want to read. With this variable you can tell IntuiNews which groups you want to see in the grouplist. All groups not matching the supplied AmigaDOS pattern will not be shown. A multiline pattern is supported, too.

Attention: Be careful with this variable because you can easily hide groups which you actually want to see.

Example:

```
Show only FidoNet groups:
IntuiNews.Groups = "fidonet.#?"
```

```
Show all fidonet groups, all german Amiga groups and de.comm.software.ums:
IntuiNews.Groups = "fidonet.#?"
```

```
de.comp.sys.amiga.#?  
de.comm.software.ums"
```

Default: "#?" (all groups are shown)

See also:

Groupfilter active

1.15 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_SCANMODE1

```
IntuiNews.ScanModel
```

```
=====
```

IntuiNews supports various methods for selecting messages. This variable controls the method active at startup time.

This variable has no effect, if
IntuiNews.FastScan
is set to "Yes".

You should set this variable to one of these values:

Normal

All messages are scanned.

Selected

All pre-selected messages are scanned.

PostPoned

All postponed messages are scanned. This value is not very useful as default because all postponed message are marked as new at startup time.

Archived

All archived messages are scanned.

Junked

All junked messages are scanned.

FromUser

All messages addressed to the current user are scanned.

ToUser

All messages written by the current user are scanned.

Examples:

```
Show all selected messages after startup:  
IntuiNews.ScanModel = "Selected"
```

```
Show all archived messages:  
IntuiNews.ScanModel = "Archived"
```

Default: "Normal"

See also:

`IntuiNews.ScanMode2`

`ScanMode1`

`IntuiNews.FastScan`

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`IntuiNews.ScanMode2`

=====

IntuiNews supports various criteria for scanning messages. This variable contains the one active at startup time.

You should set this variable to one of these values:

New

All new messages are scanned.

All

All messages are scanned.

Last 250

The last 250 messages are scanned.

Last 100

The last 100 messages are scanned.

Last 50

The last 50 messages are scanned.

Last 25

The last 25 messages are scanned.

Examples:

Show all messages after starting IntuiNews:

```
IntuiNews.ScanMode2 = "All"
```

Scan the last 100 messages:

```
IntuiNews.ScanMode2 = "Last 100"
```

Default: "New"

See also:

`IntuiNews.ScanMode1`

`ScanMode2`

1.17 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_SCANJUNK

IntuiNews.ScanJunked

=====

Normally IntuiNews ignores filtered messages. This behaviour may be changed by a menu item. This variable controls the default behaviour.

Example:

```
Scan junked messages:
IntuiNews.ScanJunked = "Yes"
```

Default: "No"

See also:

Scan junked

ScanModel

1.18 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_STACK

IntuiNews.Stack

=====

IntuiNews normally uses 16384 bytes of stack for calling the editor. If this amount is not enough you may increase with this variable. The minimum value is 4000 bytes.

Example:

```
Set higher stack for Editor:
IntuiNews.Stack = "65536"
```

Default: "16384"

See also:

EDITOR

IntuiNews.Editor

1.19 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_ANSTO

IntuiNews.AnswerTo

=====

This variable is used to redirect the answers to articles in a certain group into another group. Unlike

```
IntuiNews.FupTo
this variable
```

is applied to your message, not to the next answer.

Examples:

```
Answers to articles in "comp.binaries.amiga" to "comp.sys.amiga.misc":
IntuiNews.AnswerTo.comp.binaries.amiga.amigaos = "comp.sys.amiga.misc"
```

Default: ""

See also:

```
IntuiNews.FupTo
```

1.20 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_DIST

```
IntuiNews.Dist[...]
```

```
=====
```

This variable is used to set the distribution for locally created messages. Some networks use this field for restricting the distribution of a message. This variable must match the "Distribution" field of one of the exporters. You can define this variable for every single group.

Examples:

```
Distribution for all groups:
IntuiNews.Dist = "world"
```

```
No distribution for FidoNet:
IntuiNews.Dist.fidonet = ""
```

```
Distribution for "de.#?":
IntuiNews.Dist.de = "de"
```

Default: ""

1.21 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_EDITOR

```
IntuiNews.Editor[...]
```

```
=====
```

With this variable you can decide which editor should be used to write messages for the specific group. The editor must not detach from CLI. You can define an editor for every single group.

Attention: You should use a standard Amiga text editor. It has to terminate lines with a LF (\$0A). IntuiNews does not perform any changes to the file before writing it into the messagebase.

Examples:

Configuration for CygnusEd:

```
IntuiNews.Editor = "ED -sticky"
```

Configuration for TurboText:

```
IntuiNews.Editor = "TTX WAIT"
```

Configuration for XDME:

```
IntuiNews.Editor = "XDME -n"
```

Configuration only for "de.#?":

```
IntuiNews.Editor.de = "MyFavouriteEditor -floattextoff"
```

Default: "\$EDITOR" (Environment Variable)

See also:

EDITOR

IntuiNews.Stack

1.22 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_FORCEQ

IntuiNews.ForceQuote[...]

=====

Normally IntuiNews asks whether to quote the original message the user wants to answer to. This requester can be suppressed by setting this variable to "Yes", all other values are considered as no. You can define this variable for every single group.

Examples:

Switch off requester for all groups:

```
IntuiNews.ForceQuote = "Yes"
```

Switch on requester for FidoNet:

```
IntuiNews.ForceQuote.fidonet = "No"
```

Switch off requester for group "fidonet.AMIGA.GER":

```
IntuiNews.ForceQuote.fidonet.AMIGA.GER = "Yes"
```

Default: "No"

1.23 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_FORTUNE

IntuiNews.Fortune[...]

=====

Some people like to add nice short messages so called "fortune cookies" to the bottom of their messages. These messages are usually

created by so called "fortune cookie programs". With this variable you can specify a program whose standard output is appended to the bottom of the message right behind the signature.

