News

AppTools VCL 2.0

UK company Anyware have a new version of their component suite for Delphi 3 and 4 and C++Builder 3. As well as enhancements to existing controls, five new components are included: a most recently used list, enabling and disabling capabilities for groups of controls, application setting storage, load your web browser and locate a URL and hyperlinks. Enhanced controls include wizards, tip of the day forms, splash screens and file browsing. AppTools includes detailed examples, full source and help. Visit www.anyware.co.uk/anyware/apptools for a free trial version. The suite costs $30.

Component Developer Kit 4.0

Eagle Software have updated their package of code generation and code modification wizards, which are now fully integrated with Delphi 4. With CDK you can build most types of components, including: descending, composite, business, linking, embedded, and dialog components, as well as property editors, component editors and packages. The CDK package wizard automatically separates and maintains runtime code and design-time code, so users are free to focus on the essence of class design, instead of the tedious specifics and syntax of how to build a component. Existing Delphi code can also be modified: a

modification engine parses existing code and includes new code directly. The CDK ships with 34 templates to ease complex coding tasks, plus a wizard for creating custom CDK Templates.

Included in the package is online help and a 300-page printed manual. The 'Mr CDK' intelligent agent also watches user activity, providing advice and solutions. The CDK costs $289 direct from Eagle Software, or check with your dealer for local pricing. Visit www.eagle-software.com for more information or call +1 310 441 4096.

Web Hosting For Delphi Users

UK company European Software Developers now offers website hosting services, with special emphasis on those running Delphi-developed web applications. Software available includes HREF Tools' WebHub and SQL RDBMS. Email internet@eurosoft.com for more details, visit www.eurosoft.com or call Richard Smith on +44 (0)1203 531192.

MultLang Suite 2.1

Lingscape have announced a new version of their globalisation tool for Delphi and C++Builder, targeting general, intermediate and advanced developers involved in international projects. Wizards and machine translation are used to make internationalisation easier. Based on the Unicode standard, it uses a conversion engine to provide support for languages including Japanese, Chinese, Arabic, Hebrew and Russian, as well as all European languages.

MultLang allows developers to produce one EXE for each language, or optionally link multi-language support into a single EXE. A migration utility is now included to collect and re-use globalisations made from other products or implementations, such as the Inprise Delphi Translation Suite. The product also supports locks, to ensure that multiple developers can work in Delphi and C++Builder at the same time as well as in the Language Workshop tool.

UK Delphi Developers Conference

The **UK Inprise/Borland User Group** and **The Delphi Magazine** are creating a major conference for professional users of Delphi. The two-day DCon will be held at a location close to London's Gatwick Airport on September 20th and 21st, 1999.

Speakers will be leading international exponents of Delphi from the UK, Europe and USA and have all been especially chosen for their technical expertise and presentation skills. DCon will have three subject tracks: *Essentials*, *Advanced* and *In Application*.

The essence of the conference is leading-edge technical excellence at an affordable price, with the entire event focussed on enhancing and consolidating professional developers' skills. *Whatever you do, don't miss this event!*

More information will be available soon, but meanwhile email enquiries should be directed to dcon@richplum.co.uk

MultLang Suite 2.1 costs $998 direct from Lingscape. Visit www.lingscape.com to download a fully working trial version.

Raize Components II

Raize Software Solutions have a new version of their library of controls for Delphi and C++Builder. Author and company president Ray Konopka said 'Every component in the product has been enhanced. Plus, we've added more than 30 brand new components to the collection, bringing the total to over 80.' New components include `TRzCheckTree`, `TRzBackground`, `TRzButton` and `TRzEditListBox`. Of the existing controls, `TRzSplitter` defines a new `FixedPane` property, which specifies which pane of the splitter will remain fixed in size as the entire component is resized, plus a `HotSpot` region on the splitter bar that when clicked causes the bar to immediately reposition itself to one side. Also new are frame styles: every edit field, list box, combo box, tree view, and list view control has properties that affect the appearance of the component's border, with ten styles to choose from.

Raize Components II provides support for Delphi versions 1, 3 and 4, and C++Builder 3. Complete source code is included. The cost is $249 when purchased direct from Raize. Visit www.raize.com or email sales@raize.com for details.

Eagle reAct 4.0

Eagle Software have a new version of their component test program generator, now compatible with Delphi 4. Users can dynamically create and destroy instances of a test component, view and change properties, and see the effects of those changes on the test component immediately at runtime. Users can visually see events as they occur (control panel lights flash whenever corresponding events are triggered). Built-in streaming tests make it easy to verify the component's ability to save and load its state information to a file.

The software costs $139 direct from Eagle Software, or check with your dealer for local pricing. Visit www.eagle-software.com for more information or call +1 310 441 4096.

Live eSeminars

HREF Tools are running live eSeminars using U-VU Network's Internet Conference Service Software. U-VU was built with HREF's WebHub product and enables the presenter to broadcast a live, interactive presentation while participants watch visual screens and listen to an audio stream. Online participants log in, see the slide show, listen to the presenter, ask questions by typing them in, and chat (using text) with other users before and after the presentation.

The presentations run for about an hour and relate to web development using HREF's WebHub products and utilities. The new series, WebHub Tech Talk Radio, runs every two weeks and the WebHub Sizzle presentations on WebHub, also air regularly.

Visit www.href.com/present for more information and a complete schedule.