## Mailing Lists

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Mailing lists. The mere mention of such a beast often sends chills down the spine and visions of a mailbox overflowing with cheesy pamphlets for things such as the "Butt Master" or the "Nose Hair Grinder."

Well Ambrosia has ventured into the mailing list business, but our foray is much more benevolent. We've recently set up mailing list software on our Internet server so that we can provide you with timely Ambrosia information.

Mailing lists allow us to send a message that is broadcast to everyone who subscribes to the list, thus making it easy for us to keep you apprised of happenings here at the Ambrosia home office.

I know what you're thinking: "Great. Just what I need. More junk eMail." But folks, we promise not to spam your electronic mailbox with frivolous messages, and we definitely will not give out your eMail address to anyone. All of our lists have specific purposes:

announce\_list -- This is a general Ambrosia announcement list -- any time we release a new product or have other Ambrosia-related news to pass along, everyone who subscribes to this list will instantly get the info.

discussion\_list -- This is an Ambrosia discussion list: banter with people around the world about Ambrosia's products. What transpires on this list is up to the folks who subscribe to it, but we envision gaming tips, troubleshooting, and general Ambrosia chatter.

at\_list -- If you would like each issue of our company newsletter, The Ambrosia Times, delivered to your eMailbox as soon as it is released, this is the mailing list for you. Please note that The Ambrosia Times averages approximately 500K, and is released every odd month (6 issues a year)

We plan to add more lists as the need arises, but we think these are a good start for now.

If you're interested in signing up for one of our mailing lists, we've made that simple to do: simply point your Web browser at http://www.AmbrosiaSW.com/Lists.html and follow the instructions there to join one of our mailing lists.

If you do not have access to the Web, simply send eMail to:

## majordomo@AmbrosiaSW.com

and include in the body of your message:

subscribe (list)

...where (list) is any of the aforementioned mailing lists (announce\_list, discussion\_list, or at\_list)

You can place anything in the Subject field, but nothing else should be in the message body other than the above.

Techie Stuff: You do not need to know this information to subscribe to any of our mailing lists, but we've provided it here for those who are interested.

The list server software we use on our server is Majordomo by Brent Chapman. Here is the help file for Majordomo:

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In the description below items contained in []'s are optional. When
providing the item, do not include the []'s around it.
It understands the following commands:
    subscribe (list) [(address)]
        Subscribe yourself (or (address) if specified) to the named (list).
    unsubscribe (list) [(address)]
       Unsubscribe yourself (or (address) if specified) from the named
(list).
    get (list) (filename)
       Get a file related to (list).
    index (list)
        Return an index of files you can "get" for (list).
    which [(address)]
        Find out which lists you (or (address) if specified) are on.
    who (list)
        Find out who is on the named (list).
    info (list)
        Retrieve the general introductory information for the named (list).
    lists
        Show the lists served by this Majordomo server.
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help Retrieve this message.

end

Stop processing commands (useful if your mailer adds a signature).

Commands should be sent in the body of an email message to "Majordomo@AmbrosiaSW.com".

Commands in the "Subject:" line NOT processed.