

# The Blogilo Handbook

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## **Abstract**

Blogilo is a blogging client for KDE.

## Chapter 1

# Introduction

Blogilo is a blogging client.

A blog client (also called blog software or blogware) is a software designed to simplify the creation and maintenance of weblogs. As other specialized content management systems do, weblog applications support the authoring, editing, and publishing of blog posts and comments, with special functions for image management, web syndication, and moderation of posts and comments.

## Chapter 2

# Using Blogilo

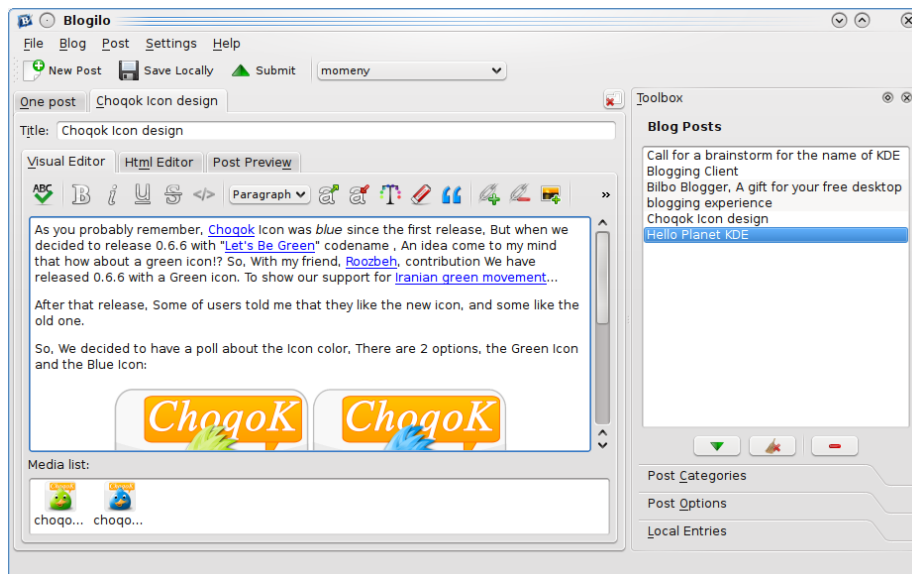
### 2.1 Getting started

In Blogilo main window, you can create new posts, modify previous ones, remove them from the server as well as upload media files to the server. You can also save posts locally for later use.

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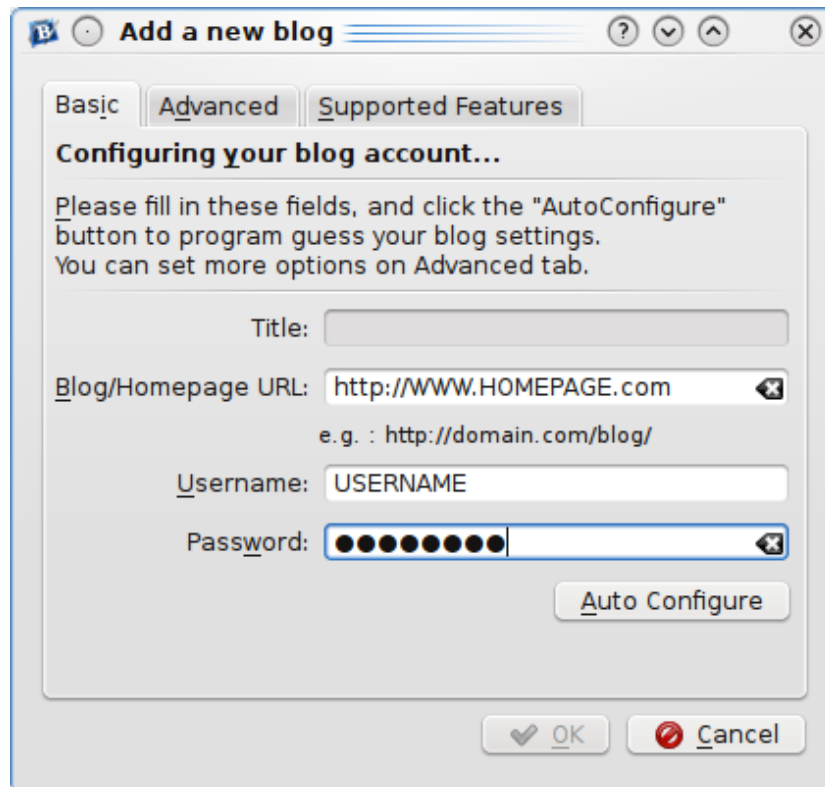
All of these will be available after you configure at least one blog in Blogilo.

