Volkswriter's Revsion Speeds Better Manual, Improved Speed

Volkswriter, one of the first, fast, and easiest to use of the IBM PC-compatible word processors, is now ready in several revisions, improving each time. The current revision, Version 2.2, offers enough refinements over Version 2 to warrant an updated review. (See "Volkswriter Deluxe," April 1.) Volkswriter Deluxe, Version 2.2 offers a better manual, faster operation, and support for the IBM PC AT and Topewriter. Most of the program’s other features remain unchanged.

Volkswriter has been improved. It is well-programmed, excellently written, and fairly complete, although we would have liked to see in this version an elaborate index to help us find the procedures for setting up various printers to get maximum benefit from the program’s great features.

This version preserves the capability to display any IBM PC/XT character on the screen and print any available character on the printer. The fact that the screen characters and the printer characters can be independently controlled is a great advantage of Volkswriter. Moreover, Version 2.2 includes a simple text editor for unformatted, untiled text. The printer files now also include simple WYSIWYG printer files, allowing the user to create simple WYSIWYG printer files. The printer files now also include simple WYSIWYG printer files, allowing the user to create simple WYSIWYG printer files. The printer files now also include simple WYSIWYG printer files, allowing the user to create simple WYSIWYG printer files.

SUPPORT: Our VDC Spreader, model C718 was used and average of 75 revisions were made on the files. Seven others were made on files that were more complex files that used the color changes and the color changing characters. Our latest revision tool is a software editor that handles well and underlines correctly when called for.

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