

## **QuickNote**

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# Chapter 1

## QuickNote

### 1.1 QuickNote 1.4a - Documentation

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- Legal mumbo-jumbo..

Author

- Person behind this program.

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- My best regards to..

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## 1.2 QuickNote 1.4a - Introduction

Introduction

QuickNote is a little notepad, which has only one purpose and that is scrap-notes ↔  
;-)

Q : Why did I make this program ?

A : I don't like to have thousands of post-it notes all over my room...  
This program will replace all those notes, and you don't need to find a  
pen etc.. just use your keyboard ;-)

Features

This programs features :

- Very little memory usage.
- Configurable look (bevel, papercolour, pencolour, and window border).
- Remember window position and content when exit. (main function) :)
- Fast & Easy to use.
- Totaly free

## 1.3 QuickNote 1.4a - Requirements

Requirements

This program needs following stuff:

- An Amiga (ohh gosh, you can't mean that) :-)
- AmigaDOS 2.04 or higher..
- textfield.gadget 3.1 or higher (included in this archive)  
Place it under Sys:Classes/Gadgets/

textfield.gadget 3.1 is Copyright © 1995 Mark Thomas

- The unit where the program is placed on must be writeable,  
so the notes can be saved... (you will not be able to save  
the notes if you run the program from CD-ROM for example...)

This program has been tested on following systems with success:

Amiga 4000 (AmigaDOS 3.9/DOpus Magellan-II), CyberStorm PPC, CVPPC, 2 Mb Chip/136 ↔  
Mb Fast),

Amiga 1200 (AmigaDOS 3.1 - Plain)

## 1.4 QuickNote 1.4a - Usage

Usage

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When you start the program for the first time, the window content says "- Welcome to QuickNote 1.4a!". This is because there is no default message available.

The default message is created when the information in the window has been changed and the program closed. This message will be placed in the same drawer as QuickNote itself, and will be called "QuickNote.msg".

When the program has created the default message and you start the program (again) the message will be loaded and visible as the window content. From here you can edit your note again, and that's the main purpose of this program.

When you exit the program, the window content and position will be remembered until next time you start the program.

Menus :

- Clear all (Project)  
Clear the current window content.
- Load default (Project)  
This clears the current window content and replaces it with the default message if the message has been changed (A requester will ask you if you really want to replace the current text...)
- Save (Project)  
By using this you'll just save the note immediately (just in case you will be sure of having the file saved), maybe you don't trust QN's save function on exit, or you might have a very unstable machine ? ;-)
- Save as... (Project)  
This is an option to let you save the content to a separate file. By using this you can use QuickNote as a simple text editor :-)
- Information (Project)  
Here you can see how big your note is in both lines and bytes, You'll also see what font is used (and its size). Plus you'll also see the SAVEFILE & PREFSFILE (path and name).
- About... (Project)  
Well, I think all of you understand this one ? :)
- Quit (Project)  
If you have used the option "Save as..." before you choose this you will be asked if you want to save the current text, or just ignore it (if you just used the program as a text editor and don't want to replace the default message). This requester will not be shown if you have (after you picked "Save as") chosen "Clear all" or "Load default".

Notice! - A blank ("Clear all") window content will not be saved over the default message.

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- Undo (Edit)  
Will undo the current content in the delete-buffer.
- Cut (Edit)  
Cuts the marked text and places it in the clipboard.
- Copy (Edit)  
Copies the marked text and places it in the clipboard.
- Paste (Edit)  
Pastes the content (if any) from the clipboard to the edit window.

Notice! - Even if you don't see the mark when you pick some of the upper menu choices, the text will be copied or cutted as intended.  
(This will be fixed in next release!)

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- Cursor (Preferences)  
Here you choose where you want the cursor to appear when you start QuickNote (choices are : Beginning and End).
- Font (Preferences)  
Here you can change the font in the edit window.  
Changes will only have effekt after that you restart QuickNote.  
(Will change this in the next version so it can be done w/o restart).
- Autosave (Preferences)  
This is where you change the settings if you want QuickNote to autosave your notes (incase you get a crash or something before you exit QN).  
The options is : Off, 1/5/10/15/30/60-minute(s). The timer re-starts immediately incase you change this value.

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Editing a note :

Simply click on the editable parts in the user-interface and start to write ;-)

- You can use the mouse to mark words or whole text-parts...

Keys that can be used during edit (normal keys) :

- RAmiga+a = Mark all text.
- RAmiga+x = Cut marked text.
- RAmiga+c = Copy marked text.
- RAmiga+v = Paste text after cursor position.
- RAmiga+z = Undo (if delete-buffer is filled/used).
- Shift+Backspace = Will delete the whole string left of the cursor position.
- Shift+Delete = Will delete the whole string right of the cursor position.
- RAmiga+x or Delete = Will delete the marked areas (marked by the mouse).

