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# **Chapter 1**

# DiskOrg

# 1.1 DiskOrg User Manual - ©1995-1996 by Simone Tellini

Welcome to THE disk cataloguer!

Disclaimer Standard disclaimer Copyright Legal notes... read this before going to bed. How to register Please read this. Introduction What's DiskOrg? The Main Window The first thing you'll see... Args & ToolTypes Easy database loading Program's menus ... yes, you guessed it! ;-) History Some boring notes...

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#### 1.4 How to register

I know it! Some of you won't ever read this chapter... :- |

But I will always trust in the honest Amiga users! I know that they exist, I'd just like to know where they hide... ;)

I know that this program isn't the biggest (or the best) project you've seen, but if you think that it's useful, you should consider registering: I don't ask you a lot, just a sign of your existence! :)

Even if you can't afford to pay the fee (which doesn't seem very high to me, anyway), I will appreciate very much to receive at least a postcard, a letter, an e-mail from you...

Registering to DiskOrg is very simple: all you have to do is sending me your fee! ;-D

Method A - By SnailMail

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Don't forget to specify clearly your name and address, otherwise I might forget to send you your registered copy... ;)

The registration fee is US \$10 (if you like to send me more, don't worry, do it! \$-).

If you decide to send cash, wrap up the money with some sheets: you know, it's always a risk to send money via snail mail!

Method B - By Credit Card

Point your favourite WWW browser to http://www.alberts.com, log in, search for DiskOrg: you'll be able to pay it by Credit Card and download immediately the registered version of DiskOrg. Easier than that! ;-)

# 1.5 Who is the author of DiskOrg ???

This is my address:

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# 1.6 Introduction

One day I was searching for a file I knew to own, but I wasn't able to find it anywhere...

I thought I had to write a disk cataloguer... so DiskOrg was born.

I've tried to include in DiskOrg the most useful function one could want in a program like this. I hope you'll like the result of my efforts.

DiskOrg lets you organize your files in how many categories, sub-categories, sub-categories, sub... etc... you want ;).

You can sort files by name, disk name, date or size. You can search them by name, comment or disk. You can have a look on them just with a mouse click...

Moreover, DiskOrg is a little program (just about 30k) and it's quite fast.

So try it and you'll like it! :-)

Well, wait a minute... before trying it, read the manual: you can't imagine how I \*HATE\* writing docs! So don't make my effort vain... ;))

### 1.7 DiskOrg's Main Window

Once DiskOrg is loaded, you'll see this window.

In upper part of this window you'll se a row of buttons, here it is their function:

Load a database

Export the selected fields View the selected files Search for file(s) Sort criteria Move files between categories - Return to the parent category Parent (/) - Return to the root category Root (:) In the center of the window there's a big listview: it's the file list. The file listed will appear in this form: Fields Sel | File Name | Disk | Comment \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ DskOrg11.lha PD1 Examples Very good disk organiser Test file. \$\times\$ File.test As you can see, the selected files will have a \$\times\$ before their name. If you double-clicked on a file name, a window will appear: there you can see the files data and change its comment. Moreover you'll see some lines like this: »»» Uncataloged Well, this is a category: double-clicking on it, you'll enter that sub. To return in the parent category, use the gadget "/". You can also use the gadget ":" to move directly to the root category. NOTE: The "Uncataloged" category is a bit special: it can't be renamed or removed since when DiskOrg scans a disk, the new files will be put here.

#### 1.8 Viewing a file

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Clicking over this gadget you'll see the selected files with the ↔
utilities
you've specified in the
Viewers
requester.
If the disk where the files are is not present, DiskOrg will request it.
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This function is mostly useful when dealing with archives.

# 1.9 Sort criteria

With this gadget you can cycle through the four types of sorting supported by DiskOrg, that's to say by Name, by Disk, by Date and by Size.

# 1.10 CLI and WB args & ToolTypes...

DiskOrg can accept both CLI and Workbench argument: from CLI this is the template:

FILE, PUBSCREEN/K

FILE is the name of a database after the command DiskOrg to load it on startup.

Ex. DiskOrg MyFiles.do

PUBSCREEN is the name of a public screen on which to open the GUI.

Ex. DiskOrg PUBSCREEN GOLDED.1

From WB, click 1 time on DiskOrg's icon and then double-click on the icon of the database you want to load.

If none of this arguments is given, DiskOrg will try to read the FILENAME ToolType from its icon (if DO was launched from WB, of course).

Another ToolType accepted by DiskOrg is PUBSCREEN.

# 1.11 DiskOrg's Menus

Project

About...

New

Open... Save Save As... Export Quit Files Auto Scan Do recursion Scan disk... Drive Database Pattern select... Edit item... Remove selected Move... Find... Find doubles View last search Add category... Remove category Rename category Sort by Settings Devices... Filters... Viewers... Export fields... Save settings

# 1.12 Project/About...

It will open a requester with some infos about the author of DiskOrg.

### 1.13 Project/New

This will removed all files and categories.

# 1.14 Project/Open...

This will open an ASL File Requester with which you can select a database to load.

#### 1.15 Project/Save

This will save the current database.

#### 1.16 Project/Save As...

This will open a File Requester allowing you to select the file to save the database.

#### 1.17 Project/Export/

This will save the file list in a plain ASCII file. You can ↔ choose which fields must be exported with the Export fields requester.

