



## VISUAL CALENDAR PLANNER 1.1

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## Overview

### **Say Good-bye To A Desktop Planner**

Imagine this, you are working on a desk with piles of paper stacking up. A call came through, an important business client of yours wanted to meet you for an appointment to see your new product. You are struggling on one hand to tell him to hold on to the phone while you are trying very hard to remove the piles of paper to take a glance at your buried desktop planner, by the time you finally found your desktop planner, the client is already waiting impatiently. You have to flip through all pages to find a particular time slot to fix this appointment, meanwhile keep apologizing to your client about your delay. What is the impression of your client about you?

Dump your desktop planner away, replace it with Visual Calendar Planner. It will help you plan your days/appointments/events effectively. With a simple click, you already have an overview of your month. When you're done fixing your appointment with your client, simply click the "sink" button and Visual Calendar Planner will faithfully reposition itself to the bottom most of all other applications you are currently working on. Just like a desktop planner but with enhanced features.

### **Seize The Day**

Visual Calendar Planner is an easy to use application. If you know how to use a word processor, you already know how to use Visual Calendar Planner. You can enter text the way you use in a text editor, without worrying about relearning the program. You customize your days with **colors**, **bold** headings, *Italic* the characters, underline important events, and even ~~strike-through~~ the tasks you have done. You can change the size you desire, or put in various effects of fonts. You can also combine all these effects like this **example**.

Visual Calendar Planner complies to common user interface, so you don't have to relearn all the keystrokes in order to use the application.

Visual Calendar Planner allows you to have an overview of month-at-a-glance style, so that you can plan your schedules without flipping your appointment books back and forth. If you like to have a better view of what is happening on a particular day, simply double click the date of that day, Visual Calendar Planner will pull up a zoom view for you to scrutinize.

Visual Calendar Planner is customizable. Don't like the default and dull black color of those fonts? Customize it your way. No alarm clock to remind you every hour? Check out the "chime" feature. Want to look for a particular month and year? Use the "fast search" feature by double clicking on the month itself.

You will find Visual Calendar Planner useful and amazed by how fast you can learn to use it effectively. I hope you will enjoy using Visual Calendar Planner. Don't forget to register if it proves to be productive to you.

## License Agreement

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Visual Calendar Planner is licensed on a per user basis. The license grants the user the right to install and use the software on one or more computers so long as the total number of users does not exceed the license quantity.

You are encouraged to pass a copy of Visual Calendar Planner along to your friends for evaluation. Please encourage them to register their copy if they find that they can use it.

## Registrations & Incentives



### Registration Incentives

There are many ways to register for Visual Calendar Planner. The registration fee is US\$19.95. If you register Visual Calendar Planner 1.1 now, you will be provided the registration codes for the next **TWO** major upgrades (version 1.5 and 2.0) **FREE**. Version 1.5 and 2.0 will be substantially more expensive than the current version. Registrations will remove the nagging and unnecessary reminders for you. Any of the registration methods will entitle you the free upgrades.

When you register using your credit card or SWREG, please mention the product number. Do not worry about the difference in version number, i.e. version 1.0 and version 1.1, they are essentially the same product.

I will mail you a confirmation letter the same day after receiving your registration via U.S. First Class mail or fax (if you have a fax machine), irregardless of the methods you register. If you don't receive my confirmation letter within 30 days after your registration, **please write to me immediately**.

### Credit Card Orders for U.S. Users

You can order with MC, Visa, Amex, or Discover from Public Software Library (PsL) by calling

**Toll-Free: 1-800-2424-PsL**  
Phone: 713-524-6394  
FAX: 713-524-6398  
CIS Email: 71355,470  
Internet: 71355.470@compuserve.com

You can also mail credit card orders to PsL at P.O.Box 35705, Houston, TX 77235-5705. Please mention product number 11042. You will get the registration code IMMEDIATELY via PsL credit card order.