Without any configured blog you can write and save some posts locally for later use.



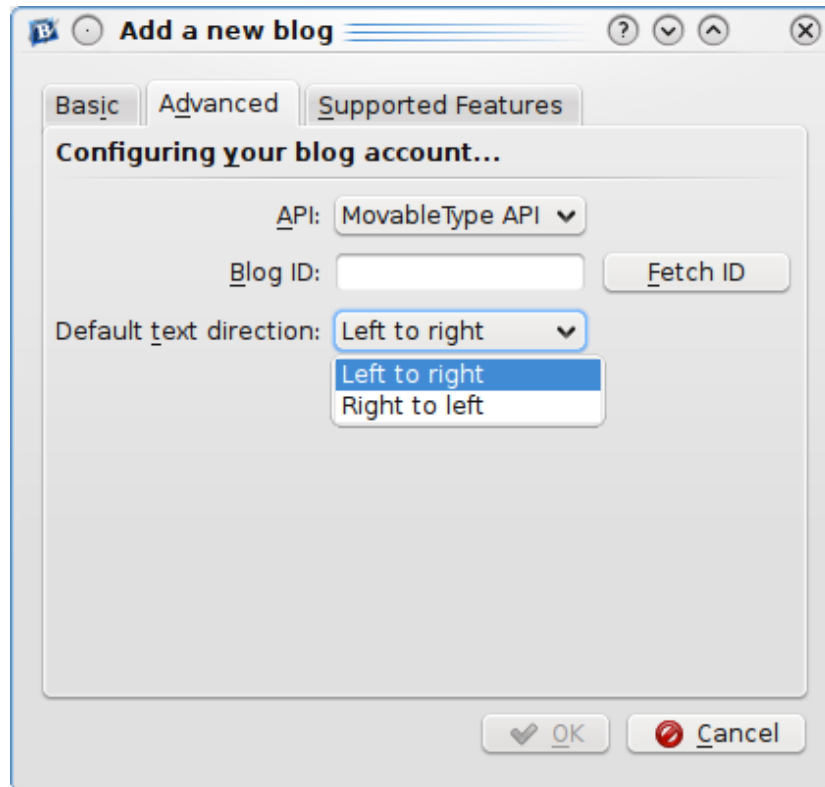
## 2.2 Configuring a blog

Blog management is available in the Configure Blogilo dialog, and is accessible via Settings → Configure Blogilo... menu. Also there is a shortcut for it in the main window in Blog → Add Blog... menu.



To add a blog, you simply have to insert your blog address, username and password in the corresponding fields and then click the Auto Configure button for the most famous blogging servers such as Wordpress. It will guess your blog, and api, and then will fetch your BlogId.

And if it fails, you can manually select your blog's API type in the Advanced tab and click Fetch ID to fetch id, or enter your Blog id, if you know it. And if you are using a "right to left" language, select Right To Left in next combo box.



You can check what Blogilo supports for your blog now, in the Supported Features tab.

## 2.3 Creating a new Post

To create a new post, in main window, you can click on New Post toolbar button or under Post menu, or simply press Ctrl+N (its shortcut).

A new/empty post is created, and you can write, and configure it, and then submit it to your blog.

The Blogilo main window is divided into two sections, Composer and Toolbox.

### 2.3.1 Composer

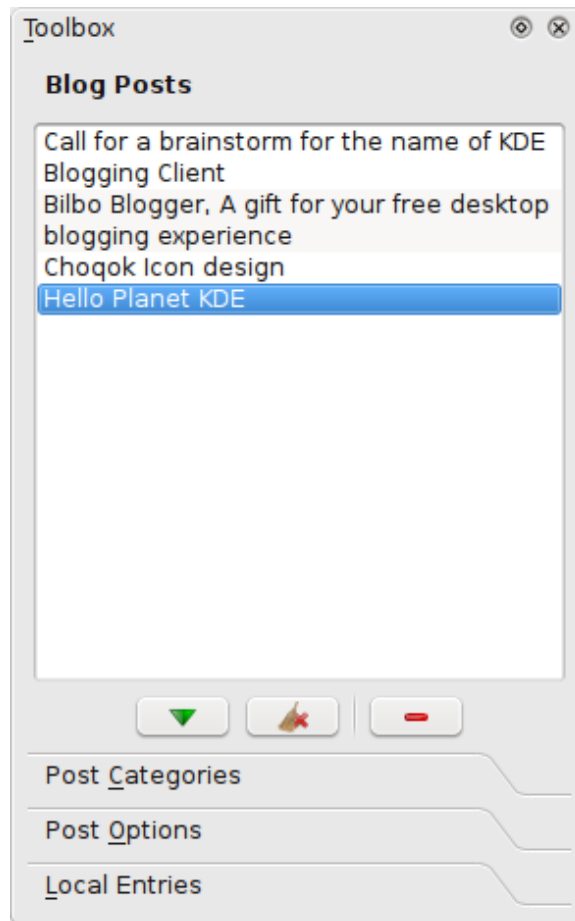
In the Composer section, you have a text field with the label Title, where you can write the title of the post. Below it, you have 3 tabs to edit your post in several ways. The first is a Visual Editor: it is a WYSIWIG editor and you only need to use the icons to format your text. Next tab is a HTML editor, where you have a text editor to edit HTML code of your post, with a syntax highlighted

