

BrightSign Object Reference

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Introduction

BrightSign Objects (RO) are the standardized way BrightSign software exposes functionality for our products' public SDKs. In other words, to publish a new API, BrightSign will create a new BrightSign Object. The first product to use this method is the BrightSign.

BrightSign Objects have these key objectives:

- To be largely language independent.
- To be robust to software upgrades. A RO interface, once established, never changes its methods or its binary linkage.
- To be compatible with compiled or interpreted languages. ROs are completely discoverable and callable at run time or compile time.
- To support multiple abstract interfaces. This allows objects to be used in powerful ways as we'll see below.

As well as the core BrightSign Object architecture, this reference also defines event architecture and the required interfaces to participate in this scheme. The event scheme is a fundamental piece of any multi-threaded application. Its standardization is the first part in a sequence of RO based standards BrightSign will adopt across our products, to maximize compatibility of third party plug-ins.

This document describes the BrightSign Object architecture as two main sections:

- how to use them (as a script writer)
- the initial objects defined for BrightSign

BrightSign Object Interfaces and Methods

Every BrightSign Object consists of one or more "Interfaces". An RO Interface consists of one or more Methods. For example, the roVideoPlayer has two interfaces: ifMediaTransport and ifSetMessagePort. The Interface ifSetMessagePort has one Member: SetPort.

For example:

```
p = CreateObject("roMessagePort")
video= CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")

gpio = CreateObject("roControlPort", "BrightSign")
gpio.SetPort(p)
video.SetPort(p)
```

This syntax makes use of a short cut provided by the language: The interface name is optional, unless it is needed to resolve name conflicts.

For example:

```
gpio.SetPort(p)
```

is the same as:

```
gpio.ifSetMessagePort.SetPort(p)
```

Note that the abstract Interface ifSetMessagePort is exposed and implemented by both the roControlPort and the roVideoPlayer objects. Once the method SetPort is called, these objects will send their events to the supplied message port. This is discussed more in the Event section below.

BrightSign Objects consist only of interfaces. Interfaces define only methods. There is no concept of a “property” or variable at the Object or Interface level. These must be implemented as Set/Get methods in an Interface.

Classes

A Class Name is the name used to create a BrightSign Object. For example:
`video= CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")`

roVideoPlayer is the class name.

Object and Class Name Syntax

Class names:

- must start with an alphabetic character (a – z)
- may consist of alphabetic characters, numbers, or the symbol “_” (underscore)
- they are not case sensitive
- may be of any reasonable length

Zones

With the BrightSign Zones feature, you can divide the screen into rectangles and play different content in each rectangle.

A zone can contain video and images, images, a clock, or text. There can be only one video zone per screen. However, there can be multiple of other types of zones on the screen. A text zone can contain simple text strings or can be configured to display an RSS feed in a ticker type display.

To enable zone functionality, the following global function must be called in the script:

```
EnableZoneSupport(enable As Boolean) As Void
```

When zones are enabled, the image layer is always on top of the video layer. When zones are not enabled, the image layer is hidden whenever video is played, and the video layer is hidden whenever images are played.

Example:

This script creates 5 zones. The first one contains a video player, the next two contain image players, the fourth has a clock widget and the last is a text widget. The objects used in this example are explained in subsequent sections of this document.

```
debug = true

v=CreateObject("roVideoMode")
v.SetMode("1920x1080x60i")
EnableZoneSupport(true)

r=CreateObject("roRectangle", 60, 60, 1386, 800)
v=CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")
v.SetRectangle(r)
v.SetLoopMode(1)
v.SetViewMode(2)
```

```

v.SetAudioOutput(2)
v.PlayFile("Amazon_1080.mpg")

i1=CreateObject("roImagePlayer")
i1.SetDefaultMode(3)
r=CreateObject("roRectangle", 100, 100, 285, 123)
i1.SetRectangle(r)
i1.DisplayFile("splash_master.png")

i2=CreateObject("roImagePlayer")
i2.SetDefaultMode(2)
r=CreateObject("roRectangle", 1520, 155, 300, 300)
i2.SetRectangle(r)
ok=i2.DisplayFile("museum_ad1.jpg")
if ok=0 then
    i2.DisplayFile("museum_ad1.jpg")
endif

i3=CreateObject("roImagePlayer")
i3.SetDefaultMode(2)
r=CreateObject("roRectangle", 1520, 565, 300, 300)
i3.SetRectangle(r)
ok=i3.DisplayFile("museum_ad2.jpg")
if ok=0 then
    i3.DisplayFile("museum_ad2.jpg")
endif

r=CreateObject("roRectangle", 1520, 50, 300, 100)
res=CreateObject("roResourceManager", "resources.txt")
c=CreateObject("roClockWidget",r, res, true)
c.Show()

r=CreateObject("roRectangle", 60, 900, 1800, 100)
t=CreateObject("roTextWidget", r, 3, 0, 5)
t.SetForegroundColor(&ha0a0a0)
t.PushString("The next Museum tour will be starting at 2:30pm in
the lobby.")
t.PushString("Visit the Museum Store today for 15% all
purchases.")
t.PushString("Become a museum member and today's visit is free.")
t.PushString("BrightSign solid-state media players power
interactive video exhibits with simplicity, reliability and
interactivity to high-impact digital signage. Learn more at
www.BrightSign.com/brightsign.")
t.Show()

p=CreateObject("roMessagePort")

sw = CreateObject("roControlPort")
sw.SetPort(p)

msg_loop:
    msg=wait(0,p)

    if type(msg)="roControlDown" then

```

```

        if debug AND msg=12 then 'Video Select
            end
        endif
    else
        print "Unknown event "; type(event)
    endif

    goto msg_loop

```

BrightSign Object Library

This section specifies each of the BrightSign Objects that are included with BrightScript.

Event Loops

When creating anything more than a very simple script, an Event Loop will need to be created. An Event Loop typically has this structure:

1. wait for the event
2. process the event
3. jump back to 1

Events are things like a button press, a timer that has triggered, a video that has finished playing back, etc.

By convention, BrightSign Object (RO) events work as follows.

- A RO of type “roMessagePort” is created. In BrightScript, by the user’s script.
- ROs that can send events are instructed to send their events to this message port. You could set up multiple message ports, and have each event go to its own message port, but it is usually simpler to just create one message port, and have the events all go to this one port. To instruct the RO to send events to a specific port, use the *ifSetMessagePort* Interface.
- The script waits for an event. The actual function to do this is the *ifMessagePort.WaitMessage()*, but if you are using BrightScript, the built-in statement **WAIT** makes this easy.
- If multiple event types are possible, your script should determine which event that the wait received, then process it. The script then jumps back to the **Wait**.

An “Event” can be generated by any BrightSign Object. For example, the class “roControlPort” sends events of type “roControlDown” and “roControlUp”. The “roControlDown” implements the *ifInt* interface. *ifInt* allows access to an integer. An event loop needs to be aware of the possible events it can get, and process them.

Example

```

print "BrightSign Button-LED Test Running"
p = CreateObject("roMessagePort")
tmr = CreateObject("roMessagePort")
gpio = CreateObject("roControlPort", "BrightSign")
gpio.SetPort(p)
for i = 0 to 3
    gpio.EnableInput(i)
    gpio.EnableOutput(4+i)
next i

event_loop:

```

```

msg=wait(0, p)
if type(msg)<>"roControlDown" then event_loop
butn = msg.GetInt()
if butn > 3 then event_loop
gpio.SetOutputState(butn+4,1)
print "Button Pressed: ";butn
msg = wait (500, tmr)
gpio.SetOutputState(butn+4,0)

clear_events:
    msg=p.GetMessage():if msg <> invalid then clear_events
goto event_loop

```

Classes

For each class a brief description is given, a list of interfaces, and the member functions in the interfaces.

roList

A general purpose doubly link list. It can be used as a container for arbitrary length lists of BrightSign Objects.

Interfaces:

- *ifList*

```

Count() As Integer
IsEmpty() As Boolean
ResetIndex() As Boolean
AddTail(obj As Object) As Void
AddHead(obj As Object) As Void
FindIndex(name As String) As Boolean
RemoveIndex() As Object
GetIndex() As Object
RemoveTail() As Object
RemoveHead() As Object
GetTail() As Object
GetHead() As Object

```

roMessagePort

A message port is the place messages (events) are sent. See the “Event Loops” section for more details. When using BrightSign BrightScript, you would not call these functions directly. Instead, use the “Wait” BrightScript statement (see the BrightScript documentation).

Interfaces:

- *ifMessagePort*

GetMessage() As Object

WaitMessage(timeout As Integer) As Object

PostMessage(msg As Object) As Void

roVideoMode

This class allows you to set the output video resolution. The same video resolution is applied to all video outputs on BrightSign. Video or images that are subsequently decoded and displayed will be scaled (using the hardware scalar) to this output resolution if necessary.

Interfaces:

- *ifVideoMode*
SetMode(mode As String) As Boolean
- *ifVideoMode*
GetResX() As Integer
- *ifVideoMode*
GetResY() As Integer
- *ifVideoMode*
GetSafeX() As Integer
- *ifVideoMode*
GetSafeY() As Integer
- *ifVideoMode*
GetSafeWidth() As Integer
- *ifVideoMode*
GetSafeHeight() As Integer
- *ifVideoMode*
SetPowerSaveMode(power_save_enable As Boolean) As Boolean
- *ifVideoMode*
SetMultiscreenBezel(x_pct As Integer, y_pct As Integer) As Boolean
- *ifSetMessagePort*
SetPort(obj As Object) As Void

Supported modes that can be passed to SetMode on the HD110, HD210, HD410, HD810 and HD1010 are:

- "auto"
- "640x480x60p"
- "800x600x75p"
- "1024x768x75p"
- "1280x768x60p"
- "1280x800x60p"
- "1360x768x60p"
- "720x576x50p"
- "720x480x60p"
- "1280x720x50p"
- "1280x720x59.94p"
- "1280x720x60p"

- “1920x1080x50i”
- “1920x1080x59.94i”
- “1920x1080x60i”
- “1920x1080x29.97p”
- “1920x1080x50p”
- “1920x1080x60p”

If the mode is set to ‘auto’, BrightSign will try to determine the best video mode to use based on connected hardware. The algorithm is:

- Try VGA first – if VGA is attached use the best mode as reported by the monitor that BrightSign supports.
- Try HDMI next – if HDMI is attached use the best mode as reported by the monitor that BrightSign supports.
- Default to 1024x768x75p

GetResX, GetResY ()

Get the total display size for the current video mode.

GetSafeX, GetSafeY ()

Get the left and top coordinates for the start of the "safe area". For modes that are generally displayed with no overscan, both will be zero.

GetSafeWidth, GetSafeHeight ()

Get the width and height of the "safe area". For modes that are generally displayed with no overscan, these will return the same as GetResX and GetResY.

More information about safe areas can be found at:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Safe_area and
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Overscan_amounts

SetPowerSaveMode ()

Turns off the syncs for VGA output and the DAC output for component video. For some monitors, this will cause the monitor to go into standby mode.

Note that the BrightSign Hardware has a video anti-aliasing low pass filter that is set automatically. See the hardware manual for more information.

If the video mode specified in SetMode is different than the object’s current video mode, the unit will re-boot and set the unit’s video mode to the new setting during system initialization.

SetMultiscreenBezel ()

This adjusts the size of the bezel used in calculations when using multiscreen displays for video and images. It allows users to compensate for the width of their screen bezels in multiscreen configurations. The calculation for the percentages is:

$x_percentage = (\text{width_of_bezel_between_active_screens} / \text{width_of_active_screen}) * 100$

$y_percentage = (\text{height_of_bezel_between_active_screens} / \text{height_of_active_screen}) * 100$

The bezel measurement is therefore the total of the top and bottom bezels in the y case, or the left and right bezels in the x case. By setting this value correctly, images spread across multiple screens take account of the bezel widths leading to better alignment of images.

roVideoPlayer

A Video Player is used to playback video files (using the generic ifMediaTransport Interface). If the message port is set, the object will send events of type roVideoEvent. All object calls are asynchronous. That is, video playback is handled in another thread from the script. The script will continue to run while video is playing. Decoded video will be scaled to the output resolution specified by roVideoMode.

Interfaces:

- *ifSetMessagePort*
SetPort(obj As Object)As Void
- *ifAudioControl* – see *roAudioPlayer* for docs
- *ifVideoControl*
SetViewMode(mode As Integer) As Boolean
SetRectangle(r As roRectangle) As Void
- *ifMediaTransport*
PlayFile(filename As String) As Boolean
PlayFile(parameters As AssociativeArray) As Boolean
PreloadFile(parameters As AssociativeArray) As Boolean
PlayStaticImage(filename As String) As Boolean
Stop() As Boolean
Play() As Boolean
SetLoopMode(mode As Integer) As Boolean
ClearEvents() As Boolean
AddEvent(userdata As Integer, time_in_ms As Integer) As Boolean
StopClear()As Boolean

If you wish to use a view mode different from the default, it must be set prior to starting video playback.

view_mode values:

- 0 - Scale to fill (default). The aspect ratio can alter.
- 1 - Letterboxed and centered. The aspect ratio is maintained and the video has black borders.
- 2 - Fill screen and centered. The aspect ratio is maintained and the screen is filled.

