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Chapter 1

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1.1 InsertIt.thor documentation

InsertIt.thor

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1.2 What is InsertIt.thor ?

What is InsertIt.thor?

InsertIt.thor is a script which you can use when composing a message in Thor. It allows you to insert useful information into the editor you are writing your ↵ message

in. I wrote this script as a "helper" application to ease providing of information requested by people on the 'net.

It all started off as a script called InsertURL.thor. This would allow the easy insertion of URL's from your web browsers hotlist. I soon had other ideas, and the script grew into InsertIt.thor.

This script will allow easy insertion of...

- URL's from favourite web browsers hotlist.
- File information from the Thor filedatabase, e.g. Aminet file information.
- Part(s) of the currently displayed message in the Thor main message window.
- Part(s) of an ASCII file on disk.

1.3 Requirements

Requirements

- Thor has to be running. Thor 2.4+ is recommended due to a bug in previous versions which can result in duplicate information being pasted into the editor.
- Arexx installed and running.
- A text editor. Currently the following text editors are supported directly...
 - o Full Screen Editor (FSE). The internal editor in Thor.
 - o GoldED.
 - o CygnusED (CED).
 - o Turbotext.

Other editors are currently supported by the clipboard only. See the configuration for more information.

1.4 Installation

Installation

Simply copy the script to wherever you keep your Thor arexx scripts. The Thor rexx directory is a good place.

In your text editor you can bind this script to a hotkey or menu item.

1.5 Configuration

Configuration

There are a few configuration items to set at the start of the script...

htmlhotlist = path and filename of your favourite web browser hotlist.

hotlistmode = hotlist mode or type:

H = HTML hotlist (IBrowse, Voyager)

A = AWeb hotlist (v1.2b, v1.4, v2.0)

mode = Mode of operation:

I = Insert into message

C = Save to Clipboard ONLY. You must use this option if your text editor is not (yet) supported directly by this script.

A = Ask user

cutmarkers = Option to insert "cut here" markers. 1 = enable, 0 = disable
The marker begin and end strings are set below.

cutstart = A string which will be pasted before the information.

cutend = A string which will be pasted after the information.

The idea of the cutstart and cutend markers is to highlight that the information between them has been pasted into the message.

1.6 Usage

Usage

Run the script whenever you want to insert some useful information!

- A requester will pop up asking you what kind of information you wish to insert.
- Select the option you desire and enter a search string if applicable.
- After a while the information you require will be displayed in a listview.
- (Multi)select the information you require.

What happens next depends on the mode setting...

mode = 'I' If this mode is selected then the information will automatically be pasted into your editor at the current cursor position.

mode = 'C' If this mode is selected then the information will be held in the clipboard (unit 0). You can now paste the information into your editor. Use this mode if your editor is not (yet) directly supported by this script.

mode = 'A' If this mode is selected then a requester will pop open to ask you if you wish to insert directly into the editor or paste to the clipboard. This option is useful if you often wish to insert

information into a message, but don't always want to insert it immediately.

1.7 Legal Stuff

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of
the magazine would go amiss either! :-)

The Thor Team are free to distribute this archive with the current and any future versions of the Thor program.

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1.8 History

History

- v0.5 27.07.96 Initial script to search for URL's from an html hotlist.
Added searching of files from the filedatabase.
 - v0.6 01.08.96 Added scanning of current message to select from listview.
Clipboard support now working.
 - v0.7 02.08.96 Fixed bug in file scanning code which would fail if no files
were found.
Added progress indication to search functions.
 - v0.8 03.08.96 Added support for insert only, clipboard only, or both.
Skip system requester on filesearch if only one system exists.
Alignment of URL's in listview.
 - v0.9 15.08.96 Now the first line of a saved message is displayed :)
Unique name used for tempfile.
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Insert info from a file on disk added.
Support for other AWeb hotlist formats.
ASK mode added - insert, save, or both.
Added unique tags to aminet file info so that the fabulous GetNet
can grab them to process as download events :)

v0.9b 20.08.96 Removed unique tags to aminet file info as GetNet no longer
needs them.
Progress indicator is opened before SEARCHBRFILE in file info
search.
Quoted external function calls.
Now using GoldED nested folding.

v1.0 27.08.96 Removed redundant abort button on SEARCHBRFILE.
Better handling of aborting the script on the progress
indicators.

v1.01 01.09.96 Now text is always saved to clipboard first, instead of inserting
line by line. This overcomes various problems :)
Added support for TurboText.
Fixed - now informs user if run from an unsupported editor and
Insert or Ask modes are set.
Added optional cut markers to inserted text.

v1.02 25.09.96 Speeded up searching considerably by only updating progress
indicator in steps of 10. Thanks Eirik! :-)

v1.03 25.10.96 Tidied up code. Moved History/ToDo sections to guide.

1.9 ToDo

ToDo

- Allow mode settings to be passed as command line arguments too.
- Limit file area searches to specified areas.
- Check for dupes in URL and file searches?
- Support multiple hotlists simultaneously.
- Suggestions?

If anyone has any information on other editors I will add support for them...

The following information is required:-

1. Arexx port name, the base name is all that's required.
2. The name/template of the arexx command to paste text from the clipboard. TIA ↔
:)

1.10 Credits

Credits

Thanks go out to the following people who have helped bug reports and suggestions for this script...

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Thanks to everyone he has helped in any way, either through testing or suggestions ↵
Your help has been appreciated :-)

1.11 Author

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I can be contacted via email. Please contact me if you have any suggestions, bug reports, flames, etc. I will answer all mail.

Other Thor scripts can be found on my homepage:

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This is in desperate need of updating!

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