BattleDuel

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Chapter 1

BattleDuel

1.1 BattleDuel Documentation

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1.2 Motivation

1.1 Motivation

We got the idea for BattleDuel when we played 'Artillery Duel' on the C-64. After some hours of playing we got annoyed by some small bugs and other insufficincies. Soon we agreed to program an Amiga version. There are already some games of this type on the Amiga but they mostly lack good graphics and game play. We wanted the game to be very near to the orginal. Furthermore we (and others) got many ideas about improvements and options that had to be build in :-) Have fun with BattleDuel...

1.3 Features

1.2 Features

BattleDuel

 \cdot can be played with up to 8 players

 \cdot offers computer opponents with selectable difficulty

 \cdot has 5 play modes: normal duel-mode, 2 tournament-modes, conquer mode and a training mode

 \cdot has a team mode: two teams (each with two players) can play against each

other

 \cdot has a network mode: games with nullmodem, modem, parnet/pronet and TCP/IP

are possible

- \cdot is programmed completely system friendly
- · is multitasking friendly
- \cdot adjusts to ECS, AGA and graphicboards automatically (only 1 program)
- · has nice graphics and sound-effects
- · has a nice gadtools interface

1.4 Requirements

1.3 Requirements

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- To play BattleDuel you need:
- · Kickstart2.04 or higher
- \cdot at least 1 MByte chip memory

1.5 BattleDuel im WorldWideWeb

1.4 BattleDuel Online

If you are looking for informations about BattleDuel (e.g. development,

comments and reviews, screenshots, updates, extensions) take a look at the

BattleDuel homepage:

http://welcome.to/battleduel

1.6 Control Panel

2.1 Control Panel

With this window you can control the complete program. The Help-key shows you the online help. The escape-key is used to close (cancel) a window, the return key is used to confirm a window (ok). With the "i"-key you can get some informations about your system. If you want to save the window position on a publicscreen, you just have to save the preferences. If you want to abort a running game, click on the Game-Menu-gadget. Gadgets for program control: Quit Quit the program Recalculate Calculate a new landscape Game Menu Game Menu Window Player Menu Player Menu Window **Preferences** Preferences Window Highscore Highscore Window Network Network Window About About Window Gadgets for cannon control: Weapon Change the weapon Barrel Change the angle Powder Change the amount of powder used Move Change the cannon position Information gadgets: Victories Number of victories Damage How much damage have you suffered? The colored display (green -> yellow -> red) shows the damage of the weapon, the blue display shows the energy stock. You can control the cannons with the keyboard (numeric block) too: Weapon: keys - and + Barrel: keys 7 and 9 Powder: keys 4 and 6 Move: keys 1 and 3 Fire: Enter In addition you can control the cannons with a gamepad: Weapon: green and yellow keys Barrel: joystick up and down Powder: joystick left and right Move: forward and reverse keys Fire: red key With the blue button (resp. shift key) you can activate the "fast mode", i.e. if you hold down the blue button and change the angle of the barrel, the angle will change quicker.

1.7 Quit the program

With this gadget you can quit the program.

1.8 Recalculate

With this gadget you can calculate a new landscape. It is activated only if a new duel is started and no player has fired yet. So you have the possibility to change an "unfair" landscape.

1.9 Change the weapon

The window with the weapon selection is opened with the right mousebutton! Now you can change the actual weapon (click with left mousebutton on the appropriate gadget) or close the window with the right mousebutton. Right beside the weapon the amount of energie the weapon uses is shown. Every cannon has an energie stock of 100 points. For every used weapon points are taken off this stock, until the amount of energy isn't sufficient anymore. Then the only possible weapon is "Air Raid". All damages that are repaired automatically (barrel, powder, move and anemometer) require one energy point, too.

There are five different weapons:

 \cdot Normal Shot:

This is the normal cannonball.

· Parachute:

This cannonball has a parachute, which opens if the cannonball falls down.