As you can imagine, "Export/Whole archive..." will export all the files of the database, while "Export/Selected fields..." only the ones selected. ;)

# 1.18 Project/Quit

I know you know what this do! :-)

### 1.19 Files/Autoscan

When this is enabled, every time a disk is inserted in the drive selected,

DiskOrg will scan it.

Note that DiskOrg execute a quite intelligent scan: if a disk has already been scanned, only the new files (if any) will be added to the database. Moreover, if a file has a filenote attached to it, DiskOrg will read it and put in its Comment field.

## 1.20 Files/Do recursion

If enabled, DiskOrg will scan the disks recursively, otherwise it will scan only the root directory.

# 1.21 Files/Scan disk...

This will open an ASL requester: you'll have just to select the VOLUME you want to scan. ;) If you select a directory on that volume, DiskOrg will scan that directory, of course. :^)

## 1.22 Files/Drive/

This sub-menu lets you select in which drive DiskOrg must look for disks to scan.

#### 1.23 Database/Pattern select...

This will open a string requester in which you can insert a standard AmigaDOS pattern. Then DiskOrg will select the files in the current category that match that pattern.

### 1.24 Database/Edit item...

This will open a little requester which shows the infos about the file selected and which lets you enter a comment for the file.

## 1.25 Database/Remove selected

This will remove all selected files from the database. Be careful!

#### 1.26 Database/Move...

Selecting this, the Move Files requester will pop up.

It consists of two listviews and some buttons...;)

You can move files from one list to the other using the gadgets ">" and "»". The first moves only the selected files, the latter all the files.

# 1.27 Database/Find...

This will open a requester in which you can insert the string to ↔ look for. You can insert also wildcards.

You can also decide if the search must be limited to file names or if DiskOrg should consider the disk names and the comments too.

NOTE: if you insert "xy", DiskOrg will search for "#?xy#?"

If DO finds some files, it will open the Search results window; here you can see a list of the files found and four buttons:

Export the search result Move files away from this list View the selected files Delete the selected files

# 1.28 Database/Find doubles

This a special function of DiskOrg: selecting this DO will search for files present in more than 1 disk.

# 1.29 Database/View Last Search...

This will show you the result of the last search you've done.

#### 1.30 Database/Add category...

This will add a brand new sub-category in the current one.

#### 1.31 Database/Rename category...

If there's a selected category in the listview, a string requester will appear letting you to change its name.

You won't be able to change the name of the "Uncataloged" category.

#### 1.32 Database/Remove Category

This will delete the selected category from the database and the file it contains as well.

#### 1.33 Database/Sort by/

This sub menu lets you choose how to sort the files in the database. You can choose among Name, Disk, Date and Size.

#### 1.34 Settings/Devices...

This will open the Device requester. Here you can see four string gadget: you can enter a different device for every drive, so you can use DF0: with drive 0, DS0: with drive 1...

#### 1.35 Settings/Filters...

This feature of DiskOrg can be used to easily exclude some files from the scan process: in fact, when DO scans a disk, it check the file name against all the filters and if it doesn't match them it isn't accepted.

You can insert all the standard AmigaDOS patterns in the filter.

For example, if you enter the filter "  $\sim(\#?.info)$  ", DiskOrg won't insert in the database the icon files.

Setting this two filters...

~(#?.info) a#?

...DiskOrg will insert in the database only the file whose name starts with 'a' and doesn't end with '.info'.

#### 1.36 Settings/Viewers...

A 'viewer' is a program used by DiskOrg to show you the files when you click on the 'Show' button.

When you select this menu item, a small requester will appear; here you can see a listview and two string gadget.

In the listview there are the current viewers: you can modify them by doubleclicking over them. When you click on the 'Add' button you will be asked to enter the File Extension (that'll be showed in the listview) and the Viewer. The File Extension is used by DiskOrg to decide which Viewer must be used. The Viewer is the command line that will be used to see the file.

E.g. if you want to set up a viewer for .lha archives, enter 'lha' in the File Extension gadget and 'C:LHA l' in the Viewer gadget.

If the extension of the file you want to see doesn't match to anyone in the list, the "Others" viewer will be used. By default it's set to MultiView.

Last but not least, the output of the viewers will be redirected to the file or console specified in the 'Output' gadget.

#### 1.37 Settings/Export fields...

This lets you select which fields must be included in the export report.

#### 1.38 Settings/Save settings

This will save the settings to S:DiskOrg.prefs

#### 1.39 The History of DiskOrg

- 1.4 19/09/96 Fixed bug: DO crashed when clicking on the "Change sort criteria" gadget. Fixed bug: DO crashed when cancelling the requester "Add Category" New argument & ToolType: PUBSCREEN. After a resize, the listview content is not reset to the top of the list.
- 1.3 25/08/96 The main window is resizable.
  Fixed bug: DO now frees the memory allocated for
  filters & viewers when exiting.
  Fixed bug: DO now lets you add a category if the
  "Auto scan" menu is not ticked.

Fixed bug: when adding a category, it's now possible to abort the operation via the "Cancel" gadget of the string requester.

- 1.2 13/07/96 "Scan Disk" now can scan a single directory. DO uses "GTLV\_Labels, -1" instead of "GTLV\_Labels, 0" when it needs to update its listviews.
- 1.1 26/09/95 Removed a few bugs. Added the ToolTypes, CLI & WB args support.
- 1.0 15/09/95 First version.