

Happy New Year to all our members! Hopefully by now the excesses of Christmas have worn off and you are getting back into your stride. We won't bother you too much this month – for many it is year-end time – except to ask you to put our invoice through your books...

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## Autumn 2007 Meeting

The User Group held its autumn meeting at Pride Park Stadium in Derby at the end of November. A brief report of the meeting is now on the public part of the website. Click [here](#) to read it.

Our spring meeting generated quite a bit of feedback, but this one didn't – were you all winding down for Christmas, or was it just less interesting? Any late feedback will be gladly received.

At the meeting we held the AGM, we brainstormed the future of the User Group and I was ticked off for not inviting CODA, despite their lack of interest in our May meeting.

Following the meeting, the 2007 enhancement suggestions are now on their way to CODA.

## Known Problem Report

The members' website will soon (within a few days) feature a new 'KPR' section. In this we will bring you the DUG list of Known Problem Reports. These are problems which have in all probability been reported to CODA, but which have not necessarily been sent in new builds to all users, or which (for users using older versions of Dream) users have not yet got in their version.

We'll be sending another note round shortly with details of the first few examples, and a link to the relevant part of the members' website.

## CODA Now

Following the negative responses from both Ann Fearnley and Dave Anstey to our invitation to the May meeting we didn't invite CODA to our November meeting, but following the suggestions made following Andy Plumbly's 'Report from the Council' we have written to CODA's new director of Client Services, Mr Mike McGrail.

Click [here](#) to see the letter on the members' website.

Correspondence following the May meeting is now in a separate folder under the 2007-05 meeting folder on the members' website too.

## Members' News

Do any of you want to share your news?

Please email us news or links to interesting news stories.

Go on...

## Members Updates

Back in September we sent out a request for members to update the details we keep about their organisations.

Only 19 members responded, so please, if you think your data is out of date, download and return the form.

## Membership Invoices for 2007

You should have received your 2008 membership invoice by now. We left them till after Christmas this year, because it seems a good 25% of them went missing in the post last year. However, this year...

## Hands on Sessions

At the Derby meeting, we held several short "hands-on" sessions. Some were rather more hands-on than others, and as I was only at one I can't really comment much more, except to say that they seemed to be quite well attended.

If anyone is interested in looking in more detail at the 'Data Mining' remittance program demonstrated by John Walton, please email me and I'll let you have more details about the suite of programs, or arrange to come and see you to do a more detailed presentation about it.

Mike Booty's SQL Server Reporting Services presentation from the meeting has spawned a one-day seminar at the Jarvis hotel in Solihull in March. More details on the members' website:

<http://members.dreamusers.org/default.aspx>

## CODA Later

As you will doubtlessly have seen, CODA has received an offer from Unit 4 Agresso, the Dutch software company.

According to Conspectus: *The Unit 4 Agresso group is an international developer and distributor of integrated business information and management systems and security solutions, providing secure e-business solutions to its customers.*

This has to raise some important questions from your perspective. I've put a new 'General' discussion board on the members' website. Let's get talking...

## Members' Website

We have now set up 57 individuals as users of the members' website.

Let's get some threads started on the discussion boards and if you want them publicised let me know, and I'll send an extraordinary eJournal out !

## AGM

The AGM was held at the Derby meeting.

The minutes can be seen here and the new constitution can be seen [here](#).

...congrats to Hayley from Jarvis Hotels who spotted the deliberate mistake. Your organisation's main contact should have received (earlier today) a revised print of your invoice bearing the date 02/01/2008. The paper invoices went out with the same date but last year on them. Sorry all. If you didn't get your copy please contact [info@dreamusers.org](mailto:info@dreamusers.org).

The excuse is that it's a lot quicker to mail merge the invoices then import them than to generate them individually and manually, but I forgot to update the mail merge master.

### **Object**

The objective of the DREAM User Group is to provide services to Member organisations using the DREAM accounting system produced by CODA plc. The User Group will provide information and hold meetings, and will make collective representations to CODA and others for the general benefit of the Members.

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