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Chapter 1

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1.1 ARF-Wizard 0.8

ARF-Wizard 1.0

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The Aminet Readme File Creator

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1.2 Introduction

Introduction

I don't often upload to the Aminet archive as i have little time at the moment for creating stuff.

But when i do it is a bit of a task just to create the readme file to go with the file
i'm uploading.

There are obviously other programs for this process but they do seem somewhat bloated
and over-accesorised. I wanted a quick, easy way to create the Aminet Readme Files
(ARF's).

I have seen the easy that you can connect to the internet using program like AmiTCP
wizard and the Miami wizard and decided to adapt this approach to creating the ARF's.

It works quite well and will create a proper readme file with or without the optional
extras like distribution, version etc. It doesn't do the extra language one yet (maybe
never).

It does have a simple CLI interface that only excepts the name of the file. It can also
be run from workbench and the file selected through the interface.

The Program also uses the filename for the readme filename so you get an exact copy, as
it should be.

Thank you for downloading this program and i hope you find it usefull.

1.3 New Features

New Features

This releases new feature is selectable Upload Types.

This uses a slider bar with most(explained below) of the Aminet Uploads types help
within it.

Once you've clicked on the type that you want then the window is closed and the type
sent to string gadget. It is then fully editable or another type can be select again
instead.

The reason i say most of the upload types is all of them are there with the exception of
the Mod/ type. The reason for this is that there are so many upload types just for Mods
that it nearly as much as all the other types put together. Alos this is a list that
keeps changing as different uploaders create their own directories.

There is a single mod type, Mod/any and the end of the list for those who are new ←
to
uploading mods but for those that do it regularly then they probably now what tpye ←
they
wnat anyway.

Thanks and Enjoy

1.4 Installation

Installation

ARF-Wizard Requires the following:

Workbench 2.04+

and the following commands to be in the c: directory.

Ed, Join. (supplied)

You can put the main program anywhere you like.

1.5 Usage

Usage

ARF-Wizard can be run directly from workbench or from cli.

If run from cli you can feed it the name of the file you want to create an ARF for ←
.

The Syntax is:

ARF-Wizard filename.

It works well if used through Dopus.

1.6 Bugs

Bugs

NO error handling on cli interface meaning that the file may or may not exist.

Uses GTDisable to create different pages and hide different gadgets. This means ←
that
they cannot be in the same location or they will not work.

Longish Startup introduced with remapping.

Largish Code size for such a small program.

1.7 Future Additions

Future Additions

1. MUI
2. Selectable Upload types - Done
3. Create Internal Editor for long Descriptions
4. Html Documentation
5. Upload Recognition for JPG's, MPG's, Etc.
6. Create Env files for Author and Uploader.
7. Create Better Logo
8. Add Url Page so users can give their website addresses within readme file.
9. Smaller and More refined code.
10. Possible Compress executable using PowerPacker or StoneCracker

1.8 Contact

Contact

To Contact author email following address for anything including ideas, bugs ↔ reports, problems and comments.

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Thanks for using this program

1.9 History Page

History

0.7 First Public Release

0.8 Fixed file bug that tried to delete long description fiel even if it did not exists.

Fixed Bug which printed readme filename over the edge of the window.

Fixed bug which meant that the Wizard pic was mapped wrongly, program now ↔ includes remapping code from Curt Essers- Optmremap blitz code available on the Aminet.

Fixed Bug which printed Distribution usage to close to "Distribution" text.

0.9 Re-Jigged GUI. Made it a little prettier.
Added a MUI-alike 3d box and adjusted text layout to fit.
Moved page titles to top left corner.

1.0 Re-titled intiation Progress requester
Added Selectable upload types using Litsview Gadget.

1.10 Credits Page

Credits

Thanks To the following:

Curt Esser for the optimised remapping code from his OptmRemap Archive on the ↔
Aminet