editor. And on last tab, you can view your post with your blog style, before submitting it to the server.

### 2.3.2 Toolbox

The Toolbox has four sections:

1. Blog Posts

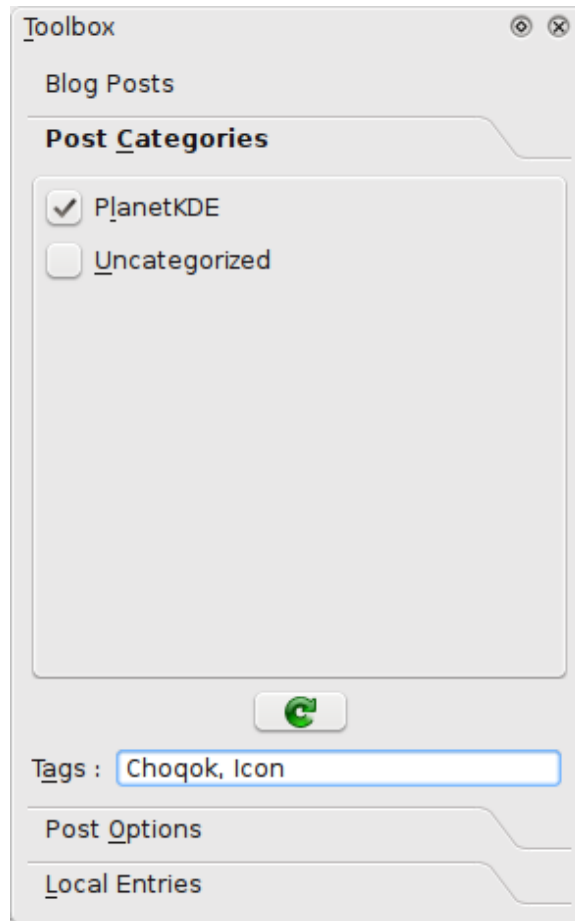


In this section, you can fetch the latest posts from the server.

Double click on a post entry to load it into the composer and modify it or remove a post from the server.

2. Post Categories

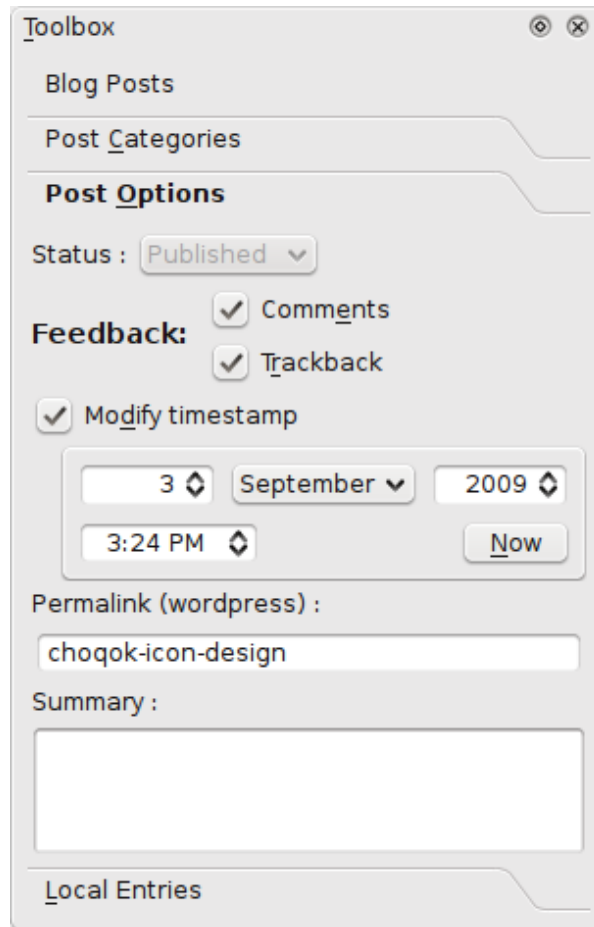
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In this section you can select categories and tags for your post. Tags must be comma separated.