To display the video in a zone, SetRectangle() must be called. EnableZoneSupport() must be called to use zones functionality.

MPEG2 video files are encoded with a specific aspect ratio, and output display resolutions have an aspect ratio. Video display modes 1 and 2 use these aspect ratios to ensure that the video file aspect ratio is preserved when it is displayed. The only time that this will fail is when a widescreen monitor displays a 4:3 output resolution such as 800x600 across the whole screen i.e. the monitor doesn't respect the aspect ratio. Please note that this feature relies on the correct aspect ratio marking of the MPEG2 video files. Unfortunately, not all files are marked correctly.

Users can add events which trigger messages of the roVideoEvent “Timecode Hit” at the specified millisecond times in a video file. The data field of the roVideoEvent holds the userdata passed in with AddEvent.

Here is an example script that uses timecode events. The script prints out 2, 5 and 10 at 2 seconds, 5 seconds and 10 seconds into the video. The msg is approaching frame accurate.

```
10 v = CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")
20 p = CreateObject("roMessagePort")
30 v.SetPort(p)
40 ok = v.AddEvent(2, 2000)    ' Add timed events to video
50 ok = v.AddEvent(5, 5000)
60 ok = v.AddEvent(10, 10000)
70 ok = v.AddEvent(100, 100000)
80 ok = v.PlayFile("ATA:/C5_d5_phil.vob")
90 msg = wait(0,p)            ' Wait for all events
95 if msg.GetInt() = 8 then stop    ' End of file
100 if msg.GetInt() <> 12 goto 90    ' I only care about time events
110 print msg.GetData()    ' Print out index when the time event happens
120 goto 90
```

Calling `PlayStaticImage` displays an image on the video layer. The image is stretched to fill the video rectangle.

Multiscreen video playback

We have now also added some overloaded `PreloadFile` and `PlayFile` functions. These take an `roAssociativeArray` as a parameter, which stores all the various options to be passed in. They must be used when displaying images across multiple screens in an array, or displaying windowed portions of a video, though they can also be used in place of the original function calls.

An example of using the `PreloadFile` for a multiscreen display is:

```
v=CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")
a=CreateObject("roAssociativeArray")
a["Filename"] = "test.ts"
a["MultiscreenWidth"] = 3
a["MultiscreenHeight"] = 2
a["MultiscreenX"] = 0
a["MultiscreenY"] = 0
v.PreloadFile(a)
...
...
v.Play()
```

The filename is the same as documented further up, but the multiscreen parameters are new. The `MultiscreenWidth` and `MultiscreenHeight` specify the width and height of the multiple screen matrix. So 3x2 would be 3 screens wide and 2 high. The `MultiscreenX` and `MultiscreenY` specify the position of the current screen within that matrix. In the case above, on average only 1/6th of the video is drawn on each screen, though the view mode still applies so that depending on the shape of the video it may have black bars on the side screens. In this way it's relatively simple for a video player to display part of an image based on its position in the multiscreen array.

`PreloadFile` does all of the preliminary work to get ready to play the video clip specified including stopping the previous video file's playback. The call to `Play` starts the playback. This is good for synchronizing video across multiple players as they can all be prepared ready to play and then they will immediately start playing on issuing the `Play` command. This reduces synchronization latencies.

The default values for the parameters are:

```
MultiscreenWidth = 1  
MultiscreenHeight = 1  
MultiscreenX = 0  
MultiscreenY = 0
```

An example of using PlayFile for displaying a portion of a video is:

```
v=CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")  
a=CreateObject("roAssociativeArray")  
a["Filename"] = "test.ts"  
a["SourceX"] = 100  
a["SourceY"] = 100  
a["SourceWidth"] = 1000  
a["SourceHeight"] = 500  
v.PlayFile(a)
```

This displays a windowed portion of the video test.ts starting at coordinates SourceX, SourceY and SourceWidth by SourceHeight in size. The viewmode is still honored as if displaying the whole file.

roAudioPlayer

An audio player is used to play back audio files (using the generic `ifMediaTransport` Interface). If the message port is set, the object will send events of type `roAudioEvent`. All object calls are asynchronous. That is, audio playback is handled in another thread from the script. The script may continue to run while audio is playing.

Interfaces:

- *ifSetMessagePort*
SetPort(As Object) As Void
- *ifMediaTransport*
See `roVideoPlayer` for docs
- *ifAudioControl*
SetAudioOutput(audio_output As Integer) As Boolean
SetAudioMode(audio_mode As Integer) As Boolean
MapStereoOutput(mapping As Integer) As Boolean
MapDigitalOutput(mapping As Integer) As Boolean

```
SetVolume(volume As Integer) As Boolean
SetChannelVolumes(channel_mask As Integer, volume As Integer) As
Boolean
SetAudioOutputAux(audio_output As Integer) As Boolean
SetAudioModeAux(audio_mode As Integer) As Boolean
MapStereoOutputAux(mapping As Integer) As Boolean
SetVolumeAux(volume As Integer) As Boolean
SetChannelVolumesAux(channel_mask As Integer, volume As Integer)
As Boolean
SetAudioStream(stream_index As Integer) As Boolean
SetAudioStreamAux(stream_index As Integer) As Boolean
```

Before changing the audio output when a video file is playing or has played, a call to `video.Stop()` is needed.

The following functions are currently only available on the HD2000:

-
- SetAudioMode
-
- SetAudioOutputAux
- SetAudioModeAux
- MapStereoOutputAux
- SetVolumeAux
- SetChannelVolumesAux
- SetAudioStream
- SetAudioStreamAux

Note that MapDigitalOutput is not available on HD2000.

audio_output values:

- 0 - Analog audio
- 1 - USB audio
- 2 - Digital audio, stereo PCM
- 3 - Digital audio, raw AC3
- 4 - Onboard analog audio with HDMI mirroring raw AC3

digital audio values

- 0 - Onboard HDMI
- 1 - SPDIF from expansion module

audio_mode values

(Options 0 and 1 only apply to video files; 2 applies to all audio sources)

- 0 - AC3 Surround
- 1 - AC3 mixed down to stereo
- 2 - No audio

mapping values

(used to select which analog output if audio_output set to 0)

- 0 - Stereo audio is mapped to onboard analog output
- 1 - Stereo audio is mapped to expansion module leftmost output
- 2 - Stereo audio is mapped to expansion module middle output
- 3 - Stereo audio is mapped to expansion module rightmost output

set_volume

Volume is a percentage and so takes a value 0-100. The volume value is clipped prior to use i.e. SetVolume(101) will set the volume to 100 and return TRUE. The volume is the same for all mapped outputs and USB/SPDIF/analog. There is however a separate volume level stored for audioplayer and videoplayer.

Set_channel_volumes

You can control volume on individual audio channels. This volume command takes a hex channel mask which determines which channels to apply the volume to and a level which is a percentage of full scale. The volume control works on the channel of audio rather than the output. The channel mask is a bit mask with the following bits for MP3 output:

- &H01 Left
- &H02 Right
- &H03 would be both right and left, &H1 just the left, etc.

Example: This code sets audio output to come out the rightmost expansion module audio port:

```
video = CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")
```

```
video.SetAudioOutput(0)  
video.MapStereoOutput(3)
```

Example: This code sets the volume level for individual channels

```
audio = CreateObject("roAudioPlayer")
audio.SetChannelVolumes(&H01, 60)      `left channel to 60%
audio.SetChannelVolumes(&H02, 75)      `right channel to 75%

audio.SetChannelVolumes(&H03, 65)      `all channels to 65%
```

Playing Multiple Audio Files Simultaneously

Multiple MP3 files along with an audio track as part of a video file can be played to any combination of the following:

- Analog outputs
- SPDIF / HDMI
- USB

Only a single file can be sent to an output at any given time. For example, two roAudioPlayers cannot simultaneously play to the SPDIF output - the second one to attempt a PlayFile will get an error. To free an output, the audio or video stream must be stopped (using ifMediaTransport's Stop or StopClear calls).

Notes on this functionality:

-
- The onboard analog audio output and HDMI output are clocked by the same sample rate clock. Therefore, if different content is being played out of each, the content must have the same sample rate.
- Currently only a single set of USB speakers is supported.
-
- Each audio and video stream played consumes some of the finite CPU resources. The amount consumed depends on the bitrates of the streams. Testing is the only way to really tell whether a given set of audio files can be played at the same time as a video. Our guidance is that the maximum possible is a 16Mbps video file simultaneously with 3 MP3 160kbps streams.

Example: This code plays a video with audio over HDMI and an mp3 file to the onboard analog port:

```
video=CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")

video.SetAudioOutput(3)
video.PlayFile("video.mpg")

audio=CreateObject("roAudioPlayer")

audio.MapStereoOutput(0)
audio.PlayFile("audio.mp3")
```

roVideoEvent() and roAudioEvent()

Video and Audio events can have one of these integer values. They are declared as separate classes as they are likely to diverge in the future.

0	Undefined	Player is in an undefined state.
1	Stopped	Playback of the current media item is stopped.
3	Playing	The current media item is playing.
4	ScanForward	The current media item is fast forwarding.
5	ScanReverse	The current media item is fast rewinding.
6	Buffering	The current media item is getting additional data

from the server.

7 Waiting Connection is established, but the server is not sending data. Waiting for session to begin.

8 MediaEnded Media item has completed playback.

9 TransitioningPreparing new media item.

10 Ready Ready to begin playing.

11 ReconnectingReconnecting to stream.

12 TimeHit A particular timecode is hit. See roVideoPlayer.

Interfaces:

- *ifInt* – contains event id enumerated above
GetInt() As Integer
- *ifData* – contains userdata
GetData() As Integer

Example Code Clip:

```

vp_msg_loop:
msg=wait(tiut, p)
if type(msg)="roVideoEvent" then
if debug then print "Video Event";msg.GetInt()
if msg.GetInt() = 8 then
if debug then print "VideoFinished"
retcode=5
return
endif
else if type(msg)="roGpioButton" then
if debug then print "Button Press";msg
if escm and msg=BM then retcode=1:return
if esc1 and msg=B1 then retcode=2:return
if esc2 and msg=B2 then retcode=3:return
if esc3 and msg=B3 then retcode=4:return
else if type(msg)="rotINT32" then
if debug then print "TimeOut"
retcode=6
return
endif
goto vp_msg_loop

```

roGpioControlPort

This object is now deprecated. New scripts should use roControlPort instead.

This object is used to control and wait for events on the BrightSign generic DB15 control port. Typically LEDs or Buttons are connected to the DB15 / DB25 port.

Turning on a GPIO output puts the voltage on the GPIO port to 3.3V. Turning off a GPIO output puts the voltage on the GPIO port to 0 V.

On the HD 410, HD810, and HD1010, the GPIO's are bidirectional and must be programmed as either inputs or outputs. The ids range from 0 – 7.

Note: SetWholeState will overwrite any prior output settings.

SetOutputState takes an output id (1, 2, or 6 for example.)

SetWholeState takes a mask – for example SetWholeState($2^1 + 2^2$) to set ids 1 and 2.

Interfaces:

- *ifSetMessagePort*
SetPort(obj As Object) As Void
- *ifGpioControlPort*
IsInputActive(input_id As Integer) As Boolean
GetWholeState() As Integer
SetOutputState(output_id As Integer, onState As Boolean) As Void
SetWholeState(on_state As Integer) As Void
EnableInput(input_id As Integer) As Boolean (HD410, HD810, HD1010 only)
EnableOutput(output_id As Integer) As Boolean (HD410, HD810, HD1010 only)

roGpioButton

Interfaces:

- *ifInt* – contains input id listed above

GetInt() As Integer

roControlPort

This object is an improved version of roGpioControlPort. It provides support for the IO port on the BrightSign Expansion Module as well as the on-board IO port and side buttons on BrightSign. It also supports button up events.

The object is used to configure output levels on the IO connector and monitor inputs. Typically LED's and buttons are attached to the IO connector on BrightSign or the BrightSign Expansion Module.

Creation

- `CreateObject("roControlPort", name as String)`

where name is one of:

- "BrightSign" to specify the on-board DA-15 connector (on HD-410 and greater) and side buttons.
- "Expander-GPIO" to specify the DB-25 connector on the BrightSign Expansion Module. If no BrightSign Expansion module is attached then object creation will fail and invalid will be returned.
- "Expander-DIP" to specify the eight DIP switches on the BrightSign Expansion Module. If no BrightSign Expansion module is attached then object creation will fail and invalid will be returned.

Note that hot-plugging of the BrightSign Expansion Module is not supported.

