ALEXANDRA
A NEXTSTEP NEWSREADER
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IMPORTANT NOTES

You need an NNTP server to use Alexandra. Flatfile support is neither included nor planned. Alexandra makes use of a NOV database and the relevant command extensions to NNTP. If access seems slow ask your news administrator to install a NOV database and/or read the section titled `Performance Tuning' in the online-help.

If you plan to compile Alexandra yourself make sure that you have installed MiscKit version 1.6.1 or higher. Alexandra *should* compile with any NEXTSTEP Developer release 3.x; it is known to compile with release 3.3.

HISTORY

Changes in 0.82

· UUdecoding
· Service to open news URLs from other Applications (OmniWeb, Netsurfer etc.)

Changes in 0.81

· Authentication (AUTHINFO USER/PASS only)
· New mode for newgroups list: `Groups with articles'
· Catch Up button does `Catch Up to selection' when clicked first and

`Catch Up' all when clicked again
- Automatically created From Header can be confirmed/edited and saved into Defaults
- Check for new news on activation and periodically
- Body rewrapping and signature detection work outside newspaper mode
- Inspector panel for all headers
- Custom keybindings in Compose window

Changes in 0.8

- `New News' command
- The author's name is displayed after the subject
- The articles size is indicated by the size of a dot
- Automatic reconnect to NNTP server after a timeout.
- Change the default font size.
- Sort the newsgroup list.
- Kill filter (kill a thread or an author).
- Mark all articles read even if more than one newsgroup is selected.
- Browser view
- Choose some headers and hide all the others.
- Find/Find-All Panel (Find newsgroups, subjects, authors, message ids, references). Regular expressions are supported.
- Use curser up/down to go to the previous/next article
- Use curser right/left to mark all articles in the current selected thread as read and go to the next/previous unread article.
- Use Emacs keybindings in the Compose window.
- Preferences Panel

Changes in 0.7

- Multi NNTP server support - open more then one server at a time
- `Slow Link' feature; use this if you read news via a slow modem
- Hide article header
- Default database support (see below)
- Save window position and size
- Conforms to RFC 1036
- A couple small changes

Changes in 0.6

· NEWGROUPS command
· You can now sort the newsgroup list (just control - drag)
· Add optional headers
· Save article
· Print article (needs improvement)
· Cancel article
· NNTP server specific newsrc file (.<nntpserver>.newsrc)
· Forward article by mail
· Reply by mail
· Go to next/previous article
· fgrep newsgroup names
· Show all replies to an article (Nice feature -- threading would be nicer of course)

Features of version 0.5 (first public version)

· All the *basic* stuff
· ISO 8859-1 coding support (default content type)

KNOWN PROBLEMS

If you you are connected to the standard NNTP server (not INN) version 1.5.11 do not use the `New Groups' command.

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