### Credit Card Orders for International Users

You can order with Visa, MC or Amex outside of United States via:

Printmaster Computers (S) Pte Ltd  
1, Rochor Canal Road  
#06-04 Sim Lim Square  
Singapore 0718  
Tel: 65-3391588 (Business hours, Monday-Saturday)  
Fax: 65-3392275 (24 hours)

You will receive registration codes via voice, fax or mail, depending on your preference.

### THE ABOVE NUMBERS ARE FOR ORDERS ONLY.

Any questions about the status of the shipment of order, refunds, registration options, product details, technical support, volume discounts, dealer pricing, site licenses, etc, must be directed to the address listed at [Technical Support](#)

## **CompuServe**

Product Number: 1683

Product Title: Visual Calendar Planner 1.0

CompuServe provides on-line registration. Electronic orders may be placed with CompuServe Information Services and billed directly to your CompuServe Statement for your convenience. Just type GO SWREG and request Visual Calendar Planner 1.0. SWREG is provided as a basic service by CompuServe. If you sign up for basic service, there will be no additional charge for using SWREG.

After receiving confirmation of your order, I will mail to your CompuServe ID the registration code required in Visual Calendar Planner AND a follow-up confirmation letter via U.S. Mail.

## **European Order using Giro and Eurocheque**

In Europe there are additional ways of registration. Survival BBS in Denmark offers registration via Eurogiro or using Eurocheque. Eurocheque must be made out in Danish currency, and hold an amount of 140 Danish Crowns (DKK). Eurogiro can be in any currency, so you may elect to calculate the equivalent of the registration fee in your country's currency and send it to the below address.

Make Eurocheques payable to Henrik Moerk.

You may send for registration details, or get support over FIDOnet; You can also use a modem to call Survival BBS directly.

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Denmark

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Fido: 2:231/306

Giro Account: 1-207-4247

For more information about technical support via Survival BBS, please refer to [Technical Support](#).

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Please send your Money Order or Check to:

Bok Nan Lo  
P.O. Box 9132  
Reno NV 89507  
USA

When you order direct through me, you will receive **TWO** versions (version 1.5 and 2.0) of Visual Calendar Planner diskettes and registration codes in future or when available.

I've tried to list as many options as possible for your convenience. Register whatever means is convenient to you. If none of the options stated above is convenient for you to register Visual Calendar Planner, please feel free to contact me for a viable solution. We can arrange for some special methods of registrations.

Lastly, If you like my product but not willing to register for some reasons after your evaluation period, please feel free to write to me, I will try to justify your needs based on your reasons.

**Site License and Volume Discount**


Any corporates, business firms, educational institutions or anyone who wants to buy in volume are welcomed. Following is a list of discounts, choose the one that is appropriate to you:

5 copies or more	25% discount
10 copies or more	35% discount
20 copies or more	45% discount
50 copies or more	55% discount or site license

Site license is available upon inquiry.

## Getting Started

There are two ways to get you started with Visual Calendar Planner:

1. Open the menu File | New
2. Click on the first picture on the toolbar 

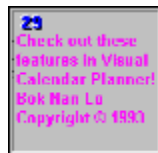
When you are prompted with a dialog box, enter your desired new filename. Make sure you enter a valid filename with extension, the extension of the filename **must** end with **.PLN** to ensure compatibility with future versions.

Once a new planner has been created, you are ready to use the features:

1. Go to today's date (which is highlighted in red).
2. Click on the area below the date.
3. Enter text into the box provided.
4. Apply necessary font effects provided in the toolbar. Alternatively, you can also press Ctrl-A to pop up a font dialog.

**Tips:** When you click on a daily box, all [text attributes](#) and [text styles](#) applies to that particular box only.

Your box should look something like this now:






Actual screen may vary, depending on the resolution of your monitor. The above screen is snap-shot with a 1024 x 768 resolution monitor, with text color of Fuschia, text attribute set to bold, text size 10 and Arial True Type fonts.

I strongly urge you to run Visual Calendar Planner at the resolution of at least 800x600. Please refer to your Microsoft (tm) Windows (R) manual for more information about setting your monitor's resolution.





