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# **Chapter 1**

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## 1.1 No title

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# 1.2 What is GuideFiler?

GuideFiler is a professional filelister for CNet3.05+.

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#### Features:

- Includes FileIDs from nearly all FileID-processors I know.
No limitation of 8 lines anymore.
(f.ex. MaxDiz, q-diz etc.)

- GuideFiler works with a simple GUI for setting up and making the filelists.
- It strips all MCI- and ANSI-Codes.
- Saves filelist as an AmigaGuide-file. Thats the most confortable way for the users to read filelists.
- different sorter modes: alphabetical, Chronological etc.
- Displays FileFlags like the normal Browse or Scan command under CNet.(Sysop favorite, Free download, Not validated)
- Uses Areas to make special filelist for every subject.

### 1.3 Installation

Installing:

- 1. Simply copy the bgui.library to your LIBS: assign.
- 2. Copy the GuideFiler/ directory to your desired location. Make sure that GuideFiler.data in in the same directory as GuideFiler.
- 3. Start GuideFiler on the Workbench by doubleclicking on its icon.
- 4. Look at

Basic~Configuration for configuring GuideFiler and setting up you subboards and follow these instructions.

# 1.4 Basics Configuration

If you are using GuideFiler for the first time note that you should first setup GuideFiler areas and subboards. GuideFiler will not take automatically the datas from CNet like other filelisters do. Ok, its a bit of work, but you

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have the possibilty to use areas and your own subboardnames appearing in the AmigaGuide-output.

There are two possibilities to setup these areas and subboards. Using the builtin GUI-Setup in GuideFiler or simply by editing GuideFiler.cfg:

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Using the GUI

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Adding a single entry:

- 1. StartGuideFiler and click on the button "Setup"
- 2. Now you see two list, the first one is for the areas the other is for the subboards.
- 3. Click on the Add-button on the Areas side. Now you can enter you desired Areaname and a unique AreaIDNumber. Normally this number is automatically choosen but you can set it up manually f.ex. for use from cli.
- 4. Click the made Area on the List, and press the add button on the subboard side. Enter your desired subboardname and click on the popfile button to choose the physical path to the subboard (A data/ directory should be present there!).
- Click on the "Save" button and restart GuideFiler. Try your made Area.

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Editing GuideFiler.cfg

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Here is an examples how the config could look like:

Filelist of HangKOK-BBS Line 1: a brief description of your BBS\_| Line 2: Numer of Areas PC-Software Line 3: Description of Area Line 4: Number of Area AMIGA-Software UDBase1:PC/MISC/ Line 5: The path were the data/ directory lies Line 6: Subboard description as it is PC-Anwender shown in the AmigaGuide file 10 Line 7: Areanumber for this subboard UDBase0:AMIGA/MISC/ Line 8: Like Line 5 PD-Anwender Line 9: Like Line 6 etc. Line 10:Area 0...

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The Lines 5 and 8 etc. are the Paths where CNet creates his data/ directory and the files are present. Don't forget to append a "/" if there is no ":" on the end of the Path! If you use a CD-Rom take the Path from the harddisk. CNet creates in this case a path on your Harddisk where he puts the data/ directory.

Line 7 and 10 etc. are the Areanumbers. You can f.ex. put all your graphic-subboards under Areanumber 10. Then you can create a filelist with only the these subboards in.

### 1.5 The Files

These files should be present in the directory GuideFiler/

GuideFiler The main program

GuideFiler.cfg An example configfile

GuideFiler.data A data file for GuideFiler

GuideFiler.guide This guide

# 1.6 The Assigns

GuideFiler should have all Assigns CNet: needs, because all FileID-processors work diffently. The easiest way is to start & quit CNet and then use GuideFiler.

## 1.7 From Shell

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GuideFiler can be run with these arguments:

"GuideFiler GUIDE/A CONFIG/N DAYS/N ALL/S QUIET/S REVERSE/S DATE/S SIZE/S NAME/S DOWN/S"

or simply

"GuideFiler GUI" to use the GUI (See 2.1)

GUIDE/A: Name of output guide.

AREA/N: Areanumber to use for the Guide DAYS/N: Include last X days. 0=All days

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ALL/S: Ignore Areanumbers and create a guide for all

subboards

QUIET/S: supress output of actual file

(If you want to spare time, select this Flag)

REVERSE/S sort reverse
DATE/S sort by date
SIZE/S sort by size
NAME/S sort by filename
DOWN/S sort by downloads

Example:

GuideFiler RAM: HangKOK.guide AREA 10 DAYS 14 DATE REVERSE

# 1.8 Using the GUI

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To use the GUI start GuideFiler from a shell with the Argument "GUI" or simply click the icon on the workbench.

I think that all functions should be clear here. Note that you can multiselect areas, which is not possible from the shell (yet?).

# 1.9 History

- V0.1 initial programming 6. May 1995
- V0.2 Added DAYS/N function
- V0.3 Changed MAXLEVEL/N to CONFIG/N
- added some stats stuff V0.4 code is now smarter
- Bugfix in stripping some colorcodes Date is now in DOS-Form

Date is now in DOS-Form added @WIDTH 88 to Guide better exeption-handling

- a bit faster?
- V0.5 replaced function TrimString() from E because some systems do not support this

  Last Days did not work on OS3.0+ machines. DateToStr works differently there
- V0.6 lightspeeded, nearly all important operations in assembler speeded with AProf, deleting most of the slow StringF commands
- V0.7 displays now time needed for proceeding
- V0.8 displays now real size in bytes instead of DownloadBytes Added Favorite, Freedownload, Killed display
- V0.81 workin' on some bugs
- V0.9 sometimes, Guidefiler "forgot" some subboards 11.May 1995
  The Flags were totally wrong escpecially the Freedownload
  On OS3.0 the date in the Guide was displayed like "Today"

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Time for proceeding was calced wrong Added ALL/S Arg Changed "Offline" (Killed) Flag to "Not validated" V1.0 Added GUI V1.1 removed memory allocation bug. System could totally crash. Added some info stuff. GuideFiler now strips all MCI- and ANSI-codes. Changed CONFIG/N to AREA/N I think that's better Added OUIET/S Mode V1.2 Added info stuff... V1.3 Removed a nasty bug in ReadArgs processing Added info stuff... V1.4 Changed GUI completly. Now needs BGUI.library to run. lighten up source a bit 19.May 1995 fixed a bug rendering the byte sizes. Added different sorter modes: name, size, downloads V1.5 Added Setup function. Fixed some misc bugs. 22.May 1995 Fixed a bug in the listview handling. If a entry is added, the ID number is automatically choosen.

## 1.10 Future

- More config stuff for the design of the filelist.

Write me for more suggestions!

# 1.11 Greets

Greets go to COWO who had the Idea and who made a first ARexx-implementation (oh the speed was horrible, even if you compiled it!), to HangKOK, PEPE, Count DAN, bEZZZERK & EYE.

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# 1.13 Legal Stuff

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