

On The Disk...

A run-down of what's included on the free disk with this issue

Subscribers to *The Delphi Magazine* receive a free disk with each copy, packed with goodies. This includes the source code and example files for all the articles in the current issue.

But, there's much more too! We've sifted through a great many tools, components and other Delphi add-ons to bring you some of the best shareware and freeware material available, as outlined below. The headings are the directory names where you will find the files on the floppy disk.

> BCPTWAIN

Component for scanning pictures from any scanner with a standard Twain driver, with help files in English and German (beware these are for Windows 95 help only). Components for both Delphi 1 and Delphi 2 are included.

> DBDESIGN

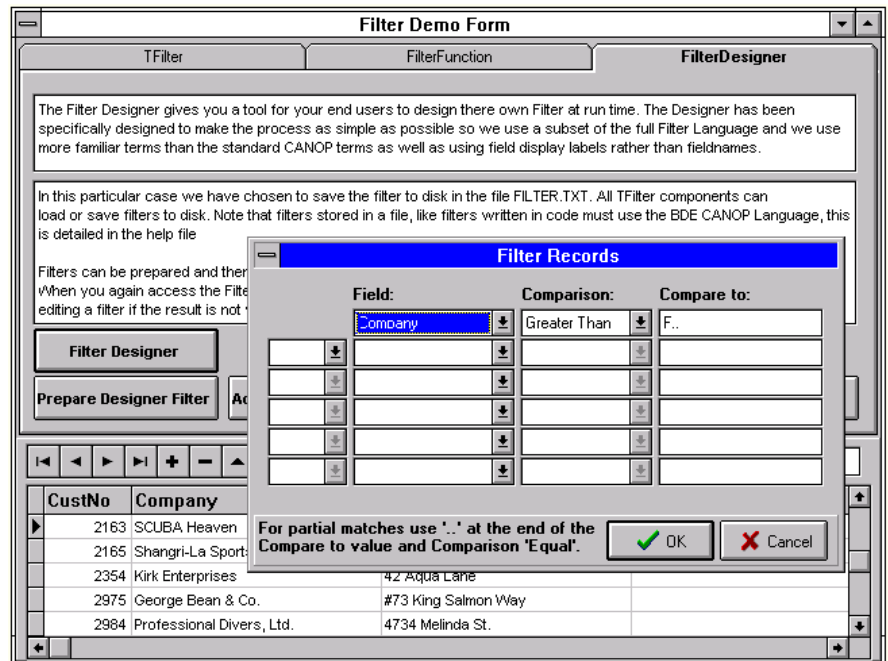
This visual database design component shows you in Delphi's design mode all the following information on your data: connections between tables, the connection between table/query and data-source, plus key table, query and datasource properties. All you need to do is drop the component on your form. This is the 16-bit version for Delphi 1, a 32-bit version for Delphi 2 is available when you register. From Heiko Dorner. See the screenshot on the cover for a taster!

> DBFLT

This set of components provide full access to the BDE's filtering language for Delphi 1, making the use of table filters much easier. By Rob Edgar. The screenshot at the top of the page shows the demo program included with the package.

> INTERNET

Listing of Delphi related World Wide Web and ftp sites.



> *DBFit in action: this is the demo program included with the package*

> ISGMAPI

The ISGMapi Component provides a way of sending and receiving messages through a standard Mapi mail system. It is a non-visual component in that it does not visually interact with the user, but does provide the methods to allow standard Mapi dialogs to be displayed. The Address Book can be displayed as well as the Mail Compose screen. This is a Delphi 1 version, a Delphi 2 version is available. From Infinity Software Group.

> PARSER

Comprehensive text file and memory text parser from BisonWare.

> PASCAL

How to obtain back issues of *The Pascal Magazine*: details of the contents of each issue and an order form as an Adobe Acrobat file.

> PSISBAR

A Delphi 2 status bar component to display date, time and status text at the bottom of your form. Freeware from Jim Albert.

> TABUTIL

A set of handy utility functions for database tables from Key IT Systems Ltd, including: group summary, column minimum, maximum and average, create tables from comma separated value (CSV) files and export to CSV or plain text files. The screenshots at the top of the opposite page show the included sample program in action.

> THESDB

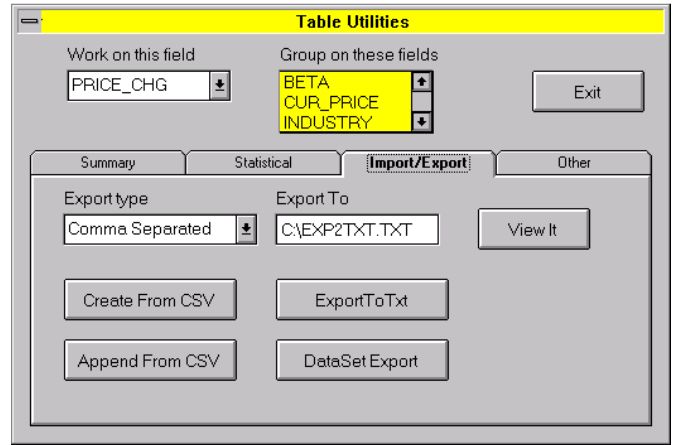
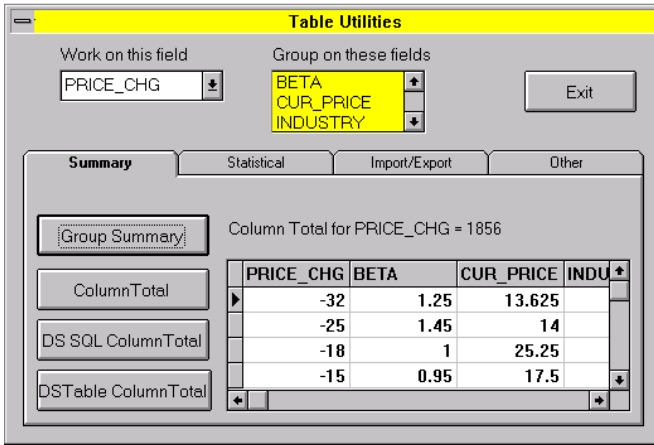
From WinterTree Software, *ThesDB* gives your applications a comprehensive and easy-to-use thesaurus capability. It includes a general-purpose 50,000 synonym American English thesaurus database and a library of functions to access the database. See the screenshot on the cover for a taster!

> USERGPS

List and contact information for Delphi User Groups.

> X3270-BD

Delphi unit from Mauro Tronto to interface your applications with



➤ The TabUtil demo program

IBM 3270 emulators. Requires the EHLAPI.DLL (included in your 3270 emulator package).

Important Note!

Always, but *always* make a backup copy of your COMPLIB.DCL file (located in directory delphi\bin) before you take the plunge and

install *any* new component into Delphi!

Sometimes component installation can trash your COMPLIB.DCL and you will then be left with an inoperative Delphi and (after copying the default file over from the distribution CD-ROM or floppies) will have to re-add *all* your favourite extra components. You have been warned!

Send In Your Code...

If you have some carefully crafted routines, why not send them in by mail or (zipped up) by CompuServe email (to 70630,717) marked for the attention of the Editor. We can't *guarantee* we will use them, but we do consider *all* submitted files for inclusion on future free disks.