Interface: `ifControlPort`

- `GetVersion()` as `String`
returns the version number of the firmware responsible for the control port. This either means the main BrightSign firmware or the BrightSign Expansion Module firmware.
- `EnableOutput(pin as Integer)` as `Boolean`
marks the specified pin as an output. If an invalid pin number is passed then false will be returned. If successful the function returns true. The pin will be driven high or low depending on the current output state of the pin.
- `EnableInput(pin as Integer)` as `Boolean`
marks the specified pin as an input. If an invalid pin number is passed then false will be returned. If successful the function returns true. The pin will be tri-stated and can be driven high or low externally.
- `GetWholeState()` as `Integer`
returns the state of all the inputs attached to the control port as bits in an integer. The individual pins can be checked using binary operations although it is usually easier to call `IsInputActive` instead.
- `IsInputActive(pin as Integer)` as `Boolean`
returns the state of the specified input pin. If the pin is not configured as an input then the result is undefined.
- `SetWholeState(state as Integer)`
specifies the desired state of all the outputs attached to the control port as bits in an integer. The individual pins can be set using binary operations although it is usually easier to call `SetOutputState` instead.
- `SetOutputState(pin as Integer, level as Boolean)`
specifies the desired state of the specified output pin. If the pin is not configured as an output then the resulting level is undefined.
- `GetIdentity()` as `Integer`
returns the identity value that can be used to associate `roControlUp` and `roControlDown` events with this control port.

Interface: `ifSetMessagePort`

- `SetPort(port as Object)`
requests that all events raised on this control port be posted to the specified message port.

`roControlUp`, `roControlDown`

Objects of these types are posted by the control port to the configured message port when inputs change state. Objects of these types are not normally created directly.

A `roControlDown` event is posted when the input level goes from high to low. A `roControlUp` event is posted when the input level goes from low to high.

Interface: `ifInt`

- `GetInt()` as `Integer`
Retrieve the pin number associated with the event.

Interface: `ifSourceIdentity`

- `getSourceIdentity()` as `Integer`
Retrieve the identity value that can be used to associate events with the source `roControlPort` instance.

roQuadravoxSNS5

This object is used to control and wait for events on the Quadravox SNS5 serial button/LED box.

Interfaces:

- *ifSetMessagePort*
SetPort(As Object) As Void
- *ifQuadravoxSNS5* – similar to *ifGpioControlPort* but with the addition of a Flash state
IsInputActive(id As Integer) As Boolean
GetWholeState() As Integer

SetOutputState(id As Integer, on_state As Boolean,
flash_state As Boolean) As Void
SetWholeState(on_state As Integer,
flash_state As Integer) As Void
setFlashRate(flash_rate As Integer) As Void

Notes on flash rate: The range is from 0 to 31, 0 is fast, 31 is slow. The default is 2.

roQuadravoxButton

Similar to roGpioButton except that it originates from the Quadravox

Interfaces:

- *ifInt* – contains button id

GetInt() As Integer
SetInt(id As Integer) As Void

roKeyboard

This object is used to wait for events from a USB keyboard.

Interfaces:

- *ifSetMessagePort*
SetPort(As Object) As Void

roKeyboardPress

A keyboard event resulting from the user pressing a key on the USB keyboard. The int value is the ASCII code of the key that was pressed.

Interfaces:

- *ifInt* – contains ASCII value of key press
GetInt() As Integer

The rotINT32 returned can have one of the following values:

Letter Keys	Number Keys	Function Keys	Misc Keys	Special Keys
A - 97	R - 114	0 - 48	F1 - 32826	Del - 127
B - 98	S - 115	1 - 49	F2 - 32827	Backspace - 8
C - 99	T - 116	2 - 50	F3 - 32828	Tab - 9
D - 100	U - 117	3 - 51	F4 - 32829	Enter - 13
E - 101	V - 118	4 - 52	F5 - 32830	Print Scrn - 32838
F - 102	W - 119	5 - 53	F6 - 32831	ScrL Lock - 32839
G - 103	X - 120	6 - 54	F7 - 32832	Pause/Brk - 32840
H - 104	Y - 121	7 - 55	F8 - 32833	INS - 32841
I - 105	Z - 122	8 - 56	F9 - 32834	Home - 32842
J - 106		9 - 57	F11 - 32836	Page Up - 32843
K - 107			F12 - 32837	Page Down - 32846
L - 108				End - 32845
M - 109				Caps - 32811
N - 110				Left Arrow - 32848
O - 111				Right Arrow - 32847
P - 112				Up Arrow - 32850
Q - 113				Down Arrow - 32849
				"-" 45 :
				"=" 61 "
				\ 92 <
				` 96 >
				[91 ?
] 93 !
				; 59 @
				"' " 39 #
				, 44 \$
				. 46 %
				/ 47 ^
				_ 95 &
				"+" 43 *
				124 (
				~ 126)
				{ 123
				} 125

roIRRemote

This component supports receiving and transmitting arbitrary Infrared remote control codes using the NEC protocol. Codes are expressed in twenty-four bits.

Bits 0-7: Button code

Bits 8-23: Manufacturer code.

If the manufacturer code is zero then the code is considered to be for the BrightSign SoundBridge remote control.

The best way to determine the values required is to capture the codes received by roIRRemote when the device's own remote buttons are pressed and send the same codes.

Interfaces:

- *ifSetMessagePort* interface:
SetPort(message_port_object As Object) As Void
- *ifIRRemote* interface:
Send(protocol as String, code as Integer) As Boolean
The only protocol currently supported is “NEC”. The return value is true if the code was successfully transmitted although there is no way to determine if the controlled device actually received it.

roIRRemotePress

Messages are generated on BrightSign Soundbridge remote key presses. These have the ifInt interface with the useful function:

Interfaces:

- *ifInt* – contains keycode

GetInt() As Integer

For the BrightSign SoundBridge remote control the Integer returned can have one of the following values:

West	0
East	1
North	2
South	3
Select	4
Exit	5
Power	6
Menu	7
Search	8
Play	9
Next	10
Previous	11
Pause	12
Add	13
Shuffle	14

Repeat 15
Volume up 16
Volume down 17
Brightness 18

rolimagePlayer, rolimageWidget

Display static bitmap images on the video display.

Interfaces:

- ifImageControl

```
DisplayFile(image_filename As String) As Boolean
DisplayFile(parameter As roAssociativeArray) As Boolean
PreloadFile(filename As String) As Boolean
PreloadFile(parameter As roAssociativeArray) As Boolean
DisplayPreload() As Boolean
StopDisplay() As Boolean // removes an image from the display
DisplayFileEx(filename As String, mode As Integer,
              x As Integer, y As Integer) As Boolean
PreloadFileEx(filename As String, mode As Integer,
              x As Integer, y As Integer) As Boolean

SetDefaultMode(mode As Integer) As Boolean
SetDefaultTransition(transition As Integer) As Boolean
SetRectangle(r As roRectangle) As Void
```

The simplest way to use roImagePlayer is to just make calls to “DisplayFile” with the filename as a String. Or you can use PreloadFile()/DisplayPreload() to have more control.

PreloadFile loads the file into memory into an off-screen buffer. DisplayPreload then displays the image in memory to the screen using the on-screen buffer. There are only two memory buffers, one is displayed on screen, the other can be used for preloading. PreloadFile can be called multiple times before DisplayPreload is called and will keep loading into the same off-screen buffer. DisplayFile does a PreloadFile followed immediately by a DisplayPreload, so any previously preloaded image will be lost. If no image is preloaded DisplayPreload will have no effect.

X&Y:

x and y indicate which position of the image to center as near as possible, or can both be set to -1, which means to use the center of the image as the point to position nearest the center.

SetDefaultMode sets the mode used for DisplayFile and PreloadFile. If this isn't called the mode is 0 which is centered with no scaling.

image_filename currently must point to a PNG, JPEG, or 8-bit, 24-bit, or 32-bit .BMP file.

Display Modes supported are:

- 0 - Center image. No scaling takes place, only cropping if the image is bigger than the screen.
- 1 - Scale to fit. The image is scaled so that it is fully viewable with its aspect ratio maintained.
- 2 - Scale to fill and crop. The image is scaled so that it totally fills the screen, though with its aspect ratio maintained.
- 3 - Scale to fill. The image is stretched so that it fills the screen and the whole image is viewable. This means that the aspect ratio will not be maintained if it is different to that of the current screen resolution.

SetDefaultTransition sets the transition to be used when the next image is displayed. Transitions available include:

- 0 - No transition, immediate blit
- 1 to 4 - Image wipes from top, bottom, left and right
- 5 to 8 - Explodes from centre, top left, top right, bottom left, bottom right
- 10 to 11 - Venetian blinds vertical and horizontal
- 12 to 13 - Comb effect vertical and horizontal
- 14 - Fade out to background color then back in
- 15 - Fade between current image and new image
- 16 to 19 - Slides from top, bottom, left and right

To display images in a zone, `SetRectangle()` must be called. `EnableZoneSupport()` must be included in a script to use the zones functionality.

Here are some example shell commands you can try to test the different display modes:

```
BrightSign> image filename.bmp 0
BrightSign> image filename.bmp 1
BrightSign> image filename.bmp 2
BrightSign> image filename.bmp 3

BrightSign> image filename.bmp 0 0 0
BrightSign> image filename.bmp 2 0 0
```

This example script uses preloaded images to improve the UI speed when the user hits a key on the keyboard. As soon as the keyboard is hit, then the display switches to the new image which has already been preloaded. The only delay is if the key is hit whilst the image is pre-loading - as soon as the image is loaded, it will then display.

```
i = CreateObject("roImagePlayer")
p = CreateObject("roMessagePort")
k = CreateObject("roKeyboard")
k.SetPort(p)

i.PreloadFile("one.bmp")

loop:
i.DisplayPreload()
i.PreloadFile("two.bmp")
wait(0,p)
i.DisplayPreload()
i.PreloadFile("one.bmp")
wait(0,p)
goto loop
```

`roImageWidget` can be used in place of `roImagePlayer` for the case where the image is displayed within a rectangle.

When displaying `roImagePlayer` within a rectangle, the following code is used:

```
rectangle = CreateObject("roRectangle", 0, 0, 1024, 768)
i = CreateObject("roImagePlayer")
i.SetRectangle(rectangle)
```

When using an `roImageWidget`, the following code is used:

```
rectangle = CreateObject("roRectangle", 0, 0, 1024, 768)
i = CreateObject("roImageWidget", rectangle)
```

Using an roImageWidget can result in more pleasing esthetics on image player creation. Beyond this, an roImageWidget behaves identically to an roImagePlayer as it implements the ifImageControl interface.

We have now also added some overloaded PreloadFile and DisplayFile functions. These take an roAssociativeArray as a parameter, which stores all the various options to be passed in. They must be used when displaying images across multiple screens in an array, or displaying a portion of an image, though they can also be used in place of the original function calls.

An example of using the PreloadFile for multiscreen display is:

```
i=CreateObject("roImagePlayer")
a=CreateObject("roAssociativeArray")
a["Filename"] = "test.jpg"
a["Mode"] = 1
a["Transition"] = 14
a["MultiscreenWidth"] = 3
a["MultiscreenHeight"] = 2
a["MultiscreenX"] = 0
a["MultiscreenY"] = 0
i.PreloadFile(a)
i.DisplayPreload()
```

The filename, mode and transition are the same values as documented further up, but the multiscreen parameters are new. The MultiscreenWidth and MultiscreenHeight specify the width and height of the multiple screen matrix. So 3x2 would be 3 screens wide and 2 high. The MultiscreenX and MultiscreenY specify the position of the current screen within that matrix. In the case above, on average only 1/6th of the image is drawn on each screen, though the image mode still applies so that depending on the shape of the image it may have black bars on the side screens. In this way it's relatively simple for an image widget to display part of an image based on it's position in the multiscreen array.

The default values for the parameters are:

```
Mode = 0
Transition = 0
MultiscreenWidth = 1
MultiscreenHeight = 1
MultiscreenX = 0
MultiscreenY = 0
```

An example of using the DisplayFile for displaying a portion of an image is:

```
i=CreateObject("roImagePlayer")
a=CreateObject("roAssociativeArray")
a["Filename"] = "test.JPG"
a["Mode"] = 0
a["SourceX"] = 600
a["SourceY"] = 600
a["SourceWidth"] = 400
a["SourceHeight"] = 400
i.DisplayFile(a)
```

This displays just a portion of the image test.JPG starting at coordinates SourceX, SourceY and SourceWidth by SourceHeight in size. The viewmode is still honored as if displaying the whole file.

roInt, roFloat, roString

The intrinsic types `roINT32`, `roFLOAT`, and `roSTRING` have an object and interface equivalent. These are useful in the following situations:

- When an object is needed, instead of a typed value. For example, `roList` maintains a list of objects.
- If any object exposes the `ifInt`, `ifFloat`, or `ifString` interfaces, that object can be used in any expression that expects a typed value. For example, in this way an `roTouchEvent` can be used as an integer whose value is the `userid` of the `roTouchEvent`.

