

16 Tons

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Overview

I guess the biggest question that needs to be dealt with is the meaning of the name of this program. It stems from a somewhat warped sense of humor, with a touch of logic (or at least I'd like to think so).

Being a fan of Monty Python for many years, it is not uncommon for me to relate certain 'real-world' events to some of the more famous skits that live on forever from some of the troupe's shows and movies. One of my favorite (favourite?) bits was the dropping of a huge 16 ton weight on some excessively bad or tasteless performer so as to stop them from whatever it was they were trying to do. Well, the key word here is dropping, and as this application supports the dropping of WAV files on it for the purpose of playing them, well, you see how it might be possible to make the connection (don't you?).

With that said, I should point out that [16 Tons](#) can be used to associate WAV files. This enables you to hear these files by double-clicking on them from the File Manager. This functionality is in addition to the main purpose of accepting the droppings of one or many files that are dragged from another application.

In Summary:

[16 Tons](#) can play WAV files in 2 ways:

- 1- Drag 1 or more WAV files from the File Manager and drop them on the [16 Tons](#) Icon or Window.
- 2- File Association. This means that if you "run" a WAV file by double-clicking it, [16 Tons](#) will automatically run and play the clicked WAV file. Make this association by opening the WIN.INI file in the WINDOWS directory (using either Notepad or Sysedit) and find the [Extensions] section. Add a line to the top of this section that reads as follows:

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wav=16tons.exe ^.wav
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and then save the file. From then on WAV files will be associated to [16Tons](#).

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Other Products from Bob Dolan Software

Windows Shareware

[DeskMenu -- A slimmed down Program Manager for Windows](#)

An efficient replacement or addition to the Program Manager. Provides a menubar at the top of the Windows desktop with menu headings defined by you to represent the categories of applications you typically need to access. A simple interface allows you to customize the look and feel of this useful system utility.

[The Joker -- Jokes On Demand](#)

The Joker gives you a laugh whenever you need it. Just as your day is getting completely boring, a window will appear with a joke to break the ice. If one joke doesn't do it for you, then press the ANOTHER button or more. The program is easy to use, and once setup to your liking, it will require no maintenance. You can load different joke files, order more from the author, and even create your own.

[SCAT -- A strategic and daring card game](#)

Don't get stuck with the lowest hand! SCAT is a card game involving four players that can be as simple or challenging as you want. Features include defining strategy levels, setting the game speed, and leaving the cards face up or face down as you play. This game even includes conversational chit chat between the players! Very addicting and fun!

[WinGo! -- The classic Bingo for Windows](#)

Finally Bingo has arrived for Windows! You match wits with Rosie, an alert and cunning adversary. You can play with as many cards as you can handle at the speed you like. Fully configurable to adapt to your playing style. The registered version includes digitized voice calling for the most realistic Bingo play possible.

[WinDial -- A Windows Phone Book that dials](#)

An easy to use phone book that will automatically dial any selected number as long as you have a modem. When a busy signal is detected, you can tell WinDial to retry until someone answers. Other busy attempts can be placed into a queue, and all will be retried in order.

[Mister Clean -- Clean up your hard drive](#)

One of the most efficient ways to clean up those hidden but unwanted or unused files that take up needed space. A slick Windows 3.x user interface makes this utility a must have for your toolbox. Mister Clean finds files the you specify and sorts them by size. You click on the ones you want deleted and then off they go, one-by-one (to be safe) or all at once. Not sure what the file is? Then run it right from Mister Clean and check it out before dumping it! Truly a unique way of managing precious disk space.

[Yacht-Z -- A dice strategy game for Windows](#)

Yacht-Z is a version of the classic dice game. Now, in addition to triple scoring, single scoring is included for quicker, simpler games. Due to popular request, up to four players can now play at one time. A new look to all dialogs gives the program new life in the world of Windows 3.1

[BattleGrid -- War in a window -- Battleship for Windows 3.x](#)

BattleGrid is a version of the classic board game. Play against the computer or another person. Watch the computer play against itself using different strategies. Several levels of a computer opponent are available, from idiot to genius.

Windows Freeware

[InstallWare -- An application installer](#)

InstallWare is a small, easy to use application installation program for Windows applications. It costs nothing to use if you are distributing shareware or freeware.

[16 Tons -- Drop your WAV files here!](#)

Simply plays WAV files. Accepts drag & drop operations from the file manager. Most handy when used it as an icon.

[Random Saver -- Variety in savers](#)

Make full use of that collection of screen savers you've got. Now you can get them out of your WINDOWS directory. This utility will run them at random from any location when you install it as the default screen saver in the Windows Control Panel.

DOS Shareware

[MagnaFile -- A DOS user interface](#)

MagnaFile is a DOS shell which is directed at a wide range of users from the DOS beginner to the most prolific DOS power users. MagnaFile provides services to the user to simplify access to DOS. It also increases the efficiency of doing many of the more tedious operations DOS requires.

MagnaFile commands are carried out using a one-key interface. Most operations are associated with a very obvious key, such as <C> for the Copy command.

The most useful utilities provided by MagnaFile are:

For Single Files or Groups of Files:

- Copying
- Moving
- Deleting.
- Attributes
- Printing

File Descriptions (40 characters)

- File Viewing & Editing
- File execution
- Disk navigation
- File & Directory Renaming

- File Archiving, Unarchiving, and Archive viewing
- Command line interface
- Mouse handling
- Screen saver and password protection
- Run programs from a smart menu interface

MagnaFile is similar to Norton Commander(NC). Users of this product say that MagnaFile will be an important tool on your computer, no matter what level user you are.

[**<softWAREhouse> -- A warehouse for all of your software**](#)

<softWAREhouse> provides your system with the ability to access more applications than it can hold at one time. This is made possible by storing installed applications offline until they are needed. When required, they are put back on the user's machine in the same condition and location as they were when originally stored. All of this power is surrounded by an easy to use point and shoot menu interface.

[**Smart Solitaire -- The Smart way to play Solitaire**](#)

A text mode klondike solitaire card game which uses the mouse. Features BOSS mode and smart playing features, such as automatic card placement in obvious situations. Very addicting and fun!