Examples:

Simply append the output for all FidoNet groups:

```
IntuiNews.Fortune.fidonet = "Echo *\"A stupid cookie*\""
```

Calling a real fortune cookie program:

```
IntuiNews.Fortune.de = "Bin:Cookie CookieTexts:StarTrek.cookies"
```

Default: ""

1.24 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_FWDHD

IntuiNews.ForwardHeader[...]

=====

You can use this variable to define the header for forwarded messages. This variable's name can be expanded by a full or partially group name. These are the supported format identifiers:

Attention: Because AmigaGuide and MultiView react differently on backslashes you may see two backslashes in the following options. Of course you should use only one in the UMS configuration.

```
"\" for a backslash.
"\n" for a linefeed.
"\t" for a tabulator.
"%" for the per cent sign.
"%a" for the address of the original sender.
"%d" for the creation date and time of the original message.
"%f" for the firstname of the original sender.
"%g" for the group of the original message.
"%i" for the MessageID of the original message.
"%n" for the name of the original sender.
"%s" for the subject of the original sender.
```

Examples:

Universal ForwardHeader for all messages:

```
IntuiNews.ForwardHeader = ...
... "*" Forwarded from : *"%g*" \n* Originally by: %n (%a)\n"
```

ForwardHeader for NetMail:

```
IntuiNews.ForwardHeader.Mail = ...
... "\tHello,\n\nhere is a forwarded message from %n\n"
```

Default: "*" Forwarded from newsgroup \"*"%g*" \nOriginally from: %n (%a)\n* Original date: %d\n"

1.25 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_FUPTO

```
IntuiNews.FupTo[...]
```

```
=====
```

Certain networks have binary groups in which it is not wanted to post discussion messages. Mostly there is a special discussion group. With this variable you can set the replygroup for messages posted into one of the binary groups. This feature is not supported by all networks.

Example:

```
Followups in de.alt.binaries.amigaos should go to de.alt.binaries.amigaos.d:
IntuiNews.FupTo.de.alt.binaries.amigaos = "de.alt.binaries.amigaos.d"
```

Default: "" (Followups to the group of the original message)

See also:

```
IntuiNews.AnswerTo
```

1.26 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_HEADERS

```
IntuiNews.Headers[...]
```

```
=====
```

Additional to the message text UMS stores data (normally not very interesting for the user) which is hidden by IntuiNews. If you always want to see these informations use this variable.

Examples:

```
Message header always on:
IntuiNews.Headers = "On"
```

```
Message header off for all FidoNet groups:
IntuiNews.Headers.fidonet = "Off"
```

```
Message header on for "fidonet.AMIGA.GER":
IntuiNews.Headers.fidonet.AMIGA.GER = "On"
```

Default: "Off"

See also:

```
Header on/off
```

1.27 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_NEWSRDR

```
IntuiNews.NewsReader[...]
```

```
=====
```


Normally IntuiNews writes its name into the UMS newsreader field which is supported by most of exports. The field is set to the name "IntuiNews" followed by the version number and the compilation date. In some networks or groups this kind of information is not very welcome so you can switch it off. You can define this variable for every group. All values except "No" will be considered as yes.

Examples:

```
newsreader field off:
  IntuiNews.NewsReader = "No"

newsreader field for all FidoNet groups on:
  IntuiNews.NewsReader.fidonet = "Yes"
```

Default: "Yes"

1.28 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_ORG

```
IntuiNews.Organization[...]
=====
```

This variable is the initial value for your organization (called "Origin" in FidoNet). You can define a special organization for every group.

Examples:

```
Organization for all groups:
  IntuiNews.Organization = "Amiga User Group Universität Paderborn"

Organization for NetMail (private Mail):
  IntuiNews.Organization.Mail = "Where no mails have gone before"

Organization for "fidonet.AMIPROG.GER":
  IntuiNews.Organization.fidonet.AMIPROG.GER = ...
  ... "Allgemeiner Müsli und Obst Klub Stuttgart"

Organization for "de.#?":
  IntuiNews.Organization.de = "private Amiga site"
```

Default: "" (No organization).

1.29 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_QCHARS

```
IntuiNews.QuoteChars[...]
=====
```

Normally the quoted parts of a message are introduced with a certain character. IntuiNews can be configured to recognize such quotes and to

highlight the quoted text. IntuiNews checks the first eight characters of each line for the characters defined in this variable and highlights the line if it finds one of them. You can define this variable for every group.

Examples:

Recognize ">" and "|":

```
IntuiNews.QuoteChars = ">|"
```

Recognize only ">" in FidoNet groups:

```
IntuiNews.QuoteChars.fidonet = ">"
```

Recognize "%", ">" and "|" in German UseNet groups:

```
IntuiNews.QuoteChars.de = "%>|"
```

Default: "" (No lines are highlighted)

1.30 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_QHEADER

```
IntuiNews.QuoteHeader[...]
```

```
=====
```

You can use this variable to define the header for quoted messages. This variable's name can be expanded by a full or partially group name. These are the supported format identifiers:

Attention: Because AmigaGuide and MultiView react differently on backslashes you may see two backslashes in the following options. Of course you should use only one in the UMS configuration.

```
"\" for a backslash.
"\n" for a linefeed.
"\t" for a tabulator.
"%" for the per cent sign.
"%a" for the adresse of the original sender.
"%d" for the creation date and time of the original message.
"%f" for the firstname of the original sender.
"%g" for the group of the original message.
"%i" for the MessageID of the original message.
"%N" for the firstname or "You" for mail.
"%n" for the name of the original sender.
"%s" for the subject of the original sender.
```

Examples:

Universal QuoteHeader for all messages:

```
IntuiNews.QuoteHeader = ...
... "%n wrote in article <%i> about %s this:"
```

QuoteHeader for NetMail:

```
IntuiNews.QuoteHeader.Mail = ...
... "\tHello %f !\n\nYou have written in '%g' this:"
```

```
QuoteHeader like XRN's one for "de.#?":
IntuiNews.QuoteHeader.de = "In article <%i>, wrote %n <%a>:"
```

```
Default: "%n wrote in %g about *"%s*":"
```

1.31 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_QSTRING

```
IntuiNews.QuoteString[...]
=====
```

This variable defines the string which will precede lines of quoted text. This variable's name can be expanded by a full or partially group name.