Because of the parachute, it is very wind sensitive.

· Energy Flash:

With this weapon one can reduce the energy stock of the opponent. It works,

if one hits the basis, too, but only with a reduced effect.

 \cdot Rocket:

This is a rocket, which automatically aims for the opponents cannon.

· Air Raid:

After a radio message is sent, a bomber flies into the screen. The bomb is dropped after a click on the "FIRE" gadget. The special on this weapon is, that it uses two rounds (1. round: radio message, 2. round: bomber flies).

This weapon uses no energy. Because of this, it is the only weapon which

is useable after the energy stock is used up.

The cannon can be repaired with "Repair".

This table shows all weapons, the appropriate costs and the caused damages:

Damage (Cannon) Damage (Basis)

Weapon | Costs | Min | Max | Min | Max |

Normal Shot |5|||50|-|-|Parachute |10||40||100|-|-|Energy Flash |20||30||50||5||10|Rocket |40||25||100|-|-|Bomber |0||25||100|-|-|Repair |40||20||50|-|-|The 'damage' of an "Energy Flash" corresponds to the amount of energy that is subtracted of the opponents energy stock, the 'damage' of "Repair" corresponds to the amount of damages that are repaired (in procent).

1.10 Barrel

With this slider gadget you can change the angle of the barrel. The allowed range is 0 to 90° .

1.11 Powder

With this slider gadget you can change the amount of powder. The allowed range is 1 to 200 (1 means 'very feeble', 200 means 'very strong').

1.12 Move

With this slider gadget you can change the position of the cannon.

1.13 Victories

In this gadget the number of victories of the actual game are displayed.

1.14 Damage

In this gadget the damage status of the cannon is shown (0 means 'no damage', 100 means 'write-off'). Furthermore you can see the damage on the colored display.

The cannon can be damaged in four ways. These are displayed right to the corresponding gadget. Green means all is working well, yellow means there are light damages and red means there are heavy damages. If the windgauge is hit, the wind for the next shoot is unknown (the display says "??" instead). If the barrel is hit you can only move it in 3 degree steps, the same holds for the powder. If you hit the basis you can move the cannon only in a small range. If a damaged part of the cannon is hit again, the damage goes from light to heavy, which means that the part is unuseable for the next shoot. All damages are repaired automatically.

1.15 Game Menu

2.2 Game Menu

In this window you can change the settings for the games. Gadgets Player1-4 Player Game Mode Type of game Tournament Mode Type of tournament Team Mode Team sequence # of Players Number of players Game Level Difficulty of the game Weapons Weapon selection Game Mode Options Special settings Load Settings Load other settings Save Settings Save current settings Reset Reset the settings Cancel Don't change the settings

1.16 Player

With these gadgets you can change the players for the games. It is possible to use from 2 upto 8 players (dependent on the game-mode). To select a player you first have to select him from the list ('Available Players') then you click on one of the activated player-gadgets (e.g. 'Player 2'). You have to fill in the selected number of players or the game won't start. If there are not enough human players you can fill up the rest with computer players.

1.17 Type of game

You can select between 4 game modes:
1) Duel Mode:
normal mode, 2 or 4 players
2) Tournament Mode:
tournament mode, 3 to 8 players (dependent on tournament mode)
3) Training Mode:
training mode, 2 or 4 players
4) Conquer Mode

conquer mode, 2 or 4 players

The goal is to conquer the opponents castle. The distance between the two castles is Conquer Width*2 (represented with blazons). If a player wins a duel, he gets a blazon from his opponents, if he loses, he has to give it back. The player who first reaches the castle of the opponent has won. For more options see Game Mode Options !

