

All the Time for Windows v1.0

INTRO

All the Time for Windows is a customizable clock. In addition to the current time and the date, memory and system resource levels can be monitored if desired.

All the Time requires VBRUN200.DLL (available in the Visual Basic-Win library of the MSBasic forum on CompuServe) and WIN 3.1. It also requires the Visual Basic custom control files CMDIALOG.VBX, PICCLIP.VBX and THREED.VBX. All the Time is available in two different archives -- one with these three VBX files (ATTALL.ZIP) and one without (ATT.ZIP).

All the Time is free, and in the public domain.

FILES

ATT.EXE - the All the Time program

Visual Basic source code

ATT.MAK - VB project file
ALLTHETIM.FRM - the main All the Time form (the clock itself)
ATTSET.FRM - the settings form
ATTABOUT.FRM - the about box
ATTMAIN.BAS - the Main loop
ATTUTIL.BAS - subroutines
MOON.BAS - moon phases subroutine
ATT4WAY2.ICO - the program icon

Custom controls

CMDIALOG.VBX
THREED.VBX
PICCLIP.VBX

INSTALL/STARTUP

Copy ATT.EXE to your hard drive and, if you'd like, create a Program Item for it with the Program Manager. Or, simply Run ATT.EXE from the Program Manager's File menu.

VBRUN200.DLL, CMDIALOG.VBX, PICCLIP.VBX and THREED.VBX must be in your Windows directory to run All the Time. VBRUN200.DLL is available in the Visual Basic-Win library of the MSBasic forum on CompuServe. The other files are available as part of the ATTALL.ZIP upload of this program, or as part of the Visual Basic Programming System for Window Professional Edition.

OPERATION

Double-click the All the Time program icon. Once the clock is displayed, you can double-click on it to change its settings on the All the Time Settings screen.

All the Time can display any combination of the following five items, which can be turned on and off via the Settings screen:

Date

Time

Memory - RAM available

Resources - % available

Sun and Moon and Tree - two graphics showing season, moon phase, night/day

Preset formats for the date and time can be selected from pull-down lists, or you can customize them using Visual Basic's date and time format codes. A more detailed explanation of those format codes follows these instructions.

The Settings screen also allows you to change the position of the clock, to determine whether its window stays in front of other windows, and to customize the display font.

Additionally, there are two [Alt]+[Ctrl] hotkeys in All the Time: [Alt]+[Ctrl]+R rotates the position of the clock from corner to corner clockwise around the screen; and [Alt]+[Ctrl]+T toggles whether the clock is displayed or hidden. These keys can be reassigned if they conflict with hotkeys in your other programs.

All the Time's clock can be dragged by hand around the screen, if necessary. It can be returned to a corner position via the Settings screen or the Rotate hotkey. The clock will not resize real-time for fonts with proportionally-spaced number characters unless it is locked into a corner position.

DATE/TIME FORMATS

Dates and times are displayed according to the rules that Visual Basic uses to format dates and times, using the format expressions specified on the Settings screen.

Here are the rules, as excerpted from the MicroSoft Visual Basic Language Reference:

To format dates and times, you can use either the commonly used formats that have been predefined in Visual Basic or create user-defined time formats using standard characters that have special meaning when used in a format expression.

The following table shows the predefined data format names you can use and the meaning of each:

<u>Format Name</u>	<u>Description</u>
General Date	Display a date and/or time. For real numbers, display a date and time. (e.g. 4/3/93 05:34 PM); If there is no fractional part, display only a date (e.g. 4/3/93); if there is no integer part, display time only (e.g. 05:34 PM).
Long Date	Display a Long Date, as defined in the International section of the Control Panel.
Medium Date	Display a date in the same form as the Short Date, as defined in the International section of the Control Panel, except spell out the month abbreviation.
Short Date	Display a Short Date, as defined in the International section of the Control Panel.
Long Time	Display a Long Time, as defined in the International section of the Control Panel. Long Time includes hours, minutes, seconds.
Medium Time	Display time in 12-hour format using hours and minutes and the AM/PM designator.
Short Time	Display a time using the 24-hour format (e.g. 17:45)

The following table shows the characters you can use to create user-defined date/time formats and the meaning of each:

<u>Character</u>	<u>Meaning</u>
c	Display the date as dddd and display the time as t t t t t, in that order. Only date information is displayed if there is no fractional part to the date serial number; only time information is displayed if there is no integer portion.
d	Display the day as a number without a leading zero (1-31).
dd	Display the day as a number with a leading zero (01-31).
ddd	Display the day as an abbreviation (Sun-Sat).
dddd	Display the day as a full name (Sunday-Saturday).
dddddd	Display a date serial number as a complete date (including day, month, and year) formatted according to the Short Date setting in the International section of the Windows Control Panel. The default Short Date format is m/d/yy.
dddddd	Display a date serial number as a complete date (including day, month, and year) formatted according to the Long Date setting in the International section of the Control Panel. The default Long Date format is mmmm dd, yyyy.
w	Display the day of the week as a number (1 for Sunday through 7 for Saturday.)
ww	Display the week of the year as a number (1-53).
m	Display the month as a number without a leading zero (1-12). If m immediately follows h or hh, the minute rather than the month is displayed.
mm	Display the month as a number with a leading zero (01-12). If m immediately follows h or hh, the minute rather than the month is displayed.
mmm	Display the month as an abbreviation (Jan-Dec).
mmmm	Display the month as a full month name (January-December).
q	Display the quarter of the year as a number (1-4).
y	Display the day of the year as a number (1-366).
yy	Display the year as a two-digit number (00-99).
yyyy	Display the year as a four-digit number (100-9999).
h	Display the hour as a number without leading zeros (0-23).
hh	Display the hour as a number with leading zeros (00-23).
n	Display the minute as a number without leading zeros (0-59).
nn	Display the minute as a number with leading zeros (00-59).
s	Display the second as a number without leading zeros (0-59).
ss	Display the second as a number with leading zeros (00-59).
t t t t t	Display a time serial number as a complete time (including hour, minute, and second) formatted using the time separator defined by the Time Format in the International section of the Control Panel. A leading zero is displayed if the Leading Zero option is selected and the time is before 10:00 A.M. or P.M. The default time format is h:mm:ss.
AM/PM	Use the 12-hour clock and display an uppercase AM with any hour before noon; display an uppercase PM with any hour between noon and 11:59 PM.
am/pm	Use the 12-hour clock and display a lowercase AM with any hour before noon; display a lowercase PM with any hour between noon and 11:59 PM.
A/P	Use the 12-hour clock and display an uppercase A with any hour before noon; display an uppercase P with any hour between noon and 11:59 PM.
a/p	Use the 12-hour clock and display a lowercase A with any

	hour before noon; display a lowercase P with any hour between noon and 11:59 PM.
AMPM	Use the 12-hour clock and display the contents of the 1159 string (s1159) in the WIN.INI file with any hour before noon; display the contents of the 2359 string (s2359) with any hour between noon and 11:59 PM. AMPM can be either uppercase or lowercase, but the case of the string displayed matches the string as it exists in the WIN.INI file. The default format is AM/PM.
:	Time separator. The time separator separates hours, minutes, and seconds when time values are formatted. The actual character used as the time separator depends on the Time Format specified in the International section of the Control Panel.
/	Date separator. The date separator separates the day, month, and year when date values are formatted. The actual character used as the date separator in the formatted output depends on Date format specified in the International section of the Control Panel.

The following are examples of user-defined date and time formats:

<u>Format</u>	<u>Display</u>
m/d/yy	12/7/58
d-mmmm-yy	7-December-58
d mmmm	7 December
mmmm yy	December 58
hh:mm AM/PM	08:50 PM
h:mm:ss a/p	8:50:35 p
h:mm	20:50
h:mm:ss	20:50:35
m/d/yy h:mm	12/7/58 20:50

TIPS TO COMBAT ADVANCED CASES OF ENNUI:

Drag the clock slowly across the Settings window, over a Program Manager window three or four layers back, or around a PROCOMM PLUS window. Wow.

Switch your font to WingDings.

Type words into the Date or Time format box (put quotes around them).

Enter jumbled formats like "d/h/ss" into the Time format box.

Make your font really big.

Make your font really big, and use "ss" as your Time format. Show only the time. Remember that you can drag the clock around, even if it covers your entire screen. heh heh.

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All the Time is in the public domain, and is free. No warranties, no liabilities, sorry. Visual Basic source code is included for those who like to tinker or plunder. Enjoy.

If you have questions, comments, or are given to spontaneous outbursts of enthusiastic praise, we can be reached on CIS at 70741,422, or as neslon@panix.com on the Internet.

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