

# On The Disk...

## A run-down of what's included on the free disk with this issue

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The headings below reflect the directories on the disk where you will find all these goodies!

➤ **HASH: Address By Content**  
Source code for an implementation of a hash table using external chaining.

➤ **EXCEL: Drive Your Spreadsheet**  
TExcel is a component that simplifies interfacing to MS Excel, including formatting, commands, macro calls, etc. A demo project is included to show how easy it is to use. The demo also creates the component explicitly, so you can try it out without installing it *[Excellent idea! Editor]*.

➤ **DMETER: VU Type Displays**  
This is a pointer meter, like the VUs used in sound machines. The component works for Delphi 1, 2 and 3 and although the source is not included it is available for \$15 from www.di.com.br.

➤ **YEARCAL: Have A Configurable Year**  
This is another freeware component from Brazil with source available for \$15 from www.di.com.br. It displays a whole year's calendar, with date selection, configurable number of columns, colours, font and other properties.

➤ **CALCOMP: Popup Dates**  
TCalcomp is a Microsoft Money style popup calendar control that provides easy selection of dates, using a display of all days of the selected month, or all months of the selected year. Delphi 1, 2 and 3 components are included.

➤ **DELPHITI: Tech Info Compilation**  
The Borland Delphi Technical Information Documents from the

Borland FTP site compiled into a single help file.

➤ **NTSERV10: Manage NT Services**  
The TntService component is for WindowsNT only and was developed to add new services to the Windows NT service control database as well as to start, stop, configure and delete them. It drastically simplifies tasks to control services by encapsulating the set of relevant functions (except security functions) which are described in the Windows API.

➤ **AMCLOCK: See The Time Passing**  
This 32bit analogue clock component is highly configurable. You can use a picture as the face of the clock, configure the hands, set the thread interval and priority (it does not use a timer) and use several event handlers (hour, minute, second and a global timer event).

➤ **VCARD: Email Your Business Card**  
vCard is a new standard for electronic business cards, developed by Versit Consortium (visit www.versit.com) and maintained by the Internet Mail Consortium (IMC, www.imc.org). vCard is used for personal data interchange

➤ **YearCal: Have your year any way you like it!**

(PDI) and is supported by software such as Microsoft Outlook and Outlook Express, Netscape Communicator, Lotus Organizer 97 GS, Sidekick 98 and many more. The TmsVCard component can generate standard vCard files and also read/parse the data contained in existing vCard files. The component complies with the requirements of vCard v2.1, but it does not support binary properties, such as IMAGE, hLOGO and SOUND.

➤ **MTSEARCH: Find It Quicker Than Boyer & Moore**  
This file contains the source and a demo of an extremely fast string search algorithm based on an article in the German magazine *c't* (August 1997).

➤ **Important Note!**  
Always, but always, make a backup copy of your Delphi 1 or 2 component library file before you install any new component into Delphi! Component installation can trash your component library and leave Delphi inoperative.

➤ **Send In Your Code...**  
If you have some carefully crafted routines send them in for evaluation to Mike Orriss, our Disk Editor, at mjo@compuserve.com. We do consider all submissions.