1.18 Type of tournament

K.O. System

Only the winner of a duel advances one round. This mode is only possible with 4 or 8 players!
With 4 players there are 3 duels: 2 half finals, 1 final
With 8 players there are 7 duels: 4 quarter finals, 2 half finals, 1 final
Each vs Each
Each player has to play against each other. The player with the most
victories is the winner.
Number of duels:
3 players: 3 duels
4 players: 6 duels
5 players: 10 duels
6 players: 15 duels
7 players: 21 duels
8 players: 28 duels

1.19 Team sequence

If the team mode is activated you can select whether the teams shoot in an

'Alternate' mode or if the teams shoot 'One after another'.

Example (the cannons are enumerated from 1 to 4):

'Alternate' : sequence 1 - 3 - 2 - 4

'One after another' : sequence 1 - 2 - 3 - 4

1.20 Number of players

With this gadget you can select the number of players for the tournament-mode.

1.21 Difficulty of the game

You can select between 3 difficulty levels: Easy, Medium and Hard. The only difference for now is the maximum strength and the maximum change of the wind speed. This can change in the future.

1.22 Weapon selection

You can select between two modes: "Original" and "Enhanced". "Original" corresponds to the game principle of the older BattleDuel versions, i.e. there is only one weapon (the normal cannonball). "Enhanced" gives you the possibility to use all of the new weapons.

1.23 Load other settings

A settings file (with players, game mode, game mode options, ...) is loaded from the settings directory. The file 'Default.set' is loaded everytime BattleDuel is started. If you want to save the current settings as "default" you must use this name!

1.24 Save current settings

A settings file (with players, game mode, game mode options, ...) is saved to the settings directory. You don't have to enter the extension ".set"; it is appended automatically.

1.25 Reset the settings

The settings for players, game mode and number of players is reset to default values.

1.26 Don't change the settings

The new settings are not used and the window is closed.

1.27 Use settings and start the game

The settings are used and the game is started.

1.28 Special settings

2.3 Game Mode Options

In this window you can change the settings for the current game mode (all other settings are not changeable!). **Duel Options** Best of x Duels How many duels? Unlimited # of Duels Unlimited number of duels? Who starts Which player starts the next duel? **Training Options** Wind Wind? Max Wind Maximum wind speed Max Change Maximum change of the wind speed Show Flight Path Show the flight path? **Conquer Options** Conquer Width Distance between castles Misc Options **Dynamic Wind Dynamic wind?** Wind Change Maximum wind change Cannon Fail Failure of cannon possible? Probability Probability for cannon failure No Full Hits No full hits possible? Mix players Swap player positions? Use Use current settings Cancel Don't change the settings

1.29 How many duels?

Here you can enter the maximum number of duels. This value is only an upper bound, you certainly can quit the game earlier. The allowed range is 1..99.

1.30 Unlimited number of duels?

If you don't know how many duels you want to play, simply activate this gadget. You then really can play an unlimited number of duels, but you should quit the game after 10 hours :-)

1.31 Which player starts the next duel?

With this gadget you can select if the loser, the winner or a random player starts the next duel (for the first duel a randomly selected player is used).

1.32 Wind?

With this gagdet you can select between wind and no wind.

1.33 Maximum wind

Here you can enter the maximum wind speed. The allowed range is 1..20.

1.34 Maximum change of the wind

Here you can enter the maximum change of the wind strength. The allowed range is 1..10.

1.35 Show the flight path?

The flight path of the cannonball with the current settings is shown (and erased). This option is particularly useful for beginners to learn the game. (If your computer is slow you won't have much fun with this option, because a lot of calculation is necessary!)

1.36 Distance between castles

Here you can change the distance between the two castles. The distance is always doubled, i.e. 3 means 6 fields and 5 means 10 fields.

1.37 Dynamic Wind

Dynamic wind means that the wind changes while the cannonball is flying. This causes the flight path to be less predictable.

1.38 Maximum wind change

With this gadget you can select the maximum change of the dynamic wind. The allowed range is 1 to 30.

1.39 Fail of cannon possible?

With this gadget you can select, wether you want to have cannon failures or not. A cannon failures always happens at random. If your cannon fails, the cannonball has not as much power as normally. It is possible that you hit yourself if the wind is strong enough :-)

1.40 Probability for cannon fail

You can select the probability for a cannon failure. The allowed range is 1..20%.