Notes:

- If `o` is an `roInt`, then the following statements have the following effects
 1. `print o` ' prints `o.GetInt()`
 2. `i%=o` ' assigns the integer `i` the value of `o.GetInt()`
 3. `k=o` 'presumably `k` is `typeOmatic`, so it becomes another reference to the `roInt o`
 4. `o=5` 'this is NOT the same as `o.SetInt(5)`. Instead it releases `o`, and 'changes the type of `o` to `roINT32` (`o` is `typeOmatic`). And assigns it to 5.
- When a function that expects a BrightSign Object as a parameter is passed an int, float, or string, BrightScript automatically creates the equivalent BrightSign object.

`roInt` contains one interface:

- *ifInt*

```
GetInt() As Integer
SetInt(value As Integer) As Void
```

`roFloat` contains one interface:

- *ifFloat*

```
GetFloat() As Float
SetFloat(value As Float) As Void
```

`roString` contains one interface:

- *ifString*

```
GetString() As String
SetString(value As String) As Void
```

Example:

```
BrightScript> o=CreateObject("roInt")
BrightScript> o.SetInt(555)
BrightScript> print o
555
BrightScript> print o.GetInt()
555
BrightScript> print o-55
500
```

Example:

```
BrightScript> list=CreateObject("roList")
BrightScript> list.AddTail(5)
BrightScript> print type(list.GetTail())
```

Note that an integer value of "5" is converted to type "roInt" automatically, because `list.AddTail()` expects an BrightSign Object as its parameter.

Yet Another Example. The function ListDir() returns an object roList of roString's.

```
BrightScript> l=ListDir("/")
```

```
BrightScript> for i=1 to l.Count():print l.RemoveHead():next
```

```
test_movie_3.vob
```

```
test_movie_4.vob
```

```
test_movie_1.vob
```

```
test_movie_2.vob
```

roTouchScreen

The touch screen object allows you accept events from touch screen panels or Mice. Currently only the Elo USB touch screens or a USB Mouse/Trackball are supported. However, we are always working on more driver support. Contact sales@brightsign.biz if you have specific touch panel requests.

roTouchScreen responds to clicks with a USB mouse the same way it does to touches on a touch screen. However, you will need to provide a cursor bitmap if you want to enable mouse support. There is one you can use in the BrightSign BrightSign demo which can be downloaded from our web site.

To use a touch screen follow these general steps:

1. create an roTouchScreen
2. Use SetPort to tell the roTouchScreen which roMessagePort to send events to
3. Define one or more touch regions. A touch region may be rectangular or circular. When someone touches the screen anywhere inside the area of a touch region, an event will be sent to your message port.
4. If touch areas overlap such that a touch hits multiple regions, an event for each region touched will be sent.
5. Process the events.

roTouchScreen supports rollover regions. Rollovers are based around touch regions. When a rectangular or circular region is added it defaults to having no rollover. You can enable a rollover using the touch region's ID and specifying an on and off image. Whenever the mouse cursor is within that region the on image is displayed and the rest of the time the off image is displayed. This allows buttons to highlight as the mouse cursor moves over them.

roTouchScreen has these interfaces

1. ifTouchScreen
2. ifSetMessagePort

ifTouchScreen has these member functions:

```
SetResolution(x As Integer, y As Integer) As Void
AddRectangle_region(x As Integer, y As Integer, w As Integer,
                   h As Integer, userid As Integer) As Void
AddCircleRegion(x As Integer, y As Integer, radius As Integer,
                userid As Integer) As Void
ClearRegion() As Void
GetDeviceName() As String
SetCursorPosition(x As Integer, y As Integer) As Void
SetCursorBitmap(As String, x As Integer, y As Integer) As Void
EnableCursor(on-off As Boolean) As Void
EnableRollover(region_id As Integer, on_image As String,
               off_image As String, cache_image As Boolean,
               image_player As Object) As Void
EnableRegion(region_id As Integer, enabled As Boolean) As Void
SetRollOverOrigin(region_id As Integer,
                  x As Integer, y As Integer) As Void
IsMousePresent() As Boolean
```

roTouchScreen sends events of type roTouchEvent. roTouchEvent has these interfaces:

1. ifInt (the userid of the touched region)

2. `ifPoint` (the x,y coordinates of the touch point. Not normally needed). `ifPoint` has two member functions:
 - a. `GetX()` As Integer
 - b. `GetY()` As Integer
3. `ifEvent` (mouse events). `ifEvent` has the following member function:
 - a. `GetEvent()` As Integer

EnableRollover:

Use this function to enable a rollover for a touch region. It accepts the touch region's ID, two strings specifying the names of the on and off bitmap images, a cache setting, and the image player that draws the rollover. The `cache_image` parameter simply tells the script whether to keep the bitmaps loaded in memory. This is a good idea except that it uses up memory very quickly so we recommend that `cache_image` is normally set to 0.

EnableRegion:

Use this function to enable or disable a rollover region. It accepts the touch region's ID and a Boolean value (true or false). The rollover regions default to enabled when created, but you can set up all of the regions at the start of your script and then just enable the current ones when required.

SetRollOverOrigin:

The default requirement is that rollover bitmaps are the same size and position as the touch region (though for circular regions the bitmap is obviously square). This function can be used to change the origin, so that more (or less) of the screen changes when the mouse rolls in and out of the region. This means that bitmaps which are larger than the region can be drawn. Note that the default origin for circular regions is $(x - r, y - r)$ where (x, y) is the center and r is the radius.

ClearRegion:

Clears the list of regions added using `AddRegion` so that any touches in those regions no longer generate events. This call has no effect on the rollover graphics.

IsMousePresent:

Returns whether a relative pointing device is attached (i.e. not an absolute device like a touch screen).

Information about the cursor:

The mouse cursor is a 32x32 pixel square where each pixel can be one of 16 different colors. These colors are 16 bits with 14 bits of color and 2 bits of alpha. If you use all of the alpha levels on all shades then you limit the number of shades available to 5 (5 shades at 3 alpha levels plus 1 fully transparent color gives 16). The colors are actually specified internally in YUV (6-4-4 bits respectively) but we support setting the cursor from PNG, JPG, GIF or BMP.

The 32x32 pixel square in which the cursor is drawn can't be moved outside of the screen boundaries.

Rules:

1. The 32x32 cursor can be moved around within the screen boundaries but never overlap the edge.
2. Cursors should be 32x32 and centered.

These two rules will mean that although the cursor doesn't reach the edge, it does so in a symmetrical manner.

The only other limitation is that when running in interlaced modes e.g. 1080i and 1080p (because it's 1080i + deinterlace by the HDMI) the cursor is double the size.

Example: This code loops a video and waits for a mouse click or touch screen input. It outputs the coordinates, to the shell, of the click or touch, if it's within the defined region.

```
v=CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")
t=CreateObject("roTouchScreen")
p=CreateObject("roMessagePort")

v.SetPort(p)
t.SetPort(p)
v.SetLoopMode(1)
v.PlayFile("testclip.mp2v")

t.AddRectangleRegion(0,0,100,100,2)

loop:
    msg=wait(0, p)
    print "type: ";type(msg)
    print "msg=";msg
    if type(msg)="roTouchEvent" then
        print "x,y=";msg.GetX();msg.GetY()
    endif
    goto loop:
```

Another Example with Mouse support:

```
t=CreateObject("roTouchScreen")
t.SetPort(p)
REM Puts up a cursor if a mouse is attached
REM The cursor must be a 16 x 16 BMP
REM The x,y position is the "hot spot" point
t.SetCursorBitmap("cursor.bmp", 16, 16)
t.SetResolution(1024, 768)
t.SetCursorPosition(512, 389)
REM
REM Pass enable cursor display: TRUE for on, and FALSE for off
REM The cursor will only enable if there is a mouse attached
REM
t.EnableCursor(TRUE)
```

Example with a Rollover Region and Mouse Support:

```
img=CreateObject("roImagePlayer")
t=CreateObject("roTouchScreen")
p=CreateObject("roMessagePort")
t.SetPort(p)

t.SetCursorBitmap("cursor.bmp", 16, 16)
t.SetResolution(1024, 768)
t.SetCursorPosition(512, 389)
t.EnableCursor(1)

img.DisplayFile("\menu.bmp")
```

```
REM Adds a rectangular touch region
REM Enables rollover support for that region
REM Sets the rollover origin to the same position as the touch region
REM
t.AddRectangleRegion(0, 0, 100, 100, 1)
t.EnableRollOver(1, "on.bmp", "off.bmp", true, img)
t.SetRollOverOrigin(1, 0, 0)
```

roSerialPort

This object controls the RS232 serial port, allowing you to receive input and send responses.

roSerialPort has these interfaces:

1. ifStream
2. ifSerialControl
3. ifUserData

ifStream has these member functions:

```
SendByte(byte As Integer) As Void
SendLine(line As String) As Void
SendBlock(block As String) As Void
SetEol(eol As String) As Void
SetLineEventPort(port As Object) As Void
SetByteEventPort(port As Object) As Void
```

ifSerialControl has these member functions:

```
SetBaudRate(baud_rate As Integer) As Boolean
```

Supported baud rates are:

```
1800, 2000, 2400, 3600, 4800, 7200, 9600,
12800, 14400, 19200, 23040, 28800, 38400, 57600,
115200
```

```
SetMode(mode As String) As Boolean
```

- o Set the serial mode in "8N1" syntax. The first character is the number of data bits and can either be 5, 6, 7 or 8. The second is the parity and can be "N"one, "O"dd or "E"ven. The third is the number of stop bits and can be 1 or 2.

```
SetEcho(enable As Boolean) As Boolean
```

- o Enables or disables serial echo. Returns true on success and false on failure.

ifUserData has these member functions:

```
SetUserData(user_data As Object)
```

- o Sets the user data to be returned when events are raised.

```
GetUserData() As Object
```

- o Returns the user data that has previously been set via SetUserData or invalid if none has been set.

roSerialPort sends events of the following type:

1. roStreamLineEvent - The line event is generated whenever the end of line string set using SetEol is found and contains a String for the whole line. This object implements the ifStream and ifUserData interfaces.
2. roStreamByteEvent - The byte event is generated on every byte received. This object implements the ifInt and ifUserData interfaces.

Example: This code waits for a serial event, and echos the input received on the serial port to the shell

```
serial = CreateObject("roSerialPort", 0, 9600)
p = CreateObject("roMessagePort")
serial.SetLineEventPort(p)

serial_only:
msg = wait(0,p) ' Wait forever for a message.
if(type(msg) <> "roStreamLineEvent") goto serial_only 'Accept serial
messages only.
serial.SendLine(msg) ' Echo the message back to serial.
```

roDeviceInfo

The roDeviceInfo object implements the ifDeviceInfo interface only.

The ifDeviceInfo interface provides:

- `GetModel() As String`
 - Returns the model name for the BrightSign device running the script as a string. For example "HD1010" or "HD110".
- `GetVersion() As String`
 - Returns the version number of the BrightSign firmware running on the device. For example "1.3.14".
- `GetVersionNumber() As Integer`
 - Returns the version number of the BrightSign firmware running on the device in the more comparable numeric form of (major * 65536 + minor * 256 + build).
- `GetBootVersion() As String`
 - Returns the version number of the BrightSign boot firmware (also known as "safe mode") as a string. For example "1.0.4".
- `GetBootVersionNumber() As Integer`
 - Returns the version number of the BrightSign boot firmware (also known as "safe mode") in the more comparable numeric form of (major * 65536 + minor + 256 + build).
- `GetDeviceUptime() As Integer`
 - Returns the number of seconds that the device has been running since the last power cycle or reboot.
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- `GetDeviceBootCount() As Integer`
 - Returns the number of times the device has successfully booted since manufacture. This figure has only been updated since v1.1.x firmware.
- `GetDeviceUniqueId() As String`
 - Returns an identifier that if not an empty string is unique to the unit running the script.
 -
- `GetFamily() As String`
 - Returns a single string which indicates the family to which the device belongs. A device family is a set of models that are all capable of running the same firmware.

Example:

```
di = CreateObject("roDeviceInfo")
print di.GetModel()
print di.GetVersion(), di.GetVersionNumber()
print di.GetBootVersion(), di.GetBootVersionNumber()
print di.GetDeviceUptime(), di.GetDeviceBootCount()
```

On a particular system generates:

```
HD1010
3.2.41          197161
3.2.28          197148
14353           3129
```

roRegistry ()

The registry is an area of memory where a small number of persistent settings can be stored. Access to the registry is available through the roRegistry object.

This object is created with no parameters.

- `CreateObject("roRegistry")`

The following methods are supported:

- `GetSectionList() As roList`
 - returns a list with one entry for each registry section.
- `Delete(section As String) As Boolean`
 - deletes the specified section and returns an indication of success.
- `Flush() As Boolean`
 - flushes the registry out to persistent storage.

roRegistrySection ()

A section of the registry, enabling the organization of settings within the registry.

This object must be supplied with a "section" name on creation.

