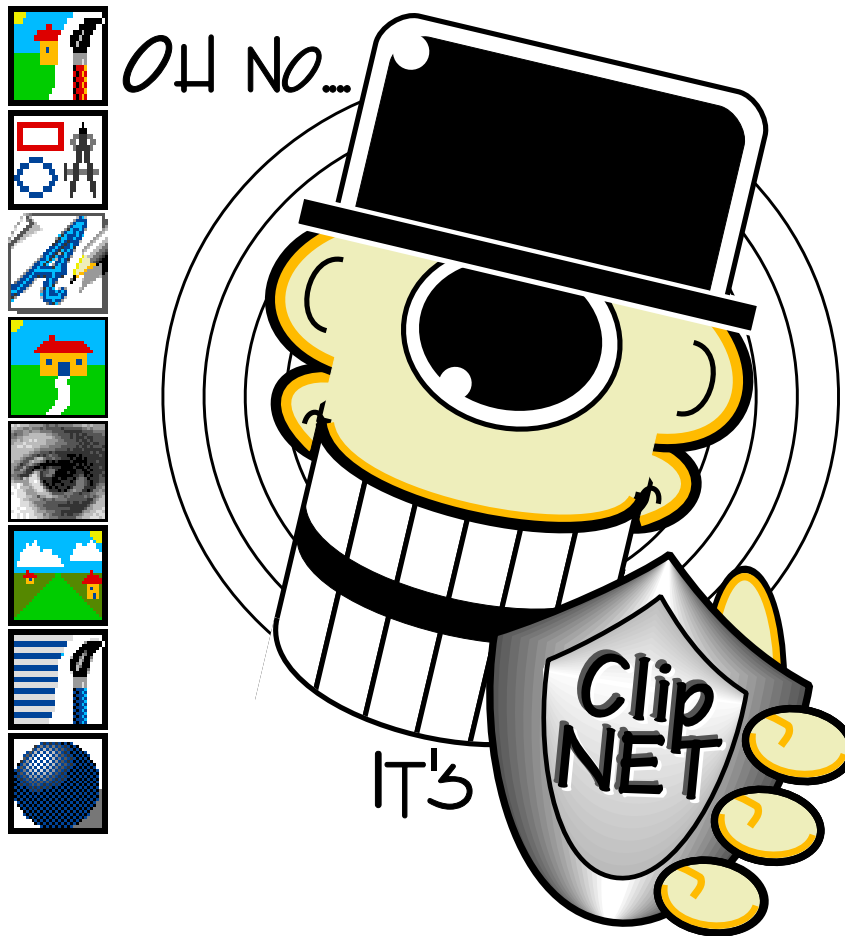




Dah, da da, nah...
Never mind the silly song...
It's

“Just the clips, ma’am”

Although really it's a network version of Mr Clippy
which just isn't as exciting.

Requires a copy of Mr Clippy V 1.41 or above

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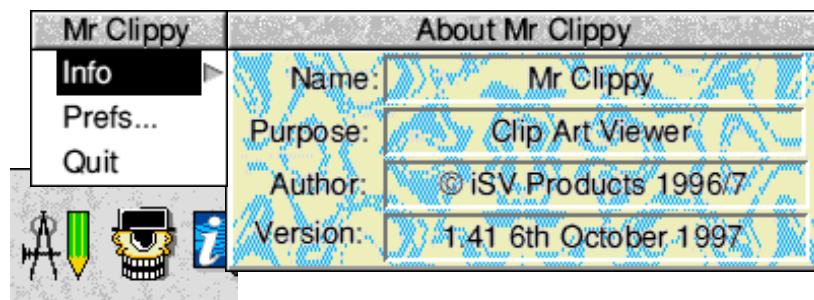
Introduction

ClipNET is a lightweight client application that allows users on network machines to view clip art stored in a copy of Mr Clippy running on a RISC OS server. This guide explains how to install ClipNET but you should read the Mr Clippy User Guide for instructions on how to install clip art in Mr Clippy.

ClipNET requires at least RISC OS 3.10 and a copy of Mr Clippy V 1.41 or later

Setting up

Setting up Mr Clippy & ClipNET to function with your network is very easy. ClipNET requires a copy of Mr Clippy version 1.41 or later to be installed on your file server. If you already have a copy of Mr Clippy check its version number (in the info dialogue box off the icon bar menu).