1.41 No full hits possible?

If you activate this gadget then full hits (i.e. 100%) are not longer possible. The maximum damage per hit now is 75%.

1.42 Swap player positions?

If you activate this option, the positions of the players in a game are swapped randomly; if you deactivate this option, the positions of the players are set according to their sequence in the "Game Menu".

1.43 Use current settings

The settings are used and the window is closed.

1.44 Don't change the settings

The settings are not used and the window is closed.

1.45 Player Menu

2.4 Player Menu

Within this window you can enter new players, remove old ones, change the

skill level for computer players and change the player names. Furthermore you

can view the actual statistics for every player.

Active Players

In this list all players are shown. It contains the following columns:

Typ: C for computer, H for human players Location : L for local players, N for network players Skill Level : E for Easy, M for Medium, H for Hard - for human players Name : Name of player Player statistics Duels : Number of duels Victories : Number of victories Total Shots : Number of shots Total Hits : Number of hits Skill Level : Skill level (only for computer players) Score : Total of all scores Average Score : Average of all scores Total Hit % : Percentage (Number of hits per 100 shots) Hit % Analysis : Figure of the Hit % of the last 50 duels: the higher the value, the better the red line shows the mean value (corresponds to Total Hit %) Rank : Actual rank Gadgets Add Enter new player Remove Remove player Edit Change values of player

1.46 Enter new player

Reset Values Reset the player statistics

You can enter the name, the type and the skill level of a player. Every name can appear only once. If you enter a name that already is present you have to enter a different one. In the most cases you will select 'Human' for the type of a player, because the computer players are only the opponents and can not be played by humans. The skill level is only for computer players. The higher it is, the better the computer will play. You can select an initial angle for the cannon of human players. This cannon is set to the specified value when a new duell is started.

1.47 Remove player

You have to select the player you want to remove from the player list. After a security request it is deleted and gone forever.

1.48 Change values of player

You can change the name of a human player afterwards. In addition to this you can change the skill level of computer players. For the values see Enter new player .

1.49 Reset the player statistics

After a security request all values of the player statistics are reset to 0.

1.50 Preferences

2.5 Preferences

Gadgets

Graphic Prefs Graphic Preferences Sound Prefs Sound Preferences Network Prefs Network Preferences Screen Prefs Screen Preferences Misc Prefs Misc Preferences Save Save settings Use Use settings

1.51 Graphic Preferences

Trees Shall trees be drawn in the landscape? Flag Animation Shall the flag move? If not, only after the wind changes a new picture is drawn (on a slow computer (e.g. A500) it is better to turn off the animation, because it uses to much calculation time and the whole game runs very slow). Shake Screen Shall the screen shake when hit (or a miss strikes in the near vicinity of the cannon)? Balloon Here can switch the balloon on or off. Rabbit Here can switch the rabbit on or off. Soldiers Here can switch the soldiers on or off.

Landscape

With this slider gadget you can select the appearance of the landscape.

'Flat' means a really flat landscape, while 'Rough' means a mountainous

landscape. (This setting is first used when a new landscape is generated).

Ground Draw

With this slider you can select the speed with which the landscape and the trees are drawn. (Some people like it, if the landscape is drawn slowly, like it was on the C-64 :-) [If the slider is on the right the landscape is drawn as fast as possible, without a delay]).

Shoot Speed

Here you can change the speed of the weapons (don't make it too slow, because it then looks very unrealistic).

Background Load

In which order shall the landscapes be loaded? 'Random Order' means at random while 'In Order' means one after the other.