- `CreateObject("roRegistrySection", section As String)`

The roRegistrySection object implements the ifRegistrySection interface. This interface provides:

- `Read(key As String) As String`
 - reads and returns the value of the specified key.
- `Write(key As String, value As String) As Boolean`
 - replaces the value of the specified key.
- `Delete(key As String) As Boolean`
 - deletes the specified key.
- `Exists(key As String) As Boolean`
 - returns true if the specified key exists.
- `Flush() As Boolean`
 - flushes the contents of the registry out to persistent storage.
- `GetKeyList() As roList`
 - returns a list containing one entry per registry key in this section.

Example:

```
registrySection = CreateObject("roRegistrySection", "widget-usage")
' An empty entry will read as the null string and therefore be converted to zero.
hits = val(registrySection.Read("big-red-button-hits"))
hits = hits + 1
registrySection.Write("big-red-button-hits", strI(hits))
```

Writes do not always take immediate effect to prevent the system from exceeding the maximum number of writes on the I2C ROM. At most sixty seconds after a write to the registry it will automatically be written out to persistent storage. If for some reason the change must be written immediately then one of the flush functions should be called. Changes are automatically written prior to application exit.

roSystemTime ()

roSystemTime provides the ability to read and write the time stored in the RTC
This object supports getting and setting the time and time zone.

The roSystemTime object implements ifSystemTime. This interface provides:

- GetLocalDateTime() As ifDateTime
- GetUtcDateTime()As ifDateTime
- GetZoneDateTime(timezone_name As String) As ifDateTime
- SetLocalDateTime(localDateTime As roDateTime) As Boolean
- SetUtcDateTime(utcDateTime As roDateTime) As Boolean
- GetTimeZone() As String
- SetTimeZone(zone_name As String) As Boolean
- IsValid() As Boolean
 - o Returns true if the system time is set to something valid. It can be set from the RTC or NTP.

Dates up to 1 January 2038 are supported.

The following are the supported time zones:

EST: US Eastern Time
CST: US Central Time
MST: US Mountain Time
PST: US Pacific Time
AKST: Alaska Time
HST: Hawaii-Aleutian Time with no Daylight Saving (Hawaii)
HST1: Hawaii-Aleutian Time with Daylight Saving
MST1: US MT without Daylight Saving Time (Arizona)
EST1: US ET without Daylight Saving Time (East Indiana)
AST: Atlantic Time
CST2: Mexico (Mexico City)
MST2: Mexico (Chihuahua)
PST2: Mexico (Tijuana)
BRT: Brazil Time (Sao Paulo)
NST: Newfoundland Time
AZOT: Azores Time
GMTBST: London/Dublin Time
WET: Western European Time
CET: Central European Time
EET: Eastern European Time
MSK: Moscow Time
SAMT: Delta Time Zone (Samara)
YEKT: Echo Time Zone (Yekaterinburg)
IST: Indian Standard Time
NPT: Nepal Time
OMST: Foxtrot Time Zone (Omsk)
JST: Japanese Standard Time
CXT: Christmas Island Time (Australia)
AWST: Australian Western Time
AWST1: Australian Western Time without Daylight Saving Time
ACST: CST, CDT, Central Standard Time, , Darwin, Australia/Darwin, Australian Central Time without Daylight Saving Time (Darwin)
AEST: Australian Eastern Time

AEST1: Australian Eastern Time without Daylight Saving Time (Brisbane)

NFT: Norfolk (Island) Time (Australia)

NZST: New Zealand Time (Auckland)

CHAST: , Fiji Time, , Fiji, Pacific/Fiji, Yankee Time Zone (Fiji)

SST: X-ray Time Zone (Pago Pago)

GMT: Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-1: 1 hour ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-2: 2 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-3: 3 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-4: 4 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-5: 5 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-6: 6 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-7: 7 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-8: 8 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-9: 9 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-10: 10 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-11: 11 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-12: 12 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-13: 13 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT-14: 14 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+1: 1 hour behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+2: 2 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+3: 3 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+4: 4 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+5: 5 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+6: 6 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+7: 7 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+8: 8 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+9: 9 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+10: 10 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+11: 11 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+12: 12 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+13: 13 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

GMT+14: 14 hours behind Greenwich Mean Time

roDateTime ()

roDateTime represents an instant in time.

The roDateTime object implements ifDateTime. This interface provides:

- `GetDayOfWeek()` As Integer
- `GetDay()` As Integer
- `GetMonth()` As Integer
- `GetYear()` As Integer
- `GetHour()` As Integer
- `GetMinute()` As Integer
- `GetSecond()` As Integer
- `GetMillisecond()` As Integer
- `SetDay(day As Integer)` As Void
- `SetMonth(month As Integer)` As Void
- `SetYear(year As Integer)` As Void

- SetHour(hour As Integer) As Void
- SetMinute(minute As Integer) As Void
- SetSecond(second As Integer) As Void
- SetMillisecond(millisecond As Integer) As Void
- AddSeconds(seconds As Integer) As Void
- SubtractSeconds(seconds As Integer) As Void
- AddMilliseconds(milliseconds As Integer) As Void
- SubtractMilliseconds(milliseconds As Integer) As Void
- Normalize() As Boolean
 - Check that all the fields supplied are correct. It fails if values are out of bounds

A newly created object is at the time represented by zero seconds.

When used via the ifString interface ifDateTime will always use the sortable date format "YYYY-MM-DD hh:mm:ss".

roTimer ()

The roTimer object implements ifTimer and ifSetMessagePort. This ifTimer interface provides:

- SetTime(hour As Integer, minute As Integer, second As Integer, millisecond As Integer) As Void
- SetDate(year As Integer, month As Integer, day As Integer) As Void
- SetDayOfWeek(day_of_week As Integer) As Void
 - Set the time that you wish the event to trigger. In general if a value is -1 then it is a wildcard and will cause the event to trigger every time the rest of the specification matches. If there are no wildcards, then the timer will trigger only once, when the specified date/time occurs. It is possible using a combination of day and day_of_week to specify invalid combinations that will never occur.
 - If specifications include any wildcard then the second and millisecond specification must be zero. Events will be raised at most once a minute near the whole minute.
- SetDateTime(As ifDateTime) As Void
 - Set the time that you wish the event to trigger from a roDateTime object. It is not possible to set wildcards using this method.
- Start() As Boolean
 - Start the timer based on the current values specified via the above functions.
- Stop() As Boolean
 - Stop the timer.

Example: This code creates a timer that triggers every 30 seconds.

```
st=CreateObject("roSystemTime")
timer=CreateObject("roTimer")
mp=CreateObject("roMessagePort")
timer.SetPort(mp)

timeout=st.GetLocalDateTime()

timeout.AddSeconds(30)
timer.SetDateTime(timeout)

timer.Start()
```

```

while true
    ev = wait(0, mp)
    if (type(ev) = "roTimerEvent") then
        print "timer event received"
            timeout=st.GetLocalDateTime()
            timeout.AddSeconds(30)
        timer.SetDateTime(timeout)
            timer.Start()
    else
        print "unexpected event received"
    endif
endwhile

```

Example: This code creates a timer that triggers every minute using wildcards in the timer spec.

```

st=CreateObject("roSystemTime")
timer=CreateObject("roTimer")
mp=CreateObject("roMessagePort")
timer.SetPort(mp)

```

```

timer.SetDate(-1, -1, -1)
timer.SetTime(-1, -1, 0, 0)
timer.Start()

```

```

while true
    ev = wait(0, mp)
    if (type(ev) = "roTimerEvent") then
        print "timer event received"
    else
        print "unexpected event received"
    endif
endwhile

```

Example: This code creates a timer that triggers once at a specific date / time.

```

timer=CreateObject("roTimer")
mp=CreateObject("roMessagePort")
timer.SetPort(mp)

```

```

timer.SetDate(2008, 11, 1)
timer.SetTime(0, 0, 0, 0)

```

```

timer.Start()

```

```

while true
    ev = wait(0, mp)
    if (type(ev) = "roTimerEvent") then
        print "timer event received"
    else
        print "unexpected event received"
    endif
endwhile

```


roReadFile, roCreateFile, roReadWriteFile, roAppendFile ()

These objects provide file I/O functionality using the ifStreamRead, ifStreamSend, ifStreamSeek, and ifFile interfaces.

Creating an roReadFile object opens the specified file for reading only. Object creation fails if the file does not exist. roReadFile implements ifStreamSeek and ifStreamRead.

- `CreateObject("roReadFile", filename As String)`

Creating an roCreateFile object opens an existing file or creates a new file. If the file exists, it is truncated to zero size. roCreateFile implements ifStreamSeek, ifStreamRead, ifStreamSend, and ifFile.

- `CreateObject("roCreateFile", filename As String)`

Creating an roReadWriteFile object opens an existing file for both reading and writing. Object creation fails if the file does not exist. The current position is set to the beginning of the file. roReadWriteFile implements ifStreamSeek, ifStreamRead, ifStreamSend, and ifFile.

- `CreateObject("roReadWriteFile", filename As String)`

Creating an roAppendFile object opens an existing file or creates a new file. The current position is set to the end of the file and all writes are made to the end of the file. roAppendFile implements ifStreamSend, and ifFile.

- `CreateObject("roAppendFile", filename As String)`

The ifStreamRead interface provides:

- `SetReceiveEol(eol_sequence As String) As Void`
 - Set the EOL sequence when reading from the stream.
- `ReadByte() As Integer`
 - Reads a single byte from the stream, blocking if necessary. If the EOF is reached or there is an error condition, then a value less than 0 is returned.
- `ReadByteIfAvailable() As Integer`
 - Reads a single byte from the stream if one is available. If none is available, it returns immediately. A return value less than 0 indicates either that the EOF has been reached or no byte is available.
- `ReadLine() As String`
 - Reads until it finds a complete end of line sequence. If it fails to find the sequence within 4096 bytes, then it returns the 4096 bytes found. No data is discarded in this case.
- `ReadBlock(size As Integer) As String`
 - Reads the specified number of bytes. Size is limited to 65536 bytes. In the event of an EOF or an error, fewer bytes than requested will be returned. Any null bytes in the file will mask any further bytes.
- `AtEof() As Boolean`
 - Returns true if an attempt has been made to read beyond the end of the file. If the current position is at the end of the file but no attempt has been made to read beyond it, this method will return false.

The ifStreamSend interface provides:

- `SetSendEol(eol_sequence As String) As Void`
 - Set the EOL sequence when writing to the stream.
- `SendByte(byte As Integer) As Void`
 - Writes the specified byte to the stream.
- `SendLine(string As String) As Void`
 - Writes the specified characters to the stream followed by the current EOL sequence.

- `SendBlock(string As String) As Void`
 - Writes the specified characters to the stream. Any null bytes will terminate the block.

The `ifStreamSeek` interface provides:

- `SeekAbsolute(offset As Integer) As Void`
 - Seeks to the specified offset. If the offset is beyond the end of the file, then the file will be extended upon the next write and any previously unoccupied space will be filled with null bytes.
- `SeekRelative(offset As Integer) As Void`
 - Seeks to the specified offset relative to the current position. If the ultimate offset is beyond the end of the file, then the file will be extended as described in `SeekAbsolute`.
- `SeekToEnd() As Void`
 - Seeks to the end of the file.
- `CurrentPosition() As Integer`
 - Retrieves the current position within the file.

The `ifFile` interface provides:

- `Flush() As Void`
 - Ensures that all writes have been written out to the file. This is done automatically when the object is destroyed (for example, by reassigning the variable containing it).
- `AsyncFlush() As Void`
 - Ensures that all writes will be written out to the file within a few seconds. Without this call (or destroying the object or calling `Flush`) some writes are cached indefinitely in memory.

roTextField ()

A text field represents an area of the screen that can contain arbitrary text. This feature is intended for presenting diagnostic and usage information rather than for generating a user interface. The roTextField object implements the ifTextField and ifStreamSend interfaces.

The object is created with several parameters:

- CreateObject("roTextField", xpos As Integer, ypos As Integer, width_in_chars As Integer, height_in_chars As Integer, metadata As Object)
 - xpos = Horizontal coordinate for the top left of the text field.
 - ypos = Vertical coordinate for the top left of the text field. The top of the screen is zero.
 - width_in_chars = Width of the text field in character cells.
 - height_in_chars = Height of the text field in character cells.
 - metadata = Optionally a roAssociativeArray containing extra parameters for the text field. If you don't require this then pass zero.

Note that in TV modes a border around the screen may not be displayed due to overscanning. You may want to use the roVideoMode object's GetSafeX and GetSafeY functions to ensure that the coordinates you use will be visible.

The metadata object supports the following extra parameters:

- "CharWidth" the width of each character cell in pixels.
- "CharHeight" the height of each character cell in pixels.
- "BackgroundColor" the background color of the text field as an integer specifying eight bits for each of red, green and blue in the form &Hrrggbb.
- "TextColor" the color of the text as an integer specifying eight bits for each of red, green and blue in the form &Hrrggbb.
- "Size" an alternative to "CharWidth" and "CharHeight" for specifying either normal size text (0) or double-sized text (1).