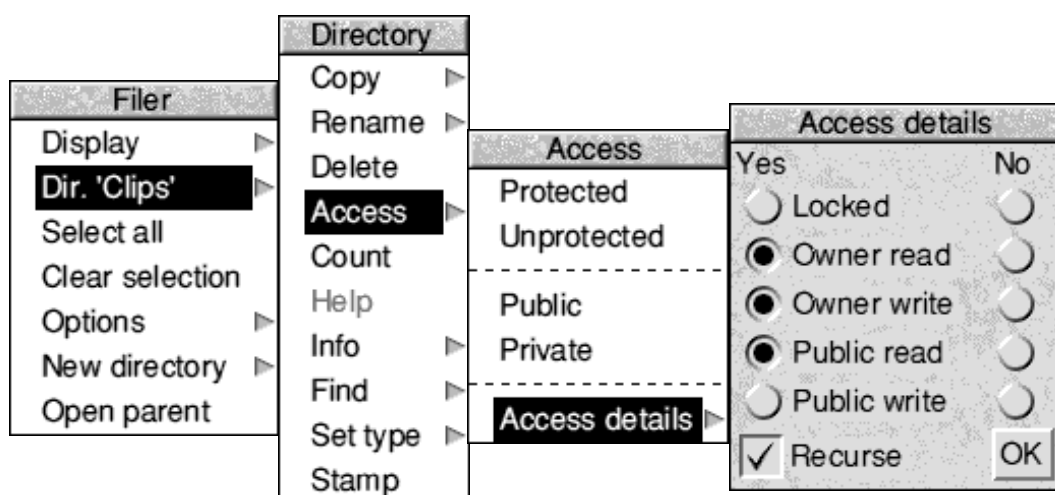
Public read access

In order for ClipNET users on the network to access clips from Mr Clippy all the clips stored inside him must be set with public read access.

If you are starting from scratch with a new Mr Clippy then the public read access will be automatically set whenever you add any more clips.

If you have an old Mr Clippy that you have just upgraded using the instructions on page 2 then you will need to alter the public read access of the clips and thumbnails already stored inside Mr Clippy yourself. Hold down the SHIFT key on the keyboard and double click with SELECT on the Mr Clippy icon in the filer window of your filerserver. A directory window will open showing lots of files and directories. The public read access needs to be set for the two directories called Clips & Thumbnails.

Press MENU over one of these directories, go past the DIR option on the menu (2nd entry down). Now go past the Access option in the sub menu and finally go past the Access details option (bottom of the menu). This will open the Access details dialogue box, turn on Public read.



Set the access details for both the clips and the thumbnail directories inside Mr Clippy so that they are the same as the image on the previous page.

To open Mr Clippy hold down the SHIFT key and double click on !MrClippy inside the filer window.

Adding clips to Mr Clippy

You will now need to add clips into Mr Clippy. Follow the instructions in the Mr Clippy manual to install all of your clip art.

Note that if you want to add clips to Mr Clippy do NOT put him in a write protected section of the filer servers hard disk. If you do this you will be unable to add any clips.

Once you have added your clips you can copy Mr Clippy to a write protected drive if you wish. However if you ever need to add more clips you will need to remove write protection from the drive.

ClipNET

ClipNET is the piece of software (Client) that runs on all of the other machines on the network. It allows any user to view any of the clip art stored in the main Mr Clippy application.

ClipNET only allows users to view, load & use existing clip art stored in Mr Clippy. Users cannot add, delete or modify any of the files.

Installing ClipNET

Copy ClipNET and the user manual (!iSVManual) to the local hard disk of each of the machines on the Network. If some of the network machines do not have a hard disk then place a copy of ClipNET on your server where any user can easily find it.



Do not place a copy of this manual where a user can access it.

Once ClipNET has been installed you can run on it any machine. In order for ClipNET to function Mr Clippy (which is stored on the server) must have been "seen" by the computer with the copy of ClipNET. This means that each machine on the network must know where Mr Clippy is. i.e. each machine on the Network needs to Filer_Boot the main Mr Clippy application on the server as part of its Boot sequence. This must be done before ClipNET is run on each machine.

Ready to go

Once all the clips are installed in the main Mr Clippy application and each machine on the network has a copy of ClipNET everything is ready to go.

Any user should now be able to double click on ClipNET and view any of the clips stored on the server copy of Mr Clippy.

Network Traffic

ClipNET is designed to keep network traffic to a minimum.

All files are transferred across the network compressed and are then un-compressed locally. We do not recommend trying to run the main Mr Clippy application over the network as this can result in a lot of file transfers. Do not forget to keep both the Mr Clippy and the ClipNET master disks in a safe place.

Problem Solving

Here are the solutions to some problems you may encounter.

The file server boots Mr Clippy but ClipNET won't run

Your copy of Mr Clippy is older than version 1.40. You really need to upgrade it. To get ClipNET working in the short term drop the copy of Mr Clippy stored in the ClippyFIX directory on the ClipNET master disk on top of your existing Mr Clippy stored on the file server.

I keep getting error messages about ChangeFSI

Mr Clippy and ClipNET require a copy of ChangeFSI in order to function correctly. Make sure that every machine on the network knows where ChangeFSI is stored on the file server.

I have problems printing

Mr Clippy requires a copy of !Printers with a version number either less than 1.28, or 1.53 or later. Note that if you are running Printers 1.53 Acorn have produced a patch which fixes nasty "Abort on data transfer" errors.

You can download the latest version of !Printers from www.riscos.com

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