**Tips:** Double click on the date, a zoom view of today will be displayed.

## Menu Commands



### **File (Alt-F)**

-  [New Planner](#)
-  [Open Planner](#)
-  [Save Planner](#)
- [Exit](#)





### **Edit (Alt-E)**

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### **Goto (Alt-G)**

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### **Format (Alt-T)**

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-  [Underline](#)
-  [Strike Through](#)
- [Color, Size, Fonts](#)

### **Customize (Alt-C)**

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- [Weekly Appearance](#)
- [Autoload File](#)

### **Registration (Alt-R)**

- [Registration Code](#)



Registration Help

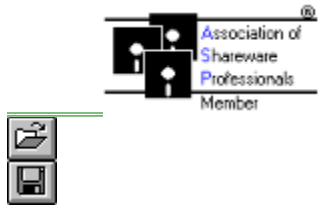
**Help (Alt-H)**

Help Contents

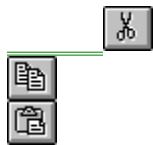
About...

# ToolBar Commands

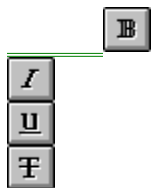
## Documents



## Clipboard



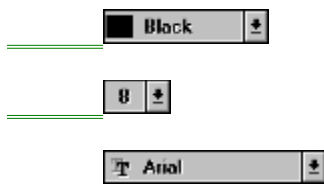
## Text Attributes



## Zoom View/Edit



## Text Styles



## Technical Support

If you have any problem using Visual Calendar Planner, please do not hesitate to write to me immediately. Choose whatever way that is convenient to you. I welcome all comments and suggestions. If you're in Europe, Survival BBS will offer you help if you have a modem.

### CompuServe ID

73523,2502

To send mail to CompuServe from other e-mail services, for example, MCI Mail, use 73523.2502@CompuServe.com

### Internet

lo@cs.unr.edu

### Mail

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P.O. Box 9132  
Reno NV 89507  
USA

### Bulletin Board Service (BBS)

I'm glad to announce that Survival BBS will be the main distribution and support site in Europe. Survival BBS has been established since 1989 and will continue to serve the BBS community with pride. SysOp of the BBS is Henrik Moerk.

You may send for registration details, or get support over FIDOnet; You can also use a modem to call Survival BBS directly.

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Fido: 2:231/306

For more information about registration methods via Survival BBS, please refer to [Registration](#)

## Installing/Uninstalling

### Installation

To INSTALL Visual Calendar Planner, you need a file called VBRUN300.DLL in your WINDOWS/SYSTEM directory. This file is common to many windows applications, so I decided not to include it.

If you don't have VBRUN300.DLL, you can get a copy from the following sites:

1. CompuServe: GO WINSHARE forum, lib #10, filename-VBRUN3.ZIP
2. Internet: ftp.cica.indiana.edu, pub/pc/win3/util, filename-VBRUN300.EXE
3. BBS: Most major Bulletin Board Services (BBS) in your town or city do carry the file VBRUN300.ZIP or VBRUN3.ZIP or VBRUN300.EXE, search around for a while. Sorry for the inconvenience caused.

After the required steps mentioned above taken by you, run INSTALL.EXE

If you encounter any problem installing Visual Calendar Planner, for example, some messages telling you "CTL3D.DLL is in use" or "xxxx.VBX is in use", exit the installation process and restart Microsoft Windows. This will give you a clean bootup with no conflict with other files currently being used.

### Files Installed In Your Machine

Assuming the default installed directory for Visual Calendar Planner is /VCP

file_id.diz	/VCP
orderfrm.wri	/VCP
planner.exe	/VCP
planner.hlp	/VCP
readme.txt	/VCP
vendor.doc	/VCP
planner.ini	/WINDOWS
sbchhook.vbx	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
apiguide.dll	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
cmdialog.vbx	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
ctl3d.dll	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
dwspydll.dll	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
mhal200.vbx	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
mhgcomb.vbx	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
mhgfrm.vbx	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
mhglbl.vbx	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
mghtxt.vbx	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
mhrun300.dll	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM
threed.vbx	/WINDOWS/SYSTEM

### Uninstalling Visual Calendar Planner

Please read [Disclaimer](#) before you proceed with uninstalling Visual Calendar Planner. Uninstall at your own risk.