You can use special format characters in this string:

```
"%" for the per cent sign
"%i" for the initials of the author of the original message.
```

Examples:

```
Simple QuoteString:
IntuiNews.QuoteString = "> "

QuoteString with initials:
IntuiNews.QuoteString = "%i> "

QuoteString for NetMail:
IntuiNews.QuoteString.Mail = "You: "

QuoteString like XRN's one for "de.#?":
IntuiNews.QuoteString.de = "|> "
```

```
Default: "> "
```

1.32 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_QWIDTH

```
IntuiNews.QuoteWidth[...]
=====
```

Because a quoted part of text shouldn't be reformatted you are able to configure the width beyond which the text shall be wrapped. This variable's name can be expanded by a full or partially group name.

Examples:

```
Universal Width (for all groups):
IntuiNews.QuoteWidth = 78
```

```
Width for "de.#?":
```

```
IntuiNews.QuoteWidth.de = 75
```

```
Width for the group "fidonet.AMIGA.GER":
```

```
IntuiNews.QuoteWidth.fidonet.AMIGA.GER = 73
```

```
Default: 75
```

1.33 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_REPLPRE

```
IntuiNews.ReplyPrefix[...]
```

```
=====
```

Many news systems add a leading "Re:" to the subject of answers to messages. In UseNet this behaviour is not required but suggested. With this variable you are able to switch off the creation of such prefixes. An already existing prefix is recognized and discarded.

This variable can be defined for every particular group. All values but "No" are considered as yes.

Examples:

```
Never create a Reply-Prefix:
```

```
IntuiNews.ReplyPrefix = "No"
```

```
But for FidoNet:
```

```
IntuiNews.ReplyPrefix.fidonet = "Yes"
```

```
But not in fidonet.AMIGA.GER:
```

```
IntuiNews.ReplyPrefix.fidonet.AMIGA.GER = "No"
```

```
Default: "Yes"
```

1.34 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_REPLYTO

```
IntuiNews.ReplyTo[...]
```

```
=====
```

If you want replies of your messages to go to another address you can use this variable to define a reply address for each group or network. The used format is "[Name,]Address". If no name is supplied IntuiNews creates one from the address. E.g. "corwin@uni-paderborn.de" is converted to "corwin,corwin@uni-paderborn.de".

This feature will not work with all networks.

Examples:

```
Answers to messages in "de.#?":
```

```
IntuiNews.ReplyTo.de = "corwin@pixar.owl.de"
```

Answers to messages NetMail in folder "NetBSD":

```
IntuiNews.ReplyTo.Mail.NetBSD = "Markus Stipp,corwin@uni-paderborn.de"
```

Default: "" (No reply address is created)

1.35 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_SAVEDRW

```
IntuiNews.SaveDrawer[...]
```

=====

IntuiNews is able to save the current message into a file. For this purpose a filerequester is opened for getting the path and filename. This variable defines the default directory for this file requester. This variable's name can be expanded by a full or partial group name.

Examples:

Directory for saving messages:

```
IntuiNews.SaveDrawer = "UMS:Text"
```

Directory for saving Netmail:

```
IntuiNews.SaveDrawer.Mail = "UMS:Text/Mail"
```

Directory for saving FidoNet messages:

```
IntuiNews.SaveDrawer.fidonet = "UMS:Text/Fido"
```

Default: "" (The current directory)

See also:

```
IntuiNews.SaveMark
```

```
IntuiNews.SaveNameType
```

1.36 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_SAVEMARK

```
IntuiNews.SaveMark[...]
```

=====

Multiple messages saved by IntuiNews can be separated by a mark which can be defined with this variable. This variable's name can be expanded by a full or partial group name.

Examples:

Universal configuration:

```
IntuiNews.SaveMark = "-----cut-----\n"
```

Nothing appended to Netmail:

```
IntuiNews.SaveMark.Mail = ""
```

Default: "" (No mark)

See also:

`IntuiNews.SaveDrawer`

`IntuiNews.SaveNameType`

1.37 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_SAVNT

`IntuiNews.SaveNameType[...]`
=====

Normally IntuiNews uses the group name of a public message or the sender of a Netmail as default for the filename for saving a message. With this variable you can define another criteria for each group.

The following values are recognized:

"Subject" The subject is used as filename.
"Group" The group name is used as filename.
"FromName" The name of the sender is used as filename.

Examples:

Use the subject for FidoNet groups:
`IntuiNews.SaveNameType.fidonet = "Subject"`

In "de.#?" the name of the sender:
`IntuiNews.SaveNameType.de = "FromName"`

The subject for Netmail:
`IntuiNews.SaveNameType.Mail = "Subject"`

Default: ""

See also:

`IntuiNews.SaveMark`

`IntuiNews.SaveDrawer`

1.38 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_SIGNATURE

`IntuiNews.Signature[...]`
=====

This variable defines the signature written under your messages. You can define different signatures for each group of course.

Attention: Signatures are not welcome everywhere.

You can use these special characters:

```
"\" for a backslash.  
"t" for a tabulator.  
"n" for a linefeed.
```

Examples:

Signature for all groups:

```
IntuiNews.Signature = "\nMatthias Scheler\ntron@lyssa.owl.de\n"
```

Signature for NetMail:

```
IntuiNews.Signature.Mail = "\nSee you later...\nt\tMarkus Stipp\n"
```

Signature for the group "fidonet.AMIGA.GER":

```
IntuiNews.Signature.fidonet.AMIGA.GER = "\nMS-\n"
```

Signature for "comp.sys.amiga.#?":

```
IntuiNews.Signature.comp.sys.amiga = "\nMarc Baret\n"
```

Default: "" (No signature).

1.39 IntuiNews.guide/CF_UMS_SORT

```
IntuiNews.Sort[...]
```

=====

There are three methods to sort the articles in the article window. You can define the sort method for each group or network.