The ifTextField interface provides:

- CIs() As Void
 - Clear the text field.
- GetWidth() As Integer
 - Return the width of the text field.
- GetHeight() As Integer
 - Return the height of the text field.
- SetCursorPos(x As Integer, As Integer) As Void
 - Move the cursor to the specified position. Subsequent output will appear at this position.
- GetValue() As Integer
 - Return the value of the character currently under the cursor.

The ifStreamSend interface provides (note – the ifStreamSend interface is also described in the section documenting the various BrightSign file objects – the interface is described again below in a manner more specific to the roTextField object):

- SendByte(byte As Integer) As Void
 - Write the character indicated by the specified number at the current cursor position within the text field and advance the cursor.
- SendLine(string As String) As Void
 - Write the characters specified at the current cursor position followed by the end of line sequence.

- o `SendBlock(string As String) As Void`
 - o Write the characters specified at the current cursor position and advance the cursor to one position beyond the last character.
- o `SetSendEol(string As String) As Void`
 - o Set the sequence sent at the end of a `SendLine` request. This should be left at the default value of `chr(13)` for normal use.

As with any object that implements the `ifStreamSend` interface, a text field can be written to using the `PRINT #textfield` syntax (see the example below).

It is also possible to write to a text field using the syntax `PRINT #textfield, @pos` where `pos` is the character position in the textfield. For example, if your textfield object has 8 columns and 3 rows, writing to position 17 writes to row 3, column 2 (positions 0-7 are in row 1; positions 8-15 are in row 2; positions 16-23 are in the last row).

When output reaches the bottom of the text field it will automatically scroll.

Example:

```
meta = CreateObject("roAssociativeArray")
meta.AddReplace("CharWidth", 20)
meta.AddReplace("CharHeight", 32)
meta.AddReplace("BackgroundColor", &H101010) ' Dark grey
meta.AddReplace("TextColor", &Hffff00) ' Yellow
vm = CreateObject("roVideoMode")
tf = CreateObject("roTextField", vm.GetSafeX(), vm.GetSafeY(), 20, 20,
meta)
print #tf, "Hello World"
tf.SetCursorPos(4, 10)
print #tf, "World Hello"
```

roAssociativeArray ()

An associative array (also known as a map, dictionary or hash table) allows objects to be associated with string keys. The `roAssociativeArray` class implements the `ifAssociativeArray` interface.

This object is created with no parameters:

- `CreateObject("roAssociativeArray")`

The `ifAssociativeArray` interface provides:

- `AddReplace(key As String, value As Object) As Void`
 - Add a new entry to the array associating the supplied object with the supplied string. Only one object may be associated with a string so any existing object is discarded.
- `Lookup(key As String) As Object`
 - Look for an object in the array associated with the specified string. If there is no object associated with the string then an object implementing `ifInt` containing zero is returned.
- `DoesExist(key As String) As Boolean`
 - Look for an object in the array associated with the specified string. If there is no associated object then false is returned. If there is such an object then true is returned.
- `Delete(key As String) As Boolean`
 - Look for an object in the array associated with the specified string. If there is such an object then it is deleted and true is returned. If not then false is returned.
- `Clear() As Void`
 - Remove all objects from the associative array.

Example:

```
aa = CreateObject("roAssociativeArray")
```

```
aa.AddReplace("Bright", "Sign")
```

```
aa.AddReplace("TMOL", 42)
```

```
print aa.Lookup("TMOL")
```

```
print aa.Lookup("Bright")
```

Produces:

```
42  
Sign
```

roRectangle ()

This object is created with several parameters:

- `CreateObject("roRectangle", x As Integer, y As Integer, width As Integer, height As Integer)`

The interface provides:

- `SetX(x As Integer) As Void`
- `SetY(y As Integer) As Void`
- `SetWidth(width As Integer) As Void`
- `SetHeight(height As Integer) As Void`
- `GetX() As Integer`
- `GetY() As Integer`
- `GetWidth() As Integer`
- `GetHeight() As Integer`

`SetRectangle` calls honor the view mode/aspect ratio conversion mode setup by the user. If the user has set the videoplayer to letterbox the video, it will do so if the video doesn't fit exactly in the new rectangle.

roTextWidget ()

An object used for putting text on the screen.

Object creation:

- `CreateObject("roTextWidget", r As roRectangle, line_count As Integer, text_mode As Integer, pause_time As Integer)`
 - `r` – `roRectangle` that contains the text
 - `line_count` – the number of lines of text to show in the rectangle
 - `text_mode` – 0 for an animated ‘teletype’ like view, 1 for static text and 2 for simple text with no queue of strings.
 - `pause_time` – how long each string is displayed prior to displaying the next string
- `CreateObject("roTextWidget", r As roRectangle, line_count As Integer, text_mode As Integer, array As roAssociativeArray)`
 - `r` – `roRectangle` that contains the text
 - `line_count` – the number of lines of text to show in the rectangle
 - `text_mode` – 0 for an animated ‘teletype’ like view, 1 for static text and 2 for simple text with no queue of strings.
 - `array` is an associative array that can include the following values
 - “LineCount” – the number of lines of text to show in the rectangle
 - “TextMode” - 0 for an animated ‘teletype’ like view or 1 for static text.
 - “PauseTime” - how long each string is displayed prior to displaying the next string. This does not apply to mode 2 `roTextWidgets` where the string on screen is always updated immediately.
 - “Rotation” – the rotation of the text in the widget, 0 degrees (0), 90 degrees (1), 180 degrees (2), 270 degrees (3)
 - “Alignment” – the alignment of the text. Left (0), center (1), or right(2)

The object includes the following interfaces:

- `PushString(str As String) As Boolean`
 - In mode 0 and 1, the string is added to the list of strings to display. Strings are displayed in order and when the end is reached it loops.
 - In mode 2 the string is displayed immediately.
- `PopStrings(number_of_string_to_pop As Integer) As Boolean`
 - In mode 0 and 1, pops strings off the front of the list (last in first out). The popping is done the next time the widget wraps so that strings can be added and removed seamlessly to the widget.
 - In mode 2, the string is cleared from the widget immediately.
- `GetStringCount() As Integer`
 - Returns the number of strings that will exist once any pending pops have taken place.
- `Clear() As Boolean`
 - Clears the list of strings leaving the widget blank and ready for more `PushString()` calls.

This object also uses the `ifWidget` interface which provides:

- `SetForegroundColor(color As Integer) As Boolean`
- `SetBackgroundColor(color As Integer) As Boolean`
 - `color` is in ARGB format.
- `SetFont(font_filename As String) As Boolean`
 - `font_filename` is a TrueType font, for example: `CF:/Ariel.ttf`
- `SetBackgroundBitmap(background_bitmap_filename As String, stretch As Boolean) As Boolean`

- o If `stretch` is true, the image is stretched to the size of the window.
- `SetSafeTextRegion(rect As roRectangle) As Boolean`
 - o `rect` specifies the rectangle within the widget where the text can be drawn safely.
- `Show() As Boolean`
 - o Displays the widget – after creation, the widget is hidden until `Show()` is called.
- `Hide() As Boolean`
 - o Hides the widget.

The top 8 bits of the color value are ‘alpha’. Alpha has no effect for the foreground text color but does effect the widget background color. 0 is fully transparent and 255 is fully non-transparent. This feature allows ‘subtitle’ like effects. For example, a semi-transparent black box containing text over video.

Modes 0 and 1 are useful for displaying RSS feeds and ticker type text. However, for very dynamic data where immediate screen update is required mode 2 is more appropriate. This allows text to be drawn immediately to the screen.

roResourceManager ()

The roResourceManager is used for managing strings in multiple languages.

Object creation:

- CreateObject("roResourceManager", filename As String)
 - filename = the name of the file that contains all of the localized resource strings required by the user. This file must be in UTF-8 format.

The interface includes:

- SetLanguage(language_identifier As String) As Boolean
 - Instructs the roResourceManager object to use the specified language. False is returned if there are no resources associated with the specified language.
- GetResource(resource_identifier As String) As String
 - Returns the resource string in the current language for a given resource identifier.

At present, the main use for the roResourceManager is for localizing the roClockWidget.

The resource file passed in on creation has the following format for each string entry:

```
[RESOURCE_IDENTIFIER_NAME_GOES_HERE]
eng "Jan|Feb|Mar|Apr|May|Jun|Jul|Aug|Sep|Oct|Nov|Dec"
ger "Jan|Feb|Mär|Apr|Mai|Jun|Jul|Aug|Sep|Okt|Nov|Dez"
spa "Ene|Feb|Mar|Abr|May|Jun|Jul|Ago|Sep|Oct|Nov|Dic"
fre "Jan|Fév|Mar|Avr|Mai|Jun|Jul|Aou|Sep|Oct|Nov|Déc"
ita "Gen|Feb|Mar|Apr|Mag|Giu|Lug|Ago|Set|Ott|Nov|Dic"
dut "Jan|Feb|Mar|Apr|Mei|Jun|Jul|Aug|Sep|Okt|Nov|Dec"
swe "Jan|Feb|Mar|Apr|Maj|Jun|Jul|Aug|Sep|Okt|Nov|Dec"
```

The name in the square brackets is the resource identifier. Each line after it is a language identifier followed by the resource string. Multiple roResourceManagers can be created.

A default "resources.txt" file is available from BrightSign's website.

roClockWidget ()

roClockWidget puts a clock on the screen. It has no extra interface, only construction arguments. roClockWidget implements the ifTextWidget interface.

Object creation:

- CreateObject("roClockWidget", rect As roRectangle, res As roResourceManager, display_type As Integer)
 - rect = the rectangle in which the clock is displayed. Based on the size of the rectangle, the widget picks a font.
 - display_type = 0 for date only, 1 for clock only. To show both on the screen, two widgets must be created.

Example:

```
rect=CreateObject("roRectangle", 0, 0, 300, 60)
res=CreateObject("roResourceManager", "resources.txt")
c=CreateObject("roClockWidget", rect, res, 1)
c.Show()
```

The resource manager is passed in to the widget and the widget uses the following resources within resources.txt to display the time/date correctly.

Here are the 'eng' entries:

```
[CLOCK_DATE_FORMAT]
eng "%A, %B %e, %Y"
[CLOCK_TIME_FORMAT]
eng "%l:%M"
[CLOCK_TIME_AM]
eng "AM"
[CLOCK_TIME_PM]
eng "PM"
[CLOCK_DATE_SHORT_MONTH]
eng "Jan|Feb|Mar|Apr|May|Jun|Jul|Aug|Sep|Oct|Nov|Dec"
[CLOCK_DATE_LONG_MONTH]
eng
"Janu-
ary|February|March|April|May|June|July|August|September|October|Novembe
r|December"
[CLOCK_DATE_SHORT_DAY]
eng "Sun|Mon|Tue|Wed|Thu|Fri|Sat"
[CLOCK_DATE_LONG_DAY]
eng "Sunday|Monday|Tuesday|Wednesday|Thursday|Friday|Saturday"
```

The following are the control characters for the date/time format strings:

```
// Date format
//
// %a Abbreviated weekday name
// %A Long weekday name
// %b Abbreviated month name
// %B Full month name
// %d Day of the month as decimal 01 to 31
```

```
// %e Like %d, the day of the month as a decimal number, but without
leading zero
// %m Month name as a decimal 01 to 12
// %n Like %m, the month as a decimal number, but without leading zero
// %y Two digit year
// %Y Four digit year

// Time format
//
// %H The hour using 24-hour clock (00 to 23)
// %I The hour using 12-hour clock (01 to 12)
// %k The hour using 24-hour clock (0 to 23); single digits are pre-
ceded by a blank.
// %l The hour using 12-hour clock (1 to 12); single digits are pre-
ceded by a blank.
// %M Minutes (00 to 59)
// %S Seconds (00 to 59)
```

roUrlTransfer ()

This object is used for reading from and writing to remote servers through URLs.

