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### WebHub EEP 8.5 Ships

HREF Tools continue to enhance their WebHub product for development of Internet/Intranet applications in Delphi. Version 8.5 claims to eliminate most custom cgi programming. It's compatible with most Web server software and now features persistent database connections making it easier and quicker for users of your applications to move through multiple datasets. Grids have been enhanced and support for FrontPage and other popular HTML editors has been added. Cookies, JavaScript and HTML Frames support has been enhanced. For more details visit <http://www.href.com>

## News

### MemorySleuth & Orpheus 2.1

TurboPower Software of Colorado, USA, have announced a new debugging tool for Delphi 2 developers. MemorySleuth tracks memory and resource allocation problems,

reporting the line number in the source where the problem occurred. In addition, the program provides details of peak resource usage and other application statistics. The cost is \$49 direct from TurboPower.

Also new is version 2.1 of the popular Orpheus component collection, which has 6 new database

## From The Editor

Welcome (at last!) to the August issue. We moved into new offices at the beginning of July and as a consequence lost about 2 weeks from our normal schedule, so this month's magazine is a little later than usual. Sorry for the delay, but I'm sure you will find the contents worth waiting for. One thing is sure, after going through the stress and sore muscles of one office move I'm certainly in no mood to think of another one for a very long time!

Our new address and phone/fax numbers are shown above. We have made arrangements for any mail sent to our old address to be forwarded without delay. There is a messaging service on our old fax/phone line and also faxes can still be received on that line. So, if you've sent anything to us by mail or fax don't worry that it will get to us ok - it will.

### Borland Woes

As most of you will know by now, Borland announced that it expects to report a substantial operating loss for the quarter ended 30th June, and also that Gary Wetsel had resigned from his position as CEO. The company is currently looking for a new CEO. Personally, I very much hope that someone with good solid experience in the software tools industry is chosen, who understands Borland's products. Apparently, although Wetsel was put forward as the financial man behind Borland's

re-organisation, the input actually came from external consultants. I hope that this time Borland gets a CEO with his *own* solid practical ideas. UK readers will know what I mean when I say that I rank business and management consultants somewhere down with (real) estate agents... The technical people at Borland are first rate, what's needed in my opinion is to leave them doing what they do best and get a really solid management team in place.

The cause of the loss was poorer than expected sales of C++ 5.0 and Delphi 2 in the USA, especially Delphi Desktop (a product with an unclear position in the market, which is another way of saying "drop it guys"). In Europe, we understand that sales of Delphi 2 have met expectations and Borland is doing well. It seems certain that the take-up of Windows 95 has been nothing like what was expected by some industry watchers. Given that it's really just a 16-bit system with some 32-bit kludges are you surprised?

But things are by no means all doom and gloom. The good performance in Europe is encouraging and we all know Delphi is an absolute belter of a product. Old hands typically say that Borland has had its ups and downs ever since it began, so what's new? Whatever happens to Borland, Delphi's future is surely secure.

**Chris Frizelle, Editor**

### Telephony Makes CTI Simple

Computer Telephony Integration (CTI) is a growing area of interest and UK company Exepos Software Solutions have released Telephony Toolbox to make it easier to 'CTI-enable' your applications. It is compatible with both the TAPI and TSAPI standards and comes as a Delphi 2 component, 16- and 32-bit DLL, VBX and OCX. The cost is £350 plus shipping and VAT. For more information contact QBS on +44 (0)181 956 8000, Fax: +44 (0)181 956 8010 or download a trial copy from their bulletin board on +44 (0)181 956 8011.

### Intranet '96

It's that Intra.. word again! The UK is now to get its first dedicated Intranet conference and exhibition courtesy of IT Events. The dates are 2nd to 4th October and the venue will be Olympia in London. The event runs in parallel with the Windows NT '96 exhibition and conference at the same location, forecast to attract 12,000 visitors. Those serious about 32-bits seem to be turning to NT in droves.

Call Simon Rogers on +1 (0)1256 381456 for details if you want to exhibit or visit.

### Raize Components for Delphi

Raize Software Solutions, Inc. has announced this new collection of over 40 components for both Delphi 1 and 2. They include a splitter, custom scroll/track bars (with standard thumb styles, owner-draw tick marks and custom thumbs), toolbar creation, status bars, a MAPI compliant mail control (for Windows 95 logo compliance), over 10 data-aware components, 3D labels and list boxes with speed searching, etc.

The package's 'chief architect' is Ray Konopka, author of the popular book *Developing Custom Delphi Components*, which should say a lot about the quality of the package (Dr. Bob raves about the book). Demo programs can be downloaded from <http://www.raize.com> or CompuServe (GO DELPHI or BDELPHI32). For more information send email to [sales@raize.com](mailto:sales@raize.com) or call +1 630 717 7217.

### MemDB

HyperAct now have an in-memory database package available for Delphi, which allows you to have all the flexibility of database access as an alternative to conventional data structures. The product needs no DLLs etc, it's pure VCL, and costs \$249 in the USA. Visit <http://www.hyperact.com> to get a demo or call +1 515 987 2910.

### xExpert Debugging Terminal

From Fabula Tools of Germany (Stefan Boether is the person you will know) this DLL integrates a debugging terminal into the Delphi 2 IDE, which allows you to send messages and watch variable values

more easily. For information call +49 4131 55041 or Fax: +49 4131 52495 or email [stefc@fabula.com](mailto:stefc@fabula.com)

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### Borland IntraBuilder

Just as you'd got used to 'Internet' being the buzz word on everyone's lips, suddenly it's all old hat and there's a new game in town: *Intranet*. For those who are too busy with real projects to keep up with the latest fashions [*wry smile*], an Intranet is basically a company-internal version of the World Wide Web, used as a means of disseminating company information. Like an internal bulletin board system I guess (so just as the writer of Ecclesiastes said, there's nothing new under the sun...).

Well, quick to leap on any handy bandwagons in a bid to make a buck [*boy, you are getting cynical Chris*], Borland have just announced IntraBuilder, "...the only tools that lets you create live data-driven Web-based solutions with point & click ease" it says here. The product was demo'd at the Borland Developers Conference at Anaheim and looks very much like Delphi, with forms-based development and reusable Javascript components, plus Java applets, and an emphasis on database links. Active-X is supported.

You can get more details and a pre-release evaluation copy from Borland's Web site at <http://borland.com>