Installation

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1.2 Installation.guide/Introduction

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This documentation relies on that you have installed THOR properly
using the supplied installer script. If you haven't done this, do
this first before you proceed. THOR will NOT function correctly if
you have installed THOR without using the supplied installer script.

If you follow this quick installation guide step-by-step, THOR should
be up and running for you in no time.

THOR has an advanced online help system that uses the AmigaGuide

system from Commodore.   Whenever you need more information about a
window or a menu, position the mouse on over the window you need help
on, and press the "HELP" key. Use this feature if you are in doubt of
anything in THOR!

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                    Starting THOR after installation
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When you have installed THOR with the supplied installer script, THOR
can be started from the icon or from Shell.

THOR will complain about missing a "global.config" file. This is
normal if this is your first time using THOR. You should only need to
press OK in this requester, and the Global Configuration window will
open.

In   the   Global Configuration window, you have several options
available.   First, press the "Global Paths" gadget and a window will
open that will allow you to enter or select with a filerequester some
paths to different directories which THOR needs to know about. A
minimum requirement here is that the "UL Dir" and "DL Dir" fields are
filled out with the correct path. The "UL Dir" is the place you want
THOR to store packet files that is to be uploaded to a BBS, and the
"DL Dir" is the place where your communication program stores packet
files and other files downloaded from a BBS. These directories can
not be the same, and THOR will check to make sure they are different.
Make sure these directiories are the same in both the communication
program that you use, and in THOR.
(Please see THOR.guide/Global Configuration for futher details.)

When you have entered these two minimum paths that THOR needs, you can
select "Save" and THOR will save the config to disk.

If the previous steps have been done correctly, you are now ready to
configure your first BBS. (See
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Setting up a BBS
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Use   the   mouse   and   select   the   item   "BBS Config" from the
"Configuration" menu. This option will bring up the BBS Configuration

window where you must configure the bulletin boards you want THOR to
know about. THOR needs to have a corresponding BBS name for each BBS
you intend to read messages on.

Select "New BBS" and enter the name the BBS should be known as in the
"BBS Name" gadget. When you select RETURN here, the cursor will move
up to the "Grabname" gadget where you must enter the name of the
message packet that the BBS sends to you. If you do not know this
name now, you can enter anything you like here and change this after
you know the name.   Please note that the grabname entered in this
field must be without extension (like .lha or .qwk), and if a message
packet is called something like "WH101093.QWK", only the "WH" is
needed for THOR to find the packet in your configured download
directory. Each BBS must have a unique grabname!

The next field is the "Username on BBS" which must be the name you are
registered under on this BBS. If this name is not correctly entered,
you are not able to know which messages are to you and which are not.

The "Signature" is optional.   If you do not enter anything in this
field, THOR will use your signature from the Global Configuration, or
any signature you might have entered in the Conference Configuration.

The last thing to do is to select which "BBS Type" this BBS is. Several
BBS types are available here:

ABBS   –   The BBS type that is meant for use on ABBS bases.
MBBS   –   The BBS type that is meant for use on MBBS bases.
MBBS_QWK –   BBS type that can be used on MBBS which supports QWK.
ABBS_QWK –   BBS type that can be used on ABBS, if you want to use QWK.
QWK   –   A normal QWK type with IBM character set.
QWK_ISO –   A normal QWK type with ISO character set.
QWK_DE7
QWK_NO7
QWK_SF7 –   Normal QWK types, but with international 7-bit character
               sets
HIPPO_ISO – The HIPPO v2 format with ISO character set, used on BBBS.
HIPPO_IBN – The HIPPO v2 format with IBN character set, used on BBBS.

If you select any of the ABBS or MBBS types, some flags are available
that will be used by the script, if you intend to use the supplied
NComm script:

Get Newfiles   : the scripts will log a list of newly uploaded files
                  to the current board. This should not be used with
                  QWK systems.   It is recommended that you configure
                  the QWK door to add a list of new files in the QWK
                  packet.

Auto DL Private : will automatically download files uploaded to you
                  personally on boards that support this.

Auto Log Off   : will log off automatically after an online session.

Use Colors   : will configure the board to use colors. This might
                  slow things down a bit, so if you primarily want
                  speed, turn it off. The script will update this in

                     your BBS configuration the next time you fetch the
                     conference list.

When you have configured a BBS, you must save the configuration with
the "Save" option, and the BBS you now come up in the "Defined BBSes"
list. Do this for each BBS you want to configure for use with THOR.

When you are finished configuring the BBSes, you can exit the BBS
Config window by closing the window with the Close Gadget on the upper
left of the window, or by pressing ESC on the keyboard. The Startup
Window will now show the configured BBS, and if there are any message
packets waiting, the BBS name shown will have a '*' in front.

(Please see THOR.guide/Startup Window for futher details.)

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How to set up NComm with the THOR scripts
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If you intend to use the supplied NComm script on ABBS or MBBS, you
must also configure NComm and insert the script and password correctly
in the NComm phonebook. For general configuration of NComm, please
refer to the documentation supplied with NComm.

When you create a BBS, a script in the NComm script language will be
created in the THOR:Scripts directory. The name of the script will be
<grabname>.script where <grabname> is the name you gave the grab on
this BBS in the BBS Config. If the grabname is "thule", the script
will be called "thule.script" and will be located in the
"THOR:Scripts" directory.   In this case, you will have to enter the
following in the NComm phonebook for the BBS which has been configured
with the "thule" grabname in THOR:

THOR:Scripts/thule.script

Always remember that the script name is based on what you entered as
grabname in the BBS Config in THOR. You must also enter the password
you use on this BBS in the "password" field in the NComm phonebook
entry on this BBS.

You should set up the correct character set in the NComm phonebook,
depending on what you have selected as BBS Type in THOR. MBBS and
MBBS_QWK needs the IBN character set, ABBS need the ISO character set,
and ABBS_QWK need the IBN character set. The correct character set is
required if you like to have you national characters (like "øæå") to
be correctly shown when logged onto the BBS.

If you have followed these steps, all should be set for making your
first call using THOR to that BBS.

There are a lot of other options that can be configured in the

different configuration window in THOR, and pressing HELP at any time
will give you help on the current window or selected menu. Use this
feature if there are anything you wonder about, it's there for *you*!

Happy offline reading, and remember to support the shareware concept!