1.52 Sound Preferences

Sound System

Select the sound system: 'Paula' for all Amigas, 'AHI' for Amigas equipped with a soundcard. Volume Here you can change the volume. Game Music Turn the 'Game Music' on or off. Highscore Music The 'Highscore Music' is played only if a new player gets into the highscore list. Landscape Music Turn the 'Landscape Music' on or off. Sound FX The 'Sound FX' are all used while you play a game. Swap Channels If you active this option, the left and right sound channels are swapped. You have to activate this option only if the sound effects don't appear from the right channel. Copy Modules to RAM: To save memory BattleDuel uses several small sound-modules instead of one big module. These modules are then loaded when they are needed by the program. If you activate this option, the modules are not loaded from harddisk but from the RAM-disk, which is much faster. Only activate this option if you have

enough free memory (the modules need around 600 kByte memory).

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1.53 Network Preferences

Nullmodem: Device You can select the device which should be used. The default is serial.device and works on every Amiga (other successfully tested devices are BaudBandit.device and artser.device). Unit Here you can select the unit that should be used. Baud You can change the baudrate to the following values: 300,600,1200,2400,4800,7200,9600,19200,38400,57600,115200 Transfer Mode Here you can select between a normal and a high speed mode. The difference is that if you select "High Speed" no checksums are calculated and therefore the amount of data is much smaller. If you encounter any problems with the nullmodem connection you should set this gadget to "Normal". Important: the setting must be equal on both computers! Modem: Device see Nullmodem Unit see Nullmodem Baud see Nullmodem Init This string is used to initialize the modem. Sometimes it has to be changed. Dial This string is used to dial a number. Sometimes is has to be changed. Hangup This string is used to hang up. Sometimes is has to be changed. Phone #1-4 Here you can enter four telephon number from which you can select one in the network window. TCP/IP: AmiTCP/AS225 Here you can switch between AmiTCP and AS225. Host#1-4 Here you can enter four hosts from wich you can select one in the network

window. It is possible to use both addresses (like a3000.nowhere.else) and IP numbers! Parnet: Local Path Here you can enter the local path where BattleDuel will create the files that are needed for a Parnet/Pronet connection. **Remote Path** Here you can enter the remote path where BattleDuel will create the files that are needed for a Parnet/Pronet connection. Type If you want to establish a connection, one computer has to be the server and the other one the client! This is very important and should be checked first. **RTS/CTS** With this gadget you can select between hardware- and software-handshake. Normally you should enable this gadget, but if you have problems with a connection you can disable it.

Timeout

Here you can enter the amount of seconds after which a timeout is detected. If there are timeouts while you are doing a network game, it is recommendable to increase this value.

1.54 Screen Preferences

Screenmode:

Select

Here you can select a new screenmode. If you don't have version 38 or

higher of Asl.Library you have to change the value within the icon

(see Tooltypes).

Height

You can change the height of the screen between 400 and 512 pixels.

Borderblank

Here you can select, wether you want a black border around the screen or not.

PublicScreen:

PublicScreen

If you want to play BattleDuel in a window on a publicscreen (e.g. Workbench) you have to activate this gadget. This only works with Kickstart >= 3.0 and only if the publicscreen has enough free colors (we recommend to use a screenmode with at least 128 colors, with graphicboards 256 colors). The height of the window can be changed with the "Height"-gadget. Name

Here you can enter the name of the publicscreen.

1.55 Misc Preferences

Enable Gamepad

Here you can activate the gamepad control. The gamepad has to be connected to the second joystick port, because you need the mouse to control the other functions of the program. Attention: please activate this option only if you use a gamepad. Some users experienced problems if this option was activated and no gamepad was connected! Use OwnDevUnit.library Here you can select if BattleDuel should use the OwnDevUnit.library when it tries to allocate the serial port (network mode). Show opponent settings Here you can select if you want to see the cannon settings of the opponent in a network game. Fade effects Here you can select if you want fade effects when you start/quit the program.

1.56 Save settings

The actual settings are saved into the file 'BattleDuel.prefs'.

1.57 Use settings

The actual settings are used but not saved.

