

- Where can you get more sounds?

Now that you have SndControl to attach them to system events, you probably would like to have more sounds to play with.

The following are various ways to get them. The suggestions are not made in a particular order of merit or preference and are not meant as endorsements for the products mentioned.

- 1) Get yourself a MacRecorder. It's a little device not much bigger than a mouse that attaches to either serial port and comes with extremely good software for capturing and editing sounds from either its in-built mike or a direct connection to your hi-fi set.
- 2) Join a user group and buy those of their PD disks which contain sampled sounds. Or download the sounds by modem from their BBS.
- 3) If you have a CD-ROM player, you may want to get one of the many PD CD-ROMs available. They usually contain hundreds of sampled sounds and it'll cost you less than downloading them by modem or buying the dozens of diskettes that they'd require.
- 4) Join Compuserve, GEnie, America Online, etc. and download the sounds by modem. There are literally hundreds of choices available.
- 5) Buy one of the ever growing number of commercially available sound clip collections. Look in MacUser/World for the various ads.
- 6) Registered User Robert "Rabbett" Abbett offers to act as a sounds clearing house and says:

QUOTE:

"Mother Earth's Sound Clearinghouse is looking for a few good sounds!

Hi...got any sounds to share? Got any natural sounds you've recorded in the field or clips from movies or TV or LP or CD? Let's share! Send me a disc and a self addressed stamped return envelope and I'll download your stuff, refill your disc with sounds from my collection and mail your disc back...Don't have any sounds to share? Well, send a disc and a self addressed stamped return envelope and a check for \$5.00 U.S. per disc and I'll fill up your disc(s) and return it (them) to you so you can start to have more fun with your Mac....Please make out all checks or money orders to Hot Spots Hawaii...The address is as follows:

Mother Earth's Sound Clearinghouse c/o Rabbett @ Hot Spots Hawaii
333 Maluniu Avenue Kailua, Hi. 96734-2370 U.S.A.

Please allow 2- 4 weeks for return on disc...life gets hectic sometimes!"

- END OF QUOTE

- 7) Write to: Dejal Sound Library, Dejal Userware

12 Scorpio Place, Mairangi Bay, Auckland 10, NEW ZEALAND

Dejal Userware is run by David Lambert, another of my registered users who has a large collection of over 55 800K disks containing over 1,000 sounds (along much the same lines as my own collection). He will send you a disk containing his catalogue of the entire Library, sound by sound, listed by name and by disk, in TEXT format, plus his shareware and freeware programs (such as SndConverter and SndPlayer) for you to try. This disk full of software and the catalogues can be ordered for US\$5. Cash, check, international money order, or VISA, MasterCard, Bankcard, Diners Club or American Express credit cards accepted. He can even accept orders via e-mail if paying by

credit card. CompuServe: 100033,2435; Internet: 100033.2435@compuserve.com

8) If you are interested in copies of the sounds in my own ever growing collection, I've calculated an amount that is designed to cover the cost of disk(s), padded envelope, air mail postage, the wear and tear on my Mac and its disk drives and the pocket money my children demand for helping me out (ah, these greedy teen-agers!).

It's US\$8 (hoping the dollar doesn't lose any more ground to the BF) for the first two disks (minimum), plus \$3 per extra disk stuffed in the same envelope.

If, and only if, you agree with my judgement that my charging this amount does not constitute a for-profit deal and does not rob the utterers of the sounds of a potential source of income, then do tell me which titles you are interested in and I'll make copies for you. Lack of time prevents me from making partial copies and mixing the contents of the disks, so I'm afraid you're stuck with the way I've decided to organize them.

I currently have 29 full or nearly full 800K disks. The sounds are almost always sampled at 11K, which is the rate I consider to offer the best value/kilobyte of disk space.

Admittedly, they would sound much nicer and crisper at 22K, but I'd personally rather have a greater variety (for random play with SndControl) than I could afford if they were taking up twice the disk space.

Here's a list of what's available:

1-DarthVader Phrases

2-Monty Python

3-FawltyTowers Part 1

4-FawltyTowers Part 2

5-FawltyTowers Part 3

6-FawltyTowers Part 4

7-FawltyTowers Part 5

8-HolyGrail Part 1

9-HolyGrail Part 2

10-Beverly Hills Cop

11-Animal sounds/Stakeout (Phrases from the film. No connection between the two files.)

12-Screams/Beatles (no, there is no connection either)

13-Star Trek Phrases

14-HAL & SAL (from 2001 and 2010)

15-Life of Brian/Marylin Monroe

16-IdleTalk Sounds ("don't pick your nose", yawn, snore, "type something,will you, we're paying for this", etc.)

17-Clockwise (phrases from the film)

18-Back to the Future

19-A Fish Called Wanda-1

20-A Fish Called Wanda-2

21-A Fish Called Wanda-3

22-Monty Python 2

23-Assorted Laughter

24-Indiana Jones/DarthVader II
25-FawltyTowers Part 6/Manuel(from FT)/Robin Williams/Hitchhiker's Guide...
26-Goodbyes/Back to the future II/Car Crash
27-Chimes/Italian Phrases/Simpsons/Naked Gun/More Beep Sounds
28-Short & sweet
29-Misc Phrases

(See the next Chapter for a detailed list of the contents of these disks.)

Be advised that not all the sounds necessarily make sense as beeps or to accompany specific events with SndControl. Some are simply fun to listen to but would make no sense in association with a Mac event. Most though are quite funny and to the point and some verge on the delirious, like the mad doctor from Back to the future saying "Erased from existence" when you empty the trash can or Basil Fawlty inviting you to "go off and enjoy yourself, don't you worry about me, you go and have a good time, I'll be alright" when you shutdown your Mac.

I suppose you also know by now that unless you have a hard disk with plenty of room to spare you're better off not collecting too many long sounds.

Anyway, if you want copies of any of the above disks, you now know what to do.

As a final note, I'd like to make it absolutely clear that I do not claim any copyright on these sounds and that you are free to give them away, upload them entirely or partially to BBS's and information services, feed them to your pets for lunch or whatever else you can think of. And if you happen to be or to represent the copyright owner of any of them and object to my offering to share your sounds in this fashion, please let me know and I'll immediately remove the offending items from the list.

When you first register, I can send you IdleTalk for an extra \$3 and one more disk of your choice (please specify what number) for a further \$2 (the lower prices are justified by my having to handle your envelope and put a minimum amount of stamps on it anyway).