The following methods are supported:

```
"MsgNum"    Sort list by message number.  
"ReplyLink" Sort list by reply linking.  
"Subject"   Sort list by subject.
```

Examples:

Sort by reply linking:

```
IntuiNews.Sort = "ReplyLink"
```

Sort Netmail by message number:

```
IntuiNews.Sort.Mail = "MsgNum"
```

Default: "MsgNum"

See also:

Sort Menu

1.40 IntuiNews.guide/IN_STARTUP

Starting IntuiNews

=====

Starting from a shell

If you start IntuiNews from a shell you may supply the following arguments:

NAME

The name of the UMS user.

PASSWORD

The password for this user. The password is case sensitive. If you supply "." as password IntuiNews will not attempt to login but open the

Login window
and request the password.

SERVER/K

The UMS server to use. You must use the keyword "SERVER" in front of this argument.

Example:

```
1> IntuiNews "Stefan Stuntz" Nose
```

Starting from the Workbench

IntuiNews can be started by double clicking on its Workbench icon. In this case IntuiNews will read the following tooltypes from the icon:

NAME

The name of the UMS user.

PASSWORD

The password for this user. The password is case sensitiv. If you supply "." as password IntuiNews will not attempt to login but open the

Login window
and request the password.

SERVER

The UMS-Server to use.

Example for the ToolTypes:

```
NAME=Martin Horneffer  
PASSWORD=.  
SERVER=default
```

If IntuiNews is started without any arguments it will open its

Login window
and ask for a user, password and optional server to enable
a manual login into the UMS messagebase.

If you only supply a username IntuiNews will try to login without
password. If this attempt fails it will open the

Login window
and
activate the password gadget.

1.41 IntuiNews.guide/WI_LOGIN

The Login Window

=====

To be able to use IntuiNews you have to log into an account of the
UMS messagebase.

This can be done by supplying arguments if you start IntuiNews from
a shell or ToolTypes in its icon if you use the Workbench (see also

Starting IntuiNews
).

If you didn't supply a username or if the login attempt was not
successful the login window is opened.

String Gadgets

Name

Use this stringgadget to enter the account name for the UMS
messagebase.

Keyboard shortcut: 'N'

Password

Use this stringgadget to enter the password for the account.

Keyboard shortcut: 'P'

Server

Use this stringgadget to enter the server to connect to.

Keyboard shortcut: 'S'

After the "Ok" button is pressed IntuiNews tries to login with the
supplied account name and password. If the attempt fails a requester is
opened and you can decide to change the inputs and retry.

After the "Cancel" button is pressed IntuiNews closes the Login
Window. If you activated this function by the menu item

ReLogin...

IntuiNews will continue to work under the old account. Otherwise IntuiNews will terminate.

1.42 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GROUP

The Group Window

=====

The Group Window is the main window of IntuiNews. If you close it IntuiNews will terminate. You can select groups from here or start a global search through the whole message base.

The cycle gadget

ScanModel
is not usable if the configuration

variable

IntuiNews.FastScan
is set to "Yes".

The Group Window has the following control items:

List

Group Selection

Buttons

Buttons in the Group Window

Cycle Gadgets

ScanModel and ScanMode2 cycle gadgets

Menus

Menus attached to the Group Window

1.43 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GRP_LIST

Group Selection

This listview is used to display all groups in alphabetical order. Behind every group you will see two numbers. The first one shows the number of new messages, the second one the total number of the messages fulfilling the criteria of

ScanModel

. The content of this listview is directly affected by the settings of the cycle gadgets in the group window.

Groups containing new messages to the current user are highlighted in the list.

Since version 1.2 IntuiNews supports so called "mail folders" to be able to divide personal mail. These folders are shown at the top of the list labeled "Mail: <Foldername>".

Attention: Folders are only supported if the folder field (15) is marked as index field in the "ums.config". Otherwise personal mail can not be sorted into different folders.

The listview may be controlled via mouse or keyboard. After a double click on an entry the selected group will be scanned. After the scan has been completed the

Article Window

will appear showing all the messages in the selected group.

Controlling the listview with the keyboard is this easy, too. Just use the cursor keys and SPACE to (de)select groups and RETURN to enter a group.

The group selection supports multiselect. Use

Read...

to read one

group after the other.

See also:

Read...

ScanModel

ScanMode2

1.44 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GRP_BUTTON

Buttons

Mail...

If you press this button the

Mail Window

is opened for writing a Netmail.

Keyboard shortcut: 'M' or AMIGA-'M'

Post...

If you press this button the

Post Window

is opened for writing a public message.

Keyboard shortcut: 'P' or AMIGA-'P'

Read...

If you select this button the first selected group is scanned and displayed. After you left this group the next selected group is scanned. If you abort the scan process the complete function will be aborted.

Keyboard shortcut: 'R' or AMIGA-'R'

Rescan

If you select this button IntuiNews will update its group list. This function is only necessary if another program imported messages or manipulated the UMS messagebase. Because this function performs only a partial scan it is quite fast.

Keyboard shortcut: 'E' or AMIGA-'E'

1.45 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GRP_CYCLE

Cycle Gadgets

ScanModel

.....

UMS supports multiple flags for selecting messages. Use this gadget to tell IntuiNews which flag to check for.

Normal

All messages are scanned.

Selected

All pre-selected messages are scanned. These message were probably selected by another tool because the user want to read them in any case.

PostPoned

All postponed messages are scanned. Postponed messages were marked by the user to be read later. They will me marked as new if IntuiNews is started again.

Archived

All archived messages are scanned. The user normally marked these messages because he considers them as very important. These messages normally will not be expired.

Junked

All junked messages are scanned. These messages were probably filtered by an external tool because the user doesn't want to see them. If he wants to take a look on what is filtered he can use this mode. In this case the menu item

Scan junked

is ignored.

FromUser

All messages addressed to the current user are scanned.

ToUser

All messages written by the current user are scanned.

See also:

IntuiNews.ScanModel

IntuiNews.FastScan

ScanMode2

.....

With this gadget you can decide whether you want to see only new messages or old ones, too, and how much of them.

