

# **TrackDisplayClock**

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# Chapter 1

# TrackDisplayClock

## 1.1 TrackDisplayClock

TrackDisplayClock V1.10

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(C) Guido Mersmann in 1997-2000

TrackDisplayClock IS A MAILWARE PRODUCT

READ THE DISTRIBUTION SECTION FOR INFORMATION ON DISTRIBUTION

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Bug Reports,Incitements...

My other amiga projects!

## 1.2 Introduction

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A hardware track display is very useful, if you need it! The most time these type of hardware is only good for lighting up the room!

This will be changed when using TrackDisplayClock! TrackDisplayClock displays the system time on your track display! Its cool, its useful and of course the time is always in visual range.

Delete all programs using screens, windows or icons to display the time and of course don't forget to remove your noclick tool! TrackDisplayClock is doing all these jobs and your system will be faster than before! (-8

I had the idea of making such program years ago, but that time I only wrote a little experimental program wich switched off the system. A few days ago I decided to create this tiny tool, to find out how many unused track displays are working out there!

## 1.3 Systemrequirements

System requirements  
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TrackDisplayClock (should work) works on all Amigas with OS 2.0 or higher.

Also required is an Amiga with TrackDisplay and and some time so display! (-8

## 1.4 Features

Features  
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\textdegree{} Commodity

\textdegree{} Online Help

\textdegree{} 100% Assembler

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\textdegree{} Locale Support

## 1.5 Distribution

Distribution  
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This program should be published on every public medium, as long as all files in the archive are unchanged. If this medium is a CD I expect a free copy. (AminetCDs excluded)

TrackDisplayClock is Mailware.

I expect from everybody, who uses TrackDisplayClock regularly, to send me an email or postcard. I think this does not hurt anybody, and I will have more fun to integrate new features.

I am not liable for injures or data loss caused by TrackDisplayClock!  
The use of TrackDisplayClock is on your own responsibility !!!

## 1.6 How to install TrackDisplayClock

How to install TrackDisplayClock  
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Just drag TrackDisplayClock into your WBstartup drawer and use the GUI or Toolstypes to configurate!

Thats all!

## 1.7 History

History  
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This text is telling the story of TrackDisplayClock like a diary.

V1.00 First version.

V1.01 Small manual changes.

V1.02 Uncounted small changes.

V1.03 Used OnlineHelp module.

V1.04 Used new commodity module.

V1.05

hotkey for quick disk access  
implemented.

V1.06 Again some bugfixes.

V1.07 Removed some unused modules.

V1.08 Some manual changes and improvments.

V1.09 BUGFIX: A mistake within the Commodity\_AddObject routine caused  
that hotkey weren't filtered.

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V1.10 Small catalog changes.

## 1.8 Future

Future  
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\textdegree{} I don't know. (-8 Your wishes are welcome.

## 1.9 Buglist

Buglist  
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\textdegree{} Well it isn't possible to use disks while TrackDisplayClock is ↔  
running,  
but this is logical infact that we use the diskdrive position to view  
the time. If you want to use disks, then use Exchange or other programs  
to disable TrackdiskClock for this periode.

\textdegree{} Currently there are no known bugs.

## 1.10 Thanx

Thanx  
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\textdegree{} Many thanks to all the people spending money.

## 1.11 The Author

The Author  
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If you find bugs please report them, so that I can correct these bugs  
in the next version.

Any ideas and suggestions are welcome, too.

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## 1.12 Other programs!

Other programs!

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BoulderDäsh [game/jump/boulderdaesh.lha]  
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Clone of the original Boulderdäsh for Amiga. It is the only version running faster on Amiga than the original. It looks and behaves like the original. I was asked, where the C64 is. (-8 And all this on a 68000 without Fastmem.

SimpleCat [dev/misc/simplecat.lha]  
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This tool is for users and users. Using this program you can change catalogues of programs with your favourite text editor in the easiest way. These programs must include a CS file. Search for it in the archive of the catalogues drawer.

Afind [util/misc/afind.lha]  
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With this program you can search for programs on your Aminet CDs in the easiest way. It is the same than the original tool on the CD, but here you can use AminetCDs and AminetSets mixed. So you are not forced to search for a program on the first 5 Aminet CDs, that is on AminetSet1 Disk b.

AView [util/misc/aview.lha]  
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AView is a great multiview enhancement/replacement! It is working like Multiview, but you are able to specify a special viewer/player for each file type.