This object is created with no parameters:

- `CreateObject("roUrlTransfer")`

The interface provides:

- `GetIdentity() As Integer`
 - Returns a magic number that can be used to identify whether events originated from this object.
- `SetUrl(URL As String) As Boolean`
 - Sets the URL to use for the transfer request.
 - Returns false on failure – use `GetFailureReason()` to find out the reason for the failure.
- `SetPort(port As ifMessagePort) As Void`
 - Set the message port to which events will be posted for asynchronous requests.
- `AddHeader(name As String, value As String) As Boolean`
 - Add the specified HTTP header. Only valid for HTTP URLs.
 - Returns false on failure – use `GetFailureReason()` to find out the reason for the failure.
- `GetString() As String`
 - Connect to the remote service as specified in the URL and return the response body as a string. This function cannot return until the exchange is complete and it may block for a long time.
 - Only having a single string return means that much of the information (headers, response codes) is discarded. If this information is required then use `AsyncGetString` instead.
 - The size of string returned is limited to 65536 characters.
- `GetToFile(filename As String) As Integer`
 - Connect to the remote service as specified in the URL and write the response body to the specified file.
 - This function does not return until the exchange is complete and may block for a long time.
 - The response code from the server is returned. It is not possible to access any of the response headers. If this information is required use `AsyncGetToFile` instead.
- `AsyncGetString() As Boolean`
 - Begin a get request to a string asynchronously. Events will be sent to the message port associated with the object. If false is returned then the request could not be issued and no events will be delivered.
- `AsyncGetToFile(filename As String) As Boolean`
 - Begin a get request to a file asynchronously. Events will be sent to the message port associated with the object. If false is returned then the request could not be issued and no events will be delivered.
- `Head() As roUrlEvent`
 - Synchronously perform an HTTP HEAD request and return the resulting response code and headers through a `roUrlEvent` object. In the event of catastrophic failure (e.g. an asynchronous operation is already active) then a null object is returned.
- `AsyncHead() As Boolean`
 - Begin an HTTP HEAD request asynchronously. Events will be sent to the message port associated with the object. If false is returned then the request could not be issued and no events will be delivered.
- `PostFromString(request As String) As Integer`
 - Use the HTTP POST method to post the supplied string to the current URL and return the response code. Any response body is discarded.
- `PostFromFile(filename As String) As Boolean`

- Use the HTTP POST method to post the contents of the file specified to the current URL and return the response code. Any response body is discarded.
- `AsyncPostFromString(request As String) As Boolean`
 - Use the HTTP POST method to post the supplied string to the current URL. Events of type `roUrlEvent` will be sent to the message port associated with the object. If false is returned then the request could not be issued and no events will be delivered.
- `AsyncPostFromFile(filename As String) As Boolean`
 - Use the HTTP POST method to post the contents of the specified file to the current URL. Events of type `roUrlEvent` will be sent to the message port associated with the object. If false is returned then the request could not be issued and no events will be delivered.
- `SetUserAndPassword(user As String, password As String) As Boolean`
 - Enables HTTP authentication using the specified user name and password. Note that HTTP basic authentication is deliberately disabled due to it being inherently insecure. HTTP digest authentication is supported.
- `SetMinimumTransferRate(bytes_per_second As Integer, period_in_seconds As Integer) As Boolean`
 - Cause the transfer to be terminated if the rate drops below `bytes_per_second` when averaged over `period_in_seconds`. Note that if the transfer is over the Internet you may not want to set `period_in_seconds` to a small number in case network problems cause temporary drops in performance. For large file transfers and a small `bytes_per_second` limit averaging over fifteen minutes or even longer might be appropriate.
- `GetFailureReason() As String`
 - If any of the `roUrlTransfer` functions indicate failure then this function may provide more information regarding the failure.

roUrlEvent ()

- `GetInt() As Integer`
 - Returns the type of event. The following event types are currently defined:
 - 1 – transfer complete
 - 2 – transfer started. Headers are available for suitable protocols. (Not currently implemented)
- `GetResponseCode() As Integer`
 - Returns the protocol response code associated with this event. For a successful HTTP request this will be the HTTP status code 200.
 - For unexpected errors the return value is negative. There are lots of possible negative errors from the CURL library but it's often best just to look at the text version via `GetFailureReason()`.

Here are some potential errors. Not all of them can be generated by BrightSign:

Status	Name	Description
-1	CURLE_UNSUPPORTED_PROTOCOL	
-2	CURLE_FAILED_INIT	
-3	CURLE_URL_MALFORMAT	
-5	CURLE_COULDNT_RESOLVE_PROXY	
-6	CURLE_COULDNT_RESOLVE_HOST	
-7	CURLE_COULDNT_CONNECT	
-8	CURLE_FTP_WEIRD_SERVER_REPLY	
-9	CURLE_REMOTE_ACCESS_DENIED	a service was denied by the server due to lack of access - when login fails this is not returned.
-11	CURLE_FTP_WEIRD_PASS_REPLY	
-13	CURLE_FTP_WEIRD_PASV_REPLY	
-14	CURLE_FTP_WEIRD_227_FORMAT	
-15	CURLE_FTP_CANT_GET_HOST	
-17	CURLE_FTP_COULDNT_SET_TYPE	
-18	CURLE_PARTIAL_FILE	
-19	CURLE_FTP_COULDNT_RETR_FILE	
-21	CURLE_QUOTE_ERROR	quote command failure
-22	CURLE_HTTP_RETURNED_ERROR	
-23	CURLE_WRITE_ERROR	
-25	CURLE_UPLOAD_FAILED	failed upload "command"
-26	CURLE_READ_ERROR	could open/read from file
-27	CURLE_OUT_OF_MEMORY	
-28	CURLE_OPERATION_TIMEDOUT	the timeout time was reached
-30	CURLE_FTP_PORT_FAILED	FTP PORT operation failed
-31	CURLE_FTP_COULDNT_USE_REST	the REST command failed
-33	CURLE_RANGE_ERROR	RANGE "command" didn't work
-34	CURLE_HTTP_POST_ERROR	

-35	CURLE_SSL_CONNECT_ERROR	wrong when connecting with SSL
-36	CURLE_BAD_DOWNLOAD_RESUME	couldn't resume download
-37	CURLE_FILE_COULDNT_READ_FILE	
-38	CURLE_LDAP_CANNOT_BIND	
-39	CURLE_LDAP_SEARCH_FAILED	
-41	CURLE_FUNCTION_NOT_FOUND	
-42	CURLE_ABORTED_BY_CALLBACK	
-43	CURLE_BAD_FUNCTION_ARGUMENT	
-45	CURLE_INTERFACE_FAILED	CURLOPT_INTERFACE failed
-47	CURLE_TOO_MANY_REDIRECTS	catch endless re-direct loops
-48	CURLE_UNKNOWN_TELNET_OPTION	User specified an unknown option
-49	CURLE_TELNET_OPTION_SYNTAX	Malformed telnet option
-51	CURLE_PEER_FAILED_VERIFICATION	peer's certificate or fingerprint wasn't verified fine
-52	CURLE_GOT_NOTHING	when this is a specific error
-53	CURLE_SSL_ENGINE_NOTFOUND	SSL crypto engine not found
-54	CURLE_SSL_ENGINE_SETFAILED	can not set SSL crypto engine as default
-55	CURLE_SEND_ERROR,	failed sending network data
-56	CURLE_RECV_ERROR	failure in receiving network data
-58	CURLE_SSL_CERTPROBLEM	problem with the local certificate
-59	CURLE_SSL_CIPHER	couldn't use specified cipher
-60	CURLE_SSL_CACERT	problem with the CA cert (path?)
-61	CURLE_BAD_CONTENT_ENCODING	Unrecognized transfer encoding
-62	CURLE_LDAP_INVALID_URL	Invalid LDAP URL
-63	CURLE_FILESIZE_EXCEEDED,	Maximum file size exceeded
-64	CURLE_USE_SSL_FAILED,	Requested FTP SSL level failed
-65	CURLE_SEND_FAIL_REWIND,	Sending the data requires a rewind that failed
-66	CURLE_SSL_ENGINE_INITFAILED	failed to initialise ENGINE
-67	CURLE_LOGIN_DENIED	user, password or similar was not accepted and we failed to login
-68	CURLE_TFTP_NOTFOUND	file not found on server
-69	CURLE_TFTP_PERM	permission problem on server
-70	CURLE_REMOTE_DISK_FULL	out of disk space on server
-71	CURLE_TFTP_ILLEGAL	Illegal TFTP operation
-72	CURLE_TFTP_UNKNOWNID	Unknown transfer ID
-73	CURLE_REMOTE_FILE_EXISTS	File already exists
-74	CURLE_TFTP_NOSUCHUSER	No such user
-75	CURLE_CONV_FAILED	conversion failed
-76	CURLE_CONV_REQD	caller must register conversion callbacks using curl_easy_setopt options CURLOPT_CONV_FROM_NETWORK_FUNCTION, CURLOPT_CONV_TO_NETWORK_FUNCTION, and CURLOPT_CONV_FROM_UTF8_FUNCTION
-77	CURLE_SSL_CACERT_BADFILE	could not load CACERT file, missing or wrong format
-78	CURLE_REMOTE_FILE_NOT_FOUND	remote file not found
-79	CURLE_SSH	error from the SSH layer, somewhat generic so the error message will be of interest when this has happened

-80	CURLE_SSL_SHUTDOWN_FAILED	Failed to shut down the SSL connection
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- `GetFailureReason() As String`
 - Returns a description of the failure that occurred.
- `GetString() As String`
 - Return the string associated with the event. For transfer complete `AsyncGetToString`, `AsyncPostFromString` and `AsyncPostFromFile` requests this will be the actual response body from the server truncated to 65536 characters.
- `GetFailureReason() As Integer`
 - Returns a magic number that can be matched with the value returned by `roUrlTransfer.GetIdentity()` to determine where this event came from.
- `GetResponseHeaders() As roAssociativeArray`
 - Returns an associative array containing all the headers returned by the server for appropriate protocols (such as HTTP).
- `GetSourceIdentity() As Integer`
 - Returns a magic number that can be matched with the value returned by `roUrlTransfer.GetIdentity()` to determine where this event came from.

roRssParser, roRssArticle ()

roRssParser and roRssArticle class are used to display an RSS ticker on the screen.

roRssParser is created with no parameters:

- `CreateObject("roRssParser")`

The roRssParser interface provides:

- `ParseFile(filename As String) As Boolean`
 - Parse an RSS feed from a file.
- `ParseString(filename As String) As Boolean`
 - Parse an RSS feed from a string.
- `GetNextArticle() As Object`
 - Get the next article parsed by the RSS parser. The articles are sorted in publication date order with the most recent article first. This returns an roRssArticle object if there is one, otherwise an Integer is returned.

The roRssArticle interface provides:

- `GetTitle() As String`
 - The title of the RSS item.
- `GetDescription() As String`
 - The content of the RSS item.
- `GetDescription() As String`
 - Returns the difference in seconds for the publication date between this RSS item and the most recent item in the feed. This can be used by the user to decide that an article is too old to display.

Example:

```
u=CreateObject("roUrlTransfer")
u.SetUrl("http://www.lemonde.fr/rss/sequence/0,2-3208,1-0,0.xml")
u.GetToFile("tmp:/rss.xml")

r=CreateObject("roRssParser")
r.ParseFile("tmp:/rss.xml")

EnableZoneSupport(1)
b=CreateObject("roRectangle", 0, 668, 1024, 100)
t=CreateObject("roTextWidget", b, 3, 2, 2)
t.SetForegroundColor(&hD0D0D0)
t.Show()

article_loop:
a = r.GetNextArticle()
if type(a) = "roRssArticle" then
    t.PushString(a.GetDescription())
    goto article_loop
endif

loop:
sleep(1000)
goto article_loop
```

roNetworkConfiguration ()

Object creation:

- `CreateObject("roNetworkConfiguration", network_interface as Integer)`

The `network_interface` parameter is used to distinguish between the following:

- 0 for the Ethernet port (if available) on the rear of the BrightSign.
- 1 for the optional internal WiFi

Some of the settings are specific to the network interface and some are used by the BrightSign host for all network interfaces.