New

Only new messages are scanned.

All

All messages are scanned.

Last XX

The last XX messages in a group are scanned.

Keyboard shortcut: 'A'

See also:

IntuiNews.ScanMode2

1.46 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GRP_MENU

Menus

Project Menu

.....

ReLogin...

This menu item will open the
Login Window

.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'L'

About...

This menu item will open the information requester. You'll find the current user and server displayed in it.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'?'

Quit...

If you select this menu item IntuiNews will be terminated. If there are still changes which should be applied to the messagebase IntuiNews will let you confirm this decision.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'Q'

Groups Menu

.....

Read...

See button

Read...

.

Catch up

With this menu item you can mark all messages in all selected groups as read. This way you can get off lots of uninteresting messages very fast.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'C'

Select Pattern...

With this menu item you can select groups by a AmigaDOS patterns. You are prompted for pattern and have the options to select, deselect or toggle all matching groups.

Use 'Cancel' to abort this function.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'T'

Select all

With this menu item you can select all groups. This is e.g. usefull if you want to use "Catchup" or "Read...".

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'+'

Unselect all

With this menu item you can deselect all groups.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'-'

Rescan

See button

Rescan

.

Rescan all

Under some rare circumstances it is necessary to recreate the group list from scratch. This can be done with this menu item.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'A'

Messages Menu

.....

Search...

After selecting this menu item the

Search Window
is open. You
can use it to search for messages in the whole message base.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'S'

Mail...

See button

Mail...

.

Post...

See button

Post...

.

Preferences Menu

.....

Scan junked

Normally IntuiNews will ignore messages junked by a filter
program. If you want to see them anyway switch on this menu item.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'J'

Groupfilter active

You can use the configuration variable

IntuiNews.Groups

to select

the groups you wish to see. If you want to see all groups
temporarily switch this menu item off.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'G'

1.47 IntuiNews.guide/WI_ARTICLE

The Article Window

=====

The Article Window is used to display a list of the messages
available for reading. You can directly select them here.

The Article Window has the following control items:

Text gadgets

Gadgets for viewing information

List

Article Selection

Buttons

Buttons in the Article Window

Menus

Menus attached to the Article Window

If you close the Article Window all changes are written back to the UMS messagebase as if you selected

Update

.

1.48 IntuiNews.guide/WI_ART_TEXT

Text Gadgets

Group

This gadget shows the current group. If the messagelist is assembled from different groups (e.g. after a Global Search) it will show "Misc".

Info

In this gadget you'll find useful information like the number of messages or how many of them were affected by the last flag change.

1.49 IntuiNews.guide/WI_ART_LIST

messagelist

All available messages are shown in this listview. These listview consists of four columns:

Message Number

The number of the message in the UMS messagebase.

Message Flags

The most important message flags are display in the messagelist:

'N'

The message is marked as new and has not been read yet.

'P'

The message is postponed. It will be shown again later.

'A'

The message is archived so it will never be expired.

'S'

The message is selected, it's probably important.

Message marked as new and selected will automatically be selected in the message list.

'J'

The message is junked. You don't want to see it normally.

'D'

The message is marked as deleted. If you leave the Article Window with "Catch up" or "Update" it will be deleted from the UMS messagebase.

'X'

The message is marked as expired. It will be deleted while the next cleanup of the UMS messagebase.

'E'

The message is marked as exported. It was read by an exporter or is readable for a local user.

Size

In this column the size of the message in bytes is displayed. This information may not be 100% exact because the private data stored by the importer is included, for softlinks it's completely wrong. This is not a bug in IntuiNews but a feature of the UMS-Server.

Sender

In this column the sender of the message is displayed. If the message is addressed to the current user this name is highlighted. If the message is a Netmail from the current user this column will contain the receiver's name prepended by "To:".

Subject

In this column you can see the subject of the message. A "+" in front of the subject marks an answer to the previous message. A ">" marks another answer to the same message.

After a doubleclick on a message the

Message Window

is opened for

the particular message. You can also select a message via keyboard and press RETURN to look at it.

Another way is to select multiple messages and read them by pressing

Read Selected

.

1.50 IntuiNews.guide/WI_ART_BUTTON

Buttons

Write...

If you select this gadget in a Netmail group the
Mail Window
is
opened. If you use it in a normal news group the
Post Window
is
opened. This way it's easy to write a message in the current group.

Keyboard shortcut: 'W' or AMIGA-'W'

Read selected

This function will remove all unselected messages from the
messagelist. This way you can preselect messages for read. To get
the complete messagelist back use "Show All".

Keyboard shortcut: 'R' or AMIGA-'H'

Show All

This function is the opposite of "Read selected". Use it to get
back the hidden messages.

All messages visible in the reduced messagelist will be selected
in the complete messagelist. So you can switch fast between both
states.

Keyboard shortcut: 'S' or AMIGA-'I'

Catch up

After selecting this gadget the Article Window is closed, all
messages are marked as old and IntuiNews returns to the

Group Window
.

Keyboard shortcut: 'C' or AMIGA-'C'

Update

After selecting this gadget the Article Window is closed, all
changes done by the user are written back to the UMS messagebase
and IntuiNews returns to the

Group Window
.

Keyboard shortcut: 'U' or AMIGA-'U'

No Change

After selecting this gadget the Article Window is closed and
IntuiNews returns to the

Group Window
.

No changes are written to
the UMS messagebase.

Keyboard shortcut: 'N' or AMIGA-'N'

1.51 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MESSAGE

The Message Window

=====

The Message Window is used for displaying messages. Multiple kind of informations are shown and you have the possibility to manipulate the flags of the current message.

The Message Window has these control items:

Text Gadgets	Gadgets for viewing author, subject, etc.
List	The message text
Buttons	Buttons in the Message Window
Cycle Gadgets	Switch headers on or off
Menus	Menus attached to the Message Window

Keyboard shortcuts

The Message Window has several keyboard shortcuts to make easy control possible.

SPACE

Jump to the next message.

