Introduction

About ChatNet

ChatNet provides direct communication and file transfer at the touch of a key. ChatNet offers two modes for Chat. The AppleTalk Mode allows chat on a Local Area Network with or without a Server. The IRC Mode allows chat through an Internet Relay Chat Server. ChatNet acts as a client program providing a user friendly graphical interface for all IRC functions.

ChatNet's simple interface will be familiar to anyone who uses major online services and quickly learned by those who haven't experienced network communications. Users interact via public and private conferences, send private messages, and transfer files to each other.

ChatNet can provide security and control over the entire Chat environment as everyone is concerned about the possibility of children encountering unsuitable material or conversation, especially on the Internet. ChatGuardian and ChatWatcher preference settings give complete control over the ChatNet environment from completely open to very restrictive.

ChatGuardian gives you control over room access and message content by screening out words and phrases that are preselected. ChatWatcher keeps a log of all conversations. IRC Server access can also be controlled.

ChatNet is the perfect tool for homes, schools, businesses, and departmental workgroups. Hold online group conferences or have one–to–one private communication. Workgroups can discuss project status, strategy, and reach each other for questions and answers at the click of a button. All communication can be saved or printed for later reference.

System Requirements

ChatNet requires any Macintosh computer (Mac SE or newer) running System 7.0 or higher, including System 7.5.3. RAM memory of 750K is recommended with a minimum setting of 550K. Disk space of 2 Megabytes should be available for the application and support files. For AppleTalk Mode, a network must be LocalTalk or EtherTalk compatible, and AppleTalk must be set to active in Chooser. For IRC Mode (Internet Relay Chat)   you must have access to the Internet through a direct   Internet connection or a SLIP or PPP connection through an Internet service provider (check your local phone directory for Internet service providers in your area). Your

Macintosh must also have MacTCP or Open Transport network driver installed.

Support on the World Wide Web

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