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Browse Window

Information:

MegaWIN's browse window allows you to effortlessly scroll through file catalogs as well as perform a variety of searches. The Browse window includes a pul-down menu bar offering several features as well as a row of push-buttons for commonly performed actions.

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Note: Only one of the asterisk-marked buttons will appear at a time, depending on the currently selected file

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Release Notes

ViewGIF, PlayFLI, PlayMOD, and PlayVOC

For this release, we have not completed our own internal programming to perform these functions. However, we have provided the capability to interface with external utilities (many of which are available on the MegaROM shareware disk)

Off of MegaWIN's "Options" submenu, there is an option called "players/viewers". Selecting this will bring up a dialog box containing the configuration options for ViewGIF, PlayFLI, etc.

Each of the sections of the display will appear as follows:

Internal

External Pathname: _____

To enable the external program of your choice, first select "external" and then enter the path and filename of the viewer. (For example, if you were configuring the popular WinGIF utility, then you could specify something similar to "C:\WINDOWS\WINGIF.EXE" as the pathname)

There are many possible programs that can be used for the ViewGIF, PlayMOD, etc functions below is a partial listing of what is available:

WinGIF: WINGIF.EXE

This is an excellent GIF viewer designed to run under Microsoft Windows. It is shareware and therefore be sure to properly compensate the author if you use his software.

VPLAY: VPLAY.EXE

Vplay is distributed by Creative Labs with their soundblaster card. If you have a SoundBlaster, then you probably have VPLAY on hand. It works fine with the PlayVOC option.

Track Blaster: TRAK.EXE

Track Blaster is a very popular shareware .MOD file player which is readily available on most bulletin boards. (And, of course, on the MegaROM disk as well!)

Note #1: Although several of the above utilities are for DOS, they will probably work fine. Windows will jump into DOS and execute them for you.

Note #2: While using the sound options (PlayVOC and PlayMOD), you may need to tell windows to increase it's dma buffers. Windows will explain this to you if it is necessary.

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MegaSearch Information

This command will bring up a small window indicating the version number of the copy of MegaWIN that you are using.

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Add Browse Window

The Add Browse Window command will add another browse window to your screen. You may have as many browse windows on your screen at one time as you like. When you add the window, MegaWIN will prompt you for the directory that you wish to browse.

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Preferences

The preferences screen will allow you to alter the default way that MegaWIN behaves. Most of the options are self explanatory - try them out to see what they do.

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Graphics Viewers

This screen will allow you to select your desired graphics viewer programs. For more information, please see [Release Notes](#).

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Sound Players

This screen will allow you to select your desired sound player programs. For more information, please see [Release Notes](#).

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Status

The status screen will display some status information about MegaWIN.

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Save Options

The Save Options commands will save all of your current defaults, preferences, and options to disk so MegaWIN can load them next time it starts.

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Hyper Search

The Hyper Search is MegaWIN's most powerful search utility. In the creation of many MegaWIN-supported disks (including MegaROM-1), all of the text on disk was indexed using our proprietary HyperSearch algorithm. This allows you to search for a specific search string in any of the text files on the disk. (This includes text files inside of archives)

When specifying the HyperSearch search string, you may only use whole words (i.e. not partial words). You may also use the "AND" and "OR" options to specify additional search options. For example:

"WINDOWS AND PROGRAMMING"

- Search for all occurrences of "Windows" and "Programming"

"(WINDOWS OR UNIX) AND PROGRAMMING"

- Search for all occurrences of either "Windows" or "Unix", and "programming".

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File Find

The File Find option will let you perform a wildcard search of the file catalog. For example, if you wanted all files beginning with PK. you could search for "PK*.*".

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Description Search

The Description Search command will let you search the file catalog for any partial string matches. (Note: The HyperSearch option is more powerful as it allows you to search internal program documentation as well)

When prompted for a search specification, enter the string that you wish to locate. MegaWIN will then search the file catalog and find all matches containing that string.

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Browse Tool: Sort

The Sort option allows you to select what order the file catalog will be displayed in. You may select Alphabetical (by file name), file size, or file date. You can also control whether the listing will be in ascending or descending order.

Note: The sort option does not apply to file listings that are generated by searches.

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Browse Tool: Virus

For disks that have been virus scanned (i.e. MegaROM-1), you may use this option to display the virus scan for the currently highlighted file. Note: Although the virus scanners used were relatively reliable, it is possible that an unknown virus may not have been detected.

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Browse Tool: Export

The Export tool will create a text listing of all currently marked entries in the current file listing. This is useful for creating an on-disk list, printout, etc of files.

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Browse Tool: Mark All

The Mark All command will mark all entries in the current file listing. This is useful in case you wish to copy the entire directory or in case you wish to create an export listing of the entire directory.

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Browse Button: CHDIR

The CHDIR button will change the current directory that is being displayed in the browse window.

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Browse Button: MARK

The MARK button will mark the currently selected entry in the file list for later copying or exporting.

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Browse Button: COPY

The Copy button is used to copy files from the CD-ROM disk to your hard drive. If you have marked files, then copy will copy the marked files. Otherwise copy will copy the currently highlighted file.

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Browse Button: Date

The date button is a quick method of turning toggling the date field of the display. Since the full width of the file listing is larger than some video modes allow, this button can be used to remove/re-insert the date field so you may view the entire file description.

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Browse Button: ZipView

This button will let you view and/or read the contents of a .ZIP file.

Note: This button will only be visible if the currently selected file has an extension of .ZIP.

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Browse Button: ViewGIF

This button will allow you to display a GIF image on your screen.

Note: This button will only be visible if the currently selected file has an extension of .GIF.

See Also: [Graphics Viewers](#), [Release Notes](#)

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Browse Button: PlayFLI

This button will display an animated autodesk .FLI movie on your screen.

Note: This button will only be displayed if the currently selected file has an extension of .FLI.

See Also: [Graphics Viewers](#), [Release Notes](#)

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Browse Button: PlayVOC

This button will play a SoundBlaster .VOC file through your speaker or sound card.

Note: This button will only be displayed if the currently selected file has an extension of .VOC.

See Also: [Sound Players](#), [Release Notes](#)

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Browse Button: PlayMOD

This button will play a .MOD music file through your speaker or sound card.

Note: This button will only be displayed if the currently selected file has an extension of .MOD.

See Also: [Sound Players](#), [Release Notes](#)

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Browse Button: Info

This button will display a small information screen about the file that is currently selected.

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Window Element: Caption

The caption contains the title of the window. By clicking here and holding down on the mouse button, you can drag the window around the screen. For more information, please see your Windows manual.

Window Element: Reduce Box

The reduce box will reduce the window down to an icon. For more information, please see your Windows manual.

Window Element: Zoom Box

The zoom box will let you alternate the window between a full-screen (zoomed) view and the windowed view. For more information, please see your windows manual.

Window Element: System Menu

The system menu lets you close the window, maximize and minimize it, etc. For more information, please see your windows manual.

Window Element: Sizing Bar

The sizing bar will let you resize the window. For more information, please see your windows manual.