RETURN

Jump to the message under the cursor of the messagelist in the Article Window.

Cursor Left/Right

Jump to the next/previous message.

SHIFT Cursor Left/Right

Jump to the parent/child of the current message.

ALT Cursor Left/Right

Jump to the left/right brother of the current message.

DEL

Mark the current message as deleted.

1.52 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MSG_TEXT

Text Gadgets

From

This gadget shows the author of the message.

To

This gadget shows the receiver of the message. For a public messages without a receiver but with a father message the author of the father message is shown.

Subject

You will find the subject of the message in this gadget.

Group

You will find the group of the message in this gadget.

1.53 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MSG_LIST

Listview for the Message Text

This listview is used to view the message text. Normally you only see the text itself. If you switch the headers on you will find some additionally information e.g. sender's and receiver's address, group and message flags at the top and the comment at the bottom. The comment is used by importers to store network specific data.

IntuiNews supports highlighting quoted text. You can configure the characters for recognizing it.

See also:

IntuiNews.QuoteChars

1.54 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MSG_BUTTON

Buttons

Reply...

After selecting this button the

Mail Window

is opened prepared for

writing a reply to the current message. All string gadgets of the

window will be initialized.

Keyboard shortcut: 'R' or AMIGA-'R'

FollowUp...

After selecting this button the

Post Window

is opened prepared for

writing a followup to the current message. All string gadgets of the window will be initialized.

Keyboard shortcut: 'F' or AMIGA-'F'

Edit...

This button is used for editing own messages. After selecting it the

Mail Window

is opened in case of Netmail, the

Post Window

for

public message. After you changed the message it will be written into the UMS message base and the old one will be deleted.

Keyboard shortcut: 'E'

Save...

This button is used for saving messages. For this purpose a standard file requester is opened to let you choose the filename.

Keyboard shortcut: 'S'

Delete

Mark the current message as deleted. It will be deleted from the UMS messagebase as soon as you select "Catch up" or "Update".

Keyboard shortcut: 'D' or DEL

Previous

Jump to the previous message.

Keyboard shortcut: 'V' or Cursor-Left

Nächste

Jump to the next message.

Keyboard shortcut: 'N' or Cursor-Right

- (ChainUp)

Jump to the parent of the current message.

Keyboard shortcut: '-' or SHIFT-Cursor-Left

< (ChainLeft)

Jump to the left brother of the current message.

Keyboard shortcut: '<' or ALT-Cursor-Left

> (ChainRight)
 Jump to the right brother of the current message.
 Keyboard shortcut: '>' or ALT-Cursor-Right

+ (ChainDown)
 Jump to the first child of the current message.
 Keyboard shortcut: '+' or SHIFT-Cursor-Right

1.55 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MSG_CYCLE

Cycle Gadgets

Header on/off

With this gadget you can decide wether IntuiNews shall show the headers and comment of the message.

Keyboard shortcut: 'H'

See also:

IntuiNews.Headers

1.56 IntuiNews.guide/WI_READ_MENU

Menus

Project

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Catch up (Alles gelesen)

See button

Catch up

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Update

See button

Update

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No Change

See button

No Change

.

About

See menu

About

.

Quit...

See menu

Quit

.

MessageList

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Sort

by MsgNumber

If you select this menu item the messagelist will be sorted by the number of the messages in the UMS messagebase. This is normally the order in which they were written in the messagebase.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'1'

by ReplyLink

If you select this menu item the messagelist will be sorted by reply linking. In this order messages will appear below their parent message. The second criteria for sorting is the subject.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'2'

by Subject

If you select this menu item the messagelist will be sorted alphabetically by the subject, prefixes like "Re:" are ignored.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'3'

Select pattern...

This menu item opens the

Select Window

. It can be used to select

or deselect messages by AmigaDOS patterns.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'S'

Select all

Select all messages in the messagelist.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-+''

Unselect all

Unselect all messages in the messagelist.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-''

Read selected

See button

Read selected

Show all

See button

 Show all

 Hide

same Author

With this menu item you can remove all messages from the message list which were written by the same author as the current one. This is a kind of temporary filter for removing uninteresting messages.

If you call this function from the Article Window all messages by the authors of all selected messages are filtered.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'4'

same Subject

With this menu item you can remove all messages from the message list which have the same subject as the current one. This is a kind of temporary filter for removing uninteresting messages.

If you call this function from the Article Window all messages with a subject like the one of the selected message are filtered.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'5'

Set, Unset and Toggle flags

With these three menus you are able to set, unset and toggle flags for messages.

If you use these menu items in the Article Window the changes are applied to all selected messages. If no message is selected they are applied to the message under the cursor.

If you use these menu items in the Message Window the changes are applied to the current message.

IntuiNews supports the manipulation of these flags:

mark

 Mark message.

archive

 Message will be archived, it will not be expired.

postpone

 Message will be postponed, it will be marked as new if IntuiNews is started again.

junk

 Message will be junked, it will not be scanned again.

old

 Message will be marked as old.

delete

 Message will be deleted.

expire

Message will be expired, it will removed with the next cleanup of UMS messagebase.

Messages

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Write...

See button

Write...

Reply...

See button

Reply...

FollowUp...

See button

FollowUp...

Move to folder...

After you select this menu item a requester is opened and you are prompted for the name of a folder. The message will be moved into the folder you enter. This function is only available for Netmail.

If you call this function from the Article Window all selected messages are moved to the specified folder.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'G'

Forward as Mail...

If you select this menu item the

Mail Window

is opened prepared to

forward the message via Netmail. This way you can send a mail you received to somebody else. You can edit the message before it is written to the UMS messagebase.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'K'

Forward as News...

If you select this menu item the

Post Window

is opened prepared to

forward this message to another newsgroup. This way you can crostpost a public message. You can edit the message before it is written to the UMS messagebase.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'L'

Add to address book...

With this menu item you can add the author of the current message to the

Adressbook

. For this purpose the

Comment Requester

is

opened.

Edit...

See button

 Edit
 Save as...

See button

 Save...
 Save to clipboard...