### 3. Post Options

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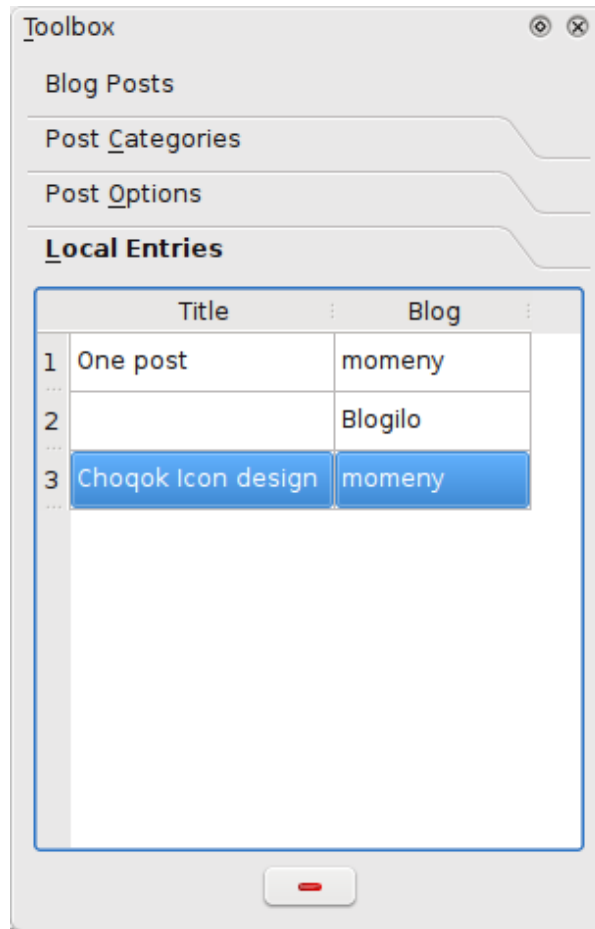


The image shows a 'Toolbox' window with the following sections:

- Blog Posts**
- Post Categories**
- Post Options**
  - Status :
  - Feedback:**
    - Comments
    - Trackback
  - Modify timestamp
  - Date and time fields:
    - Day:
    - Month:
    - Year:
    - Time:
    - Button:
- Permalink (wordpress) :**
- Summary :**
- Local Entries**

Here you can select some options for the currently active post in the composer such as Feedback options (for example if visitors can leave a comment for this post or not), select a publish date, or a title to use for permalink of the post (for Wordpress blogs only).

