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News

Award-Winning Site Developed Using Delphi

Systematic Marketing, a London-based software development company, have won the 1998 Inprise UK Application of the Year award for their development of The National Trust website.

The site uses the pre-release version of Systematic's WebPack server software, developed in Delphi. WebPack provides the National Trust site with features including e-commerce, date-driven press releases and event information and the ability to take donations online. From the National Trust's side, WebPack enables them to manage and update the shop and information using the web, with detailed access statistics by page and user.

Information about the site can be found at www.sysmarketing.co.uk/delphi/, the National Trust site itself is at www.nationaltrust.org.uk and you can visit www.systematicmarketing.com for further information on Systematic Marketing.

LEADTOOLS Components For Delphi

LEAD Technologies, the US-based provider of imaging toolkits have announced that their LEADTOOLS product will be available in native Delphi component form, as well as the existing ActiveX format. Visit www.leadtools.com or talk to their

UK distributor Contemporary Software on +44 (0)1344 873434.

MULTILIZER Language Manager 4.0

Innoview Data Technologies is now shipping this new software component with all editions of its MULTILIZER internationalisation product.

Language Manager administers the language and locale data and the new version emphasises project maintenance issues and enterprise-wide re-use of translation work. Complete with wizards, its glossary-based translation technology also ensures linguistic consistency. There are glossaries in 24 languages, covering the translations of most common GUI elements. Visit <http://usa.multilizer.com/lm> for more information.

AdaptAccounts New Flavours

The folks at Adapt Accounts have been keeping busy developing their accounting application framework for Delphi developers.

AdaptAccounts 6.7 for InterBase has now been released, which uses InterBase 5 as the database platform and is compatible with Delphi 4. Amongst the advanced features are additional functionality in sales analysis, general ledger allocations, budget encumbrance reporting, bank reconciliation and cheque writing, together with substantial performance enhancements.

There are more new versions in the pipeline too. Now that SQL Server 7 is released, we understand that AdaptAccounts 6.7 for

SQL Server should be out any time now. AdaptAccounts 6 for Oracle has been going through beta testing and should be released shortly.

Visit www.adapta.com or call Adapt +1 250 658 8484 for more information.

UnitOOPS OLE Drag And Drop Components

UnitOOPS Software has released v1.29 of this set of four components that allow a Delphi or C++Builder application to be the source or the target of inter-application drag and drop of text, images and user-defined data. The developers claim almost no user code is required and the components trigger events you can handle in your code to get more control over the drag and drop process.

You can drag text, pictures (either bitmaps or metafiles) and user-defined data formats to other applications. You can accept plain text, file lists, RTF, HTML, URL links, bitmaps, DIBs, metafiles and user-defined data formats. You can even drag and drop live OLE links. All content is encapsulated in Delphi-style objects (for example graphical content is always in a TPicture, text is always in a Delphi string or TStringList).

Delphi 3 and 4 and C++Builder 3 are supported. A trial version of the components is available at www.unitoops.com and includes the source code for the sample applications. The cost per developer is \$25, or \$75 with source. The components may be ordered online.

ImageLib DICOM New From SkyLine

ImageLib DICOM is a royalty free component for Delphi which supports the DICOM medical imaging format recently approved by the FDA in the USA.

ImageLib supports DICOM 3 and will read in DICOM images and animations from any machine compatible with the DICOM 3 standard. It is currently a read only tool that can be used to view DICOM images, as well as Patient, Study and Technical information. A read

and write version of ImageLib DICOM will soon be available. ImageLib DICOM must be run with ImageLib Corporate Suite 4.

The read only Component is \$899 and for read and write the cost is \$1499. A demo version is available for download at

ftp://skylinetools.com/pub/
download/dicomdem/dicodemo.zip

or you can visit www.imagelib.com for details.

GpProfile 1.1

Newly featured in this freeware Delphi profiler is an execution call hierarchy browser, allowing you to display all the procedures, calls from a selected procedure, timing data and so on. Other new features include syntax highlighting and a full help system.

GpProfile works with Windows 95, 98 and NT 4, has multithreaded program support and an API for profiling control. All 32-bit versions of Delphi are supported and source is included. Visit www.eccentrica.org/gabr/gpprofile/ for details of major download sites and further information.

Trainer's New Website

Brooks Associates, specialising in training for Delphi professionals, have a new web site at www.brooksassociates.com with course schedule information and descriptions. Brooks Associates are an Inprise Authorised Education Centre.

Inprise/Borland User Group Events

Upcoming events from our friends at BUG include the following.

4 February, Dublin, Ireland. A day with Mike Scott; includes: Dental Practice system case study, application architecture using OOP, OOP design patterns and upgrading to InterBase.

16 February, Manchester. Includes: upgrading to InterBase (*Phil still claims he is not getting any commission...*), plus PowerSoft AppModeller, ReportBuilder Pro and custom datasets.

23 February, Hammersmith, London. Featuring our very own Brian Long. Includes: creating classes and components and (*yes, really*) upgrading to InterBase.

2 March, COM Masterclass with Guy Smith-Ferrier, Hammersmith, London. £200 plus VAT to non-members, including lunch.

For more details of these events and/or joining the group, just call +44 (0)1980 630032 or email bug@richplum.co.uk

Delphi Developers Conference 1999

This major new conference for professional users of Delphi, organised by the **UK Inprise/Borland User Group** and **The Delphi Magazine**, will be held at a location close to London's Gatwick Airport on **September 20th and 21st, 1999.**

The speakers have been chosen for their technical expertise and presentation skills and include*:

Marco Cantu
Mark Miller

Jason Chapman
Mike Scott

Euean Garden
Steve Scott

Ray Konopka
Guy Smith-Ferrier

Brian Long
Bob Swart

The conference will have three subject tracks: *Essentials*, *Advanced* and *In Application*. Session topics will include*:

COM For The Terrified
Microsoft Transaction Server
From Flat File To Client/Server
Client/Server Fact And Fable
MIDAS

Custom Datasets
Design Patterns For The Real World
Object-Oriented Class Design
Win32 For The Fainthearted
OLE Automation

Building Web Applications
VCL Sorcery
Super Forms
CORBA
Actions And Action Lists

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.

More details coming soon: email dcon@richplum.co.uk to register for an information pack.

**Speakers and sessions are subject to change in the event of unforeseen circumstances*