This menu item can be used to save the current message to the clipboard. You will be prompted for the clipboard unit to use.

Print...

This menu item can be used to print out the current message. You will be prompted for the name of the printer device.

1.57 IntuiNews.guide/WI_SELECT

The Selection Window

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With the selection function you can select messages in the Article List by an AmigaDOS pattern.

Stringgadgets

FromName

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the sender.

Keyboard shortcut: 'F'

ToName

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the receiver.

Keyboard shortcut: 'T'

Subject

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the subject.

Keyboard shortcut: 'S'

The flags of all messages matching all three patterns are modified.

Use "Cancel" to abort this function.

1.58 IntuiNews.guide/WI_REQCOMMENT

Comment Requester

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The Comment Requester is used to modify an entry before writing it

to the address book. It has the following control items:

Stringgadgets

Name

Name of the user to add to the address book.

Keyboard shortcut: 'N'

Address

Address of the user to add to the address book.

Keyboard shortcut: 'A'

Comment

Comment for the new entry in the address book.

Keyboard shortcut: 'M'

See also:

Addressbook

Select "Ok" to confirm the input or "Cancel" to abort.

If the person is already present in the address book the new address is added to the entry. If even the address is present nothing is added.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'B'

See also:

Address Book

1.59 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MAIL

The Mail Window

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In this window you can prepare all information for writing a Netmail. For this purpose it has the following control items:

List

Receivers of the message

String Gadgets

String gadgets in the Mail Window

Buttons

Edit, Send, Cancel...

Menus

Menus attached to the Mail Window

1.60 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MAIL_LIST

Receiverlist

Use this list to enter the receivers of the message.

If you perform a doubleclick on an entry it will be moved to the top of the list.

Below the list you will find a stringgadget for entering a receiver directly.

1.61 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MAIL_STR

String Gadgets

Subject

Use this gadget to enter the subject for the message.

Keyboard shortcut: 'U'

Organization

Use this gadget to enter the organization for the message. In FidoNet this information is used for the "Origin".

You can use an UMS configuration variable to define an organization for every group.

Keyboard shortcut: 'O'

Attributes

UMS supports attributes for messages. Here is a list of possible values:

file-attach

A binary is attached to the message. The subject is the filename.

receipt-request

The sender wants to get a notice if its message has reached the receiver.

crash

FidoNet Crashmail

Keyboard shortcut: 'I'

Folder

Use this gadget to enter the folder for the new message.

Keyboard shortcut: 'F'

Reply-To

Sometimes you may redirect the answers to a mail to another address. Use this gadget to enter the reply address.

This feature will not work with all networks.

Keyboard shortcut: 'R'

Distribution

This variable is used to set the distribution for locally created messages. Some networks use this field for restricting the distribution of a message. Use this sting gadget to enter the distribution.

Keyboard shortcut: 'T'

1.62 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MAIL_BUTTON

Buttons

Add

If you select this button the active entry of the receiverlist is deactivated and the string gadget for entering the receiver is activated. This way you are able to add another receiver in an easy way.

Keyboard shortcut: 'A'

Del

If you select this button the active entry is removed from the receiverlist.

Keyboard shortcut: 'D'

Popup Address book

After selecting this button the
Address Book
is opened.

Keyboard shortcut: 'P' or AMIGA-'P'

See also:

Address Book
Edit...

If you select this button IntuiNews invokes
your text editor
. You
can now edit the message now.

If you call the editor the first time the signature will be appended to the message.

Keyboard shortcut: 'E'

Send

After you select this button IntuiNews tries to write the message to the UMS messagebase. If this attempt is not successful an error requester will appear.

Keyboard shortcut: 'S'

Cancel

After you select this button the Mail Window will be closed and the message will not be discarded.

Keyboard shortcut: 'C'

1.63 IntuiNews.guide/WI_MAIL_MENU

Menus

Address book...

The

Address Book
is opened.

Crash

In FidoNet it's possible to send messages directly to a system without routing via other systems.

If you select this menu item the "Crash" attribute is set.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'C'

File-Attach...

Some networks support attaching binary to messages. The file will be delivered with the message. This menu item is used for easy setup of the required fields, you can select the file with a standard filerequester.

Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'F'

1.64 IntuiNews.guide/WI_POST

The Post Window

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In this window you can prepare all information for writing a public message. For this purpose it has the following control items:

List	Groups to post into
String Gadgets	String gadgets in the Post Window
Buttons	Edit, Send, Cancel...
Menus	Menus attached to the Post Window

1.65 IntuiNews.guide/WI_POST_LIST

Grouplist

Use this list to enter the groups into which you want to write your message.

If you perform a doubleclick on a group it will be moved to the top of the list and the settings for this group e.g. signature and organization will be used.

Below the list you will find a stringgadget for entering a group directly.

1.66 IntuiNews.guide/WI_POST_STR

String Gadgets

Subject

Use this gadget to enter the subject for the message.

Keyboard shortcut: 'U'

ToName

Some networks support a receiver name for public message. Use this gadget to enter it.

Keyboard shortcut: 'N'

Organization

See String Gadget
Organization
.

Attributes

See String Gadget
Attributes
.

Reply-To

See String Gadget
Reply-To
.

FollowUp-To

Certain networks have binary groups in which it is not wanted to post discussion messages. Mostly there is a special discussion group. Use this gadget to enter the replygroup for messages posted into one of the binary groups. This feature is not supported by all networks.

Keyboard shortcut: 'L'

Distribution

This variable is used to set the distribution for locally created messages. Some networks use this field for restricting the distribution of a message. Use this sting gadget to enter the distribution.

Keyboard shortcut: 'T'

1.67 IntuiNews.guide/WI_POST_BUTTON

Buttons

Add

See button
Add
.

Dell

See button
Del
.

Popup Grouplist

After selecting this button the
Group Selection Window

is opened.

Keyboard shortcut: 'P' or AMIGA-'P'

Edit...

See button

Edit

.

Send

See button

Send

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Abbruch

See button

Cancel

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1.68 IntuiNews.guide/WI_POST_MENU

Menus

Grouplist...

