News and Comment

Well it's been a long time since the last newsletter. As you may recall, we had just released DB/C DX 15.0 at that time. Nothing major has happened since then, so I decided to skip one month's newsletter. And one month turned into two, etc. Thanks to all of you who noticed and contacted me asking about our status. Yes, DB/C Software is still alive and well, providing bug fixes and support for DB/C DX and DB/C FS.

We've also been busy working on new features for DB/C DX 16. No, we don't have a date set yet for pre-release testing. I can tell you about one very significant new feature that has made it past the proof of concept, and which Joe Remes is busily working on right now. Our tentative name for that feature is the Web Browser Smart Client. What it does is it allows your existing DB/C DX GUI programs to run on any web browser. How it does it is via a Java Servlet. The existing DB/C DX Smart Client server works the same, but it communicates with the new Web Browser Java Servlet Smart Client that is running in an appropriate web server like Apache/Tomcat. A reason that we're able to accomplish this now is the maturation of the client-side DOM and JavaScript in various browsers, along with asynchronous HTTP between browsers and the servers. We'll keep you updated about how DB/C DX 16 is progressing.

We've been having more email problems with various spam storms and an aging set of software running the dbcsoftware.com server. You may have noticed it recently because of the slowness or unavailability of the dbcsoftware.com server for an hour or so every so often during the last couple of weeks. I decided to stop the automated subscription process to the dbcnets, dbctalk and dbcmarket email lists which was a huge attractor of spam. If you would like to subscribe to those lists, send me an email. To rectify the server situation, I've made the decision to move to a new server platform at a new hosting service, along with an outsourced email server. When moving to this new platform, we'll try to keep the downtime limited to the weekends. As always, if you have any problems, you can contact us at support@dbcsoftware, or contact me directly.

Thanks for your continued support of DB/C Software Company!

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DB/C DX Class Schedule

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