#### 4. Local Entries

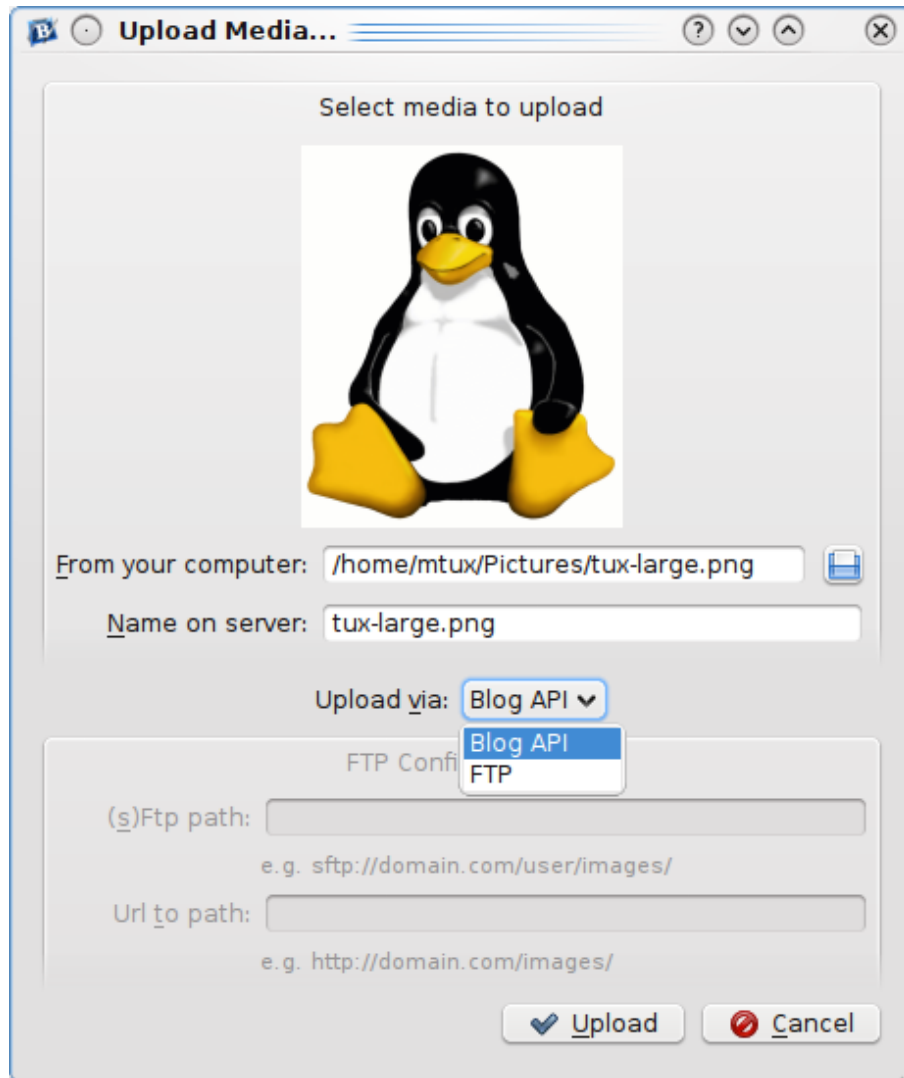


And in the Local Entries section, you can double click on an entry to load it into composer, or remove it from disk.

## 2.4 Uploading a Media file to the server

To upload a file to the server, use Blog → Upload Media... then you are asked to select a file from your disk. Then the media upload dialog will be ready to upload it:

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If your blog API supports media uploading, you have 2 options here, and if not, there is just one and it's FTP server.

You can preview your desired file here (if it has any way to preview), and select its name on the server. And then click Upload.

If you want to upload to a FTP server, the absolute path of the folder is required. And you have to enter a URL to use for guessing the link of the file on the server.

## Chapter 3

# Menu Reference

### 3.1 The File Menu

**File** → **Quit (Ctrl+Q)** Quit Blogilo

### 3.2 The Blog Menu

**Blog** → **Add Blog...** A quick way to add a new blog.

**Blog** → **Upload Media...** Open Media uploader, to upload files such as images to blog or FTP server.

**NOTE**

Only MetaWeblog and MovableType and Wordpress APIs support media uploading function.

### 3.3 The Post Menu

**Post** → **New Post (Ctrl+N)** Create a new and empty post.

**Post** → **Save Locally (Ctrl+S)** Save current post locally.

**Post** → **Submit...** Open the Submit post dialog, to submit the current active post to the current blog.

In submit post, you can select if this post should submit as a draft or not. And additionally as an edit of current, or as a new post.

### 3.4 The Settings Menu

**Settings** → **Clear Cached Images** Clear current image cache.

**Settings** → **Show Toolbox (Ctrl+T)** Toggle the toolbox on/off.

**Settings** → **Show Statusbar** Toggle the statusbar.

**Settings** → **Configure Shortcuts...** Configure the keyboard shortcuts used by Blogilo.

**Settings** → **Configure Toolbars...** Configure the items you want to put in the toolbar.

**Settings** → **Configure Blogilo...** Display the Blogilo settings dialog.

### 3.5 The Help Menu

**Help** → **Blogilo Handbook (F1)** Invokes the KDE Help system starting at the Blogilo help pages. (this document).

**Help** → **What's This? (Shift+F1)** Changes the mouse cursor to a combination arrow and question mark. Clicking on items within Blogilo will open a help window (if one exists for the particular item) explaining the item's function.

**Help** → **Report Bug...** Opens the Bug report dialog where you can report a bug or request a 'wishlist' feature.

**Help** → **Switch Application Language...** Opens a dialog where you can edit the Primary language and Fallback language for this application.

**Help** → **About Blogilo** This will display version and author information.

**Help** → **About KDE** This displays the KDE version and other basic information.

## Chapter 4

# Credits and License

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# Appendix A

## Installation

### A.1 How to obtain Blogilo

Blogilo is part of the KDE project <http://www.kde.org/> .

Blogilo can be found in the playground/pim package on <ftp://ftp.kde.org/pub/kde/> , the main FTP site of the KDE project.

### A.2 Compilation and Installation

For detailed information on how to compile and install KDE applications see [Building KDE4 From Source](#)

Since KDE uses **cmake** you should have no trouble compiling it. Should you run into problems please report them to the KDE mailing lists.