1.58 Highscore

2.6 Highscore

In this window you can see the Top Hundred of BattleDuel players. Only human players appear in this list. The list is sorted according to the 'Average Score', i.e. the average score for one game (score / number of duels). Only highscores for games with at least 3 duels are inserted!

The score is calculated in the following way:

damage * hits / shots * 100 * (1.01 - shots / 100) + bonus

The bonus (only for the winner) is dependent on the game level:

1000 for easy, 2500 for medium and 5000 for hard

If the enhanced weapon mode is used, the remaining energy points are

multiplied by 10 and added to the score. In addition there is a game bonus, which depends on the settings in the Game Mode Options and Graphic Prefs; the higher the difficulty the higher the score. If an enemy balloon is shot down one gets 1000 bonus points, if a balloon of the own side is downed, 10% of the score are taken off.

The highscore list is saved automatically after every change. The CLR-gadget clears (after a security request) the whole list!

With the "Up" and "Down" gadgets it is possible to walk through the list (the cursor keys do the same).

1.59 Network

2.7 Network

If you want to play BattleDuel over a network you need 2 Amigas that are connected with a nullmodem-cable, modem, Parnet/Pronet or TCP/IP. To establish a connection you have to select the 'Network'-Gadget on both computers. In the next window you then can select the type of connection you want.

Nullmodem Connection with a nullmodem

Modem Connection with a modem

TCP/IP Connection with TCP/IP

Parnet Connection with Parnet/Pronet

Now you have to select the 'Connect'-gadget. Both programs try to establish

the connection. If all works well the message 'Connection established' is

shown, if not, please check the network preferences.

Important: You should check the network preferences before you try to establish a connection (especially the Server/Client-gadget) because otherwise big problems are possible.

If you now want to start a network game you have to select at least one local player (L) and one network player (N). After this the network game is the same as a normal game.

Differences to a normal game:

 \cdot one computer is the server the other one the client

 \cdot only the server can change the settings for duels (players, ...) and can

start/cancel the game

· no players can be added or removed

 \cdot to cut the connection one program has to be quit

· after a duel the client can only select the gadget ('Next Duel' or 'End Game')

which was selected by the server

• the client can't change the settings for Trees and Landscape in the Graphic Prefs

 \cdot it is possible to define 10 messages (with SHIFT+F1 to SHIFT+F10) and to send them (with F1 to F10)

 \cdot if you press the space key a window opens, within you can enter a message and send it (Return-key)

 \cdot with the 'C' key you can activate the chat mode, where both players can talk to each other

· received messages start with "R:", sent messages with "S:"

 \cdot the last five messages that were sent and received can be shown with the

scroll gadget right beside the status bar (hold down the mousebutton while

you are scrolling)

 \cdot the balloon is not present

 \cdot the bomber is started on one computer after the bomb has been dropped on the other computer ("Waiting for bomber")

1.60 Connection with a nullmodem

If you want a connection with a nullmodem you need a normal nullmodem-cable. You shouldn't set the baudrate higher than 19200 if you use a slower Amiga (e.g. A500). The default value of 9600 should be sufficient.

1.61 Connection with a modem

The modem of the client is set to the autoanswer mode, that means that the server calls the client. It is therefore important to start the client earlier.

1.62 Connection with TCP/IP

To connect with TPC/IP you have to start AmiTCP or AS225 before you start BattleDuel. You can add the following entry to AmiTCP:db/services resp. Inet:db/services: battleduel 3000/tcp The number 3000 was choosen at will, so it is possible to change this number on both computers. If this entry isn't found, the default value

3000 is used. It is important to start the server before the client!