You can safely delete any files in the /VCP directory without any adverse effect. I strongly do not recommend files that are installed in /WINDOWS/SYSTEM to be removed. **Make sure you make a backup of those files mentioned above before you delete them.**

## About...

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**Bok Nan Lo**  
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## **New Planner**

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-N

There are two ways to get you started with Visual Calendar Planner:

1. Open the menu File | New
2. Click on the first picture on the toolbar

Visual Calendar Planner will display a dialog box and prompt you for a filename. When a new filename is entered, Visual Calendar Planner will create two files. The first file will be filename.rec, second file will be filename.pln

For example, if you enter the filename **myplan** when prompted with a dialog box: Visual Calendar Planner will create 2 files, **myplan.rec** and **myplan.pln**

After creating a planner, you can go ahead and use Visual Calendar Planner. Please refer to [Getting Started](#) for more details.



## Open Planner

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-O

There are two ways to retrieve an existing planner:

1. Open the menu File | Open
2. Click on the second picture on the toolbar

Visual Calendar Planner will display any existing **.PLN** files in a dialog box. If your planner file is not found in the current directory, change to a desired directory. The default directory for Visual Calendar Planner to search for a **.PLN** file is where the filename **PLANNER.EXE** resides.



## Save Planner

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-S

To save an existing planner:

1. Open the menu File | Save or
2. Click on the third picture on the toolbar

A status of the file saving process will be displayed at the bottom of Visual Calendar Planner.

**Tips:** If you click the [Previous Month](#)  button or the [Next Month](#)  button, Visual Calendar Planner will automatically save the current month's planner.

## Exit

Shortcut Key: Alt-F,X

To close Visual Calendar Planner, use File | Exit

 **Cut**

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-X

You can cut any text from any [daily cell](#). Before cutting any text, you have to highlight the text using the mouse or the keyboard. Any cut text will be placed in Microsoft Window's clipboard.

## Copy

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-C

You can copy any text from any [daily cell](#). Before you copy any text, you have to highlight the text using the mouse or the keyboard. Any copied text will be placed in Microsoft Window's clipboard.

## **Paste**

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-V

You can paste any text from the clipboard into any [daily cell](#). Any previous [text attributes](#) and [text styles](#) will be applied to the daily cell where you paste your text. The total number of characters in a daily cell cannot exceed 1000 characters.

## **Zoom View/Edit**

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-Z

Shortcut Mouse Click: Double click on a daily cell's date

The Zoom View/Edit feature allows you to have a broader/deeper view of a [daily cell](#). Enter or manipulate text in the Zoom View/Edit cell the way you manipulate in a daily cell.

Click "Ok" button when you are done making changes to your Zoom View/Edit box. All changes will be reflected in the [daily cell](#).

Click "Cancel" button if you don't want to make any changes.

Click "Fonts" button if you want to apply font effects like [text attributes](#) or [text styles](#).

Zoom View/Edit is limited to 1000 characters of text.

**Tips:** Zoom View/Edit is "always on top", so if you minimize Visual Calendar Planner, Zoom View/Edit will still float so that you can have a better view of your events/memo/appointments for that particular day.

## **Previous Month**

There are two ways to bring you to the previous month:

1. Open the menu Goto | Previous Month
2. Click on the picture 

**Tips:** Any changes made to the current month will be saved automatically.



## Current Month


Shortcut Key: F5

You can also use the menu Goto | "present month, present year"

Use this feature to bring you back to the present month.

## **Next Month**

There are two ways to bring you to the next month:

1. Open the menu Goto | Next Month
2. Click on the picture 

**Tips:** Any changes made to the current month will be saved automatically.

## Fast Search

Shortcut Key: F5

Shortcut Mouse Click: Double click on the panel displaying month

Use this feature to bring you to a desired monthly view. Fast Search allows you to search between the year 1990 and 2009.

**Tips:** Any changes made to the current month will be saved automatically before displaying the desired selection.

## **Bold**

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-B

This will apply a bold [text attributes](#) to a [daily cell](#).