Guideformat [text/edit/guideformat.lha]  
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GuideFormat is a simple tool. It is easy to format text blocks, even if there are "links" or other guide commands in.

GuideCheck [text/edit/guidecheck.lha]  
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GuideCheck ist ein Tool, das es erlaubt ein Guidefile vollständig zu prüfen und alle eventuellen Fehler aufzudecken.

SiedlerBoot [game/patch/siedlerboot.lha]  
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This allows to start the Settlers direct via CD and save the scores on HD. There is no hard disk install required. SiedlerBoot requires the "Amiga Plus Sonderheft 9" cover CDROM.

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Execute64 [misc/emu/execute64.lha]  
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Execute64 allows to transfer file direct into the C64 and to start them. This allows to play games an use the Amiga a big file server.

R [util/cli/r.lha]  
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"R" creates a GUI for each DOS Programm. This allows you to use DOS commands even if you aren't very good in reading templates.

DVBControl [comm/misc/dvbcontrol.lha]  
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DVBControl is a software project for the Nokia MediaMaster (D-Box) and DVB2000 firmware. It allows to update firmware, edit channel settings and much more. So if you are using DVB2000 and an Amiga DVBcontrol is your only choise!

MCCControl [hard/hack/mccontrol.lha]  
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MCCControl (MemoryCard Control) is a card reader for Playstation MemoryCards. It requires a little selfmade hardware (~\$5) and the free software!

VBControl [util/sys/vbrcontrol.lha]  
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VBControl moves the processor vector base to fastram. This is increasing system speed.

AvailCPU [util/sys/availcpu.lha]  
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AvailCPU is a little program that shows the CPU usage by using the PowerLED!

TrackDisplayClock [util/time/trackdisplaycl.lha]  
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## 1.13 Questions, Solutions and Tips!

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Currently none

Other

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## 1.14 FAQ: This manual is formatted with centered blocks, How?

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This question is very old. I write all AmigaGuide text files by using GoldED. GoldED makes it very easy. Just open the "miscellaneous" settings and setup the fold markings ("@NODE" and "@ENDNODE"). Now you are able to open and close every node as an own document.

But now the question. The problem is the link structure within the text. GoldEDs internal block format is not able to detect them and everything is text and a word wrap within a link is deadly for this link. The other method is to edit the block by hand, but this is not very handy. (-8

This was the reason to write  
 GuideFormat  
 . GuideFormat is doing this  
 job and it takes care about the links. I put it together with some GoldED commands as a GoldED hotkey. Now I can use it even like the internal block center command.

I wrote all dokumentations of  
 my programs  
 by using GuideFormat. It  
 saves years of my life.

And the text looks great!

## 1.15 TrackDisplayClock

TrackDisplayClock

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Well, there isn't much to say! Its possible to configurate TrackDisplayClock ↔  
 via  
 CLI, GUI and ToolTypes.

Generally I suggest not to insert unprotected disks while the clock is running. I never had any problems, but there may be a little chance of loosing data.

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CXPopKey
CXPriority
CXPopUp
DeActivate HotKey
Adjust hours
Adjust minutes
Save
Use
Cancel
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## 1.16 The Preferences: CXPopKey

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CXPopKey
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This gadget allows to specify the key combination to open the GUI.

## 1.17 The Preferences: CXPriority

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CXPriority
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This defines the commodity priority. You shouldn't change this without a good reason!

## 1.18 The Preferences: CXPopUp

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CXPopUp
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Use this switch to force the GUI to open on each startup! Otherwise disable it, if you don't want a GUI on startup.

## 1.19 The Preferences: DeActivate Hotkey

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DeActivate Hotkey  
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Here you can specify a hotkey to quick activate/deactivate disk access. Pressing the hotkey will force TrackDisplayClock to release the trackdisk.device. Press this combination again to reactivate the clock and deactivate disk access again.

You must not press this hotkey during disk access! This may cause real disk errors even when only reading!

## 1.20 The Preferences: Adjust Hours

Adjust Hours  
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My trackdisplay is counting different when no disk drive is connected, so here is the setup to compensate these special behavior.

## 1.21 The Preferences: Adjust Minutes

Adjust Minutes  
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## 1.22 The Preferences: Save

Save  
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The settings will be saved into TrackDisplayClocks icon and used as well. The settings window will close imediatly.

## 1.23 The Preferences: Use

Use  
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The window will be closed and the settings used, but the settings won't be saved!

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## 1.24 The Preferences: Cancel

Cancel

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This button closes the window and all changed settings are lost!

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