1.63 Connection with Parnet/Pronet

You first have to start Parnet or Pronet, so that you are able to access devices on the other computer. Now you may have to change the local and remote path in the network prefs. Important: Assume we call the first computer "A" and the second one "B". Now the local path on A must correspond to the remote path on B and the local path on B must correspond to the remote path on A. An example (using Parnet, the network device is called "NET:"): Computer: A B Local Path: "DH0:" "DF1:" Remote Path: "NET:DF1/" "NET:DH0/" In the case you are using Pronet the remote paths probably look more like "NDF1:" and "NDH0:". We recommend to use the ramdisk (RAM:) to improve the speed. BattleDuel will open two files called "BattleDuel.read" and "BattleDuel.write" in the local path on both computers. Be sure not to delete them or nasty things may happen! Note: this mode should work with other types of networks (e.g. "Network File System"), but this was not tested! Please contact us if you try other possibilities with success.

1.64 About

2.8 About BattleDuel

In this window informations about BattleDuel are shown. If you are a registered user, all information from the keyfile is shown too.

1.65 Speed

3.1 Speed

BattleDuel is too slow on your computer? The first thing you should try, is to turn off some of the animations (flag, balloon, rabbit, soldiers), because they might use too much calculation time. If this doesn't work you should control the settings in the "Graphic prefs".

1.66 Memory

3.2 Memory

BattleDuel needs at least 1 MByte chip memory! The sound modules are now located in fast memory to further reduce the chip memory usage.

1.67 graphic_boards

3.3 Graphicboards

The newest version of BattleDuel automatically recognizes a graphicboard. It then uses the new graphics with 128 colours. You can check if BattleDuel recognizes your graphicboard by pressing the "i"-key. We recommend a screenmode with a resolution of 640x480 or 800x600 pixels.

1.68 Tooltypes

3.4 Tooltypes

The following tooltype is supported by BattleDuel: • DISPLAY_ID The hexadecimal value of the DisplayID. If you want to change the screenmode you have to select a new one in the Screen Prefs. The new screenmode is used if you restart the game. Recommended values: 0x19004 for NTSC, 0x29004 for PAL (ECS) 0x99004 for NTSC, 0xa9004 for PAL (AGA)

1.69 why_register

4.1 Why register?

The following functions are disabled in the unregistered version of

BattleDuel:

· you can't play a tournament

 \cdot the highscores are not saved

Why are these functions disabled? Well, we worked on BattleDuel for over two years and we want to improve BattleDuel in the future. With your registration you help us with this plan. Furthermore you can get all updates for free (see Updates).

1.70 registration

4.2 Registration

If you want to register for BattleDuel you have to fill out the registration form and send it with the registration fee to one of the authors. You then get two disks with the newest version of BattleDuel (with some additional backgrounds) and your keyfile as soon as possible. If you want to print the form right now, please turn on your printer and click onto the following button: Print form .

1.71 Updates

4.3 Updates

First of all: updates are free! I.e. if you have registered then all new versions of BattleDuel will work with your keyfile. We will try to spread out updates as fast and as wide as possible (e.g. per Aminet or Fred Fish). If you don't have access to this (e.g. per CD-ROM or ftp) you can send two disks with a sufficiend stamped envelope (3,- DM for germany) to one of the authors. You then get the newest version of BattleDuel for free. (But please don't expect that we finish a new version every day :-).

If you want, we can send you the update with an email. Updates can be found on the following WWW-servers: http://wuarchive.wustl.edu & mirrors (Aminet)

1.72 Keyfile

4.4 Keyfile

If you have registered you get a keyfile that activates all disabled functions. The keyfile should be located in the same directory as BattleDuel but you can copy it to the S: or DEVS: directory! BattleDuel supports the environment variable KEYPATH, i.e. if you have a directory where you collect your keyfiles, you can copy the BattleDuel keyfile there, too. The keyfile contains the following informations:

• number of registration

- · date of registration
- · name and address
- It is strictly forbidden to give the keyfile to other people!

1.73 History

5.1 Development

 Version 1.00

 Version 1.01

 Version 1.02

 Version 1.03

 Version 1.4.80

 Version 1.5.42

 Version 1.6.80

 Version 1.6.96

 Version 1.7.85

 Version 1.7.105

1.74 History Version 1.00 (5.4.94)

This is the first official version of BattleDuel!