Tool types that can be use for configuring the look of QuickNote :

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BORDER : Can be some of following choice - NONE (Default)  
- BEVEL  
- DOUBLEBEVEL

WINDOWBORDER : Can be either - YES (Default)  
- NO

By turning of the window borders you only see the "paper" like if it was a real note paper.

PAPERPEN : Defines the colour of the "paper", can be a number between 0 and 255 (Default value = 0)

FONTPEN : Defines the colour of the font, and just like the paperpen can be a number between 0 and 255 (Default value = 1)

BORDERPEN : This option is only used incase the WINDOWBORDER = NO, and can be a number between 0 or 255 (Default = same value as PAPERPEN)

The number is the position in the palette, so if you start the program SYS:prefs/palette you will see the first 8 pens... The pens from left to right has the numbers 0 to 7...

It's pretty nice to have white papercolor and black fontpen... (Just a tip) ;-)

SAVEFILE : This is the file where your note will be placed, If you enter a new file here which never has been used before you'll be told that the savefile cannot be found and that the program will try to create it for you. Incase this won't work the program will use the default file (PROGDIR:QuickNote.msg).

PREFSFILE : Just like the savefile above, but this contains the settings for the program. It can be fun to have different style for different notes that's why this option has been added.  
(Default file : ENVARC:QuickNote.prefs)

Customize QuickNote :

Mark QuickNote's icon and choose info in the menu (Workbench) to configure this ↔

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If you have any problems with this, please let me know...

The tool types that has "()" around it is not active, to make it active simply remove them...

Suggestions :

In my own opinium, QuickNote look best without the windowborders and some other colours than default. Here is my own personal settings (incase you would like

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to test it) - Notice my palett might be diffrent from yours so you might have to test what pen you like best...

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BORDER=NONE
WINDOWBORDER=NO
PAPERPEN=5
FONTPEN=1
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## 1.5 QuickNote 1.4a - What's new?

What's new

- Fixes the Enforcer hits that was introduced in 1.4, thanks to Luca "Hexaae" Longone and Stefan Ruppert for reporting this to me so I could fix it.

The problem was a undefinable variable in the class init, so people, never ever assume that 0 is nothing :-)

- Added a new icon by Luca "Hexaae" Longone as well... :)

## 1.6 QuickNote 1.4a - History

History

- 09-07-1999 - First public release (1.0).
  - xx-xx-1999 - Forgot to update the program on the homepage ;- ) (1.1).
    - Textbuffer was fixed to 10 kb (was 1kb before, by mistake).
  - 15-06-2000 - Second public release (1.2).
    - Window position and its content is only saved if it's really ↔ changed.
    - Added menus.
    - Copy'n'Paste is now available (at last) :)
    - Save text temporary (not only as a note) has been implemented.
    - It's now possible to reload the default message.
    - Plus numerous of other internal changes.
  - 07-07-2000 - Third public release (1.3).
    - Now it's possible to change font for the program.
    - It is now possible to choose where the cursor will be placed upon ↔ start.
    - Added some extra menu choices.
    - Added undo feature.
  - 09-03-2001 - Fourth public release (1.4).
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- It's possible to remove the window borders of the window completely. ←
  - Moving the borderless window in any of the "hidden" borders are possible. ←
  - No more limit on the note size (only your RAM is the limit).
  - Added a autosave feature.
  - You could use different savefiles and preference files (settings)
  - Information about the current note is available from menu.
  - Installer has been added
  - Stephan Zander and Aldo Bianchi has contributed with really nice icons. ←
  - Plus bugfixes and other stuff
- 12-03-2001 - Bugfixed version (1.4a).
    - Fixes the Enforcer hits that was introduced in 1.4, thanks to Luca "Hexaae" Longone and Stefan Ruppert for reporting this to me so I could fix it.
    - Added a new icon by Luca "Hexaae" Longone as well :-)

## 1.7 QuickNote 1.4a - Future

Future

- Load "external" notes.
- Change font directly (without restart of the program).
- Appicon-funtionality (ie. iconify the program)
- Make an commodity of the program (with hotkeys etc.)
- Search function (1 user has requested this).
- Print support (2 user request on this one).
- More features (Give me suggestions).

## 1.8 QuickNote 1.4a - Copyright & Disclaimer

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## 1.9 QuickNote 1.4a - About the author

About the author

I'm a 23 years old student from Karlstad, Sweden.  
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I don't want any money for this program (it's FreeWare).  
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## 1.10 QuickNote 1.4a - Thanks to..

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program,  
great stuff mate :-)

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for me to get the right motivation to continue this project :)

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