The

Group Selection Window
is opened.

File-Attach...

See menu

File-Attach...

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Keyboard shortcut: AMIGA-'F'

1.69 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GRPLST

The Group Selection Window

In this window you can select one or more groups in which your message will be posted.

Grouplist

You can select one or more groups in this listview. You can confirm your choice by performing a doubleclick on a group or pressing RETURN.

Select "Ok" to confirm or "Cancel" to abort.

1.70 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GLOBSEARCH

Global Search Window

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The Global Search Window is used for entering criteria for a global search through the UMS messagebase. You can enter AmigaDOS patterns in the string gadgets but if you use normal strings searching will be much faster.

The Global Search Window has the following control items:

Buttons

Buttons in the Global Search Window.

String Gadgets

String gadgets in the Global Search Window.

Cycle Gadgets

Cycle gadgets in the Global Search Window.

All messages which match these criteria will be read from the UMS messagebase and displayed in a messagelist. If the scan window is closed while IntuiNews is searching it will abort and all messages found so far will be displayed.

1.71 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GLS_BUTTON

Buttons

Clear

If you select this button all string gadgets are reset to their initial value.

Keyboard shortcut: 'L'

Select "Ok" to start the global search or "Cancel" to abort.

1.72 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GLS_STR

String Gadgets

FromName

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the sender's name.

Keyboard shortcut: 'F'

FromAddress

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the sender's address.

Attention: In a standard UMS configuration FromAddr (2) is no index field. In this case searching for a sender's address will take a long time. Read the documentation about the UMS configuration about how to change this.

Keyboard shortcut: 'A'

ToName

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the receiver's name.

Keyboard shortcut: 'T'

ToAddress

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the receiver's address.

Attention: In a standard UMS configuration ToAddr (4) is no index field. In this case searching for a receiver's address will take a long time. Read the documentation about the UMS configuration about how to change this.

Keyboard shortcut: 'D'

Subject

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the subject.

Keyboard shortcut: 'S'

Group

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the group.

Keyboard shortcut: 'G'

Folder

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the folder.

Attention: In a standard UMS configuration Folder (15) is no index field. In this case searching for a folder will take a long time. Read the documentation about the UMS configuration about how to change this.

Keyboard shortcut: 'L'

Message-ID

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the message-id.

Keyboard shortcut: 'M'

Text

Use this gadget to enter the pattern for the messagetext.
Searching for the messagetext is very slow so use it rarely.

Keyboard shortcut: 'X'

1.73 IntuiNews.guide/WI_GLS_CYCLE

Cycle Gadgets

Searchmode

Use this gadget to select the messages for the global search.

All

All messages are examined.

New

Only new messages are examined.

Old

Only old messages are examined.

Keyboard shortcut: 'E'

1.74 IntuiNews.guide/WI_BOOK

The Addressbook

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In this window it is possible to select one or more receivers for a Netmail.

Textgadget

Comment

You can find the comment for the active addressbook entry here.

Adresslist

You can select one or more entries in this list. In the left column you will see the names, in the right one the addresses, one name can have multiple addresses. By performing a doubleclick on an entry or pressing RETURN you can confirm the input.

Select "Ok" to use the selected entries or "Cancel" to abort.

See also:

IntuiNews.Book

1.75 IntuiNews.guide/AX_HISTORY

Appendices

History

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IntuiNews 1.0

- * First public Release

IntuiNews 1.1

- * Added catchup in Group Window
- * Bug in requester for missing libraries fixed
- * Occasional crashes (Error 81000005) after replying messages fixed
- * Editing netmails with carbon-copies works fine now
- * Extended menus
- * Added multi-select for groups

IntuiNews 1.2

- * Requires MUI 2.0 or newer
 - * Lots of bugfixes, improvements etc.
 - * Faster scanning and searching
 - * Groupfilter
 - * "Read Selected" does not mark hidden messages as old any more (on request of many users)
 - * Support for Fortune Cookies
 - * Many changes in the menu structure
 - * Support for distribution
 - * Support for multiple mailfolders (folder must be an index field)
 - * Searching for messagetext
 - * Configurable stack for editor invocation
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- * Forwarding of messages

- * Saving to ClipBoard

- * Printing of messages

IntuiNews 1.2a

- * several bugs fixed

- * Listviews in Post and Mail Window scroll automatically if new entries are added.

- * Other recipients of private messages are shown as "Copy-To:" in the Message Window to avoid confusion about the RFC header "Cc:".

- * If you write a message to multiple recipients while the Article Window is open all softlinked messages are displayed now.

- * All listviews support multi-select without SHIFT key as default now.

IntuiNews 1.2b

- * Requires MUI 2.1 or newer

- * some bug fixes

- * Multi-select works again like in 1.2.

- * Exported flag and message size are now displayed in the article window. If the size isn't 100% correct it's not our fault, blame the UMS-Server. Besides the initialisation of the Article Window is done a lot faster now.

- * new configuration variable

 - IntuiNews.AnswerTo

 - * MUI window objects will be created if they are needed for the first time not at startup.

- * Mail Window has now a distribution gadget, too.

1.76 IntuiNews.guide/AX_CREDITS

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1.77 IntuiNews.guide/AX_TODO

What is to do
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We are working on IntuiNews for about a year and it got quite large
meanwhile. But because our time is limited we were not able to realize
all desirable features. Here are some of our future plans:

- * ARexx port support (Suggestions are welcome)
- * User configurable menus for external programs
- * Mail aliases (user groups)

There is absolutely NO guarantee that these features will ever be
implemented. So don't be disappointed, if they aren't in the next
version.

1.78 IntuiNews.guide/AX_REPORTS

Where to send bug reports and feature
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Bugreports and feature requests should go to these addresses:

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If it is possible send mail to both of us. We use to forward mails between us but the fastest way is to write to both of us.

1.79 IntuiNews.guide/AX_MUI

MUI
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A section from the MUI documentation:

This application uses

MUI - MagicUserInterface

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