1.75 History Version 1.01 (21.4.95)

Changes:

· Installation: PowerPacker.library is no longer needed

· Highscore: only highscores for games with at least 3 duels are inserted

 \cdot AGA-Copperlist: better support for borderblank, high res-sprites, ...

 \cdot Speed of ground draw at maximum setting improved

1.76 History Version 1.02 (1.5.95)

Changes:

· Statistics: if a duel was quit the statistics sometimes were wrong

 \cdot Screen: autoscroll works now (for NTSC)

1.77 History Version 1.03 (4.5.95)

Changes:

 \cdot Screenmode requester for easier use of graphic boards

 \cdot Tooltype DISPLAY_TYPE to allow the use of the AGA version on ECS

computers with graphicboards (tested with PicassoII and Piccolo)

1.78 History Version 1.4.80 (27.4.96)

Changes:

- \cdot base with windgauge added
- \cdot four different damages for the cannon are possible
- \cdot network mode: supports nullmodem, modem and TCP/IP
- · dynamic wind
- \cdot the highscore is saved with date and time

1.79 History Version 1.5.42 (2.8.96)

Changes:

- \cdot background animations: balloon, rabbit, soldiers
- \cdot variable screen height
- \cdot support for publicscreens: BattleDuel in a window
- \cdot new game mode: conquer mode
- \cdot support for AS225
- · improved network protocol
- \cdot keyboard control for cannons

1.80 History Version 1.6.80 (1.3.97)

Changes:

- \cdot four new weapons: parachute, energy flash, rocket, bomber
- \cdot cannons can be repaired
- · new backgrounds: desert and winter
- \cdot different copperlists
- \cdot new animations: camel, weapons
- \cdot optimised nullmodem and modem network modes
- · Parnet/Pronet network mode
- \cdot stronger computer opponents
- \cdot enhanced keyboard control
- · highscore contains now 100 entries
- \cdot sound module is located in fast-memory (less chip-memory usage)
- · BD: assign is not necessary anymore
- \cdot support for environment variable KEYPATH
- \cdot some cheats and gags

1.81 History Version 1.6.96 (11.5.97)

Changes:

- \cdot bomber now works correct in network mode
- \cdot possible sync-error with parachute solved
- \cdot improved recognition of error correction (modem)
- \cdot window position is saved (publicscreen)
- · support for OwnDevUnit.library
- \cdot it was not possible to deactivate the "Shakescreen" option
- \cdot the game can be controlled with a gamepad
- \cdot new highscore window
- \cdot several small bugs were removed

1.82 History Version 1.6.100 (1.6.97)

Changes:

- \cdot gamepad control was always activated
- \cdot optical problems on the weapon window were removed

1.83 History Version 1.7.85 (15.4.98)

Changes:

- \cdot CyberGFX and Picasso96 support
- · new graphics with 128 colours for graphicboards
- · complete localization
- \cdot team mode with four cannons
- \cdot tournaments with 8 players
- · program restarts automatically after changes in the

preferences

- \cdot information requester ("i"-key)
- \cdot synchronisation test (network mode)
- \cdot fade effects when programs is started/quit
- \cdot sound-channels can be swapped
- \cdot volume is adjustable
- \cdot initial cannon angle for each player
- \cdot opponents settings can be hide (network mode)

1.84 History Version 1.7.105 (9.9.99)

Changes:

 \cdot the game now works on all screendepths

- (Picasso96 and CyberGFX)
- \cdot AHI support

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1.85 authors

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1.87 used_programs

6.3 Used Programs

BattleDuel was mainly developed on an A3000 and two A1200.

The following programs were used:

- · SAS/C V6.58
- · PhxAss V4.37
- · CygnusEd V3.5
- · Enforcer and Mungwall
- \cdot DPaint IV
- · Brilliance V2.0
- · VistaPro V3.0
- · Scenery Animator
- \cdot Protracker
- · FlexCat V2.0

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1.89 warranty

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