## **Italic**

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-I

This will apply an italic text attributes to a daily cell.

## **Underline**

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-U

This will apply an underline text attributes to a daily cell.

## **Strike Through**

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-T

This will apply a strike-through text attributes to a daily cell.

## Color, Size, Fonts

Shortcut Key: Ctrl-A

This dialog box comes in handy when you want to apply all [text attributes](#) and [text styles](#) to a particular [daily cell](#).



## Clock and Chime

To display the Clock and Chime dialog box, use the menu Customize | Clock and Chime

### **Clock**

The clock uses the system clock. If you want to change the time of the clock, you have to use Control Panel's Date/Time in Microsoft Windows.

The clock is customizable. You can choose one of the six predefined options of display simply by clicking your choice:


1. 8:30 AM/PM
2. 8:30 am/pm
3. 8:30 a/p
4. 8:30:45 a/p
5. 16:30:45
6. 16:30

To change the appearance of the clock, click on the "fonts" button, apply necessary [text attributes](#) and [text styles](#) when a dialog box appears.

### **Chime**

Chime is preset to beep at every hour. You can choose one of the three options displayed:

1. Telephone
2. Alarm clock
3. Wrist watch

Alternatively, you can also turn off the beeping by clicking on the  picture.

## Daily Appearance

To display the Daily Appearance dialog box, use the menu Customize | Daily Appearance.

This command will change the appearance of your [daily cell](#) looks. There are currently three different appearance of a cell, **daily**, **today** and **memo**. You can customize each of them. To customize anyone of the appearance, simply click anywhere in the [daily cell](#), a dialog will appear to prompt you for changes to be made.

**Tips:** Try to use 12 points or smaller font size because a font size too big will be covered up partially.

## Monthly Appearance

To display the Monthly Appearance dialog box, use the menu Customize | Monthly Appearance.

This command will change the appearance of your month display which is found at the bottom of Visual Calendar Planner. To customize the appearance of the month, simply click at the panel displaying the month. A dialog box will prompt you for changes to be made.

## Weekly Appearance

Shortcut Mouse Click: Double click on individual weekday (i.e. Sun, Mon... etc) panel on the screen

This command will change the appearance of your weekdays or weekends or both.

## Autoload File

To display the Autoload File dialog box, use the menu Customize | Autoload File.

A box will display the filename and filepath of your planner file if there exists one. Simply check the check-box provided to autoload the current planner when you start up Visual Calendar Planner. Uncheck the check-box if you don't want to autoload any planner.

## Registration Code

There are three input box to fill in:

1. User Name
2. User Company
3. Registration code

When you register your copy of Visual Calendar Planner, I will send you a registration code. Registration will remove the Registration Reminder Screen and remove the unnecessary beeping when the Registration Reminder Screen appears. Furthermore, registration will customize your copy of Visual Calendar Planner. Your name and company will show up when you start up Visual Calendar Planner.

Please read [Registrations & Incentives](#) for more information.

**Text Color** 

Apply one of the sixteen predefined color to a [daily cell](#). This command will only affect one cell.

## Text Size

The range of a font size is valid from 4 to 20.

Apply one of the predefined font size to a [daily cell](#). This command will only affect one cell.



## Text Fonts

Apply one of the predefined fonts to a [daily cell](#). This command will only affect one cell.

This command will show you any True Type fonts, Printer fonts and OEM fonts in your system.

If you have less than 15 fonts in your Microsoft Windows system, Visual Calendar Planner will automatically sort them in order when loading up. If you have more than 15 fonts in your system, you have to click on the box to invoke the sorting routine. This will take a few seconds to complete, please be patient. Once the fonts are sorted in ascending order, you are ready to use them without a need to sort them again.

## Text Attributes

Refers to **Bold**, *Italic*, Underline, ~~Strike-through~~

## Text Styles

Refers to text **Color**, **Size**, Font styles

## Daily Cell

**23**  
Check out these  
features in Visual  
Calendar Planner!  
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## Help Contents

Displays this help file.

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