The `ifNetworkConfiguration` interface provides (“Set” methods do not take effect until `Apply` is called):

- `SetDHCP()` as Boolean (interface)
 - Enable DHCP. Disables all other settings. Returns true if successful.
- `SetIP4Address(ip As String)` As Boolean (interface)
- `SetIP4Netmask(netmask As String)` As Boolean (interface)
- `SetIP4Broadcast(broadcast As String)` As Boolean (interface)
- `SetIP4Gateway(gateway As String)` As Boolean (interface)
 - Set IPv4 interface configuration. All values must be specified explicitly. Unlike the `ifconfig` shell command there is no automatic inference. The parameter is a string dotted decimal quad (i.e. “192.168.1.2” or similar). Returns true on success.
 - Example

```
nc.SetIP4Address("192.168.1.42")
nc.SetIP4Netmask("255.255.255.0")
nc.SetIP4Broadcast("192.168.1.255")
nc.SetIP4Gateway("192.168.1.1")
```
- `SetWiFiESSID(essid as String)` as Boolean (interface)
 - Configure the name of the wireless network to try and connect to. Returns true on success.
- `SetWiFiPassphrase(passphrase as String)` as Boolean
 - Configure the passphrase or key for the wireless network. Returns true if successfully set.
- `SetDomain(domain As String)` As Boolean (host)
 - Set the device domain name. This will be appended to names to fully qualify them. It is not necessary to call this. Returns true on success.
 - Example

```
nc.SetDomain("BrightSign.biz")
```
- `AddDNSServer(server As String)` (host)
 - When the object is created there are no DNS servers, this adds another server to the list. There is currently a maximum of three but adding more will not fail. Returns true on success. There is no way to remove all the servers, just re-create the object.
- `GetFailureReason()` As String
 - Give more information when a member function has returned false.
- `Apply()` As Boolean
 - Apply the requested changes to the network interface. This may take several seconds to complete.
- `SetTimeServer(time_server As String)` As Boolean (host)
 - The default time server is “time.brightsignnetwork.com”. The use of NTP can be disabled by calling `SetTimeServer("")`.
- `GetTimeServer()` As String (host)

- Retrieve the time server currently in use.
- SetHostName(name as String) as Boolean (host)
 - Set the device host name. If no host name has been explicitly set then a host name is automatically generated based on the device serial number.
- GetHostName() As String (host)
 - Retrieve the host name currently in use.
- SetProxy(proxy as String) As Boolean (host)
 - Sets the name or address of the proxy server used for HTTP and FTP requests. This should be of the form “http://user:password@hostname:port”. It can contain up to four “*” characters which are each replaced with one octet from the current IP address . For example, if the IP address is currently 192.168.1.2 and the proxy is set to “proxy-*-*” then the BrightSign will attempt to use a proxy named “proxy-192.168”.
- ScanWiFi() As Object
 - Scan for available wireless networks. The results are reported as a roArray containing roAssociativeArrays with the following members:

ssid	String	Network name
bssid	String	Access point BSSID

- GetCurrentConfig() As Object
 - Retrieve the entire current configuration as an associative array containing the following members:

dhcp	Boolean	Interface	True if the system is currently configured to use DHCP, false otherwise.
hostname	String	Host	The currently configured host name.
mdns_hostname	String	Host	The Zeroconf host name currently in use (this may be longer than the host name if there is a collision on the current network.)
ethernet_mac	String	Interface	The Ethernet MAC address.
ip4_address	String	Interface	The current IPv4 address. If none is currently set the string will be empty.
ip4_netmask	String	Interface	The current IPv4 network mask. If none is currently set the string will be empty.
ip4_broadcast	String	Interface	The current IPv4 broadcast address. If none is currently set the string will be empty.
ip4_gateway	String	Interface	The current IPv4 gateway address. If none is currently set the string will be empty.
domain	String	Host	The current domain suffix.
dns_servers	roArray of Strings	Host	The currently active DNS servers.
time_server	String	Host	The current time server.
configured_proxy	String	Host	The currently configured proxy. This may contain magic characters as explained under SetProxy above.
current_proxy	String	Host	The currently active proxy. Any magic characters will have been replaced as explained under SetProxy above.
type	String	Interface	Either “wired” or “wifi”.

link	Boolean	Interface	Indicates whether the network interface is currently connected.
wifi_essid	String	Interface	The name of the current WiFi network (if any)

- TestInterface() As Object
 - Perform various tests on the network interface to determine whether it appears to be working correctly. Report the results via an associative array containing the following members:

ok	Boolean	True if the tests find no problems. False if at least one problem was identified.
diagnosis	String	A single line diagnosis of the first problem identified with the network interface.
log	roArray containing Strings	A verbose log of all the tests performed and their results.

- TestInternetConnectivity() As Object
 - Perform various tests on the Internet connection (via any available network interface – not necessarily the one specified when the roNetworkConfiguration object was created) to determine whether it appears to be working correctly. Report the results via an associative array containing the following members:

ok	Boolean	True if the tests find no problems. False if at least one problem was identified.
diagnosis	String	A single line diagnosis of the first problem identified with the Internet connection.
log	roArray containing Strings	A verbose log of all the tests performed and their results.

roStorageInfo ()

Objects of this type are used to report storage device usage information.

Object creation:

- `CreateObject("roStorageInfo", path As String)`
 - Create a `roStorageInfo` object containing the storage device information for the specified path. The path need not be to the root of the storage device.

ifStorageInfo interface:

Note that on some filesystems that have a portion of space reserved for the super-user the expression `GetUsedInMegabytes() + GetFreeInMegabytes() == GetSizeInMegabytes()` may not be true.

- `GetBytesPerBlock() As Integer`
 - Returns the size of a native block on the filesystem used by the storage device specified.
- `GetSizeInMegabytes() As Integer`
 - Returns the total size of the storage device in Mibibytes.
- `GetUsedInMegabytes() As Integer`
 - Returns the amount of space currently used on the storage device in Mibibytes. Note that this includes the size of the pool because this class does not know anything about pools.
- `GetFreeInMegabytes() As Integer`
 - Returns the available space on the storage device in Mibibytes.
- `GetFileSystemType() As String`
 - Returns a string describing the type of filesystem used on the specified storage. Potential values are:
 - fat12
 - fat16
 - fat32
 - ext3
 - ntfs
 - hfs
 - hfsplus
- `GetStorageCardInfo() As Object`
 - Returns an associative array containing details of the storage device hardware (e.g. memory card). For SD cards the returned data may include:

<code>sd_mfr_id</code>	Int	Card manufacturer ID as assigned by SD Card Association
<code>sd_oem_id</code>	String	Two-character card OEM identifier as assigned by SD Card Association
<code>sd_product_name</code>	String	Product name, assigned by card manufacturer. (5 bytes for SD, 6 bytes for MMC.)
<code>sd_spec_vers</code>	Int	Version of SD spec to which this card conforms.
<code>sd_product_rev</code>	String	Product revision assigned by card manufacturer.
<code>sd_speed_class</code>	String	Speed class declared by card, if any.
<code>sd_au_size</code>	Int	Size of SD AU in bytes.

Example:

```
si=CreateObject("roStorageInfo", "CF:/")  
Print si.GetFreeInMegabytes(); "MiB free"
```

roBrightPackage ()

An roBrightPackage represents a zip file. The zip file can include arbitrary content or can be installed on a storage device to provide content and script updates (for example, to distribute updates via USB thumb drives).

Object creation:

- CreateObject("roBrightPackage", filename As String)
 - filename = The filename for the zip file

The interface provides:

- Unpack(path As String) As Void
 - path = The destination path for the extracted files, e.g. "ATA:/".
- SetPassword(password As String) As Void
 - password = The password specified when the zip file was created
 - roBrightPackage supports AES 128 and 256 bit encryption as generated by WinZip.

Example:

```
package = CreateObject("roBrightPackage", "newfiles.zip")
package.SetPassword("test")
package.Unpack("ATA:/")
```

Using roBrightPackage to distribute new content:

BrightSign checks storages for autorun scripts in the following order:

- External USB devices 1 through 9
- CF
- SD

In addition to looking for autorun.bas scripts, BrightSign looks for autorun.zip files that contain a script name autozip.bas. If autozip.bas is encrypted, then BrightSign uses the password stored in the registry in the section 'security' under the name 'autozipkey' to decrypt the file. If an autorun.zip file with an autozip.bas file is found and autozip.bas is decrypted, BrightSign will execute the autozip.bas file. The autozip.bas file cannot reference any external files as it is the only file to be automatically uncompressed by BrightSign prior to execution. The autozip.bas script unpacks the contents of the autorun.zip file to an installed storage device and reboots to complete the update.

Example:

```
' Content update application

r=CreateObject("roRectangle", 20, 668, 1240, 80)
t=CreateObject("roTextWidget",r,1,2,1)
r=CreateObject("roRectangle", 20, 20, 1200, 40)
t.SetSafeTextRegion(r)
t.SetForegroundColor(&hff303030)
t.SetBackgroundColor(&hfffffff)
t.PushString("Updating content from USB drive, please wait...")

package = CreateObject("roBrightPackage", "autorun.zip")
package.SetPassword("test")
package.Unpack("ATA:/")
package = 0
```

```
t.Clear()
t.PushString("Update complete - remove USB drive to restart.")

wait:
    sleep(1000)

    usb_key = CreateObject("roReadFile", "USB1:/autorun.zip")
    if type(usb_key) <> "roReadFile" then
        a=RebootSystem()
    endif
    usb_key = 0

    goto wait
```

roDatagramSender, roDatagramReceiver ()

The `roDatagramSender` and `roDatagramReceiver` classes allow for simple sending and receiving of unicast and broadcast UDP packets.

`roDatagramSender` allows UDP packets to be sent to a specified destination. It implements `ifDatagramSender`.

`roDatagramSender` is created with no parameters:

- `CreateObject("roDatagramSender ")`

The `ifDatagramSender` interface provides:

- `SetDestination(destination_address As String, destination_port As Integer) As Boolean`
 - Specify the destination IP address in dotted quad form along with the destination port. Returns true on success.
- `Send(packet As Object) As Integer`
 - Send the specified data packet as a datagram. The packet may be a string or a `roByteArray`. Returns zero on success or a negative error number on failure.

`roDatagramReceiver` causes instances of `roDatagramEvent` to be sent to a message port when UDP packets are received on the specified port. It implements `ifIdentity` and `ifSetMessagePort`.

`roDatagramReceiver` is created with a single parameter:

- `CreateObject("roDatagramReceiver ", port As Integer)`
 - Specify the port on which to receive UDP packets.

`roDatagramEvent` implements `ifString`, `ifSourceIdentity` and `ifDatagramEvent`.

The `ifDatagramEvent` interface provides:

- `GetByteArray() as Object`
 - Returns the contents of the packet as a `roByteArray`.
- `GetSourceHost() as String`
 - Returns the source IP address of the packet in the dotted form.
- `GetSourcePort() as Integer`
 - Returns the source port of the packet.

Examples:

```
` This script broadcasts a single UDP packet containing "HELLO" to  
` anyone on the network listening on port 21075.
```

```
sender = CreateObject("roDatagramSender")  
sender.SetDestination("255.255.255.255", 21075)  
sender.Send("Hello")
```

```
` This script listens for UDP packets on port 21075  
receiver = CreateObject("roDatagramReceiver", 21075)  
mp = CreateObject("roMessagePort")  
receiver.SetPort(mp)  
while true
```

```
    event = mp.WaitMessage(0)
    if type(event) = "roDatagramEvent" then
        print "Datagram: "; event
    endif
end while
```

roVideoInput()

roVideoInput supports playing back video supplied by a video capture dongle.

roVideoInput is created with no parameters:

- `CreateObject("roVideoInput ")`

The `ifVideoInput` interface provides:

- `GetStandards() As roArray(String)`
- `GetInputs() As roArray(String)`
 - These return an array of strings describing the various inputs and video standards that the video capture device supports. Standards returned are PAL-D/K, PAL-G, PAL-H, PAL-I, PAL-D, PAL-D1, PAL-K, PAL-M, PAL-N, PAL-Nc, PAL-60, SECAM-B/G, , ECAM-B, SECAM-D, SECAM-G, SECAM-H, SECAM-K, SECAM-K1, SECAM-L, SECAM-LC, SECAM-D/K, NTSC-M, NTSC-Mj, NTSC-443, NTSC-Mk, PAL-B and PAL-B1. Inputs returned are s-video and composite.
- `SetStandard(As String) As Boolean`
- `GetCurrentStandard() As String`
- `SetInput(As String) As Boolean`
- `GetCurrentInput() As String`
 - Use the above to get and set the input and video standard.
- `GetControls() As roArray(String)`
 - Returns the possible controls on the input. These include 'Brightness', 'Contrast', 'Saturation', 'Hue', and others.
- `SetControlValue(control_name As String, value As Integer) As Boolean`
 - Sets the value of the specified control
- `GetCurrentControlValue(control_name As String) As roAssociativeArray`
 - Returns an associative array with 3 members: Value, Minimum and Maximum. Value is the current value, and the possible range is specified by minimum and maximum.

Here is an example script that creates a full screen display with the video capture dongle as the video source.

```
v=CreateObject("roVideoPlayer")
i=CreateObject("roVideoInput")
p=CreateObject("roMessagePort")

vm=CreateObject("roVideoMode")
vm.SetMode("1280x720x60p")

r = CreateObject("roRectangle", 0, 0, 1280, 720)
v.SetRectangle(r)

i.SetInput("s-video")
i.SetStandard("ntsc-m")

v.PlayEx(i)
```

```
loop:
    msg = wait(0, p)
goto loop
```

roCecInterface()

RoCecInterface provides access to the HDMI CEC channel. It implements ifSetMessagePort and IfCecInterface.

roCecInterface is created with no parameters:

- CreateObject("roCecInterface")

The IfCecInterface interface provides:

- SendRawMessage(packet As Object) As Void
 - Sends a message on the CEC bus. The frame data should be provided as a roByteArray, with the destination address in the low 4 bits of the first octet. The high 4 bits of the first octet should be supplied as zero and will be replaced with the source address.

If a roMessagePort is attached to roCecInterface, it will receive events of type roCecRxFrameEvent and/or roCecTxCompleteEvent..

roCecRxFrameEvent implements ifCecRxFrameEvent.

roCecTxCompleteEvent implements ifCecTxCompleteEvent.

The ifCecRxFrameEvent interface provides:

- GetByteArray() As Object
 - Returns the message data as a roByteArray.

The ifCecTxCompleteEvent interface provides:

- GetStatusByte() As Integer

Currently defined status codes are:

0x00	Transmission successful
0x80	Unable to send, CEC hardware powered down
0x81	Internal CEC error
0x82	Unable to send, CEC line jammed
0x83	Arbitration error
0x84	Bit timing error
0x85	Destination address not acknowledged
0x86	Data byte not acknowledged

