

The applications accompanying this DOC are new versions of RRHCatMaker, PakMail and BakLog. The difference between these versions and previous versions is that these versions do not care what RedRyderHost is named: they find the program to chain back to based on the creator OSType ('RRHO') instead of the filename: as a result they may be used no matter WHAT you have renamed RRH to. At the same time, this means that you cannot have them launch an "alias" application unless you both alter RRH's Creator type, and make the alias application look like RRH by giving it the 'RRHO' creator type.

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RRHCatMaker is documented elsewhere. In short, it is a utility for doing batch updates of RRH files directories... it imports the finder's "GetInfo" comments as possible comments, automatically figures paths, and provides for default comments. It also (optionally) prepends the creator OSType before the file comment, so that callers can use this information as sort of a "Text Icon" to link documents with their applications.

RRHCatMaker employs a packing scheme to create listing names from overlong filenames, and employs the same packing scheme on comments imported from the finder Info. Directory files produced by RRHCatMaker are alpha-sorted by filename (not listing name).

RRHCatMaker allow the SYSOP to conveniently use finder-drags to move large numbers of files in and out of RRH files directories. RRHCatMaker's main purpose in life is to force the RRH directory to agree with the contents of the folder containing the listed files.

A secondary function is to convert Mouse Exchange listing files to RRH format.

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PakMail does an in-place squeeze of the message base, deleting "deleted" messages and recovering the space thus liberated. PakMail is designed for remote operation as well as local, and issues advisory messages concerning its progress. During then actual packing process, a series of periods is sent as a progress indicator, where each period indicates 10 messages processed. The total number of dots indicates the number of messages before the squeeze.

As PakMail takes more than a few seconds to run, it monitors the CD line, and if it falls it will send an ATSO=0 to the modem, continue the squeeze, and launch RRH again.

PakMail does NOT do a backup, it does an in-place squeeze requiring no additional disk space. It has been running on my BBS (Palindrome, (918) 743-8347) for several weeks without difficulty.

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If you use a disk-based CallerLog, and have installed a command to read the log over the BBS, then you may want to install BakLog. BakLog is an extremely small and simple program that deletes any file called "CALLERLOG.BAK" and then renames the current CallerLog to "CallerLog.BAK". This effectively "zero's" the callerlog, but additionally allows you to preserve one generation of log for later reference.

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**All of the above programs should be placed in the same folder as RRH.**

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Should you wish to compensate me for providing these utilities, I certainly would not complain. Requests for modifications, improvements, or special features which are not accompanied by some sort of compensation will receive the sort of attention that one might expect.

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