Bugs

There is no way a program as complex as BarFly can ever be made entirely bug-free. Extensive testing can eliminate most of the bugs, but even Microsoft Word crashes sometimes, despite being a best-selling product of the biggest software company on earth. I can only test BarFly on a limited number of machines/System versions/Printers, and I rely totally on the goodwill of users who send me bug reports. If you find a bug, tell me about it. I won't be upset - programmers are pleased when users report bugs that they can fix. I usually fix bugs quickly, and mail an update of the fixed version to the person who reported the bug (if you give me permission to send you a binary attachment).

In order to fix bugs I have to be able to reproduce them on my own machines, and to do that I need as much information as possible about your machine, and exactly what you have to do to demonstrate the bug. It's not much good telling me "Your *@%! program crashes on me!", what I need to know is that if the program is run on a G3 Powerbook under OS 9.0.4 it crashes when you try to play a particular tune with the Highlight Note Played option on, and I need a copy of the abc to work on.

Before you report a bug, please read the appropriate section of the documentation - you may find the answer there. In particular, if a particular tune won't play or display properly, read through the Bad Tunes file, which contains lots of examples of tunes which display mysterious errors.

Here are a few things which I have not been able to fix in time for this release.

Known bugs

Error checking.
Error checking may very rarely report a spurious bar check error on bars which contain multiple triplets. It's caused by rounding errors in calculating the lengths of the notes.

Ties into or out of beamed chords.
There are some situations where this may not display properly, especially where the chord and the tied note are part of the same beam.

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